

Kenneth W. Jenkins County Executive

June 12, 2025

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 in connection with Capital Project RB180 – Central Park Avenue, CR 47-I/II/IIA/IV, Yonkers ("RB180") are two (2) bond acts of the County of Westchester ("County"), as follows:

- (1) a bond act (the "Amending Bond Act"), which, if adopted, would further amend in part Bond Act No. 224-2024, by removing the authorization for bonds for design costs associated with project RB180, and by reducing the estimated maximum cost and the amount of bonds authorized thereunder by \$1,925,000, from \$12,850,000 to \$10,925,000; and
- (2) a superseding bond act (the "Consolidated Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County to issue up to \$19,000,000 in bonds of the County to finance the cost of design, construction management and construction associated with the rehabilitation of approximately 5.57 miles of the Central Park Avenue from the Bronx/Westchester County Line to the NYS Thruway Bridge and the rehabilitation of the Central Park Avenue access ramps to and from Palmer Road, a distance of approximately 0.38 miles. The work will include milking, resurfacing, concrete curb replacement, drainage repairs, new traffic loops, new pavement markings and related work.

The Amending Bond Act is required to remove design bonding authorization related to RB180 so that said authorization may be included in the Consolidated Bond Act for RB180.

The Department of Public Works and Transportation ("Department") has advised that this road, which has an average annual daily traffic count ("AADT") of 8,091 is in need of rehabilitation to provide a safe roadway for the traveling public. The associated pavement condition index ("PCI") in 2023 was 58 and the roadway has continued to deteriorate. The PCI rating is a pavement condition rating with a range of 0 to 100, with 0 signifying that the road requires reconstruction and 100 signifying that the road is new. Based on this rating this road requires corrective rehabilitation to extend the life of the roadway.

Design is currently underway using outside consultants and is expected to be completed by the

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second quarter of 2025. It is anticipated that construction will take approximately twenty-four (24) 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 in connection with RB180 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

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

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Jepkins Westchester County Executive

## 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 the following bond acts in connection Capital Project RB180 – Central Park Avenue, CR 47-I/II/IIA/IV, Yonkers ("RB180"):

- (1) a bond act (the "Amending Bond Act"), prepared by the law firm of Hawkins, Delafied & Wood LLP, which, if adopted, would further amend in part Bond Act No. 224-2024, by removing the authorization for bonds for design costs associated with project RB180, and by reducing the estimated maximum cost and the amount of bonds authorized thereunder by \$1,925,000, from \$12,850,000 to \$10,925,000; and
- (3) a superseding bond act (the "Consolidated Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County to issue up to \$19,000,000 in bonds of the County to finance the cost of design, construction management and construction associated with the rehabilitation of approximately 5.57 miles of the Central Park Avenue from the Bronx/Westchester County Line to the NYS Thruway Bridge and the rehabilitation of the Central Park Avenue access ramps to and from Palmer Road, a distance of approximately 0.38 miles. The work will include milking, resurfacing, concrete curb replacement, drainage repairs, new traffic loops, new pavement markings and related work.

Your Committee is advised that the Amending Bond Act is required to remove design bonding authorization related to RB180 so that said authorization may be included in the Consolidated Bond Act for RB180.

Your Committee is further advised that the Department of Public Works and Transportation ("Department") has advised that this road, which has an average annual daily traffic count ("AADT") of 8,091 is in need of rehabilitation to provide a safe roadway for the traveling public. The associated pavement condition index ("PCI") in 2023 was 58 and the roadway has continued to deteriorate. The PCI rating is a pavement condition rating with a range of 0 to 100,

with 0 signifying that the road requires reconstruction and 100 signifying that the road is new. Based on this rating this road requires corrective rehabilitation to extend the life of the roadway.

Your Committee is also advised that design is currently underway using outside consultants and is expected to be completed by the second quarter of 2025. It is anticipated that construction will take approximately twenty-four (24) months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

The Department of Planning has advised your Committee that based on its review, the authorization of the proposed capital project may be classified as a Type "II" action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 ("SEQR"). Therefore, no environmental review is required. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this recommendation.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized the County to issue bonds in connection with RB180 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

It should be further noted that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to adopt the Amending Bond Act and the Consolidated Bond Act.

Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed Amending Bond Act and Consolidated Bond Act, and recommends approval of both of the proposed Acts.

Dated: , 20\_\_\_\_ White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON s: cmc.06.11.2025

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

CAPITAL PROJECT #:	RB180	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT		
To Be Completed by Budget		
X GENERAL FUND	AIRPORT FUND	SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND
	Source of County Funds (check one):	X Current Appropriations
		Capital Budget Amendment
AMEND AND REDUCE BA 224-2024 BY \$1,925,000		
SECTION B - BONDING AUTHORIZATIONS		
To Be Completed by Finance		
Total Principal	\$ 10,925,000 <b>PP</b>	U 5 Anticipated Interest Rate 2.78%
Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest): \$ 2,372,879		
Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term): \$ 11,864,395		
Finance Department: Interest rates from June 11, 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 Relate	ed 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: 118		
Prepared by:	Robert Abbamont	
Title:	Director of Operations (Capital)	Reviewed By:
Department:	Public Works/Transportation	du 6 111 25 Budget Director
Date:	6/11/25	Date: 6/12/25



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 9, 2025

SUBJECT: STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT: RB180 CENTRAL PARK AVENUE, CR 47-I/II/IIA/IV, YONKERS

**PROJECT/ACTION:** Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on 04/03/2025 (Unique ID: 2859)

With respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Planning Department recommends that no 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)(2): replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building, energy, or fire codes unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part; and
- 617.5(c)(5): repaying of existing highways not involving the addition of new travel lanes; and
- 617.5(c)(22): installation of traffic control devices on existing streets, roads and highways.

COMMENTS: None.

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cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
Lawrence Soule, Budget Director
Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director
Robert Abbamont, Director of Operations, Department of Public Works & Transportation
Susan Darling, Chief Planner
Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner
Claudia Maxwell, Principal Environmental Planner

REFERENCE BPL36 T0073 T0047 RCC17 B015E RB04A BCR50 BCR62

### ACT NO. -20\_\_\_\_

BOND ACT OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, AMENDING ACT 219-2021 ADOPTED DECEMBER 7, 2021, AS AMENDED BY ACT 248-2023 ADOPTED DECEMBER 11, 2023, AND FURTHER AMENDED BY ACT 224-2024 ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 21, 2024, IN RELATION TO THE PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING VARIOUS CAPITAL PURPOSES IN AND FOR THE COUNTY, AT THE MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$14,225,000. (Adopted , 20\_\_).

WHEREAS, this Board has heretofore duly authorized the issuance of \$13,700,000 bonds to finance the cost of preparation of surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for various capital purposes in and for the County, pursuant to Act No. 219-2021 duly adopted on December 7, 2021 (the "Bond Act 219-2021"); and

WHEREAS, \$50,000 of such amount was authorized for the preparation of surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for the replacement of the County Center roof and associated building renovations; and

WHEREAS, such \$50,000 was subsequently authorized to be issued pursuant to a subsequent Bond Act and Bond Act 219-2021 was amended to reduce the amount of bonds authorized to be issued by such \$50,000 pursuant to Bond Act 248-2023 duly adopted on December 11, 2023; and

WHEREAS, \$800,000 of such amount was authorized for the preparation of surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for the reconstruction of the Bronx River Pathway; and

WHEREAS, such \$800,000 was subsequently authorized to be issued pursuant to a subsequent Bond Act and Bond Act 219-2021 was amended to reduce the amount of bonds authorized to be issued by such \$800,000 pursuant to Bond Act 224-2024 duly adopted on October 21, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Act 219-2021 also authorized the issuance of \$1,925,000 bonds to finance the cost of design associated with the rehabilitation of approximately 5.57 miles of Central Park Avenue from the Bronx/Westchester line to the NYS Thruway bridge and the rehabilitation of the Central Park Avenue access ramps to and from Palmer Road, a distance of approximately 0.38 miles; and

WHEREAS, such \$1,925,000 has been or will be authorized pursuant to another Bond Act authorizing the planning, construction and construction management associated with the rehabilitation of Central Park Avenue from the Bronx/Westchester line to the NYS Thruway bridge and the rehabilitation of the Central Park Avenue access ramps to and from Palmer Road, and that it is necessary to reduce the amount of bonds Authorized pursuant to Bond Act 2192021 as amended by Bond Act 248-2023, and further amended by Bond Act 224-2024 now therefore

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK (by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the voting strength of said Board), AS FOLLOWS:

Section (A). The bond act duly adopted by this Board on October 21, 2024, entitled:

