

Public Safety Meeting Agenda



Committee Chair: Terry Clements

800 Michaelian Office Bldg.
148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor
White Plains, NY 10601
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Monday, July 31, 2023

4:00 PM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

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MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[2023-274](#)

BOND ACT-BIT54-Critical Communication Logging System Replacement '21-'25

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of ONE MILLION (\$1,000,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BIT54 - Critical Communication Logging System Replacement (2021-2025).

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

[2023-259](#)

ACT-Procurement of Bell Model 407 Helicopter

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to authorize the Purchasing Agent to standardize the procurement of the Bell Model 407 helicopter in connection with the Department of Public Safety's procurement of a replacement helicopter for its Aviation Unit.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

[2023-255](#) IMA-Fire Suppression Services-Valhalla Fire District

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Valhalla Fire District to provide specialized training and fire suppression services for a two (2) year term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024 in an aggregate amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

[2023-256](#) IMA-Fire Suppression Services-Hawthorne Fire District

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Hawthorne Fire District to provide specialized training and fire suppression services for a two (2) year term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024 in an aggregate amount not to exceed THIRTY THOUSAND (\$30,000) DOLLARS.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY


[2023-322](#) ACT - Village of Bronxville - National Night Out

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the Village of Bronxville, acting by and through its Police Department, pursuant to which the Village of Bronxville will provide its National Night Out program within the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for a total amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND (\$3,000) DOLLARS.

II. OTHER BUSINESS**III. RECEIVE & FILE****ADJOURNMENT**

June 15, 2023

TO: Hon. Vedat Gashi, Chair
Hon. Nancy Barr, Vice Chair
Hon. Christopher Johnson, Majority Leader
Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM: George Latimer 
Westchester County Executive

RE: **Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: Bond Act – BIT54 –
Critical Communication Logging System Replacement '21-'25.**

This will confirm my request that the Board of Legislators allow submission of the referenced communication to be submitted to the Board of Legislators June 20, 2023 Agenda.

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is a bond act (“Bond Act”) which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (“County”) to issue bonds in the amount of \$1,000,000 to finance a component of the following capital project: BIT54.

Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for June 20, 2023 “blue sheet” calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



George Latimer
County Executive

June 15, 2023

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 is a bond act ("Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to issue bonds in the amount of \$1,000,000 to finance a component of the following capital project:

BIT54 – Critical Communication Logging System Replacement (2021-2025) ("BIT54").

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$1,000,000, will be used to purchase and install equipment, servers, data storage, software and services required to replace the existing "Eventide" and "VPI" Systems for the County's Department of Information Technology ("Department").

The Department has advised that the County captures and maintains recordings for the departments of Emergency Services, Public Safety, Social Services and Transportation. The County is required to maintain some of these recordings for up to twenty-one years. This requires recording on legacy environments that must be migrated to the latest solution in place. The software the County's recording system runs on (Microsoft Silverlight) is no longer supported by Microsoft. The company that provided the solution has since been sold to NICE, Inc. The Department is in the process of upgrading this system to the current NICE, Inc. product.

Design is currently being undertaken by in-house staff and consultants and is expected to be completed by the end of 2023. It is estimated that installation will take 24 months to complete.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized financing in connection with prior components of BIT54 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

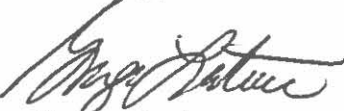
The Planning Department has advised that based on its review, the above-referenced capital project has been classified as a "Type II" action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617. Therefore, no further environmental review is required. As you know, your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to reach its own conclusion.

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

Sincerely,



George Latimer
County Executive

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**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 a bond act (“Bond Act”) in the amount of \$1,000,000 to finance a component of capital project BIT54 – Critical Communication Logging System Replacement (2021-2025) (“BIT54”). The Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm Harris Beach, PLLC, will be used to purchase and install equipment, servers, data storage, software and services required to replace the existing "Eventide" and "VPI" Systems for the County’s Department of Information Technology (“Department”).

The Department has advised that the County captures and maintains recordings for the departments of Emergency Services, Public Safety, Social Services and Transportation. The County is required to maintain some of these recordings for up to twenty-one years. This requires recording on legacy environments that must be migrated to the latest solution in place. The software the County’s recording system runs on (Microsoft Silverlight) is no longer supported by Microsoft. The company that provided the solution has since been sold to NICE, Inc. The Department is in the process of upgrading this system to the current NICE, Inc. product.

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It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized financing in connection with prior components of BIT54 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, BIT54 has been 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 conclusion.

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 Bond Act.

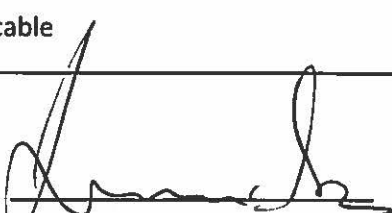
Your Committee recommends the adoption of the proposed Bond Act.

Dated: _____, 20____
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

c:jng 5-23-23

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: <u>BIT54</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED	
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT To Be Completed by Budget			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GENERAL FUND	<input type="checkbox"/> AIRPORT FUND	<input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND	
Source of County Funds (check one):		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Capital Budget Amendment
SECTION B - BONDING AUTHORIZATIONS To Be Completed by Finance			
Total Principal	\$ 1,000,000	PPU	10
		Anticipated Interest Rate	2.78%
Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 116,641		
Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 1,166,410		
Finance Department:	Interest rates from June 13, 2023 Bond Buyer - ASBA		
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:			
SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN WORK PROVIDER			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Staff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultant	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable	
Prepared by:	<u>Donna Montera</u>	Reviewed By:	
Title:	<u>Dir of Admin Services</u>	<u>DV 6/13/23</u>	Budget Director
Department:	<u>Information Technology</u>	Date:	<u>6/10/23</u>
Date:	<u>6/13/23</u>		

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: June 7, 2023

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:
BIT54 Critical Communication Logging System Replacement 2021-2025**

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on 05-17-2023 (Unique ID: 2221)

With respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Planning Department recommends that no further 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)(31):** purchase or sale of furnishings, equipment or supplies, including surplus government property, other than the following: land, radioactive material, pesticides, herbicides, or other hazardous materials.

COMMENTS: None.

DSK/dvw

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
Kelly Sheehan, Assistant Commissioner
Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner
Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner

ACT NO. -20__

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 ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE CRITICAL COMMUNICATION LOGGING SYSTEM; 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 TO FINANCE SUCH COST; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS.

(Adopted , 20__)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER (the "County"), 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, 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 cost of acquisition of equipment for the Critical Communication Logging System, including servers, data storage, software and services required; 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 objects or purposes, 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.

Section 2. The period of probable usefulness applicable to the class of objects or purposes for which bonds authorized by this resolution is to be issued within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 25 of the Law, is ten (10) 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. 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 5. 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. 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 6. 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 7. 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 WESTCHESTER)

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__.

(SEAL)

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

LEGAL NOTICE

A Bond Act, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board of Legislators on _____, 20__ and approved 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 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 \$1,000,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE CRITICAL COMMUNICATION LOGGING SYSTEM; 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 TO FINANCE SUCH COST; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS. (Adopted _____, 20__)

object or purpose: to finance the cost of acquisition of equipment for the Critical Communication Logging System, including servers, data storage, software and services required; 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: \$1,000,000; ten (10) 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

CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:* CBA **Fact Sheet Date:***
 BIT54 05-02-2023

Fact Sheet Year:* **Project Title:*** **Legislative District ID:**
 2023 CRITICAL COMMUNICATION LOGGING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT 2021-2025

Category* **Department:*** **CP Unique ID:**
 BUILDINGS, LAND & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY 2221

Overall Project Description

This project will fund the procurement of equipment, servers, data storage, software and services required to replace the existing "Eventide" and "Calabrio Systems with a solution technologically able to meet and exceed the County's Critical Communication Logging Systems needs.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Best Management Practices | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Efficiencies | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Labor Agreement | <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Under Review
Gross	5,500	500	1,750	1,750	1,500	0	0	0
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net	5,500	500	1,750	1,750	1,500	0	0	0

Expended/Obligated Amount (in thousands) as of : 260

Current Bond Description: These funds will be used to purchase equipment, servers, data storage, software and services required to replace the existing "Eventide" and "VPI" Systems

Financing Plan for Current Request:

Non-County Shares:	\$ 0
Bonds/Notes:	1,000,000
Cash:	0
Total:	\$ 1,000,000

SEQR Classification:
 TYPE II

Amount Requested:
 1,000,000

Comments:

Energy Efficiencies:

Appropriation History:

Year	Amount	Description
2021	250,000	FUNDS THIS PROJECT
2022	250,000	CONTINUATION OF THIS PROJECT
2023	1,750,000	CONTINUATION OF THIS PROJECT

Total Appropriation History:
 2,250,000

Financing History:

Year	Bond Act #	Amount	Issued	Description
21	39	250,000	250,000	REPLACE EXISITING EVENTIDE AND CALABRIO SYSTEMS- PURCHASES EQUIP AND RELATED
21	207	250,000	0	REPLACE EXISITING EVENTIDE AND CALABRIO SYSTEMS- PURCHASES EQUIP AND RELATED
23	14	750,000	0	CRITICAL COMMUNICATION LOGGING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT 2021-2025 (2063)

Total Financing History:

1,250,000

Recommended By:

Department of Planning
MLLL

Date
05-17-2023

Department of Public Works
RJB4

Date
05-17-2023

Budget Department
DEV9

Date
05-22-2023

Requesting Department
DDMK

Date
05-23-2023

CRITICAL COMMUNICATION LOGGING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT 2021-2025 (BIT54)

User Department : Information Technology
Managing Department(s) : Information Technology ;
Estimated Completion Date: TBD

Planning Board Recommendation: Project without physical planning aspects of concern to the Westchester County Planning Board.

FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

	Est Ult Cost	Appropriated	Exp / Obl	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Under Review
Gross	5,500	500	260	1,750	1,750	1,500			
Non County Share									
Total	5,500	500	260	1,750	1,750	1,500			

Project Description

This project will fund the procurement of equipment, servers, data storage, software and services required to replace the existing "Eventide" and "Calabrio Systems with a solution technologically able to meet and exceed the County's Critical Communication Logging Systems needs.

Current Year Description

The current year request funds the continuation of this project.

Current Year Financing Plan

Year	Bonds	Cash	Non County Shares	Total
2023	1,750,000			1,750,000

Impact on Operating Budget

The impact on the Operating Budget is the debt service associated with the issuance of bonds.

Appropriation History

Year	Amount	Description	Status
2021	250,000	Funds this project	IN PROGRESS
2022	250,000	Continuation of this project	AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION
Total	500,000		

Prior Appropriations

	Appropriated	Collected	Uncollected
Bond Proceeds	500,000	250,000	250,000
Total	500,000	250,000	250,000

Bonds Authorized

Bond Act	Amount	Date Sold	Amount Sold	Balance
39 21	250,000	12/01/22	227,401	
		12/01/22	22,599	
207 21	250,000			250,000
Total	500,000		250,000	250,000

George Latimer
County Executive

June 6, 2023

Westchester County Board of Legislators
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White Plains, New York 10601

Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith is an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Bureau of Purchase and Supplies ("Bureau"), to standardize the procurement of a Bell Model 407 helicopter for the Department of Public Safety's Aviation Unit ("Department").

By way of background, the Department's Aviation Unit currently operates two Bell Model 407 helicopters. The first helicopter, which was purchased in 2006 using capital funds, was competitively bid pursuant to Laws of Westchester County § 836.21(1) through the Bureau. The second helicopter, which was purchased in 2011 through the Bureau, was done so using grant funds received from the New York State Division of Homeland Security ("NYSDHS"), and was approved by NYSDHS as a "sole source" procurement.

The Department now seeks to replace the 2006 Bell Model 407 with a new Bell Model 407 helicopter. The new helicopter, like the one it will replace, will be funded with capital funds. As such, it should be competitively bid. Ordinarily, the competitive bidding laws prohibit municipalities from specifying a particular make or model of equipment in the bid specification, unless the brand name product represents an industry-wide standard and the specifications contain an "equivalency clause". However, General Municipal Law ("GML") Section 103(5) carves out an exception to this rule by permitting the governing board of a political subdivision to authorize, for reasons of efficiency and economy, the "standardization" of one brand. I have been advised that this means that instead of including a generalized description of the required item in the bid specification, the bid specification may specify a particular make or brand to the exclusion of all others. GML §103(5) provides in pertinent part as follows:

"Upon the adoption of a resolution by a vote of at least three-fifths of all the members of the governing body of a political subdivision or district therein stating that, for reasons of efficiency or economy, there is need for standardization, purchase contracts for a particular type or kind of equipment, material, supplies or services in excess of the monetary threshold fixed for purchase contracts in this section may be awarded by the appropriate officer, board or agency of such political subdivision or any such district therein, to the lowest responsible bidder or responsible offerer furnishing the required security after advertisement for sealed bids or sealed offers therefor in the manner provided in this section. Such resolution shall contain a full explanation of the reasons for its adoption."

The Department believes that, for the following reasons, there is a need for standardization in connection with the procurement of the new helicopter:

First, the Department's Aviation Unit currently has four (4) police pilots and plans to add more. All four (4) pilots require annual factory (Bell) recurrent training. This training consists of a refresher course, and a night vision goggle refresher course. The pilots utilize only a Bell 407 for this training. The recurrent training for four (4) pilots currently costs the County approximately \$110,000 per year or in excess of \$2 million over the expected lifespan of a Department aircraft. Adding a new aircraft manufacturer or model will effectively double this training cost over that same period of time to approximately \$4 million or more.

Second, the Department currently performs most of the required Bell 407 aircraft maintenance "in house." Tooling has been procured for servicing the Bell 407 aircraft and a unit member/mechanic has attended three (3) Bell factory repair courses. Adding another aircraft manufacturer or model will result in the Department incurring new training and equipment costs. The Department also has the ability to retain some spare Bell 407 parts that can be utilized on either aircraft (if both were Bell 407 helicopters). This reduces the time an aircraft is out of service. These parts will not be able to be utilized on a different manufacturer or model aircraft.

Third, there is an inherent safety risk when operating multiple models of aircraft in one fleet, particularly in a public safety capacity. The Department's missions, such as low level operation, firefighting, search and rescue, and night time, off-site confined landings are dangerous enough on their own. It is imperative that pilots and crew members be able to fall back on their training during these missions. The possibility of confusing procedures from different models of aircraft can become a serious liability, a liability that can be completely averted by operating one type of aircraft.

I have been advised that although GML § 103(5) still requires a public bid following standardization, a 1982 Opinion of the State Comptroller provides that "where a municipality has standardized on a particular item which in fact can be purchased only from a single source (such as the manufacturer or an agent with an exclusive franchise), a monopolistic situation would exist and bidding would not be required (1982 N.Y. Comp. LEXIS 678, citing Opns. St. Comp. 1978, No. 78-812, unreported)."


The Planning Department has advised that, based on its review, the proposed Act constitutes a "Type II" action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), 6 NYCRR Part 617. As such, I have been advised that no further environmental review is required. Your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to reach its own conclusion.

It should be noted that although GML § 103(5) requires the adoption by your Honorable Board of a "resolution", Section 209.91(4) of the Laws of Westchester County requires approval by your Honorable Board for these types of matters by way of an Act.

As GML § 103(5) requires a vote of at least three-fifths of all the members of your Honorable Board, it is recommended instead that the proposed Act be adopted by a two-thirds vote which will satisfy the requirements of the statute.

For the reasons set forth above, I believe that in the interest of efficiency and economy, there is a need for standardization in connection with this procurement, and accordingly urge your Honorable Board to adopt the annexed Act.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Latimer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and "L".

George Latimer
County Executive

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**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive recommending approval of an Act which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (the “County”), acting by and through its Bureau of Purchase and Supplies (the “Bureau”), to standardize the procurement of a Bell Model 407 helicopter for the Department of Public Safety’s Aviation Unit (the “Department”).

Your Committee is advised that the Department’s Aviation Unit currently operates two Bell Model 407 helicopters. The first helicopter, which was purchased in 2006 using capital funds, was competitively bid pursuant to Laws of Westchester County § 836.21(1) through the Bureau. The second helicopter, which was purchased in 2011 through the Bureau, was done so using grant funds received from the New York State Division of Homeland Security (“NYSDHS”), and was approved by NYSDHS as a “sole source” procurement.

The Department has advised your Committee that it now seeks to replace the 2006 Bell Model 407 with a new Bell Model 407 helicopter. The new helicopter, like the one it will replace, will be funded with capital funds. As such, it should be competitively bid. Ordinarily, the competitive bidding laws prohibit municipalities from specifying a particular make or model of equipment in the bid specification, unless the brand name product represents an industry-wide standard and the specifications contain an “equivalency clause”. However, General Municipal Law (“GML”) Section 103(5) carves out an exception to this rule by permitting the governing board of a political subdivision to authorize, for reasons of efficiency and economy, the “standardization” of one brand. Your Committee is advised that this means that instead of including a generalized description of the required item in the bid specification, the bid specification may specify a particular make or brand to the exclusion of all others. GML § 103(5) provides in pertinent part as follows:

“Upon the adoption of a resolution by a vote of at least three-fifths of all the members of the governing body of a political subdivision or district therein stating that, for reasons of efficiency or economy, there is need for standardization, purchase contracts for a particular type or kind of equipment, material, supplies or services in excess of the monetary threshold fixed for purchase contracts in this section may be awarded by the appropriate officer, board or agency of such political subdivision or any such district therein, to the lowest responsible bidder or responsible offerer furnishing the

required security after advertisement for sealed bids or sealed offers therefor in the manner provided in this section. Such resolution shall contain a full explanation of the reasons for its adoption.”

