

George Latimer County Executive

May 5, 2023

Westchester County Board of Legislators 800 Michaelian Office Building White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is a bond act (the "Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to issue bonds in the amount of \$600,000 to finance the following capital project:

SBB87 - Sewer System Rehabilitation - Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer System ("SBB87).

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$600,000, would fund design associated with the rehabilitation or replacement of pipe and the addition or replacement of manholes for a sewer line located in Rye.

The Department of Environmental Facilities (the "Department") has advised that this project will investigate a 16-inch sewer line, acquired by the County in 1927, for possible pipe rehabilitation or replacement and manhole additions or replacements due to the age and condition of the sewer line. The manhole additions or replacements will be performed to bring the sewer line up to County Standards and to allow better access for cleaning and maintenance.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and is anticipated to take nine (9) months to complete and will be completed by consultants. It is estimated that construction will take twelve (12) months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts, subject to your Honorable Board's approval of construction funding.

The Planning Department has advised that based on its review, the above-referenced capital project has been classified as a "Type II" action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617. Therefore, no further environmental review is required. As you know, your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to reach its own conclusion.

Based on the importance of this project to the County, favorable action on the proposed Bond Act is respectfully requested.

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Sincerely,

County Executive

HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee is in receipt of a bond act (the "Bond Act") in the amount of \$600,000, which, if adopted by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to finance Capital Project SBB87 – Sewer System Rehabilitation - Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer System ("SBB87").

The Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm of Norton Rose Fulbright US, LLP, will fund design associated with the rehabilitation or replacement of pipe and the addition or replacement of manholes for a sewer line located in Rye.

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Part 617. Therefore, no further environmental review is required. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this conclusion.

It should be noted that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to adopt the Bond Act. Your Committee recommends the adoption of the proposed Bond Act.

Dated: , 2023 White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT	#: <u>SBB87</u>	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED						
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT To Be Completed by Budget								
GENERAL FUN	D AIRPORT FUND	X SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND						
	Source of County Funds (check one):	X Current Appropriations						
4		Capital Budget Amendment						
	SECTION B - BONDING AUT To Be Completed by R							
Total Principa	S 600,000 PPU	5 Anticipated Interest Rate 2.61%						
Anticipated A	nnual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 130,903						
Total Debt Ser	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 654,515						
Finance Depar	tment: Interest rates from May 3, 20	23 Bond Buyer - ASBA						
	SECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUDG To Be Completed by Submitting Departme							
Potential Rela	ted Expenses (Annual): \$	•						
Potential Rela	Potential Related Revenues (Annual): \$ -							
	Anticipated savings to County and/or impact of department operations (describe in detail for current and next four years):							
	SECTION D - EMPLO	And the control of th						
As per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of appropriation funds one FTE Job Number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded: 6								
	SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN	WORK PROVIDER						
County Staff	X Consultant	Not Applicable						
Prepared by:	Joe Brown							
Title:	Capital Program Coordinator	Reviewed By:						
Department:	DEF	NSIUNA Budget Director						
Date:	5/3/23	Date: 5 4 3						



Memorandum Department of Planning

TO:

Michelle Greenbaum, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Jeffrey Goldman, Senior Assistant County Attorney Carla Chaves, Senior Assistant County Attorney

FROM:

David S. Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM

Assistant Commissioner

DATE:

April 28, 2023

SUBJECT:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:

SBB87 Sewer System Rehabilitation - Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer System

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on

04-06-2023 (Unique ID: 2138)

With respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Planning Department recommends that no further environmental review is required for the proposed action, because the project or component of the project for which funding is requested may be classified as a **TYPE II action** pursuant to section(s):

617.5(c)(27): conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action.

COMMENTS: The current request is for design only.

DSK/dvw

cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff

Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive

Lawrence Soule, Budget Director

Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney

C.J. Gelardo, Associate Engineer, Department of Environmental Facilities

Joseph Brown, Capital Program Coordinator, Department of Environmental Facilities

Dianne Vanadia, Senior Budget Analyst

Kelly Sheehan, Assistant Commissioner

Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner

Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner

ACT	NO.	-	2023

BOND ACT DATED , 2023.

A BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$600,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, TO PAY DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COSTS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF PIPES AND MANHOLES IN AND FOR THE COUNTY'S BLIND BROOK SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the capital project hereinafter described has been duly approved in the adopted capital budget for the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the plan for the financing of the estimated maximum cost of such capital project, as hereinafter set forth in this Bond Act, is in conformity with such capital budget; and

WHEREAS, all other conditions precedent to the financing of the capital project hereinafter described, including compliance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act to the extent required, have been performed; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the financing of the cost of such capital project allocable to the County's Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer District; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York (the "County"), by the affirmative vote of not less than two thirds of the entire voting strength thereof, as follows:

Section 1. For paying the \$600,000 estimated maximum cost of design and construction management for the rehabilitation of pipes and manholes in and for the Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer District, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$600,000 bonds of said County pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law. To the extent that the details of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes set forth in this Bond Act are inconsistent with any details set forth in the current Capital Budget of the County, such Budget shall be deemed and is hereby amended to the extent inconsistent herewith.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is \$600,000, and that the plan for the financing thereof is by the issuance of the \$600,000 bonds of said County authorized to be issued pursuant to this Bond Act.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is five years, pursuant to subdivision sixty-two of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Commissioner of Finance, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. To the extent not paid from the assessment of properties assessable for this purpose in the County's Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer District, as allocated by the County, or other sources, there shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said County a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 6. Such bonds shall be in fully registered form and shall be signed in the name of the County by the manual or facsimile signature of the Commissioner of Finance and a facsimile of the corporate seal shall be imprinted or impressed thereon and may be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the County Clerk.

Section 7. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance, who shall

advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as said Commissioner of Finance shall deem best for the interests of the County; including, but not limited to, the power to sell said bonds to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the Commissioner of Finance shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the Commissioner of Finance shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 8. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby further delegated the power to authorize the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized pursuant to this Bond Act (a) at a discount in the manner authorized by paragraphs e and f of Section 57.00 of the Local Finance Law, (b) at private sale pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Local Finance Law and any regulations of the New York State Comptroller appertaining thereto, including the private sale of bonds at a premium, (c) as capital appreciation bonds or term bonds at public sale or private sale pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Local Finance Law and any regulations of the New York State Comptroller appertaining thereto, and (d) at a variable rate of interest in the manner authorized by Section 54.90 of the Local Finance Law, including notes issued in anticipation thereof. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to enter into such agreements as said Commissioner of Finance shall determine reasonable and necessary to facilitate the issuance, sale, resale and, or repurchase of such bonds or notes pursuant to the provisions of Section 54.90 of the Local Finance Law. Such bonds and, or notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Commissioner of Finance.

Section 9. The power to issue and sell notes to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation pursuant to Section 169.00 of the Local Finance Law is hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents as may be

prescribed by said Commissioner of Finance consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 10. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby further authorized, at the sole discretion of the Commissioner of Finance, to execute a project financing and loan agreement, and any other agreements with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and/or the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, including amendments thereto, and including any instruments (or amendments thereto) in the effectuation thereof, in order to effect the financing or refinancing of the class of objects or purposes described in Section 1 hereof, or a portion thereof, by a bond, and, or note issue of said County in the event of the sale of same to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation.

Section 11. The intent of this Bond Act is to give the Commissioner of Finance sufficient authority to execute those applications, agreements, instruments or to do any similar acts necessary to effect the issuance of the aforesaid bonds and, or notes without resorting to further action of this Board of Legislators.

Section 12. All other matters, except as provided herein relating to such bonds, including determining whether to issue such bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service and all matters related thereto, prescribing whether manual or facsimile signatures shall appear on said bonds, prescribing the method for the recording of ownership of said bonds, appointing the fiscal agent or agents for said bonds, providing for the printing and delivery of said bonds (and if said bonds are to be executed in the name of the County by the facsimile signature of the Commissioner of Finance, providing for the manual countersignature of a fiscal agent or of a designated official of the County), the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, place or places of payment, and also including the consolidation with other issues, shall be determined by the Commissioner of Finance. It is hereby determined that it is to the financial advantage of the County not to impose and collect from registered owners of such bonds any charges for mailing, shipping and insuring bonds transferred or exchanged by the fiscal agent, and,

accordingly, pursuant to paragraph c of Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, no such charges shall be so collected by the fiscal agent. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals in addition to those required by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Commissioner of Finance shall determine.

