

BILL NO. 35-0180

Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

October 18, 2023

An Act appropriating \$5,124,000 from the Internal Revenue Matching Fund in fiscal year September 30, 2024, for the construction and site improvements of the Paul E. Joseph Stadium Project and requiring the Virgin Islands Department of Public Works to submit status reports of the project to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands

PROPOSED BY: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr., by Request of the Governor

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. The sum of \$3,329,000 is appropriated from the Internal Revenue Matching Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, to finance the construction of the Paul E. Joseph Stadium Project. The \$3,329,000 must be expended as follows:

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| (1) | construction of a press box/announcer's booth | \$385,000 |
| (2) | construction for backs on bleachers | \$150,000 |
| (3) | construction of four additional camera locations
for the media | \$60,000 |
| (4) | installation a 750kw Site Generator | \$905,000 |
| (5) | addition of a camera platform at outfield for camera, | |

1 including roof, railings, and secure stairs \$64,000

2 (6) installation of field and concession equipment

3 allowance \$500,000

4 (7) change the outfield perimeter wall to concrete with

5 padding \$1,265,000

6 **SECTION 2.** The sum of \$1,795,000 is appropriated from the Internal Revenue

7 Matching Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, to finance the site improvements

8 of the Paul E Joseph Stadium Project. The \$1,795,000 must be expended as follows:

9 (1) change site lighting to solar \$256,000

10 (2) addition of a lawn equipment storage under the Terrance

11 Martin Softball Field bleachers \$90,000

12 (3) addition of a perimeter fence to enclose project site \$375,000

13 (4) Conditional Letter of Map Revision

14 (CLOMR) Improvements \$260,000

15 (A) 10-foot-wide drainage swale east side

16 (B) drainage swale west side

17 (C) concrete retaining wall east side

18 (D) additional site grading

19 (5) the design and addition of security cameras \$50,000

20 (6) installation of sewer manholes at the Terrance Martin

21 Softball Field \$90,000

22 (7) installation of a new duct banks for future fiber relocation \$624,000

23 (8) design for camera connections at stadium and

24 media connection panel at the parking lot \$50,000

1 **SECTION 3.** No later than 30 days after the enactment of this act, the Virgin Islands
2 Department of Public Works shall provide to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands the
3 following:

4 (1) project timelines that include a schedule of completion for the Paul E. Joseph
5 Stadium Project;

6 (2) a project budget that indicates use of all available and appropriated funding for the
7 project, not to exceed the budget amount; and

8 (3) bi-monthly project reports that include staffing reports, accounting records and
9 updated photos.

10 **SECTION 4.** The sums appropriated in section 1 and section 2 remain available until
11 expended.

12 **BILL SUMMARY**

13 The bill provides for the appropriation of \$5,124,000 from the Internal Revenue Matching
14 Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, for the construction and additional site
15 improvements to the Paul E. Joseph Stadium Project. The bill also requires the Department of
16 Public Works to submit status reports of the project to the Legislature.

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