


<b>FROM</b>		CITY OF BALTIMORE  <b>MEMO</b>	
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SUBJECT	City Council Bill #19-0316, Supplementary General Fund Appropriation – BCIT Dept. – \$5,217,659	DATE:	

**TO**

The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
Room 400, City Hall

January 17, 2019

City Council Bill 19-0316 has been introduced for the purpose of providing a supplementary General Fund appropriation in the amount of \$5,217,659 to the Baltimore City of Information and Technology Department – Service 805: Enterprise IT Delivery Services, to provide funding for the Dispatch Console & Fire Station Alerting upgrade. The dispatch consoles are the individual workstations police and fire dispatchers utilize to communicate and direct public safety staff to and/or during emergency incidents.

The existing Gold Elite Dispatch Consoles have provided the service for First Responders within the City for 22 years (since 1996). As of December 31, 2018, Motorola cannot guarantee the support of the existing dispatch consoles. The MCC7500 Dispatch Console solution will provide enhanced features such as talkgroup and text messaging capabilities, improved system audio quality, improved system security, and a streamlined workflow. The dispatch console solution has a 6-month lead time, which means the purchase must be made as soon as possible to limit the period of time where the existing consoles will be unsupported.

The revenue appropriated per this Ordinance represents funds from the surplus in the Recordation Tax revenue.

The Department of Finance supports the passage of Council Bill 19-0316.

cc: Henry Raymond  
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