

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

Your Committee is in receipt of a transmittal from the County Executive recommending approval by the County of Westchester (“County”) of an act, which, if adopted, will amend the County’s current-year capital budget (“Capital Budget Amendment”), as well as adoption of a related bond act (“Bond Act”) in the amount of \$3,540,000 prepared by the law firm Harris Beach Murtha, to finance a new capital project, BCR66 – Correctional Facility Chiller Replacement (“BCR66”).

The proposed Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County’s current-year capital budget to add a new capital project BCR66, and to add a County share for BCR66 in the amount of \$3,540,000.

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$3,540,000, would finance the cost of improvements to the jail tower at the County’s Norwood E. Jackson Correctional Center, including replacement of chiller CH-3 and all related work.

The Department of Correction (“Department”) has advised that the Capital Budget Amendment is necessary to fund the replacement of chiller CH-3 which recently failed. The new chiller will be a modern, energy-efficient equivalent featuring a variable frequency drive to optimize system performance.

Following bond authorization, design will be begin and is estimated to take two months to complete. It is anticipated that design will be completed by in-house staff. It is estimated that work will take eight months to complete and will begin after execution of the purchase and installation contract.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, BCR66 may be classified as a Type “II” action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQR”) and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617. Therefore, no environmental

review is required. Your Committee has reviewed the SEQR documentation, which is on file with the Clerk of your Honorable Board, and concurs with this recommendation.

In addition, Section 167.131 of the Laws of Westchester County mandates that a capital budget amendment that introduces a new capital project or changes the location, size or character of an existing capital project be accompanied to the Board of Legislators by a report of the Westchester County Planning Board (the “Planning Board”) with respect to the physical planning aspects of the project. Accordingly, the Planning Board report for BCR66 will be transmitted under separate cover.

Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed Capital Budget Amendment, as well as the related Bond Act, and recommends approval of both of the proposed Acts, noting that the Bond Act may only be enacted following adoption of the Capital Budget Amendment. It should also be noted that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to amend the County’s Capital Budget as well as to adopt the related Bond Act.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_  
White Plains, New York

**COMMITTEE ON**

An Act amending the 2026 County  
Capital Budget Appropriations for  
Capital Project

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

Section 1. The Capital section of the 2026 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

<b>Previous 2026 Appropriation</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Revised 2026 Appropriation</b>
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Section 2. The estimated method of financing in the Capital Section of the 2026 Westchester County Capital Budget is amended as follows:

II. METHOD OF FINANCING

Bonds and/or Notes

Non County Shares

Cash

Total

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Section 3. The ACT shall take effect immediately.