The Department has advised your Committee that there is a need for standardization in connection with the procurement of the new helicopter for the following reasons:

First, the Department’s Aviation Unit currently has four (4) police pilots and plans to add more. All four (4) pilots require annual factory (Bell) recurrent training. This training consists of a refresher course, and a night vision goggle refresher course. The pilots utilize only a Bell 407 for this training. The recurrent training for four (4) pilots currently costs the County approximately \$110,000 per year or in excess of \$2 million over the expected lifespan of a Department aircraft. Adding a new aircraft manufacturer or model will effectively double this training cost over that same period of time to approximately \$4 million or more.

Second, the Department currently performs most of the required Bell 407 aircraft maintenance “in house.” Tooling has been procured for servicing the Bell 407 aircraft and a unit member/mechanic has attended three (3) Bell factory repair courses. Adding another aircraft manufacturer or model will result in the Department incurring new training and equipment costs. The Department also has the ability to retain some spare Bell 407 parts that can be utilized on either aircraft (if both were Bell 407 helicopters). This reduces the time an aircraft is out of service. These parts will not be able to be utilized on different manufacturer or model aircraft.

Third, there is an inherent safety risk when operating multiple models of aircraft in one fleet, particularly in a public safety capacity. The Department’s missions, such as low level operation, firefighting, search and rescue, and night time, off-site confined landings are dangerous enough on their own. It is imperative that pilots and crew members be able to fall back on their training during these missions. The possibility of confusing procedures from different models of aircraft can become a serious liability, a liability that can be completely averted by operating one type of aircraft.

Your Committee is advised that although GML § 103(5) still requires a public bid following standardization, a 1982 Opinion of the State Comptroller provides that “where a municipality has standardized on a particular item which in fact can be purchased only from a single source (such as the manufacturer or an agent with an exclusive franchise), a monopolistic situation would exist

and bidding would not be required (1982 N.Y. Comp. LEXIS 678, citing Opns St Comp, 1978, No. 78-812, unreported).”

The Planning Department has advised that, based on its review, the proposed Act constitutes a “Type II” action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), 6 NYCRR Part 617. Type II actions are those actions determined not to have a significant environmental effect and therefore no further environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this conclusion.

Your Committee is advised that although GML § 103(5) requires the adoption by your Honorable Board of a “resolution”, Section 209.91(4) of the Laws of Westchester County requires approval by your Honorable Board for these types of matters by way of an Act.

Your Committee is advised that as GML § 103(5) requires a vote of at least three-fifths of all the members of your Honorable Board, it is recommended instead that the proposed Act be adopted by a two-thirds vote which will satisfy the requirements of the statute.

Your Committee has carefully considered the annexed proposed Act and recommends its adoption.

Dated: _____, 2023
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

C: JPG 5/10/2023

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: BPS33

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

NOTE: NO FISCAL IMPACT - CHANGE OF PROCUREMENT. BOND ACT 30-2023 FUNDS THIS PROJECT.

SECTION B - BONDING AUTHORIZATIONS

To Be Completed by Finance

Total Principal

PPU

Anticipated Interest Rate

Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest):

Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term):

\$ -

Finance Department:

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:

N/A

SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN WORK PROVIDER

County Staff

Consultant

Not Applicable

Prepared by: Dianne Vanadia

Title: Associate Budget Director

Department: Budget

Date: 6/2/23

Reviewed By: 

DV
6/2/23

Budget Director

Date: 6/5/23

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to authorize the Purchasing Agent to standardize the procurement of the Bell Model 407 helicopter in connection with the Department of Public Safety's procurement of a replacement helicopter for its Aviation Unit.

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

Section 1. In accordance with subdivision 5 of § 103 of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, the County of Westchester (the "County"), acting by and through its Bureau of Purchase and Supplies, is hereby authorized to standardize the procurement of a replacement helicopter to be used by the Department of Public Safety (the "Department") by issuing a bid for a Bell Model 407 helicopter.

§2. This standardization is needed for reasons of efficiency and economy pursuant to NYS GML section 103 (5), as described below:


- The Department currently operates two Bell Model 407 helicopters
- Adding a new aircraft manufacturer or model will effectively double pilot training costs
- Adding another aircraft manufacturer or model will result in the Department incurring additional equipment and maintenance costs due to operating different aircraft makes/models.
- There is an inherent safety risk when operating multiple models of aircraft in one fleet, particularly in a public safety capacity, since confusing procedures from different models of aircraft can become a serious liability.

§3. The County Executive or his authorized designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents and take all actions necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

June 2, 2023

TO: Hon. Vedat Gashi, Chair
Hon. Nancy Barr, Vice Chair
Hon. Christopher Johnson, Majority Leader
Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM: George Latimer
Westchester County Executive  Kenneth Jenkins
Acting County Executive

RE: Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: **IMA - Valhalla Fire District - Fire Suppression Services.**

This will confirm my request that the Board of Legislators allow submission of the referenced communication to be submitted to the Board of Legislators June 5, 2023 Agenda.

Attached for your consideration is an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County"), acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services ("DES") to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Valhalla Fire District.

Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for June 5, 2023 "blue sheet" calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



George Latimer
County Executive

June 1, 2023

Westchester County Board of Legislators
800 Michaelian Office Building
White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators:

Attached for your consideration is an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County"), acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services ("DES") to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Valhalla Fire District ("District") for a term of two (2) years commencing retroactively on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024. For the services to be provided, the District will be paid the aggregate amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, subject to appropriation. The County's agreement with the District for these same services expired on December 31, 2022.

In order to respond to the unique environments existing on the Grasslands Reservation, the District will participate in specialized training and activities with the Grasslands Fire Brigade and furnish, at its sole cost and expense, equipment appropriate to prepare for fire suppression activities and rescue operations on the Grasslands Reservation. The proposed agreement is essential for the enhancement of fire protection on the Grasslands Reservation. More particularly, the District will be required to perform the following services:

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The Planning Department has advised that the proposed Agreement does not meet the definition of an “action” under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR part 617.5(c)(26). Type II actions are those actions determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and therefore do not require further environmental review. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 12, 2023, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board

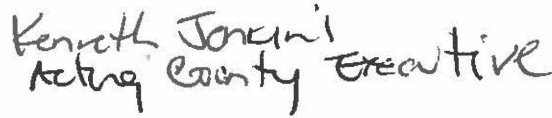
of Legislators. As such, no environmental review is required. As you know, your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to make its own conclusion.

I believe this Agreement to be in the best interest of the County and, therefore, recommend your favorable action on the annexed proposed Act.

Very truly yours,

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George Latimer
County Executive

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GL/RGW/CMC
Attachments

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

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The Planning Department has advised that the proposed Agreement does not meet the definition of an “action” under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR part 617.5(c)(26). As such, no environmental review is required. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 12, 2023, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee concurs with this conclusion.

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

Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed Act and believes it to be in the best interest of the County and, therefore, recommends your Honorable Board’s favorable action on the annexed proposed Act.

Dated: _____, 2023
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

C:CMC.06.01.2023

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Valhalla Fire District

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 \$ 50,000

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

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

Additional Appropriations

Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101 20 1000 4420

2023: \$50,000 and 2024: \$50,000

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$50,000

Describe: IMA with Valhalla Fire District for fire suppression services for the term of two (2) years commencing on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024

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: Julia Criscitelli

Title: Budget Specialist III

Department: Emergency Services


Date: May 18, 2023

Reviewed By: PH

[Signature]
Budget Director

Date: 6/1/23

TO: George Latimer, County Executive
Kenneth Jenkins, Deputy County Executive
John Nonna, County Attorney

FROM: David Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM 
Assistant Commissioner

DATE: January 12, 2023

SUBJECT: **ACTIVITIES NOT SUBJECT TO STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
REVIEW**

As required by the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617 (“SEQR”), the Board of Legislators (“BOL”) is the body that must assess the environmental significance of all actions that the BOL has discretion to approve, fund or directly undertake. The Planning Department has historically conducted the necessary environmental review for the BOL to undertake its responsibility under SEQR. Additionally, contracts going before the Board of Acquisition and Contracts (“BAC”) must be reviewed for conformance with SEQR.

Pursuant to Section 617.2(b) of SEQR, “Actions” are defined as:

- (1) projects or physical activities, such as construction or other activities that may affect the environment by changing the use, appearance or condition of any natural resource or structure, that:
 - (i) are directly undertaken by an agency; or
 - (ii) involve funding by an agency; or
 - (iii) require one or more new or modified approvals from an agency or agencies;
- (2) agency planning and policy making activities that may affect the environment and commit the agency to a definite course of future decisions;
- (3) adoption of agency rules, regulations and procedures, including local laws, codes, ordinances, executive orders and resolutions that may affect the environment; and
- (4) any combinations of the above.

As part of the Planning Department’s ongoing review of its processes, we are streamlining the process for SEQR review and related document preparation for the BOL and BAC. The most effective method to achieve a more timely SEQR review is to create a list of categories of activities **that do not meet the definition of an “action”** as defined in SEQR. This list (attached) references activities that are routine and which do not change the use, appearance or condition of any natural resource or structure, nor do they involve policies or regulations that may affect the environment. The creation of this list in no way eliminates the BOL’s or BAC’s

responsibilities under SEQR. Rather, it establishes a workflow for items that are routine and do not, under the law, require environmental review.

Accordingly, the Planning Department advises that no environmental review is required and no SEQR documentation is necessary for submission with BOL legislation or with resolutions or contracts requiring BAC approval regarding activities on the attached list.

County departments and agencies may reference this memorandum in the legislation in order to document compliance with SEQR for actions listed herein. As such, this memorandum should be kept on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Legislation should include a statement similar to the following: "The proposed project 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 12, 2022, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators."

This memorandum will be distributed to all Commissioners as part of County operations.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Att.

cc: Malika Vanderberg, Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer to the Board of Legislators
Joan McDonald, Director of Operations
Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff
Steve Bass, Director of Intergovernmental Relations
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz, Chief Deputy County Attorney
Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Norma Drummond, Commissioner of Planning

**ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT MEET THE DEFINITION OF AN “ACTION”
PURSUANT TO SEQR AND ARE, CONSEQUENTLY, NOT SUBJECT TO SEQR**

1. BUDGETS AND AMENDMENTS

- Municipal budgets and amendments to them – The budgeting process merely sets aside funds without a commitment to their expenditure. Operating expenditures are typically for government-related activities that would also not meet the definition of an action. Even the establishment of the Capital Budget is not subject to SEQR because many of the capital projects are usually not definitive enough with respect to potential impacts to be reviewable at the time the budget is adopted. However, any subsequent authorization, such as bonding, to undertake a particular capital project is an action that requires SEQR compliance before it may be approved.
- The transfer of funds within the County operating and capital budgets for the purpose of balancing accounts – It is understood that these actions are purely budgetary, where accounts with excess funds are moved to accounts with existing or anticipated deficits. It is further understood that the activities covered by these accounts have either already occurred or been reviewed in accordance with SEQR, are Type II actions or actions that are not subject to SEQR, or are actions that will require future approval prior to being undertaken, at which time further SEQR review may be appropriate.
- Rescissions or reduction of bond acts to cancel unspent funds.

2. SERVICES

- Consultant services – Contracts or agreements that provide for administrative services, training, reports for Boards and Commissions, but not including studies or design of physical improvements, which has been listed under SEQR as Type II.
- Social Services – Actions or agreements that provide services to persons in need, such as employment assistance, family/domestic intervention and respite care.
- Youth services – Actions or agreements that provide for youth services, such as a Resource Allocation Plan, Invest-in-Kids Program, after-school programs, camp programs and head-start programs.
- Senior programs & services – Actions or agreements that provide for services to seniors, such as provision of information/education, home care, nutrition & transportation assistance, caregiver support, and acceptance of federal and state grants providing for such services (e.g., OAA Title III grants and NYSOFA grants, including CSE, CSI, CRC, EISEP, NYSTP, WIN & NSIP).
- Public Safety services – programs that promote public safety, such as STOP-DWI, Police Night Out, and intermunicipal agreements (IMAs) for shared training, equipment and response to emergencies, including E-911.
- Fire services – Fire district IMAs for shared training, equipment and response to emergencies.
- Legal services – Contracts for outside counsel, litigation or associated monetary settlements.

- Medical Services – Contracts with medical providers for medical examinations, testing, vaccinations or medical treatment of County employees or the public.
- Mental Health Services – Contracts with agencies to provide treatment, services or education related to mental health.

3. PERSONNEL MATTERS

- Actions related to employment or employees.
- Contracts for temporary staff assistance.
- Legislation pertaining to establishment and membership of boards and commissions.

4. FINANCES

- Tax Anticipation Notes.
- Bond acts to finance tax certiorari payments.
- Banking contracts/agreements for money management services.
- Mortgage tax receipts disbursements (County Clerk).
- Refinancing of affordable housing mortgages.
- Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreements.

5. LAWS

- New laws or amendments of existing laws that regulate the sale or use of products for the protection of public health.
- New laws or amendments of existing laws that regulate businesses for the protection of consumers.
- Pertaining to consumer protection, not including professional licensing, which have been classified as Type II.
- Pertaining to animal welfare, excluding regulations involving habitat management.
- Pertaining to public safety.
- Pertaining to taxation, such as establishment of new taxes or tax exemptions.
- Pertaining to establishment or modification of fees.
- Pertaining to notices, publications and record keeping.
- Pertaining to hiring or contracting procedures.
- Pertaining to the functioning of County government, such as term limits, board appointments, etc. that do not impact the environment.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- Amendments to existing agreements for changes in name or consultants.
- Education/training programs, contracts for clinical instruction.
- Prisoner Transport IMAs.
- Tourism Promotion Agency designation.
- Software licenses.

- IMAs for temporary housing in existing facilities (homeless, inmate, troubled youths, domestic violence victims).
- Naming or renaming of streets, buildings, parks or other public facilities.

WCDP
JAN 2023

ACT NO. 2023-_____

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Valhalla Fire District to provide specialized training and fire suppression services for a two (2) year term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024 in an aggregate amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Valhalla Fire District ("District") for a term of two (2) years commencing retroactively on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024.

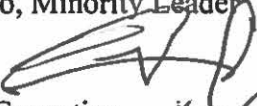
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§3. The County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute instruments and take all action necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

June 2, 2023

TO: Hon. Vedat Gashi, Chair
Hon. Nancy Barr, Vice Chair
Hon. Christopher Johnson, Majority Leader
Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM: George Latimer
Westchester County Executive  Kenneth Jenkins
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RE: Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: **IMA – Hawthorne Fire District - Fire Suppression Services.**

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Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for June 5, 2023 "blue sheet" calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



George Latimer
County Executive

June 1, 2023

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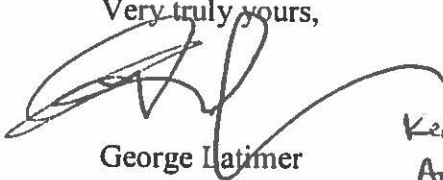
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The Planning Department has advised that the proposed Agreement does not meet the definition of an "action" under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR part 617.5(c)(26). Type II actions are those actions determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and therefore do not require further environmental review. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 12, 2023, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. As such, no environmental review is required. As you know, your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to make its own conclusion.

I believe this Agreement to be in the best interest of the County and, therefore, recommend your favorable action on the annexed proposed Act.

Very truly yours,



George Latimer
County Executive

Kenneth Jenkins
Acting County Executive .

GL/RGW/CMC
Attachments

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

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The Planning Department has advised that the proposed Agreement does not meet the definition of an “action” under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR part

617.5(c)(26). As such, no environmental review is required. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 12, 2023, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee concurs with this conclusion.

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

Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed Act and believes it to be in the best interest of the County and, therefore, recommends your Honorable Board's favorable action on the annexed proposed Act.

Dated: _____, 2023
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

C:CMC.06.01.2023

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Hawthorne Fire District 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 \$ 15,000

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

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

Additional Appropriations Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101 20 1000 4420

2023: \$15,000 and 2024: \$15,000

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$15,000

Describe: IMA with Hawthorne Fire District for fire suppression services for the term
of two (2) years commencing on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: Julia Criscitelli

Title: Budget Specialist III

Department: Emergency Services


Date: May 18, 2023

Reviewed By: 

Budget Director

Date: 6/1/23

TO: George Latimer, County Executive
Kenneth Jenkins, Deputy County Executive
John Nonna, County Attorney

FROM: David Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM 
Assistant Commissioner

DATE: January 12, 2023

SUBJECT: **ACTIVITIES NOT SUBJECT TO STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
REVIEW**

As required by the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617 (“SEQR”), the Board of Legislators (“BOL”) is the body that must assess the environmental significance of all actions that the BOL has discretion to approve, fund or directly undertake. The Planning Department has historically conducted the necessary environmental review for the BOL to undertake its responsibility under SEQR. Additionally, contracts going before the Board of Acquisition and Contracts (“BAC”) must be reviewed for conformance with SEQR.

Pursuant to Section 617.2(b) of SEQR, “Actions” are defined as:

- (1) projects or physical activities, such as construction or other activities that may affect the environment by changing the use, appearance or condition of any natural resource or structure, that:
 - (i) are directly undertaken by an agency; or
 - (ii) involve funding by an agency; or
 - (iii) require one or more new or modified approvals from an agency or agencies;
- (2) agency planning and policy making activities that may affect the environment and commit the agency to a definite course of future decisions;
- (3) adoption of agency rules, regulations and procedures, including local laws, codes, ordinances, executive orders and resolutions that may affect the environment; and
- (4) any combinations of the above.

As part of the Planning Department’s ongoing review of its processes, we are streamlining the process for SEQR review and related document preparation for the BOL and BAC. The most effective method to achieve a more timely SEQR review is to create a list of categories of activities **that do not meet the definition of an “action”** as defined in SEQR. This list (attached) references activities that are routine and which do not change the use, appearance or condition of any natural resource or structure, nor do they involve policies or regulations that may affect the environment. The creation of this list in no way eliminates the BOL’s or BAC’s

responsibilities under SEQ. Rather, it establishes a workflow for items that are routine and do not, under the law, require environmental review.

Accordingly, the Planning Department advises that no environmental review is required and no SEQ documentation is necessary for submission with BOL legislation or with resolutions or contracts requiring BAC approval regarding activities on the attached list.

County departments and agencies may reference this memorandum in the legislation in order to document compliance with SEQ for actions listed herein. As such, this memorandum should be kept on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Legislation should include a statement similar to the following: "The proposed project 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 12, 2022, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators."

This memorandum will be distributed to all Commissioners as part of County operations.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Att.

cc: Malika Vanderberg, Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer to the Board of Legislators
Joan McDonald, Director of Operations
Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff
Steve Bass, Director of Intergovernmental Relations
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz, Chief Deputy County Attorney
Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Norma Drummond, Commissioner of Planning

**ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT MEET THE DEFINITION OF AN “ACTION”
PURSUANT TO SEQR AND ARE, CONSEQUENTLY, NOT SUBJECT TO SEQR**

1. BUDGETS AND AMENDMENTS

- Municipal budgets and amendments to them – The budgeting process merely sets aside funds without a commitment to their expenditure. Operating expenditures are typically for government-related activities that would also not meet the definition of an action. Even the establishment of the Capital Budget is not subject to SEQR because many of the capital projects are usually not definitive enough with respect to potential impacts to be reviewable at the time the budget is adopted. However, any subsequent authorization, such as bonding, to undertake a particular capital project is an action that requires SEQR compliance before it may be approved.
- The transfer of funds within the County operating and capital budgets for the purpose of balancing accounts – It is understood that these actions are purely budgetary, where accounts with excess funds are moved to accounts with existing or anticipated deficits. It is further understood that the activities covered by these accounts have either already occurred or been reviewed in accordance with SEQR, are Type II actions or actions that are not subject to SEQR, or are actions that will require future approval prior to being undertaken, at which time further SEQR review may be appropriate.
- Rescissions or reduction of bond acts to cancel unspent funds.

2. SERVICES

- Consultant services – Contracts or agreements that provide for administrative services, training, reports for Boards and Commissions, but not including studies or design of physical improvements, which has been listed under SEQR as Type II.
- Social Services – Actions or agreements that provide services to persons in need, such as employment assistance, family/domestic intervention and respite care.
- Youth services – Actions or agreements that provide for youth services, such as a Resource Allocation Plan, Invest-in-Kids Program, after-school programs, camp programs and head-start programs.
- Senior programs & services – Actions or agreements that provide for services to seniors, such as provision of information/education, home care, nutrition & transportation assistance, caregiver support, and acceptance of federal and state grants providing for such services (e.g., OAA Title III grants and NYSOFA grants, including CSE, CSI, CRC, EISEP, NYSTP, WIN & NSIP).
- Public Safety services – programs that promote public safety, such as STOP-DWI, Police Night Out, and intermunicipal agreements (IMAs) for shared training, equipment and response to emergencies, including E-911.
- Fire services – Fire district IMAs for shared training, equipment and response to emergencies.
- Legal services – Contracts for outside counsel, litigation or associated monetary settlements.

- Medical Services – Contracts with medical providers for medical examinations, testing, vaccinations or medical treatment of County employees or the public.
- Mental Health Services – Contracts with agencies to provide treatment, services or education related to mental health.

3. PERSONNEL MATTERS

- Actions related to employment or employees.
- Contracts for temporary staff assistance.
- Legislation pertaining to establishment and membership of boards and commissions.

4. FINANCES

- Tax Anticipation Notes.
- Bond acts to finance tax certiorari payments.
- Banking contracts/agreements for money management services.
- Mortgage tax receipts disbursements (County Clerk).
- Refinancing of affordable housing mortgages.
- Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreements.

5. LAWS

- New laws or amendments of existing laws that regulate the sale or use of products for the protection of public health.
- New laws or amendments of existing laws that regulate businesses for the protection of consumers.
- Pertaining to consumer protection, not including professional licensing, which have been classified as Type II.
- Pertaining to animal welfare, excluding regulations involving habitat management.
- Pertaining to public safety.
- Pertaining to taxation, such as establishment of new taxes or tax exemptions.
- Pertaining to establishment or modification of fees.
- Pertaining to notices, publications and record keeping.
- Pertaining to hiring or contracting procedures.
- Pertaining to the functioning of County government, such as term limits, board appointments, etc. that do not impact the environment.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- Amendments to existing agreements for changes in name or consultants.
- Education/training programs, contracts for clinical instruction.
- Prisoner Transport IMAs.
- Tourism Promotion Agency designation.
- Software licenses.

- IMAs for temporary housing in existing facilities (homeless, inmate, troubled youths, domestic violence victims).
- Naming or renaming of streets, buildings, parks or other public facilities.

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ACT NO. 2023-_____

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Hawthorne Fire District to provide specialized training and fire suppression services for a two (2) year term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024 in an aggregate amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Hawthorne Fire District ("District") for a term of two (2) years commencing retroactively on January 1, 2023 and expiring on December 31, 2024.

§2. The District will participate in specialized training and activities with the Grasslands Fire Brigade and furnish, at its sole cost and expense, equipment appropriate to prepare for fire suppression activities and rescue operations on the Grasslands Reservation. For the services to be provided, the District will be paid the aggregate amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars, subject to appropriation.

§3. The County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute instruments and take all action necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the Chair of the Board of Legislators recommending the adoption of an Act which, if approved by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester (the “County”) to enter into an inter-municipal agreement (“IMA”) with the Village of Bronxville (the “Municipality”), acting by and through its Police Department (the “PD”), pursuant to which the Municipality will provide its National Night Out program (the “Program”) within the period from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

The County will pay the Municipality a total amount not to exceed Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars, payable in full after submission by the Municipality of an invoice within thirty (30) days of full execution of the Agreement, pursuant to an approved budget.

In consideration, the PD will provide the Program on or about Tuesday, August 1, 2023. The Program is a community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer, more caring places. The Program enhances the relationship between the residents of the Municipality and the PD, all while creating a sense of community. Furthermore, the Program provides an opportunity to bring the PD and the community together in a positive setting.

Under said Program, the Municipality shall provide a variety of events including, but not limited to safety demonstrations and emergency personnel activities from police, fire, and ambulance. The Program shall also provide food and beverages, children themed activities such as inflatables and games, and educational information and memorabilia / “giveaways” that will be provided to the community.

Your Committee has determined that there is a clear and overwhelming need for the Program.

Accordingly, your Committee recommends authorizing the County to enter into the IMA.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMA does not meet the definition of an “action” under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR, Part 617. Please refer to the Memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 12, 2023, which is on file with the clerk of your Honorable Board. Therefore, no further environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this conclusion.

Your Committee has been advised that passage of the attached Act requires an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of your Honorable Board. Your Committee has carefully considered this proposed legislation authorizing the above-mentioned inter-municipal agreement and recommends its approval.

Dated: _____, 2023
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON:

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: IMA Village of Bronxville 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 \$ 3,000

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

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

Additional Appropriations Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101-52-2508-5100

An intermunicipal agreement with the Village of Bronxville for their National Night Out program.

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: Michael Dunn

Title: Senior Budget Analyst

Department: Budget

Date: July 19, 2023

Reviewed By: 

Budget Director

Date: 7/19/23

ACT NO. 2023-___

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

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§2. The Municipality shall submit a written report, including statistics, to the County, of the program. Evaluations will be based on the extent to which objectives of the program were accomplished.

§3. The Municipality of the Board of Legislators or his/her duly authorized designee (the “Chair”) is hereby authorized to execute and deliver all documents and take such actions as the Chair deems necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

FOURTH: The Municipality shall, at no additional charge, furnish all labor, services, materials, tools, equipment and other appliances necessary to complete the services contracted for under this Agreement. It is recognized and understood that in no event shall total payment to the Municipality exceed the not-to-exceed amount set forth above.

FIFTH: The Municipality shall report to the County on its progress toward completing the Services, as the Chair of the Westchester County Board of Legislators or his/her duly authorized designee (the "Chair") may request, and shall immediately inform the Chair in writing of any cause for delay in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

No later than thirty (30) days after the end of the term of the Agreement, the Municipality shall submit to the Chair, a written performance measurement report which shall provide details about the Program, including the number of participants in each activity.

In addition to any general audit rights to which the County may be entitled hereunder, the County also reserves the right to audit the Municipality's performance under this Agreement. Such audit may include requests for documentation, reports or other information which the Chair may, in the Chair's discretion, deem necessary and appropriate. The County may also make site visits to the location/s where the services to be provided under this Agreement are performed in order to review Municipality's records, observe the performance of services and/or to conduct interviews of staff and patrons, where appropriate and not otherwise prohibited by law.

