

George Latimer County Executive

October 12, 2021

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 an amended Bond Act ("Amended Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to issue additional bonds in the amount of \$4,050,000 to finance the following capital project:

RGC12 - Dunwoodie Golf Course Facility Improvements ("RGC12").

The Amended Bond Act, in the total amount of \$4,400,000 which includes \$350,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County, would finance the cost of construction of a new maintenance garage at the County's Dunwoodie Golf Course, including construction management.

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation ("Department") has advised that the maintenance facility is old and inadequate by today's standards. The building has not undergone any physical upgrades since its construction in 1955. The facility was identified in the 2004 Park's Master Plan as being inadequate in size and in need of enlargement to accommodate existing and future uses. Large equipment and materials are currently stored outdoors, which impacts the life span of those pieces. The new facility will enable the Department to store the equipment indoors.

Design is currently being completed by a consultant and is expected to be completed by the fourth quarter of 2021. Construction is estimated to take fourteen months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized the County to issue bonds to finance RGC12 as follows: Bond Act No. 52-2013 in the amount of \$350,000 was authorized to finance the design phase of RGC12. These bonds have not been sold. Accordingly, it is now requested that Bond Act No. 52-2013 be amended to increase the total amount authorized by \$4,050,000, for a total authorized amount, as amended, of \$4,400,000, to revise the scope of Bond Act No. 52-2013 to include work associated with the construction phase of the project and to increase the period of probable usefulness of said bonds.

The Planning Department has advised that based on its review, RGC12 has been classified as an "Unlisted" action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR"). A Resolution, and Office of the County Executive

proposed Negative Declaration, along with a Short Environmental Assessment Form, prepared by the Planning Department, are attached to assist your Honorable Board in complying with SEQR. Should your Honorable Board conclude that the proposed action will not have any significant impact on the environment; it must approve the Resolution adopting the Negative Declaration prior to enacting the aforementioned Amended Bond Act. 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 Amended Bond Act is respectfully requested.

Sincerely.

George Latimer County Executive

Attachments

## HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee is in receipt of an amended bond act ("Amended Bond Act") in the total amount of \$4,400,000 which includes \$350,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County of Westchester ("County") to finance Capital Project RGC12 – Dunwoodie Golf Course Facility Improvements ("RGC12"). The Amended Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm Harris Beach, PLLC, is required to finance the cost of construction of a new maintenance garage at the County's Dunwoodie Golf Course, including construction management.

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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 Amended Bond Act. Your Committee recommends the adoption of the proposed Amended Bond Act.

Dated:

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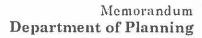
White Plains, New York

**COMMITTEE ON** 

C:MG/4-27-21

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

CAPITAL PROJECT #	t:RGC12	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED			
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT To Be Completed by Budget					
GENERAL FUNI	D AIRPORT FUND	SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND			
	Source of County Funds (check one):	X Current Appropriations			
e.		Capital Budget Amendment			
ž	SECTION B - BONDING AL  To Be Completed by	2 52 10-951			
Total Principal	and the second decision of the second decisio				
Anticipated Ar	nnual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 460,297			
Total Debt Ser	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 4,602,970			
Finance Depar	tment: Interest rates from Septemb	per 30, 2021 Bond Buyer - ASBA			
S	ECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUI To Be Completed by Submitting Departm				
Potential Relat	ted Expenses (Annual): \$	-			
	ed Revenues (Annual): \$	- El			
	vings to County and/or impact of depart	****			
	etail for current and next four years):	unent operations			
Δο	SECTION D - EMPL				
As per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of appropriation funds one FTE Job  Number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded:  48					
SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN WORK PROVIDER					
County Staff	X Consultant	Not Applicable			
Prepared by: Ken Uhle		0			
Title:	Program Coord. Capital Planning PRC	Reviewed By:			
Department:	DPW&T	Budget Director			
Date:	10/7/21	Date: [38]			





TO:

Michelle Greenbaum, Assistant County Attorney

Jeffrey Goldman, Assistant County Attorney

FROM:

David S. Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM

Director of Environmental Planning

DATE:

September 30, 2021

SUBJECT:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT

RGC12 DUNWOODIE GOLF COURSE FACILITY IMPRIVOEMENTS

The Planning Department has reviewed the above referenced capital project (Fact Sheet Unique ID# 1643) in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (SEQR).

