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Historic St. Mary’s City Commission – Capital

Capital Budget Summary

State-owned Capital Improvement Program
(\$ in Millions)

Projects	Prior Auth.	2022 Request	2023 Est.	2024 Est.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.	Beyond CIP
Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center	\$2.637	\$4.792	\$10.846	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000
Site Improvements	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	3.000
Total	\$2.637	\$4.792	\$11.653	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$1.000	\$3.000

Fund Source	Prior Auth.	2022 Request	2023 Est.	2024 Est.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.	Beyond CIP
GO Bonds	\$2.637	\$4.792	\$10.846	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$1.000	\$3.000
Total	\$2.637	\$4.792	\$11.653	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$1.000	\$3.000

CIP: *Capital Improvement Program*
GO: general obligation

Summary of Recommended Bond Actions

1. Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center

Approve \$4.792 million in general obligation bond funding for the Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center.

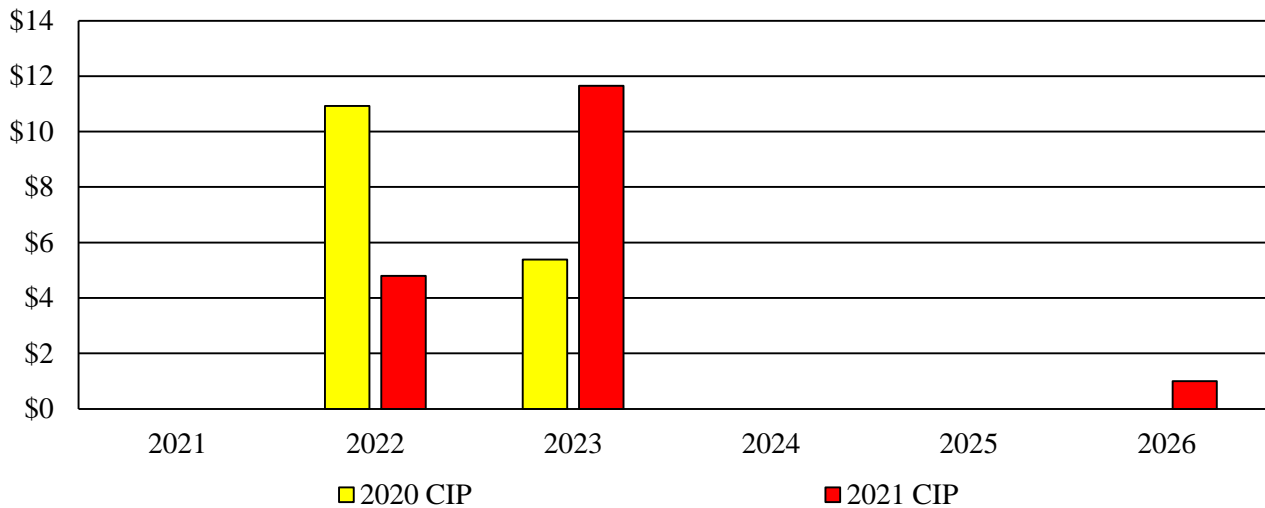
2. SECTION 13 – Historic St. Mary’s City Commission – Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center

Approve the preauthorization of \$10.846 million for the Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center in fiscal 2023.

Budget Overview

Exhibit 1 shows the programmed level of funding for the two Historic St. Mary’s City Commission (HSMCC) projects as programmed in the 2021 *Capital Improvement Program* (CIP) and compares this to what was programmed in last session’s CIP. Overall, the scheduled timing of funding for the Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center is adjusted to reflect a delay in the start of construction, and the 2021 CIP includes a new multi-year effort to address site improvement projects beginning in fiscal 2026.

Exhibit 1
Historic St. Mary’s City Commission 2020 and 2021 CIP
Fiscal 2021-2026
(\$ in Millions)



CIP: *Capital Improvement Program*

Note: 2021 CIP includes \$1 million in funding for site improvement projects programmed in fiscal 2026.

Source: Department of Budget and Management, Department of Legislative Services

Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center

The Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center project will address several deficiencies with the existing center, including its remote location that separates it from other significant interpretive sites, and inadequate exhibit, office, storage, restroom, and interpretive space. The fiscal 2022 budget provides \$4.782 million in general obligation bond funds to continue the planning and begin the construction of the project. Additionally, the budget preauthorizes \$10.846 million for fiscal 2023 to complete the construction funding phase. The project previously received \$2.6 million to fund design and, the total project cost is estimated at \$19.1 million. As noted above, the start of construction is

expected later in fiscal 2022 than was programmed last year, resulting in a revised funding plan that moves more of the construction funds into fiscal 2023 and requiring less in fiscal 2022.

Summary of Other Projects in the Capital Improvement Program

Site Improvements

This project will fund several site development projects to improve the visitor experience. A preliminary list of projects includes the following:

- repair of a 1.2 acre parking lot;
- replacement of light fixtures in parking lot;
- repair of 1.5 miles of uneven and cracked paths and adding lighting;
- replacement of damaged water fountains; and
- repair of 3.5 miles of wooded hiking trails.

The CIP programs \$1 million in fiscal 2026 to start what is presumed to be a multi-year effort estimated to require \$4 million in State funding to complete. Because HSMCC projects are not scored high enough in the Department of General Services Facility Renewal Program scoring, the commission has had to rely on its limited operating budget, fundraising, and occasional authorizations added by the legislature to address the most critical facility renewal and site development projects. In as much as the commitment programmed by the State for this purpose is relatively small, the committees may wish to consider accelerating the start of this initiative.

Operating Budget Impact Statement

Executive’s Operating Budget Impact Statement – State-owned Projects Fiscal 2022-2026 (\$ in Millions)

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center					
Estimated Operating Cost	\$0.000	\$0.025	\$0.098	\$0.101	\$0.101

GO Bond Recommended Actions

1. Approve \$4.792 million in general obligation bond funding for the Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center.
2. Approve the preauthorization of \$10.846 million for the Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center in fiscal 2023.