Section 13. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said County is not authorized to expend money, or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this Bond Act are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 14. This Bond Act shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 - 2. Other than as specified in this Bond Act, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 15. This Bond Act, which shall take effect immediately in accordance with the provisions of Section 33.10 of the Local Finance Law and as provided in Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter, shall be published in summary form in the official newspaper of said County for purposes of this Bond Act, together with a notice of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

The foregoing Bond Act was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:
AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
The Bond Act was thereupon declared duly adopted.
* * *
APPROVED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Date: 2023

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Legislators of said County, including the Bond Act contained therein, held on ________, 2023, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that said meeting was (i) open to the general public pursuant to Section 103 of the Public Officers Law or (ii) conducted in conformance with Section 103-a of the Public Officers Law.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, <u>PRIOR</u> to the time of said meeting, I duly caused a public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be given to the following newspapers and/or other news media as follows:

Newspaper and/or Other News Media

Date Given

I FURTHER CERTIFY that <u>PRIOR</u> to the time of said meeting, I duly caused public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be conspicuously posted in the following designated public location(s) on the following dates:

Designated Location(s) of Posted Notice

Date of Posting

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I Board of Legislators on	I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County, 2023.
	Clerk of the County Board of Legislators
	of the County of Westchester, New York

(CORPORATE SEAL)

LEGAL NOTICE

of Legislators on, 2023 and the be hereafter contested only if suc which the County of Westchester, i or if the provisions of law which sho this Notice were not substantially such validity is commenced within	which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board, 2023 and approved by the County Executive on validity of the obligations authorized by such Bond Act may the obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for not the State of New York, is not authorized to expend money ould have been complied with as of the date of publication of complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting not twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such tion of the provisions of the Constitution.
inspection during normal business I	ond Act summarized herewith shall be available for public hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators of ork, for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of
ACT NO2023	
COUNTY OF WESTCHE CONSTRUCTION MANAGE	NG THE ISSUANCE OF \$600,000 BONDS OF THE STER, NEW YORK, TO PAY DESIGN AND EMENT COSTS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF IN AND FOR THE COUNTY'S BLIND BROOK CT.
class of objects or purposes:	design and construction management costs for the rehabilitation of pipes and manholes in and for the Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer District
period of probable usefulness:	five years
amount of obligations to be issued:	\$600,000
Dated:, 2023 White Plains, New York	
-	Clerk of the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York



CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:* SBB87					Fact Sheet Date:* 01-23-2023			
Fact Sheet Year:*	Proi	ect Title:*		1	_egislativ	e District	ID.	
2023	SEW BLI	SEWER SYSTEM REHABILITATION - 3, 7, 6, 4 BLIND BROOK SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM				- B-1311161	127	
Category*	Depa	rtment:*		(CP Uniqu	e ID:		
SEWER AND WATER DISTRIC	CTS ENV	IRONMENTAL FA	CILITIES		138			
Overall Project Description								
This project will investigate a 16- rehabilitation or replacement and additions or replacements will be maintenance.	manhole additi	ons or replacements	due to the	age and	condition	of the sew	er line. Th	e manhole
☐ Best Management Practices	□ En	ergy Efficiencies		×] Infrastru	cture		
☐ Life Safety	□ Pro	oject Labor Agreem	ent		Revenue	:		
☐ Security	□ Ot	her						
FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROG	RAM (in thou	sands)						
	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Under Review
Gross	2,100	0	600	1,500	0	0	0	(
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0:	0	0	0	C
Net	2,100	0	600	1.500	0	0	0	(
Current Bond Description: The replacement of pipe and manhole Financing Plan for Current Requirement	is request will padditions or rep	provide design fundi	ng for this e age and	project, t condition	he work w of the sew	vill include ver line.	e the rehat	ilitation or
Non-County Shares:		\$ 0						
Bonds/Notes:		600,000						
Cash:		0						
Total:		\$ 600,000						
SEQR Classification: TYPE II								
Amount Requested: 600,000								
Comments:								
Energy Efficiencies:								
Appropriation History:								
Year	Amount			Des	cription			
2023	600,00	00 DESIGN			-			
Total Appropriation History: 600,000								
Total Financing History:								

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Recommended By:

Department of Planning

WBB4

Date 04-06-2023

Department of Public Works

RJB4

Date

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Budget Department

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Date

04-10-2023

Requesting Department

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Date

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SEWER SYSTEM REHABILITATION - BLIND BROOK SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM (SBB87)

User Department:

Environmental Facilities

Managing Department(s):

Environmental Facilities;

Estimated Completion Date:

TBD

Planning Board Recommendation: Project approved in concept but subject to subsequent staff review.

FIVE YEAR CAPITAL P	ROGRAM (in thousands)							
	Est Ult Cost Appropriated	Exp / Obl	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Under Review
Gross	2,100		600	1,500				
Non County Share								
Total	2,100		600	1,500				

Project Description

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Current Year Description

The current year request funds design.

Current Year	Financing Plan			
Year	Bonds	Cash	Non County Shares	Total
2023	600,000			600,000

Impact on Operating Budget

The impact on the District Operating Budget is the debt service associated with the issuance of bonds.