

Public Safety & Veterans

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final



Committee Chair: David Tubiolo

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10:00 AM

Committee Room

Joint with B&A, I&H

CALL TO ORDER

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Vice Chair Clements called the meeting to order at 10:23 am.

Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Karl Vollmer (remote), William Fallon (remote), Robert Abbamont (remote), Hernane De Almeida, April Gasparri, Francisco Tejada, Brian Hegt, Brian Miller (remote), Louis Vetrone, Jazmin Logan, Robert Zambardino, James Luciano (remote) and Christina Rampata (remote), Lawrence Soule; BOL: Legislator Anant Nambiar, Legislator Shanae Williams, Legislator Jewel Williams Johnson, Gregory Casciato, Ethan Samuel, Jared Nieves, Sebastian Loreti, Ralph Esposito and Dayana Gómez-Holguín

Present: Legislator Clements, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

ACT-2026-91 CBA-BCR66-Correctional Facility Chiller Replacement

AN ACT amending the 2026 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project BCR66 - Correctional Facility Chiller Replacement.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS

Guests:

Department of Corrections

Assistant Warden Karl Vollmer and Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon

Department of Public Works & Transportation

Deputy Commissioner Hernane De Almeida

This item was discussed with item #2. The committee reviewed a Bond Act authorizing the issuance of \$3,540,000 in bonds by Westchester County to finance Capital Project BCR66, which involves the replacement of one of three chillers at the County Correctional Facility. The existing chiller has reached the end of useful life and the replacement unit will be more energy-efficient and include a variable frequency drive. Design has been completed by in-house staff and construction is anticipated to take about eight months. Given peak summer cooling demands, a temporary rental chiller will be installed throughout the cooling season. Additional improvements will be phased in to address the remaining chillers and pump system.

On motion of Legislator Cunzio, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Clements, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

ACT-2026-92 BOND ACT-BCR66-Correctional Facility Chiller Replacement

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of THREE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND (\$3,540,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BCR66 - Correctional Facility Chiller Replacement.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS

Guests:

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Please refer to item #1 for discussion.

On motion of Legislator Cunzio, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Clements, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

ACT-2026-90 ACT-Enter into Grant Agreement-Justice Assistance Grant Program

AN ACT to authorize the County of Westchester to (i) enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance to accept grant funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$75,545 under the FY24 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, (ii) enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Yonkers and the City of Mount Vernon.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS

Guests:

Public Safety Department

Chief James Luciano and Sergeant John Butcher

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant is a yearly federal grant and it will provide \$30,506 for crime-related initiatives. The grant is based on crime statistics over a three year period where the state receives money and pushes 40% of it down to various jurisdictions based on a statutory formula. Their funding this year they are looking to fund a workstation for drones as the 1st responder and drone detection.

On motion of Legislator Cunzio, seconded by Legislator Smith, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Clements, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Legislator Cunzio, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the committee adjourned at 10:44 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Clements, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo