# 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 amending the County's current-year capital budget ("Capital Budget Amendment"), as well as adoption of a related bond act (the "Bond Act") in the amount of \$1,000,000 to finance capital project B0128 – Mental Health Clinic, 112 East Post Road, White Plains ("B0128").

Your Committee is advised that the proposed Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County's 2024 capital budget to appropriate \$1,000,000 for this new project.

The Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm of Hawkins Delafield and Wood, LLP, would fund the cost of design, construction management, and construction associated with the alteration of building interiors and infrastructure to accommodate the County's new Pilot Safety Net Mental Health Clinic at 112 East Post Road, White Plains.

As your Honorable Board is aware, Westchester County operated four mental health clinics, in White Plains, Peekskill, Yonkers and Mount Vernon until 2011 when the County decided to close them and transition clients to non-profit Article 31 mental health clinic providers. In 2022 your Honorable Board recognized a growing need for mental health service access in Westchester County and added funding to the 2023 budget so the County could begin providing direct mental health services again.

Your Committee is advised that the current providers of mental health services in the county are working hard to meet the demand, but are at capacity with waiting lists. The population with complex needs, who are often court involved, require more immediate services.

Your Committee is advised that the Department of Community Mental Health has been working to complete the process to apply for an Article 31 Mental Health Clinic license through the New York State Office of Mental Health which includes conducting a needs assessment; identifying a clinic site and population to be served; submitting clinic floor plans; staffing plans; and fiscal structure. This project is needed in order to rehabilitate the existing County space to create a Pilot Safety Net Mental Health Clinic in White Plains which will accommodate four

licensed mental health clinicians, a clinic director, a part time psychiatrist and part time nurse practitioner, two peer specialists, two staff assistants and a waiting area for clients.

Your Committee is advised that following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and is anticipated to take four months (4) months to complete and will be performed by in-house staff. It is estimated that construction will take six months (6) months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the 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 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, the required Planning Board report is herewith attached.

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 proposed Capital Budget Amendment and 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: April 17th , 2024 White Plains, New York April 22" 2024 April 22, 2024 Public Work 8 Auman Budget & Transportation services Appropriations **COMMITTEE ON** 

Dated: April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely, pursuant to Chapter 1 of New York State Laws of 2022, and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below.

Committee(s) on:

**Human Services** 

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### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

CAPITAL PROJECT #:	B0128	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED				
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT  To Be Completed by Budget						
X GENERAL FUND		SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND				
-	Source of County Funds (check one):	Current Appropriations				
		X Capital Budget Amendment				
	SECTION B - BONDING AU To Be Completed by					
Total Principal	\$ 1,000,000 <b>PPU</b>	15 Anticipated Interest Rate 2.80%				
Anticipated Ans	nual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 82,520				
Total Debt Serv	rice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 1,237,807				
Finance Depart	ment: maab rates 3-27					
SE	To Be Completed by Submitting Department					
Potential Relate	ed Expenses (Annual): \$	-				
Potential Relate	ed Revenues (Annual): \$	_				
Anticipated sav	rings to County and/or impact of departe	ment operations				
(describe in de	tail for current and next four years):					
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SECTION D - EMPLOYMENT  As per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of appropriation funds one FTE Job						
Number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded: 11						
Prepared by:	Robert Abbamont					
Title:	Director of Operations (Capital)	Reviewed By:				
Department:	Public Works and Transportation	Budget Director				
Date:	4/3/24	Date: 4324				



## 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 1, 2024

SUBJECT:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:

B0128 Mental Health Clinic, 112 East Post Road, White Plains

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

03-26-2024 (Unique ID: 2513)

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:** None

#### DSK/cnm

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

#### **RESOLUTION 24- 14**

#### WESTCHESTER COUNTY PLANNINGBOARD

Amendment of Planning Board Report on 2024 Capital Project Requests B0128 Mental Health Clinic, 112 East Post Road, White Plains

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the need for community mental healthcare services and existing community mental healthcare facilities are currently at or exceeding their capacity for patients, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive will submit legislation to the County Board of Legislators which would authorize amending the 2024 Capital Budget to include Mental Health Clinic, 112 East Post Road, White Plains, to include funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 for design and construction, and

WHEREAS, this project provides for the design and construction of interior and infrastructure alterations to the County-owned building at 112 East Post Road to create the new Pilot Safety Net Mental Health Clinic for the provision of additional outpatient mental healthcare services for residents of Westchester County, and

WHEREAS, this project is classified as a "PL2" - "approved in concept, subject to review when more detailed studies or plans are prepared," 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 2024 Capital Project Requests to include the attached report on Capital Project Mental Health Clinic, 112 East Post Road, White Plains, located at the 112 East Post Road, White Plains in the amount of \$1,000,000.

Adopted this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2024

Richard Hyman, Chair

#### **B0128 Mental Health Clinic, 112 East Post Road, White Plains**

**FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)** 

	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Approp-	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Under Review
Gross	1,000							1,000
Less non- County Shares					S			
Net	1,000							1,000

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This project provides funding for design, construction management, and construction for alterations of building interiors and infrastructure to accommodate the new Pilot Safety Net Mental Health Clinic at 112 East Post Road, White Plains.

#### APPROPRIATION/FUNDING REQUESTS:

Under Review: Design and Construction (note: will be moved to 2024 upon approval of CBA)

#### JUSTIFICATION:

The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the need for community mental healthcare services and existing community mental healthcare facilities are currently at or exceeding their capacity for patients.

