


September 26, 2025

TO: Hon. Vedat Gashi, Chair
Hon. Jose Alvarado, Vice Chair
Hon. David Imamura, Majority Leader
Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM: Kenneth W. Jenkins 
County Executive

RE: Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: **CBA & Bond Act – A0118 – Runway 16/34 Rehabilitation.**

This will confirm my request that the Board of Legislators allow submission of the referenced communication to be submitted to the Board of Legislators September 29, 2025 Agenda.

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is an Act to amend the current-year capital budget ("Capital Budget Amendment") as well as a related bond act ("Bond Act,") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to issue up to \$2,476,000 in bonds of the County to finance the following capital project: A0118.

Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for September 29, 2025 "blue sheet" calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



Kenneth W. Jenkins
Westchester County Executive

September 24, 2025

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

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A0118 – Runway 16/34 Rehabilitation ("A0118").

The proposed Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County's current-year capital budget to increase the appropriation for A0118 by \$15,758,000, comprised of \$2,081,000 in Bonds of the County and \$13,677,000 non-County shares. This amendment is required to address increased construction costs and accelerated safety items required by Federal Aviation Administration's ("FAA") advisory circulars. Complying with the advisory circulars is a requirement for airport sponsors accepting FAA grant funds.

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$2,476,000, would finance the cost of the County's share of the construction of the rehabilitation of Runway 16/34 at the Westchester County Airport, consisting of upgrades to lighting, shoulders, signage, and runway end blast pads, along with the installation of in-pavement surface condition sensors.

The Department of Public Works and Transportation ("Department") has advised that A0118 will achieve improved continuity of operations, maintenance efficiencies, and safety enhancements to crowded aircraft movement areas at Westchester County Airport.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has authorized the County to issue bonds in connection with prior components of A0118 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

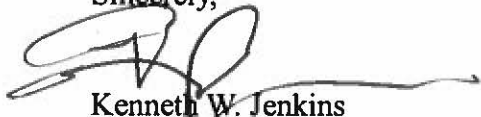
It is estimated that construction will take seven months to complete and will begin after FAA concurrence and subsequent execution of the construction contracts, subject to approval of construction financing by your Honorable Board.

Section 167.131 of the Laws of Westchester County mandates that a capital budget amendment that introduces a new capital project or changes the location, size or character of an existing capital project be accompanied to the Board of Legislators by a report of the Westchester County Planning Board (the "Planning Board") with respect to the physical planning aspects of the

project. The Planning Department has advised that the Planning Board has previously reviewed this project and issued a report and that since there is no change in the scope of the work and this is simply a change in the financing plan, no further action by the Planning Board is necessary at this time.

Based on the importance of this capital project to the County, favorable action on the annexed proposed Acts is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,



Kenneth W. Jenkins
Westchester County Executive

Attachments

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

Your Committee is in receipt of a transmittal from the County Executive recommending approval by the County of Westchester (“County”) of an act, which, if adopted, will amend the County’s current-year capital budget (“Capital Budget Amendment”), as well as adoption of a related bond act (“Bond Act”) in the amount of \$2,476,000 prepared by the law firm Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, to finance capital project A0118 – Runway 16/34 Rehabilitation (“A0118”).

Your Committee is advised that the Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County’s current-year capital budget to increase the appropriation for A0118 by \$15,758,000, comprised of \$2,081,000 in Bonds of the County and \$13,677,000 non-County shares. This amendment is required to address increased construction costs and accelerated safety items required by Federal Aviation Administration’s (“FAA”) advisory circulars. Complying with the advisory circulars is a requirement for airport sponsors accepting FAA grant funds.

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The Department of Public Works and Transportation (“Department”) has advised that A0118 will achieve improved continuity of operations, maintenance efficiencies, and safety enhancements to crowded aircraft movement areas at Westchester County Airport.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has authorized the County to issue bonds in connection with previous components of this project as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

It is estimated that construction will take seven months to complete and will begin after FAA concurrence and subsequent execution of the construction contracts, subject to approval of construction financing by your Honorable Board.

The Department of Planning has advised that it reviewed A0118 in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 ("SEQR"). A0118 was classified as a Type I action under SEQR. This project was reviewed by the County's Board of Acquisition and Contract in connection with the authorization of grant agreements with the Federal Aviation Administration. In accordance with SEQR, a Full Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF") was prepared by the Department of Planning and on September 11, 2025 the Board of Acquisition and Contract, acting on behalf of the County, reviewed the EAF, and for the reasons set forth therein, determined that there will be no adverse impact on the environment and issued a Negative Declaration. Therefore, no further environmental review is required.

