



Date: October 27, 2020
To: Commissioners of St. Mary's County
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett
From: Steve Walker, Director
Subject: Briefing
ALS Building – Consultant – Conceptual Design Study

History:

The ALS of St. Mary's County has requested funding from the CSMC for a building to house their operations. On January 7, 2020 the CSMC authorized funding to acquire a consultant to conduct a feasibility study on the construction of an Emergency Services Building that would authorize space for ALS and peripheral functions of the Department of Emergency Services. Mission Critical Partners was awarded this contract and conducted the study.

Summary:

Attached to this memorandum is the completed study submitted by Mission Critical Partners. Mission Critical Partners subcontracted with the Schrader Group to conduct this study. The Schrader Group is an architectural firm that provides planning, programming, and structural engineering design services. They have offices in many cities across the U.S.

This study was completed with direct assistance from the Advanced Life Support Unit of St. Mary's County. Architects conducted a series of interviews with personnel from the ALS Unit and prepared their report from information derived. Additionally, St. Mary's County Department of Public Works and Department of Information Technology have also contributed to this project.

The Architectural Group provided by the consultant found the Advance Life Support Unit of St. Mary's County currently house their operations in undersized space that is a part of a single-story office building on the campus and owned by Medstar St. Mary's Hospital. The hospital has expressed their desire to reclaim this space but have not yet provided ALS with a deadline for vacating the building. This appears to be clear indication of need for a new location for ALS to base their operations.

Notable findings in study as submitted by the consultant group:

Square Footage of Facility:	11,659	page 5 of study
Needed parking spaces:	52.....	page 6 of study
Projected Timeline:	18 months.....	page 16 of study
Total Projected Budget:	\$5,752,100.....	page 15 of study

Justification:

This study was conducted in support of Advanced Life Support of St. Mary's County.

Budget:

\$5,752,270.00 The MCP study projected \$5,752,100.00. County Engineer Gary Whipple added an additional \$170,000.00 for design and construction cost projections. Total projected amount is \$5,752,270.00.

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