

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a proposed Act transmitted by the County Attorney, which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (“County”) to amend an agreement, as previously amended and assigned, (“Agreement”) with the law firm Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP (“Firm”) to provide legal counsel and advice (“Services”) to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission (“Commission”) by increasing the not-to-exceed amount authorized under the Agreement by \$150,000.00, from an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 to a new, total amount not to exceed \$350,000.00.

Your Committee is advised that on November 24, 2025, by Act No. 274-2025, your Honorable Board authorized the County to amend the Agreement a second time by, (i) increasing the not-to-exceed amount authorized thereunder by \$100,000.00 to a new, total amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, and (ii) extending the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2026 (the “Second Amendment”). The Second Amendment was subsequently executed.

As a result of unforeseen circumstances and staffing changes within the County, the Firm is required to provide more counsel and advice to the Commission than was initially anticipated. Accordingly, authority is respectfully requested for the County to amend the Agreement to increase the not-to-exceed amount authorized thereunder by \$150,000.00, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$350,000.00.

Except as specifically amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement, as previously amended and assigned, will remain in full force and effect.

The Planning Department has advised that the proposed amendment to the Agreement does not meet the definition of an action under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 9, 2026, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators.

An affirmative vote of a majority of the voting strength of the Board of Legislators is required for approval of the attached Act.

Your Committee recommends approval of the attached Act.

Dated: April 6, 2026
White Plains, New York

John Williams
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Grant Nardor

COMMITTEES ON

Budget & Appropriations

Litigation

Dated: April 6, 2026
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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Rein". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

COMMITTEE ON
Budget & Appropriations

ACT NO. – 2026

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to amend an agreement, as previously amended and assigned, with the law firm Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP to provide legal counsel and advice to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$150,000.00.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester (“County”) is hereby authorized to amend an agreement, as previously amended and assigned, (“Agreement”) with the law firm Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP to provide legal counsel and advice (“Services”) to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission by increasing the not-to-exceed amount authorized under the Agreement by \$150,000.00, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$350,000.00.

§2. That except as otherwise expressly amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement, as previously amended and assigned, shall remain in full force and effect.

§3. This Act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: County Charter Revision Amendment NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget

SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND AIRPORT FUND SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense NTE \$150,000.00

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

Source of Funds (check one): Current Appropriations Transfer of Existing Appropriations
 Additional Appropriations Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101_18_1000_4923

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount N/A

Describe: An Act authorizing the County to amend an agreement with the firm of Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP to provide legal counsel and advice to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission by increasing the NTE amount by an additional \$150,000.00.

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount N/A

Describe: _____

Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:

Current Year: N/A

Next Four Years: N/A

Prepared by: Patricia Haggerty

Title: Sr. Budget Analyst

Department: Budget

Date: March 10, 2026

Reviewed By: 
Budget Director

Date: 3/10/26