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Chair, Planning Advisory Board

October 22, 2025

The Honorable Steuart Pittman, County Executive
Anne Arundel County
Arundel Center, P.O. Box 2700
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

RE: Bill #88-25 and Bill #89-25: An Ordinance
Concerning: Capital Budget and Program

Dear County Executive Pittman:

The Planning Advisory Board (PAB) is a citizen advisory board created by §532 of the Anne Arundel County Charter. Under § 533 of the Charter, the PAB is charged with recommending the list of capital projects, along with their estimated costs, to be implemented by the County. Also under § 533, the PAB considers and transmits advisory recommendations for amendments to the Capital Budget to the County Executive through the course of the year.

The PAB met on October 22, 2025 and received an overview of Bill #88-25 and Bill #89-25 from the Office of Budget. These Ordinances are for the purpose of amending the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2026. Overall, the requests will result in a \$14.89M increase to the FY26 Capital Budget and Program; however, the bulk of the funding will come from grants and other outside funding. See the details below for more information on the requests.

The first request is to provide the Advance Land Acquisition project (C106700) a supplemental appropriation of \$1.1 million (M) of General Fund PayGo from the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) contingency fund. These funds will support acquisition of land on Shipley Avenue to develop the school transportation facilities center.

The second request is to provide the All Day K and Pre K project (E524100) an additional \$3.3 M in General County Bonds for the Carver Early Education Center. These funds are a transfer from savings realized under the Additions (E549200) project.

The third request is to reduce the Additions project by \$3.3 M. Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) completed the FY26 projects under this category and experienced savings of \$3.3 M, which will be transferred to the All Day K and Pre K project.

The fourth request is to provide the Building Systems Renovation project (E538200) a supplemental appropriation of approximately \$7.5 M of Interagency Commission on School Construction (IAC) grant funding. The IAC funding is associated with the healthy schools facility fund.

The fifth request is to provide the Maintenance Backlog project (E538300) a supplemental appropriation of approximately \$216,000 of miscellaneous funding related to bond payments.

The sixth request is to provide the Sustainability Initiatives project (E591700) a supplemental appropriation of approximately \$4.8 M of State grants and approximately \$1.3 M of miscellaneous revenues from utility rebates. The State grant funding is associated with the Decarbonizing Public Schools Program.

Following the presentation and discussion among the members of the PAB, the Board voted 5-0 to offer an advisory recommendation of approval of Bill #88-25 and Bill #89-25 .

If there are any questions regarding our recommendation, please contact Jessica Levy in the Office of Planning and Zoning, PlanningAdvisoryBoard@aacounty.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gustav S. Kurtz, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

Gustav S. Kurtz, Jr.
Chair

CC: Christine Anderson, Chief Administrative Officer, Office of the County Executive
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