SIXTH: The parties recognize and acknowledge that the obligations of the County under this Agreement are subject to annual appropriations by its Board of Legislators pursuant to the Laws of Westchester County. Therefore, this Agreement shall be deemed executory only to the extent of the monies appropriated and available. The County shall have no liability under this Agreement beyond funds appropriated and available for payment pursuant to this Agreement. The parties understand and intend that the obligation of the County hereunder shall constitute a current expense of the County and shall not in any way be construed to be a debt of the County in contravention of any applicable constitutional or statutory limitations or requirements concerning the creation of indebtedness by the County, nor shall anything contained in this Agreement constitute a pledge of the general tax revenues, funds or moneys of the County. The County shall pay amounts due under this Agreement exclusively from legally available funds

appropriated for this purpose. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of the adoption of any County Budget by its Board of Legislators during the term of this Agreement or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such County Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates set forth herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Municipality, then the Municipality shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice.

This Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Municipality, then the Municipality shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice.

SEVENTH: (a) The County, upon ten (10) days' notice to the Municipality, may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part when the County deems it to be in its best interest. Upon receipt of notice that the County is terminating this Agreement in its best interests, the Municipality shall stop Services immediately and incur no further costs in furtherance of this Agreement without the express approval of the Chair, and the Municipality shall direct any approved subcontractors to do the same.

In the event of a dispute as to the value of the Services rendered by the Municipality prior to the date of termination, it is understood and agreed that the Chair shall determine the value of such Work rendered by the Municipality. The Municipality shall accept such reasonable and good faith determination as final.

(b) In the event the County determines that there has been a material breach by the Municipality of any of the terms of the Agreement and such breach remains uncured for forty-

eight (48) hours after service on the Municipality of written notice thereof, the County, in addition to any other right or remedy it might have, may terminate this Agreement and the County shall have the right, power and authority to complete the Services provided for in this Agreement, or contract for its completion, and any additional expense or cost of such completion shall be charged to and paid by the Municipality. Without limiting the foregoing, upon written notice to the Municipality, repeated breaches by the Municipality of duties or obligations under this Agreement shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement justifying termination for cause hereunder without requirement for further opportunity to cure.

EIGHTH: INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION: All personnel and vehicles engaged in the Services shall at all times remain and be deemed the employees and property of the Municipality. The Municipality shall provide proof of insurance as set forth in the insurance requirements of Schedule "C" of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Municipality is self-insured for all or a portion of the insurance required by Schedule "C", it may provide proof of such self-insurance in a form acceptable to the County's Director of Risk Management. However, to the extent the Municipality is self-insured and carries excess liability, the County shall be named as an additional insured to that policy.

In addition to, and not in limitation of the insurance requirements set forth in this Agreement, the Municipality agrees to procure and maintain insurance naming the County as additional insured, as provided and described in Schedule "C," entitled "Standard Insurance Provisions," which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. In addition to, and not in limitation of the insurance provisions contained in Schedule "C," the Municipality agrees:

(a) that except for the amount, if any, of damage contributed to, caused by, or resulting from the sole negligence of the County, the Municipality shall indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officers, employees, agents, and elected officials from and against any and all liability, damage, claims, demands, costs, judgments, fees, attorney's fees or loss arising directly or indirectly out of the performance or failure to perform hereunder by the Municipality or third parties under the direction or control of the Municipality; and

(b) to provide defense for and defend, at its sole expense, any and all claims, demands or causes of action directly or indirectly arising out of this Agreement and to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto; and

(c) in the event the Municipality does not provide the above defense and indemnification to the County, and such refusal or denial to provide the above defense and indemnification is found to be in breach of this provision, then the Municipality shall reimburse the County's reasonable attorney's fees incurred in connection with the defense of any action, and in connection with enforcing this provision of the Agreement.

NINTH: The Municipality expressly agrees that neither it nor any contractor, subcontractor, employee, or any other person acting on its behalf shall discriminate against or intimidate any employee or other individual on the basis of race, creed, religion, color, gender, age, national origin, ethnicity, alienage or citizenship status, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, familial status, genetic predisposition or carrier status during the term of or in connection with this Agreement, as those terms may be defined in Chapter 700 of the Laws of Westchester County. The Municipality acknowledges and understands that the County maintains a zero tolerance policy prohibiting all forms of harassment or discrimination against its employees by co-workers, supervisors, vendors, contractors, or others.

TENTH: The Municipality shall comply, at its own expense, with the provisions of all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, those applicable to the Municipality as an employer of labor. The Municipality shall further comply, at its own expense, with all applicable rules, regulations and licensing requirements pertaining to its professional status and that of its employees, partners, associates, subcontractors and others employed to render the Services hereunder.

ELEVENTH: All records or recorded data of any kind compiled by the Municipality in completing the Services described in this Agreement, including but not limited to written reports, studies, drawings, computer printouts, plans, specifications and all other similar recorded data, shall become and remain the property of the County. The Municipality may retain copies of such records for its own use and shall not disclose any such information without the express written consent of the Chair. The County shall have the right to reproduce and publish such records, if it so desires, at no additional cost to the County.

TWELFTH: The Municipality shall not delegate any duties or assign any of its rights under this Agreement without the prior express written consent of the County. Any purported delegation of duties, assignment of rights or subcontracting of Services under this Agreement without the prior express written consent of the County is void. All subcontracts that have received such prior written consent shall provide that subcontractors are subject to all terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. It is recognized and understood by the Municipality that for the purposes of this Agreement, all Services performed by a County-approved subcontractor shall be deemed Services performed by the Municipality and the Municipality shall insure that such subcontracted work is subject to the material terms and conditions of this Agreement. All subcontracts for the Services shall expressly reference the subcontractor's duty to comply with the material terms and conditions of this Agreement and shall attach a copy of the County's contract with the Municipality. The Municipality shall obtain a written acknowledgement from the owner and/or chief executive of subcontractor or his/her duly authorized representative that the subcontractor has received a copy of the County's contract, read it and is familiar with the material terms and conditions thereof. The Municipality shall include provisions in its subcontracts designed to ensure that the Municipality and/or its auditor has the right to examine all relevant books, records, documents or electronic data of the subcontractor necessary to review the subcontractor's compliance with the material terms and conditions of this Agreement. For each and every year for which this Agreement continues, the Municipality shall submit to the Chair a letter signed by the owner and/or chief executive officer of the Municipality or his/her duly authorized representative certifying that each and every approved subcontractor is in compliance with the material terms and conditions of the Agreement.

THIRTEENTH: The Municipality and the County agree that the Municipality and its officers, employees, agents, contractors and/or subcontractors are independent contractors and not employees of the County or any department, agency or unit thereof. In accordance with their status as independent contractors, the Municipality covenants and agrees that neither the Municipality nor any of its officers, employees, agents, contractors and/or subcontractors will hold themselves out as, or claim to be, officers or employees of the County or any department, agency or unit thereof.

FOURTEENTH: Failure of the County to insist, in any one or more instances, upon strict performance of any term or condition herein contained shall not be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of such term or condition, but the same shall remain in full force and effect. Acceptance by the County of any Services or the payment of any fee or reimbursement due hereunder with knowledge of a breach of any term or condition hereof, shall not be deemed a waiver of any such breach and no waiver by the County of any provision hereof shall be implied.

FIFTEENTH: All notices of any nature referred to in this Agreement shall be in writing and either sent by registered or certified mail postage pre-paid, or delivered by hand or overnight courier, or sent by facsimile (with acknowledgment received and a copy of the notice sent by registered or certified mail postage pre-paid), as set forth below or to such other addresses as the respective parties hereto may designate in writing. Notice shall be effective on the date of receipt. Notices shall be sent to the following:

To the County: Chair, Westchester County Board of Legislators
Michaelian Office Building
148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor
White Plains, New York 10601

with a copy to: County Attorney
Michaelian Office Building
148 Martine Avenue, Room 600
White Plains, New York 10601

To the Municipality: Village of Bronxville
200 Pondfield Road,
Bronxville, NY 10708

With a copy to:

Bronxville Police Department
200 Pondfield Road
Bronxville, NY 10708
Attention: Police Officer Cheryl Jarosz

SIXTEENTH: This Agreement and its attachments constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall supersede all previous

negotiations, commitments and writings. It shall not be released, discharged, changed or modified except by an instrument in writing signed by a duly authorized representative of each of the parties.

In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of any schedule or attachment hereto, it is understood that the terms of this Agreement shall be controlling with respect to any interpretation of the meaning and intent of the parties.

SEVENTEENTH: Nothing herein is intended or shall be construed to confer upon or give to any third party or its successors and assigns any rights, remedies or basis for reliance upon, under or by reason of this Agreement, except in the event that specific third party rights are expressly granted herein.

EIGHTEENTH: The Municipality recognizes that this Agreement does not grant the Municipality the exclusive right to perform the Services for the County and that the County may enter into similar agreements with other Municipalities on an “as needed” basis.

NINETEENTH: VENDOR DIRECT PAYMENT: All payments made by the County to the Municipality will be made by electronic funds transfer (“EFT”) pursuant to the County’s Vendor Direct Program. If the Municipality is not already enrolled in the Vendor Direct Program, the Municipality shall fill out and submit an EFT Authorization Form attached hereto as Schedule “D”. If the Municipality is already enrolled in the Vendor Direct Program, the Municipality hereby agrees to immediately notify the County’s Finance Department in writing if the EFT Authorization Form on file must be changed, and provide an updated version of the document.