Pursuant to SEQR, this project has been classified as an Unlisted action. The County is the only involved agency with discretionary authority and, therefore, must serve as lead agency. A Short Environmental Assessment Form has been prepared for the project for consideration by the Board of Legislators.

Please contact me if you require any additional information regarding this document.

#### DSK/cnm

Att.

cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff

Kathleen O'Connor, Commissioner of Parks Recreation and Conservation

Peter Tartaglia, First Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of Parks, Recreation and Conservation

Gideon Grande, Deputy Budget Director

Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive

Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney

Lorraine Yazzetta, Associate Budget Analyst

Anthony Zaino, Assistant Commissioner

William Brady, Chief Planner

Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner

Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there is pending before this Honorable Board an amended bond act in connection with Capital Project RGC12 – Dunwoodie Golf Course Facility Improvements ("Bond Act"), and

WHEREAS, this Honorable Board has determined that the proposed Bond Act would constitute an action under Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, known as the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SEQR and its implementing regulations (6 NYCRR Part 617), this project is classified as an "Unlisted action," which requires this Honorable Board to make a determination as to whether the proposed action will have a significant impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the County of Westchester is the only involved agency for this action and, therefore, is assuming the role of Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with SEQR and its implementing regulations, a Short Environmental Assessment Form has been prepared to assist this Honorable Board in its environmental assessment of this proposed action; and

WHEREAS, this Honorable Board has carefully considered the proposed action and has reviewed the attached Short Environmental Assessment Form and the criteria set forth in Section 617.7 of the implementing regulations and has identified the relevant areas of environmental concern, as described in the attached Short Environmental Assessment Form, to determine if this proposed action will have a significant impact on the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, State of New York, as follows:

**RESOLVED**, that based upon the Honorable Board's review of the Short Environmental Assessment Form and for the reasons set forth therein, this Board finds that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment from the Bond Act and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Legislators is authorized and directed to sign the "Determination of Significance" in the Short Environmental Assessment Form, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, as the "Responsible Officer in Lead Agency"; to issue this "Negative Declaration" on behalf of this Board in satisfaction of SEQR and its implementing regulations; and to immediately transmit same to the Commissioner of Planning to be filed, published and made available pursuant to the requirements of Part 617 of 6 NYCRR; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Resolution shall take effect immediately.

## Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

#### **Instructions for Completing**

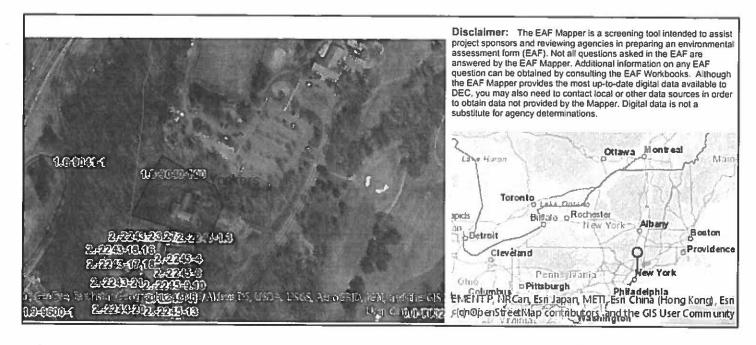
Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

