

# Public Works & Transportation

## BOL Meeting Minutes - Final



Committee Chair: Erika Pierce

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**Wednesday, May 28, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**Committee Room**

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**Joint with B&A and PE**

### CALL TO ORDER

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*Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Hugh Greechan, Rob Abbamont (remote), Lindsay Jackson (remote), Dianne Vanadia (remote), Kathleen O'Connor, Peter Tartaglia, Robert Lopane, Steve Abbattista, Richard Markgraf, David Kvinge and Matt Castro; BOL: Legislator Benjamin Boykin, Legislator David Tubiolo, Legislator Catherine Parker (remote), Legislator David Imamura (remote), Legislator Judah Holstein, Lisa Hochman (remote), Santiago Caceres, James Silverberg and Dayana Gómez-Holguín*

**Present:** Legislator Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Williams, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

### MINUTES APPROVAL

#### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [ACT-2025-110](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-RB04B-Boston Post Road Bridge over Playland Parkway, Rye**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the County of Westchester to issue additional bonds in the amount of SIX MILLION (\$6,000,000) DOLLARS, making the total amended amount SIX MILLION, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$6,925,000) DOLLARS, to finance Capital Project RB04B - Boston Post Road Bridge over Playland Parkway, Rye.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT**

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation

Commissioner Hugh Greechan

Director of Operations (Capital Planning) Rob Abbamont

*This bond act requests \$6 Million to fund construction, construction management and related*

*costs associated with the Boston Post Road bridge over Playland Parkway in the City of Rye. In 2023, this bridge received a rating of 4.8 and is now in need of full rehabilitation. The construction will rehabilitate the stone bridge, including waterproofing and repaving, and will increase clearance for trucks in the far lanes and add larger pipes for improved drainage. Additionally, there is no anticipation of needing a detour while work is being conducted. Design for this project has been completed and construction is anticipated to take 24 months.*

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Williams Johnson, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Williams, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

2. [ACT-2025-109](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-RBR07-Bronx River Pathway Reconstruction**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the County of Westchester to issue additional bonds in the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$700,000) DOLLARS, making the amended total amount NINE MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND (\$9,430,000) DOLLARS, to finance Capital Project RBR07 - Bronx River Pathway Reconstruction.

***SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT***

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation

Commissioner Kathleen O'Connor

First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia

Director of Development II Rob Lopane

*Capital project RBR07 previously received bond authorization in the amount of \$8.73 Million for the design, construction and construction management of the Bronx River Pathway from Kensico Dam Plaza to Green Acres Avenue. This current bond act requests an additional \$700,000 to expand the scope of this project to include the design and rehabilitation of the pathway from Crane Road South to Scout Field, bringing the project's total projected cost to \$9.43 Million. Design for this project will be done by in-house staff and a consultant, with a completion timeline of 18 months, and construction is also anticipated to take 18 months afterwards.*

On motion of Legislator Williams, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Williams, Legislator Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

3. [RES-2025-65](#) **ENV RES-RP02A-Ice Casino Improvements II**

AN ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION determining that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment in connection with Capital Project RP02A - Ice Casino Improvements II.

***SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT***

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation  
Commissioner Kathleen O'Connor  
First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia  
Director of Development II Rob Lopane

*This item was discussed in conjunction with the following item #2025-192, consisting of an environmental resolution and a bond act requesting \$40.092 Million for the construction, construction management and related costs for the Ice Casino in Playland Park.*

*The Ice Casino was originally designed in 1927, built in 1929 and last rehabilitated in 2014 after Super Storm Sandy. It has not received meaningful work in decades, when rinks were added in the 70s. Design for this project began 17 years ago, but it did not move in part because of significant damage from Superstorm Sandy, which led to emergency work on the barrel roof in 2013/14. There has been no other work done since then. We now have to address vast deterioration of multiple areas, leading to a need for extensive work including: rusted pipes, damage from flooding and drainage issues, all facilities including heating and cooling and systems responsible for creation of and maintenance of ice, in addition to upgrading the aesthetics of the interior while adding amenities for efficiency. Some areas have been closed for years because of the deterioration. The project will update everything including locker rooms, lighting, chillers, etc, and move some systems outside. The consultants have done everything they can to make this venue as energy efficient as possible. Goal to bring back one of the most important year-round recreational facility in the county. Will now be able to provide skating in the summer, if wanted, plus the return of parties and team practice space. The space is soon to be 100 years old and is an historic landmark.*

*Discussions included the agreement with the American Skating Academy stating that they would cover repairs when needed. Questions were asked about anticipated revenue once the project was completed and the Ice Casino was returned to its full usage.*

On motion of Legislator Williams, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Williams and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**WO Prejudice:** Legislator Williams Johnson

#### **4. [ACT-2025-118](#) BOND ACT(Amended)-RP02A-Ice Casino Improvements II**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of an additional FORTY MILLION, NINETY-TWO THOUSAND (\$40,092,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project RP02A - Ice Casino Improvements II.

***SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT***

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation  
Commissioner Kathleen O'Connor  
First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia  
Director of Development II Rob Lopane

*Please see previous item for discussion #2025-191.*

On motion of Legislator Williams, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by

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committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Williams and Legislator  
Woodson-Samuels

**WO Prejudice:** Legislator Williams Johnson

## **II. OTHER BUSINESS**

## **III. RECEIVE & FILE**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Legislator Williams, seconded by Legislator Williams Johnson, the Committee adjourned at 12:21pm.