TWENTIETH: The Municipality shall use all reasonable means to avoid any conflict of interest with the County and shall immediately notify the County in the event of a conflict of interest. The Municipality shall also use all reasonable means to avoid any appearance of impropriety.

TWENTY-FIRST: This Agreement may be executed simultaneously in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the

same instrument. This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. In addition, the parties hereby agree that any cause of action arising out of this Agreement shall be brought in the County of Westchester.

If any term or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or void or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated, and to the extent permitted by applicable law, any such term, or provision shall be restricted in applicability or reformed to the minimum extent required for such to be enforceable. This provision shall be interpreted and enforced to give effect to the original written intent of the parties prior to the determination of such invalidity or unenforceability.

TWENTY-SECOND: This Agreement shall not be enforceable until signed by both parties and approved by the Office of the County Attorney.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The County of Westchester and the Municipality have caused this Agreement to be executed.

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

By: _____
Name: Honorable Vedat Gashi
Title: Chair, Westchester County Board of Legislators

THE MUNICIPALITY

By: _____
Name:
Title:

Authorized by the Westchester County Board of Legislators by Act No. _____ duly adopted on
the _____ day of _____, 2023.

Approved

Assistant County Attorney
County of Westchester
k/bara/bol/IMA Bronxville NNO CON130540

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

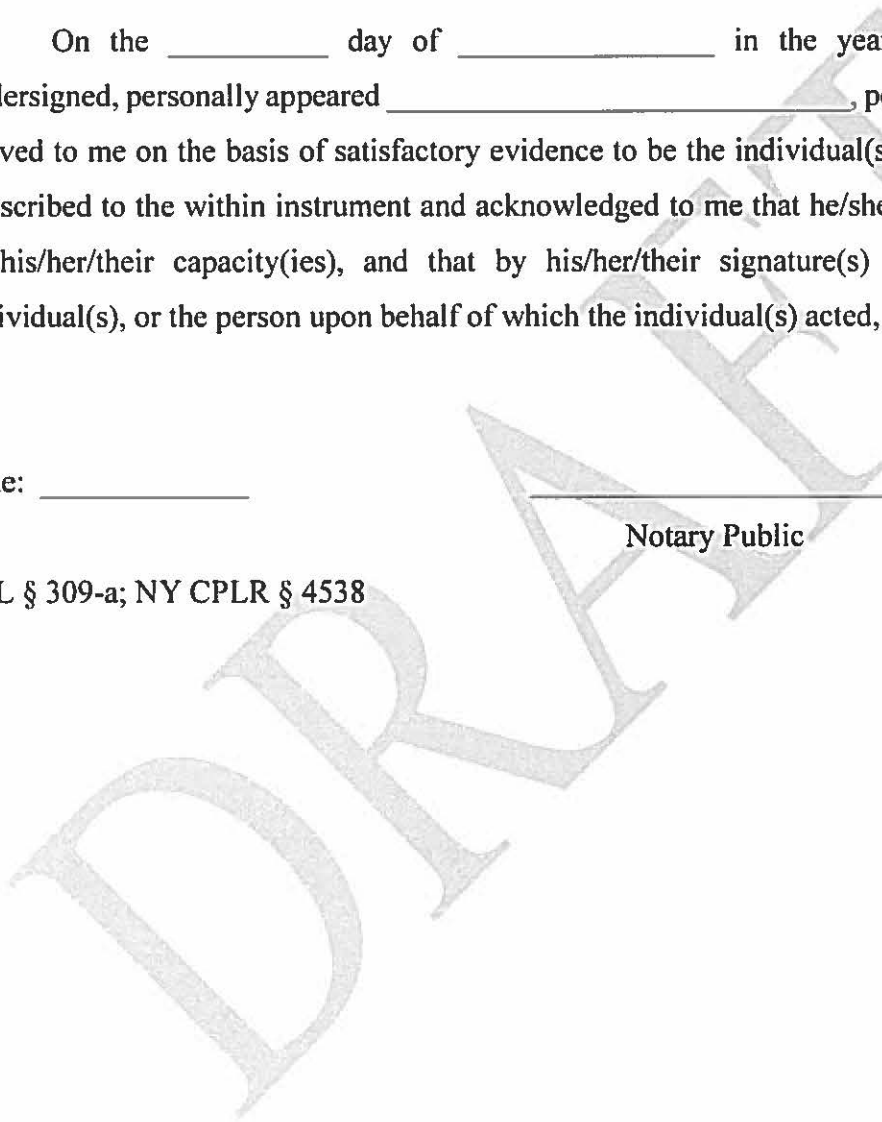
STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF)

On the _____ day of _____ in the year 2023 before me, the undersigned, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Date: _____

Notary Public

RPL § 309-a; NY CPLR § 4538



CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(Municipality)

I, _____,
(Officer other than officer signing contract)
certify that I am the _____ of the
(Title)

(Name of Municipality)

(the "Municipality") a corporation duly organized in good standing under the

(Law under which organized, e.g., the New York Village Law, Village Law, General Municipal Law)

named in the foregoing agreement that _____
(Person executing agreement)

who signed said agreement on behalf of the Municipality was, at the time of execution
of the Municipality,

(Title of such person),

that said agreement was duly signed for on behalf of said Municipality by authority of its

(Village Board, Village Board, Municipality Council)

thereunto duly authorized, and that such authority is in full force and effect at the date hereof.

(Signature)

STATE OF NEW YORK)

ss.:

COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

On this _____ day of _____, 2023, before me personally came _____
_____ whose signature appears above, to me known, and know to be the
_____ of _____,
(title)

the municipal corporation described in and which executed the above certificate, who being by
me duly sworn did depose and say that he, the said _____
resides at _____, and that he is
the _____ of said municipal corporation.
(title)

Notary Public County

SCHEDULE "A"

SCOPE / SPECIFICATIONS

Municipality shall provide the County with its annual "National Night Out" Program on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. National Night Out is referred to as America's night out against crime and is the largest community-police awareness raising-event held nationwide. It focusses on bringing the community together to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support and participation in local anticrime efforts.

Under said Program, Municipality shall provide a variety of events including, but not limited to safety demonstrations and emergency personnel activities from police, fire and ambulance. The Program shall also provide food and beverages, children themed activities such as inflatables and games, and educational information and memorabilia / "giveaways" that will be provided to the community.

National Night Out Program is a community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer and more caring places to live. National Night Out Program enhances the relationship between Village of Bronxville residents and the Village of Bronxville Police Department, all while creating a sense of community. Furthermore, National Night Out Program provides a great opportunity to bring the Village of Bronxville Police Department and the community together in a positive setting.

SCHEDULE "B"

APPROVED BUDGET

1. 2023 National Night Out Program on Tuesday, August 1, 2023

a. Entertainment (such as inflatables and games)	\$1,500.00
b. Food and Beverages	\$1,000.00
c. Assorted "giveaways"	\$500.00

Total Not to Exceed Amount: \$3,000.00

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SCHEDULE C
STANDARD INSURANCE PROVISIONS
(Youth & Human Services)

1. Prior to commencing work, and throughout the term of the Agreement, the Contractor shall obtain at its own cost and expense the required insurance as delineated below from insurance companies licensed in the State of New York, carrying a Best's financial rating of A or better. The Contractor shall provide evidence of such insurance to the County of Westchester ("County"), either by providing a copy of policies and/or certificates as may be required and approved by the Director of Risk Management of the County ("Director"). The policies or certificates thereof shall provide that ten (10) days prior to cancellation or material change in the policy, notices of same shall be given to the Director either by overnight mail or personal delivery for all of the following stated insurance policies. All notices shall name the Contractor and identify the Agreement.

If at any time any of the policies required herein shall be or become unsatisfactory to the Director, as to form or substance, or if a company issuing any such policy shall be or become unsatisfactory to the Director, the Contractor shall upon notice to that effect from the County, promptly obtain a new policy, and submit the policy or the certificate as requested by the Director to the Office of Risk Management of the County for approval by the Director. Upon failure of the Contractor to furnish, deliver and maintain such insurance, the Agreement, at the election of the County, may be declared suspended, discontinued or terminated.

Failure of the Contractor to take out, maintain, or the taking out or maintenance of any required insurance, shall not relieve the Contractor from any liability under the Agreement, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with or otherwise limit the contractual obligations of the Contractor concerning indemnification.

All property losses shall be made payable to the "County of Westchester" and adjusted with the appropriate County personnel.

In the event that claims, for which the County may be liable, in excess of the insured amounts provided herein are filed by reason of Contractor's negligent acts or omissions under the Agreement or by virtue of the provisions of the labor law or other statute or any other reason, the amount of excess of such claims or any portion thereof, may be withheld from payment due or to become due the Contractor until such time as the Contractor shall furnish such additional security covering such claims in form satisfactory to the Director.

In the event of any loss, if the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums identified herein, the County shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or higher limits maintained by the Contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

2. The Contractor shall provide proof of the following coverage (if additional coverage is required for a specific agreement, those requirements will be described in the Agreement):

a) Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability. Certificate form C-105.2 or State Fund Insurance Company form U-26.3 is required for proof of compliance with the New York State Workers' Compensation Law. State Workers' Compensation Board form DB-120.1 is required for proof of compliance with the New York State Disability Benefits Law. Location of operation shall be "All locations in Westchester County, New York."