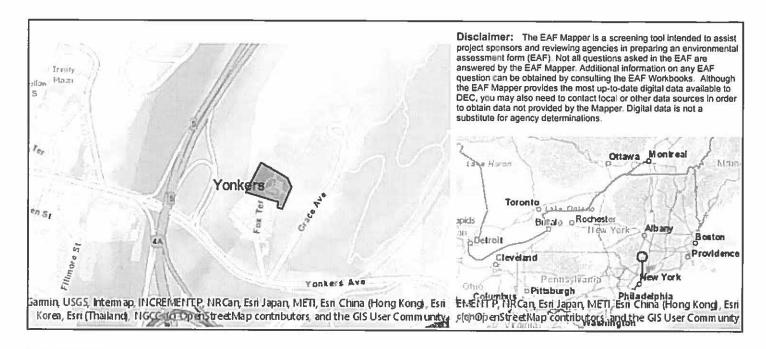
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Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information			
Name of Action or Project:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Dunwoodie Golf Course Maintenance Facility (RGC12)			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):			
1 Wasylenko Lane, Yonkers, Westchester County, NY			
Brief Description of Proposed Action:			
Construction of a new, state-of-the-art maintenance facility at Dunwoodie Golf Course. Project will include demolition of the existing approximately 5,075 square-foot (SF) maintenance building, which is old and inadequate. It will be replaced with 3 roofed structures: (1) a main garage consisting of approximately 9,300 SF of interior space that will contain administrative offices, mechanics shop, parts storage and a grinding room in addition to garage space, and approximately 2,400 SF of covered outdoor space; (2) a separate, approximately 3,000 SF, half enclosed structure for chemical storage, wash down and refueling; and (3) approximately 1,250 SF of covered stalls for storage of bulk materials. The project will also replace approximately 16,000 SF of existing worn pavement with approximately 25,000 SF of new asphalt pavement. An infiltration stormwater planter (approx. 1,320 SF in size) and detention pond (approx. 5,000 SF in size) will be constructed on-site to manage stormwater runoff. The project will also include fencing and landscaping.			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone: 914-995-4400	)	
County of Westchester	E-Mail: dsk2@westcheste	ergov.com	
Address:			
148 Martine Avenue			
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:	
White Plains NY 10601			
<ol> <li>Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, loca administrative rule, or regulation?</li> </ol>	i law, ordinance,	NO Y	YES
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the e		at 🔽 [	$\neg$
may be affected in the mainerparky and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.			
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency?  NO YES  If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: NYSDEC SPDES General Permit			/ES
The Test, tist agency(s) hance and permit of approval. NYSDEC SPDES General Permit			<b>✓</b>
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? +/-1.5 acres			
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? +/-1.5 acres  c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned			
or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? +/-120 acres			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:			
5. Urban Rural (non-agriculture) Industrial Commercial Residential (suburban)			
✓ Forest ☐ Agriculture ☐ Aquatic ✓ Other(Spec	The Country American Country C	erences de 🗷	
✓ Parkland			

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?			<b>V</b>
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?			V
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural lands	0	NO	YES
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7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Ar Name:County & State Park Lands, Reason:Exceptional or unique character, Agency:Westchester Co	ea?	NO	YES
If Yes, identify: 31-90	Junty, Date: 19		<b>V</b>
		NO	YES
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?		NO	IES
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?			片
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the propos	ed	믐	<b>V</b>
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?			V
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:		NO	YES
			<b>√</b>
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing potable water:			<b>✓</b>
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			
			<b>✓</b>
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or or	district	NO	YES
which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing of		V	
State Register of Historic Places?	m me		
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?		<b>V</b>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, conta wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	in	NO	YES
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?			
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:			
Action will include the reconstruction of a culvert under the access road which conveys an intermittent drainage channel.			