**CONSISTENCY WITH PROGRAMS OR PLANS**: Improving energy savings and enhancing and maintaining the County's building and infrastructure to improve employee and public health and safety are consistent with **Westchester 2025**.

#### Planning Board Analysis:

PL2: The Planning Board supports the proposed improvements. Existing community mental healthcare facilities are currently at capacity, and the COVID-19 pandemic has only increased the need for more such facilities.

ACT No. 69 - 2024

An Act amending the 2024 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project B0128 MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC, 112 EAST POST ROAD, WHITE PLAINS

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

Section 1. The Capital section of the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	Previous 2024 Appropriation	Change	Revised 2024 Appropriation	
I. Appropriation		\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	

Section 2. The estimated method of financing in the Capital Section of the 2024 Westchester County Capital Budget is amended as follows:

## II. METHOD OF FINANCING

Bonds and/or Notes		\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Non County Shares	\$0		\$0
Cash	\$0		\$0
Total	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

Section 3. The ACT shall take effect immediately.

#### ACT NO. 70 - 2024

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF ALTERATIONS OF BUILDING INTERIORS AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE COUNTY'S NEW PILOT SAFETY NET MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC AT 112 EAST POST ROAD, IN THE CITY OF WHITE PLAINS, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,000,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,000,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS. (Adopted 04/29, 2024)

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 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; \$1,000,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance the design, construction management and construction associated with the alterations of building interiors and infrastructure improvements at the County's new pilot safety net mental health clinic at 112 East Post Road, in the City of White Plains, 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 maximum cost of said specific object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is \$1,000,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$1,000,000 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 and notes.

Section 2. The period of probable usefulness of the specific object or purpose for which said \$1,000,000 bonds authorized by this Act are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 12(a)(2) of the Law, is fifteen (15) 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 maximum amount of \$1,000,000. 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 \$1,000,000 as the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid specific object or purpose 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.

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### CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

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Project ID:* B0128	⊠ CB	BA			act Sheet 3-20-2024				
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BUILDINGS, LAND & MISCELLANEOUS	0.50	LIC WORKS		2	513				
Overall Project Description									
This project provides for the alter Health Clinic at 112 East Post Ro	ations of buildir ad, White Plain	ng interiors and infra s.	astructure	to accomi	nodate the	e new Pilo	t Safety N	et Mental	
■ Best Management Practices	□ En	ergy Efficiencies		×	] Infrastru	cture			
Life Safety	□ Pro	ject Labor Agreem	ent		Revenue				
☐ Security	□ Oth	ner							
FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROG	RAM (in thous	ands)							
	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Under Review	
Gross	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000	
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Net	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000	
Current Bond Description: Fu building interiors and infrastructu Plains. Financing Plan for Current Rec	re to accommod	late the new Pilot Sa	afety Net	Mental He	alth Clini	c at 112 E	ast Post R	oad, White	
Non-County Shares:		\$ 0							
Bonds/Notes:		1,000,000							
Cash:		0							
Total:		\$ 1,000,000							
SEQR Classification: TYPE II									
Amount Requested: 1,000,000									
Expected Design Work Provide	r:								
■ County Staff	☐ Co	nsultant			Not App	licable			
Comments:  A capital budget amendment in the new Pilot Safety Net Mental He invested in the County providing our County Plans, there has been	ealth Clinic at 1 mental health so	12 East Post Road ervices due to the gr	l, White Frowing ne	Plains. The	e County patient ser	Executive vices. Ove	e and Leg er the year	islature are	
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Total Financing History:									
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Recommended By:

Department of Planning

Date 03-26-2024 MLLL

Department of Public Works

03-26-2024 RJB4

Date

**Budget Department** Date

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**Requesting Department** Date

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STATE OF NEW YORK
)
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 April 29, 2024 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, pursuant to Section 103 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public.

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

Newspaper and/or other news media

Date Given April 24, 2024

News Channel 12 The Journal News Hometown Media CBS2NY The Examiner News WABCTV News

I FURTHER CERTIFY that PRIOR 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 April 24, 2024

#### www.westchesterlegislators.com

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County Board of Legislators on April 30, 2024.

Malika Vanderberg, Clerk

Westchester County Board of Legislators

The foregoing Bond Act was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

AYES:

Legislator Jose Alvarado Legislator Nancy Barr

Legislator Benjamin Boykin
Legislator Terry Clements
Legislator Margaret Cunzio
Legislator Vedat Gashi
Legislator David Imamura
Legislator James Nolan
Legislator Catherine Parker
Legislator Erika Pierce
Legislator Colin Smith
Legislator David Tubiolo
Legislator Emiljana Ulaj

Legislator Shanae Williams

Legislator Jewel Williams-Johnson Legislator Tyrae Woodson-Samuels

NOES:

ABSENT:

Legislator Judah Holstein

EXCUSED:

The Bond Act was thereupon declared duly adopted.

APPROVED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date

STATE OF NEW YORK	)	
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COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER	)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act No. 69 - 2024, and (Bond) Act No. 70 - 2024, with the originals on file in my office, and that the same are correct transcripts therefrom, and of the whole, of said original Act, and (Bond) Act, which were duly adopted by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on April 29, 2024, and approved by the County Executive on May 2, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2024.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

