

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

Your Committee is in receipt of a transmission from the County Executive recommending approval of an Act amending the County of Westchester's (the "County") 2025 Capital Budget (the "Capital Budget Amendment"), as well as adoption of a related bond act (the "Bond Act") which, if approved, would authorize the County to issue \$12,000,000 in bonds to finance capital project RP056 – Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work ("RP056").

The proposed Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County's 2025 capital budget to create a new appropriation in the amount of \$12,000,000 for project RP056.

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$12,000,000, which was prepared by the law firm of Hawkins Delafield and Wood, LLP, would finance design, construction and construction management to reconstruct, rehabilitate and make operational various rides, facilities and other associated infrastructure and site work at Playland Park.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and will take approximately eight (8) months to complete and will be performed by outside consultants. Construction will take approximately twelve (12) months to complete and will commence upon execution and approval of construction contracts.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, the above-referenced capital project may be 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. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this recommendation.

In addition, Section 167.131 of the County Charter 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. Accordingly, a copy of the Planning Board report is herewith attached for your Honorable Board's review.

Your Committee is advised that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of this Honorable Board is required in order to amend the County's Capital Budget, as well as to adopt the related Bond Act.

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 can only be enacted following adoption of the Capital Budget Amendment.

Dated: **July 21st**, 2025

White Plains, New York

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Budget & Appropriations

Parks & Environment

Public Works & Transportation

Dated: July 21, 2025
White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below

Committee(s) on:

Budget & Appropriations

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Public Works & Transportation

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: RP056

☐ 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 \$ 12,000,000 PPU 15 Anticipated Interest Rate 3.49%

Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest): \$ 1,045,376

Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term): \$ 15,680,647

Finance Department: maab bond buyer 6-24-25

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: 130

Prepared by: Dianne Vanadia

Title: Associate Budget Director

Department: Budget


Date: 6/24/25

Reviewed By: 

Budget Director

Date: 6/25/25

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: June 11, 2025

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:
RP056 PLAYLAND INFRASTRUCTURE, RIDES AND SITEWORK**

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on
06-10-2025 (Unique ID: 2969)

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.

COMMENTS: Any work that goes beyond reconstruction or replacement in kind may be subject to further review as may be required by SEQRA.

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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
Blanca P. Lopez, Commissioner of Planning
Kathleen O'Connor, Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Conservation
Peter Tartaglia, First Deputy Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Conservation
Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director
Robert Lopane, Director of Program Development – PRC Planning
Susan Darling, Chief Planner
Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner
Claudia Maxwell, Principal Environmental Planner

RESOLUTION 25- ¹⁶

WESTCHESTER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

Amendment of Planning Board Report on 2025 Capital Project Requests

RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work

WHEREAS, RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work project funds the repairs and rehabilitation to reconstruct, rehabilitate and make operational various rides, facilities, utilities and other associated infrastructure and site work at Playland Park, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive will submit legislation to the County Board of Legislators which would authorize amending the 2025 Capital Budget to include the **RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work**, to include funding in the amount of \$12,000,000 for the repair and reconstruction as well as necessary site work at Playland Park, and

WHEREAS, Parks, Recreation and Conservation recently engaged an independent recreation and leisure consultant specializing in the inspection of amusement park rides and attractions. The consultant conducted a comprehensive evaluation of all rides at Playland and provided a detailed assessment, identifying safety issues and maintenance concerns, and

WHEREAS, the rides and their supporting infrastructure is vital to preserving the park's historical, cultural, and recreational significance. This effort ensures the safety of all visitors and will enhance the overall user experience. Many of the rides have significantly aged and now require thorough repairs and upgrades to comply with modern safety standards, boost reliability, and prolong their usable life, and


WHEREAS, this project is classified as a "PL2HP" - "approved in concept, subject to review when more detailed studies or plans are prepared," and

WHEREAS, due to the historical significance of Playland Park, this project will be referred to the Westchester County Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) for their review and recommendations, and

WHEREAS, the project is generally consistent with *Westchester 2025 - Policies to Guide County Planning*, as adopted by the Planning Board on May 6, 2008 and amended on January 5, 2010 by maintaining county facilities; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Planning Board, pursuant to Section 167.131 of the County Charter, amends its Report on the 2025 Capital Project Requests to include the attached report on Capital Project **RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work** in the amount of \$12,000,000.

Adopted this 1st day of July, 2025



Bernard Thombs, Chair

An Act amending the 2025 County
Capital Budget Appropriations for
Capital Project RP056 PLAYLAND
INFRASTRUCTURE, RIDES AND SITE WORK

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		\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000

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	\$0	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000
Non County Shares	\$0		\$0
Cash	\$0		\$0
Total	\$0	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000

Section 3. The ACT shall take effect immediately.