Where an applicant claims to not be required to carry either a Workers' Compensation Policy or Disability Benefits Policy, or both, the employer must complete NYS form CE-200, available to download at: <http://www.wcb.ny.gov>.

If the employer is self-insured for Workers' Compensation, he/she should present a certificate from the New York State Worker's Compensation Board evidencing that fact (Either SI-12, Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance, or GSI-105.2, Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance).

b) Commercial General Liability Insurance with a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 (c.s.1) per occurrence and a \$2,000,000 aggregate limit naming the "County of Westchester" as an additional insured on a primary and non-contributory basis. This insurance shall include the following coverages:

- i. Premises - Operations.
- ii. Broad Form Contractual.
- iii. Independent Contractor and Sub-Contractor.
- iv. Products and Completed Operations.

c) Commercial Umbrella/Excess Insurance: \$2,000,000 each Occurrence and Aggregate naming the "County of Westchester" as additional insured, written on a "follow the form" basis.

NOTE: Additional insured status shall be provided by standard or other endorsement that extends coverage to the County of Westchester for both on-going and completed operations.

d) Automobile Liability Insurance with a minimum limit of liability per occurrence of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and a minimum limit of \$100,000 per occurrence for property damage or a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 unless otherwise indicated in the contract specifications. This insurance shall include for bodily injury and property damage the following coverages and name the "County of Westchester" as additional insured:

- i. Owned automobiles.
- ii. Hired automobiles.
- iii. Non-owned automobiles.

e) Abuse and Molestation Liability, either by separate policy of insurance or through endorsement to the General Liability Policy or Professional Liability Policy. (Limits of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence/2,000,000 aggregate). This insurance shall include coverage for the following, including coverage for client on client, counselor client, and third parties:

- i. Misconduct
- ii. Abuse (including both physical and sexual)
- iii. Molestation

3. All policies of the Contractor shall be endorsed to contain the following clauses:

a) Insurers shall have no right to recovery or subrogation against the County (including its employees and other agents and agencies), it being the intention of the parties that the insurance policies so effected shall protect both parties and be primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the above-described insurance.

b) The clause "other insurance provisions" in a policy in which the County is named as an insured, shall not apply to the County.

c) The insurance companies issuing the policy or policies shall have no recourse against the County (including its agents and agencies as aforesaid) for payment of any premiums or for assessments under any form of policy.

d) Any and all deductibles in the above described insurance policies shall be assumed by and be for the account of, and at the sole risk of, the Contractor.

SCHEDULE "D"

Westchester County Vendor Direct Program Frequently Asked Questions

1. WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (EFT) ASSOCIATED WITH THE VENDOR DIRECT PROGRAM?

There are several advantages to having your payments automatically deposited into your designated bank account via EFT:

Payments are secure – Paper checks can be lost in the mail or stolen, but money deposited directly into your bank account is more secure.

You save time – Money deposited into your bank account is automatic. You save the time of preparing and delivering the deposit to the bank. Additionally, the funds are immediately available to you.

2. ARE MY PAYMENTS GOING TO BE PROCESSED ON THE SAME SCHEDULE AS THEY WERE BEFORE VENDOR DIRECT?

Yes.

3. HOW QUICKLY WILL A PAYMENT BE DEPOSITED INTO MY ACCOUNT?

Payments are deposited two business days after the voucher/invoice is processed. Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays are not considered business days.

4. HOW WILL I KNOW WHEN THE PAYMENT IS IN MY BANK ACCOUNT AND WHAT IT IS FOR?

Under the Vendor Direct program you will receive an e-mail notification two days prior to the day the payment will be credited to your designated account. The e-mail notification will come in the form of a remittance advice with the same information that currently appears on your check stub, and will contain the date that the funds will be credited to your account.

5. WHAT IF THERE IS A DISCREPANCY IN THE AMOUNT RECEIVED?

Please contact your Westchester County representative as you would have in the past if there were a discrepancy on a check received.

6. WHAT IF I DO NOT RECEIVE THE MONEY IN MY DESIGNATED BANK ACCOUNT ON THE DATE INDICATED IN THE E-MAIL?

In the unlikely event that this occurs, please contact the Westchester County Accounts Payable Department at 914-995-4708.

7. WHAT MUST I DO IF I CHANGE MY BANK OR MY ACCOUNT NUMBER?

Whenever you change any information or close your account a new Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form must be submitted. Please contact the Westchester County Accounts Payable Department at 914-995-4708 and we will e-mail you a new form.

8. WHEN COMPLETING THE PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION FORM, WHY MUST I HAVE IT SIGNED BY A BANK OFFICIAL IF I DON'T INCLUDE A VOIDED CHECK?

This is to ensure the authenticity of the account being set up to receive your payments.



Westchester County • Department of Finance • Treasury Division

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form

Authorization is:
(check one)

- New
- Change
- No Change

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete both sections of this Authorization form and attach a voided check. See the reverse for more information and instructions. If you previously submitted this form and there is no change to the information previously submitted, ONLY complete lines 1 through 6 of section 1.

Section I - Vendor Information

1. Vendor Name:		
2. Taxpayer ID Number or Social Security Number:		
3. Vendor Primary Address		
4. Contact Person Name:		Contact Person Telephone Number:
5. Vendor E-Mail Addresses for Remittance Notification:		
6. Vendor Certification: <i>I have read and understand the Vendor Direct Payment Program and hereby authorize payments to be received by electronic funds transfer into the bank that I designate in Section II. I further understand that in the event that an erroneous electronic payment is sent, Westchester County reserves the right to reverse the electronic payment. In the event that a reversal cannot be implemented, Westchester County will utilize any other lawful means to retrieve payments to which the payee was not entitled.</i>		
_____ Authorized Signature	_____ Print Name/Title	_____ Date

Section II - Financial Institution Information

7. Bank Name:		
8. Bank Address:		
9. Routing Transit Number:		10. Account Type: (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings
11. Bank Account Number:		12. Bank Account Title:
13. Bank Contact Person Name:		Telephone Number:
14. FINANCIAL INSTITUTION CERTIFICATION (required ONLY if directing funds into a Savings Account OR if a voided check is not attached to this form): <i>I certify that the account number and type of account is maintained in the name of the vendor named above. As a representative of the named financial institution, I certify that this financial institution is ACH capable and agrees to receive and deposit payments to the account shown.</i>		
_____ Authorized Signature	_____ Print Name / Title	_____ Date

(Leave Blank - to be completed by Westchester County) - Vendor number assigned

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Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete both sections of the Vendor Direct Payment Authorization Form and forward the completed form (along with a voided check for the account to which you want your payments credited) to: Westchester County Department of Finance, 148 Martine Ave, Room 720, White Plains, NY 10601, Attention: Vendor Direct. Please see item 14 below regarding attachment of a voided check.

Section I - VENDOR INFORMATION

1. Provide the name of the vendor as it appears on the W-9 form.
2. Enter the vendor's Taxpayer ID number or Social Security Number as it appears on the W-9 form.
3. Enter the vendor's complete primary address (not a P.O. Box).
4. Provide the name and telephone number of the vendor's contact person.
5. Enter the business e-mail address for the remittance notification. **THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT.** This is the e-mail address that we will use to send you notification and remittance information two days prior to the payment being credited to your bank account. We suggest that you provide a group mailbox (if applicable) for your e-mail address. You may also designate multiple e-mail addresses.
6. Please have an authorized Payee/Company official sign and date the form and include his/her title.

Section II - FINANCIAL INSTITUTION INFORMATION

7. Provide bank's name.
8. Provide the complete address of your bank.
9. Enter your bank's 9 digit routing transit number.
10. Indicate the type of account (check one box only).
11. Enter the vendor's bank account number.
12. Enter the title of the vendor's account.
13. Provide the name and telephone number of your bank contact person.
14. If you are directing your payments to a Savings Account OR you can not attach a voided check for your checking account, this line needs to be completed and signed by an authorized bank official. **IF YOU DO ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK FOR A CHECKING ACCOUNT, YOU MAY LEAVE THIS LINE BLANK.**

Vedat Gashi
Chairman of the Board
Legislator, 4th District



TO: Hon. Jewel Williams Johnson
Chair, Budget & Appropriations

Hon. Terry Clements
Chair, Public Safety

FROM: Hon. Vedat Gashi
Chairman of the Board

DATE: July 19, 2023

RE: Item 2023-322 ACT-Village of Bronxville-National Night Out

As Chairman of the Board of Legislators, I am placing the below item directly into the Committees on Budget & Appropriations and Public Safety.

Thank you.

(ID: 2023-322) ACT-Village of Bronxville-National Night Out

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the Village of Bronxville, acting by and through its Police Department, pursuant to which the Village of Bronxville will provide its National Night Out program within the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for a total amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND (\$3,000) DOLLARS.

CC: Marcello Figueroa
Shatika Parker
James Silverberg
Sunday Vanderberg