14. Identify the typical habitat types that aggur on or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all the typical			
14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply:			
☐ Shoreline ☑ Forest ☐ Agricultural/grasslands ☐ Early mid-successional			
☐ Wetland ☐ Urban ☑ Suburban			
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	NO	YES	
	$\checkmark$		
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES	
	V		
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources?	NO	YES	
If Yes,		$\checkmark$	
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?		<b>V</b>	
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe:		<b>V</b>	
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The project will create additional stormwater runoff from increased impervious area. Stormwater runoff from paved surfaces will be collected, passed through a hydrodynamic separator, and conveyed to a management basin prior to discharging to an existing watercourse, as it does under existing conditions, which flows south towards Yonkers Ave.			
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water	NO	YES	
or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)?  If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:			
A stormwater management basin will be constructed onsite to detain stormwater runoff. The basin will have a storage capacity of			
approximately 3,870 cubic feet. A stormwater infiltration plantar will provide additional storage capacity for roof runoff that will either infiltrate into the ground or overflow to the proposed detention basin.			
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility?	NO	YES	
If Yes, describe:			
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or	NO	YES	
completed) for hazardous waste?  If Yes, describe:			
Although the EAF Mapper checked YES, the Environmental Remediation Database and DECinfo Locator did not identify any hazardous waste sites on or adjacent to the project site. No known active remediation is ongoing at the project site.			
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF			
MY KNOWLEDGE			
Applicant/sponsor/name: County of Westchester Date: 9/30/21			
Signature:Title: Director of Environmental Planning			
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Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area - Identify]	Name:County & State Park Lands, Reason:Exceptional or unique character, Agency:Westchester County, Date:1-31-90
Part 1 / Question 12a [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	No
Part 1 / Question 12b [Archeological Sites]	No
Part 1 / Question 13a [Wetlands or Other Regulated Waterbodies]	No
Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal]	No
Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain]	No
Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site]	Yes



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Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal]	No
Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain]	No
Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site]	Yes

#### Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project:	Dunwoodie Maintenance Facility		
Date:	September 2021		

### Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Impact Assessment

#### Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

		No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<b>V</b>	
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	V	
3.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<b>V</b>	
4.	Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<b>V</b>	
5.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<b>V</b>	
6.	Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<b>V</b>	
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?	<b>V</b>	
2	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<b>V</b>	
8.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	V	
9.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	V	
10.	Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<b>V</b>	
11.	Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	V	

Agen	cy Use Only [If applicable]
Project:	Dunwoodie Maintenance Facility
Date:	September 2021

# Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

The project will not have significant impact on the environment as it will replace the existing golf course maintenance facility in the same location. The project will bring the maintenance facility up to code, including meeting current OSHA standards and incorporating design elements that will better protect the environment. The project will provide interior space for containment of chemicals and covered spaces for refueling and storage of bulk materials. The expanded garage will allow maintenance vehicles and equipment to be stored indoors or under roofs that will protect them from the weather and prolong the life of the equipment.

While the project will result in increased runoff due to added impervious surfaces of approximately 20,000 square feet, several stormwater management practices will be incorporated into the project that will reduce overall stormwater impacts from the facility, which currently surface flows to a small stream on the east side of the facility that is part of the Tibbetts Brook watershed. A stormwater infiltration planter will be installed adjacent to the main garage to capture roof runoff from the building and promote infiltration of clean storm water. The storm sewers for the paved areas will be routed through a hydrodynamic separator to reduce contaminants prior to discharging into a detention basin that will attenuate peak flow in accordance with the NYS Stormwater Management Design Manual prior to discharging to the stream.

Much of the site is already developed and cleared. However, approximately 22 trees, primarily located on the west and north perimeter, will need to be removed to accommodate the proposed stormwater planter, detention basin and bulk storage bins. Approximately 24 evergreen trees will be planted, mainly on the south side of the facility to provide a buffer for the adjacent residences, which will offset some of the tree loss.

All County parks were designated as Critical Environmental Areas for the variety of benefits that they provide, including recreational, educational, social, cultural and ecological benefits. The project will benefit recreation by enhancing the maintenance functions for this heavily used public golf course. The project will also benefit the environment by incorporating design features and management practices that will better protect water quality and visual impacts from continued maintenance operations.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the info that the proposed action may result in one or more pote environmental impact statement is required.	rmation and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, entially large or significant adverse impacts and an	
Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.  County of Westchester		
Name of Lead Agency	Date	
Malika Vanderberg	Clerk of the Westchester County Board of Legislators	
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer	
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)	

**PRINT FORM**