### "(BOND) ACT NO. 224-2024

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,850,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COST OF PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING VARIOUS CAPITAL PURPOSES IN AND FOR THE COUNTY; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$16,150,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE EXPENDITURE OF \$3,300,000 GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED AND THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,850,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,925,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COST OF PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND HDW 3976181.1 048034 LEG DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING VARIOUS CAPITAL PURPOSES IN AND FOR THE COUNTY; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$14,225,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE EXPENDITURE OF \$3,300,000 GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED AND THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,925,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS. (adopted on October 21, 2024 and amended on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK (by the affirmative vote of not less than twothirds of the voting strength of said Board), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (the "Law"), the Westchester County Administrative Code, being Chapter 852 of the Laws of 1948, as amended, and to the provisions of other laws applicable thereto, \$10,925,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance a portion of the cost of preparation of surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for planning various capital purposes in and for the County, to wit: campus wide site improvements at the Valhalla Complex, the electrification of the County's two mass transit bus garages, design and engineering services for the replacement of the HVAC system at the Cerrato maintenance facility, design for the restoration and modification of the County Center, design associated with the replacement of chillers, ice storage system and related work at the Michaelian Office Building, study and preliminary design to determine options and associated costs for the replacement of the Broad Street viaduct over the Bronx River Parkway, design for a stand-alone building to replace the existing infirmary at the County Jail, and design to rehabilitate or replace elevators for the Corrections Department; all as set forth in the County's Current Year Capital Budget, as amended. To the extent that the details set forth in this act are inconsistent with any details set forth in the Current Year Capital Budget of the County, such Budget shall be deemed and is hereby amended. The estimated total cost of said class of objects or purposes, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is \$14,225,000. The plan of financing includes the expenditure of \$3,000,000 expected to be received from ConEd and \$300,000 expected to be received from the New York Power Authority (collectively, the "Grant Funds") and the issuance of \$10,925,000 bonds herein authorized, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds, and the levy of a tax to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds.

Section 2. The periods of probable usefulness ("PPU") of the objects or purposes for which said \$10,925,000 bonds authorized by this Act are to be issued, within the limitations of the respective subdivisions of Section 11.00 a. 62 of the Law, is five (5) years.

Section 3. Current funds are not required to be provided as a down payment pursuant to Section 107.00 d. 9. of the Law prior to issuance of the bonds authorized herein, or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds. The County intends to finance, on an interim basis, the costs or a portion of the costs of said improvements for which bonds are herein authorized, which costs are reasonably expected to be reimbursed with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County, pursuant to this Act, in the total amount of \$10,925,000. This Act is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. Section 4. The estimate of \$10,925,000 as the estimated total cost of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is hereby approved.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this Act and of the Law, and pursuant to the provisions of §30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals thereof, and of §§50.00, 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of said Law, the powers and duties of the County Board of Legislators relative to authorizing the issuance of any notes in anticipation of the sale of the bonds herein authorized, or the renewals thereof, relative to providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, relative to prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the respective amounts of bonds herein authorized, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and relative to executing agreements for credit enhancement, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance of the County, as the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 6. Each of the bonds authorized by this Act and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale thereof shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by §52.00 of said Local Finance Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the County of Westchester, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and provision shall be made annually in the budgets of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the notes and bonds to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year. Section 7. The validity of the bonds authorized by this Act and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this Act or a summary hereof, 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

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This Act shall take effect in accordance with Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter.

Section (B). The amendment of the bond act set forth in Section (A) of this act shall in no way affect the validity of the liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken pursuant to said bond act, and all such liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken shall be deemed to have been incurred, issued or taken pursuant to said bond act, as so amended.

Section (C). This Act shall take effect in accordance with Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter.

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

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act No. -20\_\_\_\_ with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of the said original Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester on , 20\_\_\_ and approved by the County Executive on , 20\_\_\_.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said County Board of Legislators this day of , 20\_\_\_.

The Clerk and Chief Administrative Office of the County Board of Legislators County of Westchester, New York

(SEAL)

#### LEGAL NOTICE

A Bond Act, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board of Legislators on October 21, 2024 and amended on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ and approved, as amended, by the County Executive on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ and the validity of the obligations authorized by such Bond Act may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the County of Westchester, in the State of New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Complete copies of the amended Bond Act summarized herewith shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York, for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice.

ACT NO. \_\_\_\_\_-20\_\_\_

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,925,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COST OF PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING VARIOUS CAPITAL PURPOSES IN AND FOR THE COUNTY; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$14,225,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE EXPENDITURE OF \$3,300,000 GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED AND THE ISSUANCE OF \$10,925,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS. (adopted on October 21, 2024 and amended on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_)

object or purpose: to finance a portion of the cost of preparation of surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for planning various capital purposes in and for the County, to wit: campus wide site improvements at the Valhalla Complex, the electrification of the County's two mass transit bus garages, design and engineering services for the replacement of the HVAC system at the Cerrato maintenance facility, design for the restoration and modification of the County Center, design associated with the replacement of chillers, ice storage system and related work at the Michaelian Office Building, study and preliminary design to determine options and associated costs for the replacement of the Broad Street viaduct over the Bronx River Parkway, design for a stand-alone building to replace the existing infirmary at the County Jail, and design to rehabilitate or replace elevators for the Corrections Department; all as set forth in the County's Current Year Capital Budget, as amended.

amount of obligations to be issued and period of probable usefulness:

\$10,925,000; five (5) years

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ White Plains, New York Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer of the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York