The Department of Planning has advised your Committee that the Planning Board has previously reviewed A0118 and issued a report, and that since there is no change in the scope of the work and this is simply a change in the financing plan, no further action by the Planning Board is necessary at this time.

Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed Capital Budget Amendment, as well as the related Bond Act, and recommends approval of both of the proposed Acts, noting that the Bond Act may only be enacted following adoption of the Capital Budget Amendment. It should also be noted that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to amend the County's Capital Budget and to adopt the Bond Act.

Dated: _____, 20____
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

s: MG/9-3-25

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: A0118

☐ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT

To Be Completed by Budget

☐ GENERAL FUND

☒ AIRPORT FUND

☐ SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

Source of County Funds (check one):

☐ Current Appropriations

☒ Capital Budget Amendment

SECTION B - BONDING AUTHORIZATIONS

To Be Completed by Finance

Total Principal \$ 2,476,000 PPU 10 Anticipated Interest Rate 2.67%

Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest): \$ 285,939

Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term): \$ 2,859,390

Finance Department: Interest rates from September 24, 2025 Bond Buyer - ASBA

SECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUDGET (exclusive of debt service)

To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget

Potential Related Expenses (Annual): \$ -

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 - EMPLOYMENT

As per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of appropriation funds one FTE Job

Number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded: 283

Prepared by: Dianne Vanadia

Title: Associate Budget Director

Department: Budget

Date: _____

Reviewed By: DV 9.25.25


CB 9/25/25

Date: _____

Budget Director

9/25/25

TO: Michelle Greenbaum, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Jeffrey Goldman, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Carla Chaves, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Maximilian Zorn, Assistant County Attorney

FROM: David S. Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM 
Assistant Commissioner

DATE: September 16, 2025

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT
A0118 RUNWAY 16/34 REHABILITATION**

The Planning Department has reviewed the above referenced capital project (Fact Sheet Unique ID: 2912) in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (SEQR).

This project was classified as a Type I action under SEQR. Since there are no other involved agencies that are subject to SEQR for this project, the County must serve as Lead Agency and issue a determination of significance prior to approving any grant acceptances or funding for the project.

As such, this project was reviewed by the County's Board of Acquisition and Contract in connection with the authorization of grant agreements with the Federal Aviation Administration to help fund the project. In accordance with SEQR, a Full Environmental Assessment Form was prepared and on September 11, 2025, the Board of Acquisition and Contract, acting on behalf of the County of Westchester, issued a Negative Declaration (see attached Resolution #111823) for the project. Therefore, no further environmental review is required for the bond authorization.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

DSK/cnm


Att.

cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
Lawrence Soule, Budget Director
Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Blanca P. Lopez, Commissioner of Planning
April Gasparri, Director of Aviation
Francisco Tejada, Airport Manager
Lauren Walsh, Deputy Airport Manager – Administration
Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director
Susan Darling, Chief Planner
Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner
Claudia Maxwell, Principal Environmental Planner



Internal Memorandum
Department of Planning

To: Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney

From: Susan Darling, Chief Planner 

Date: 8/21/2025

Subject: Capital Budget Amendment - No-Action Memo for A0118 RUNWAY
16/34 REHABILITATION FS 2912

Department of Planning staff have discussed and reviewed the Capital Budget Amendment (CBA) A0118 RUNWAY 16/34 REHABILITATION FS 2912, with the sponsoring Department in order to determine that the project does not need further Westchester County Planning Board review. This CBA which is being added to the 2025 Capital Budget does not require review by the Westchester County Planning Board as this is a financing change with no significant changes to the original scope of the project that was previously reviewed by the Planning Board.

cc. Blanca P. López, Commissioner
David S. Kvinge, Assistant Commissioner
Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner

ACT No. _____ 2025

An Act amending the 2025 County
Capital Budget Appropriations for
Capital Project A0118 RUNWAY 16/34
REHABILITATION

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. The Capital section of the 2025 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	Previous 2025 Appropriation	Change	Revised 2025 Appropriation
I. Appropriation	\$37,500,000	\$15,758,000	\$53,258,000

Section 2. The estimated method of financing in the Capital Section of the 2025 Westchester County Capital Budget is amended as follows:

II. METHOD OF FINANCING

Bonds and/or Notes	\$10,395,000	\$2,081,000	\$12,476,000
Non County Shares	\$26,923,941	\$13,677,000	\$40,600,941
Cash	<u>\$181,059</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$181,059</u>
Total	\$37,500,000	\$15,758,000	\$53,258,000

Section 3. The ACT shall take effect immediately.