Public Safety Meeting Agenda



Committee Chair: Colin Smith

800 Michaellan Office Bldg. 148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor White Plains, NY 10601 www.westchesterlegislators.com

Monday, May 17, 2021

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting joint with the Committee on Budget & Appropriations

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, May 10, 2021 at 10:00 AM Minutes

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. <u>2021-314</u> <u>IMA-Prisoner Transportation-21 Municipalities</u>

AN ACT authorizing the County to enter into Intermunicipal Agreements with twenty-one (21) municipalities in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Joint with B&A.

Guests: Warden Vollmer and Bill Fallon - Department of Correction

- II. OTHER BUSINESS
- III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT



George Latimer County Executive

May 3, 2021

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

Dear Honorable Members of the Board:

Pursuant to New York State Correction Law sections 500-c and 500-d, the County is required to transport at its own expense prisoners between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York. In addition, the County is required to provide meals to such prisoners. The County relies on assistance from local municipalities to carry out these functions and by so doing saves taxpayer funds.

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is legislation which would authorize the County to enter into intermunicipal agreements ("IMAs") with twenty-one (21) municipalities for prisoner transportation. The term of the IMAs will commence January 1, 2021 and terminate December 31, 2022 and the annual reimbursement to the municipalities will not exceed \$695,563 in 2021 and 2022 for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,391,126. These costs have remained the same since the 2019 through 2020 contract for the services. These IMAs will allow the County to reimburse the municipalities for the costs they incur in transporting prisoners, who have been arraigned in local courts, between each municipality and the Westchester County Jail.

Reimbursement to the municipalities will be pursuant to four zone rates which are fixed fees plus the mileage to and from the Westchester County Jail multiplied by the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate. The County will also reimburse the municipalities for the actual and reasonable cost of meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners.



The Department of Planning has advised that pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.2(b) of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") Regulations, the proposed prisoner transportation does not meet the definition of an "action" and therefore, no further environmental review is required.

I believe that these agreements are in the best interests of the County of Westchester, and I therefore, recommend that your Honorable Board approve the annexed legislation.

Very truly yours,

George Latimer County Executive

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TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Upon a communication from the County Executive, your Committee has been advised that pursuant to sections 500-c and 500-d of the New York State Correction Law, the County is required at its own expense to transport prisoners between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York. In addition, the County must provide meals to such prisoners.

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Your Committee is advised by the Department of Planning that pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.2(b) of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") Regulations, the proposed prisoner transportation does not meet the definition of an "action" and therefore, no further environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this conclusion.

Your Committee has been advised that a majority of the voting strength of the Board of Legislators is required in order to adopt the annexed Act.

After review and careful consideration, your Committee recommends favorable action upon the proposed legislation.

Dated:

, 2021

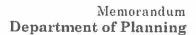
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

C/DI 4/27/21

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT:	Pris. Transport Zones 2021-2022	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED		
	OPERATING BUDGET IM To Be Completed by Submitting Department a			
SECTION A - FUND				
X GENERAL FUND	AIRPORT FUND	SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND		
	SECTION B - EXPENSES AND R	EVENUES		
Total Current Year Ex	pense \$ 695,563			
Total Current Year Re	evenue \$ -			
Source of Funds (chec	ck one): X Current Appropriations	Transfer of Existing Appropriations		
Additional Appro	priations	Other (explain)		
Identify Accounts:	35-1000-1000-4445			
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Potential Related Ope	erating Budget Expenses: A	nnual Amount		
Describe:	2021- \$695,563(to reimburse the munici	palities for transporting prisoners and		
reimbursement v	will be based on approved zone rates)			
Potential Related Ope	erating Budget Revenues: Ar	nnual Amount		
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Anticipated Savings to	o County and/or Impact on Department O	nerations:		
Current Year:	N/A	peracions.		
Next Four Years:	2022- \$695.563			
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		NO.		
Prepared by:	William Fallon WF	1 psis 1		
Title:	Director of Administrative Services	Reviewed By:		
Department:	Correction	Budget Director		
Date:	April 20, 2021	Date: 4 35 21		
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Daniela Infield, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Department of Law

FROM:

David S. Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM

Director of Environmental Planning

DATE:

February 2, 2021

SUBJECT:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR PRISONER

TRANSPORTATION INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS

PROJECT/ACTION: Intermunicipal agreements between the County and local municipalities, whereby the County will reimburse the local municipality for costs incurred associated with the transport of prisoners to and from the local courthouse and the Westchester County Jail.

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 because the project/action:

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	SECTION 617.2(b)	

MAY BE CLASSIFIED AS TYPE II PURSUANT TO SE	CTION 617.5(c)():
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COMMENTS: None.

DSK/cnm

cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff

Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive

Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney

Norma Drummond, Commissioner

Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner

ACT NO. - 2021

AN ACT authorizing the County to enter into Intermunicipal Agreements with twenty-one (21) municipalities in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into Intermunicipal Agreements ("IMAs") with the twenty-one (21) municipalities indicated in Appendix "A", which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, in order to reimburse the municipalities for the cost to transport prisoners round trip between each municipality and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York.

- §2. The County will reimburse each municipality for the costs for round trip prisoner transportation at the rates indicated in Appendix "A". Reimbursement will also be made for the actual and reasonable costs of meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners.

 Reimbursement pursuant to the IMAs annually will not exceed \$695,563 in 2021 and 2022 for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,391,126.
- §3. The term of these IMAs shall be for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.
- §4. 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.
 - §5. This Act shall take effect immediately.

APPENDIX A

ZONE PLAN REIMBURSEMENT RATES WITH DISTANCE TRAVELED TO AND FROM

WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

(Effective Term: January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022)

POLICE AGENCY

Sleepy Hollow, Village

Tarrytown, Village

ZONE #1 (1 - 10 Miles) ROUND TRIP REIMBURSEMENT 1/1/21 - 12/31/22 \$219.38 Elmsford, Village Pleasantville, Village 8 miles

8 miles

10 miles

ROUND TRIP DISTANCE

ZONE #3	ROUND TRIP
(21 - 30 Miles)	REIMBURSEMENT
1/1/21 - 12/31/22	\$241.31
Port Chester, Village	28 miles
Mamaroneck, Village	30 miles
Pelham Village	30 miles
Rye Brook, Village	23 miles
Tuckahoe, Village	25 miles
Rye, City	25 miles
Eastchester, Town	25 miles

ZONE #2	ROUND TRIP		
(11 - 20 Miles)	REIMBURSEMENT		
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1/1/21 - 12/31/22	\$230.37		
Ardsley, Village	18 miles		
Briarcliff Manor, Village	14 miles		
Dobbs Ferry, Village	17 miles		
Hastings-on-Hudson, Village	20 miles		
Irvington, Village	12 miles		
New Castle, Town	16 miles		
North Castle	16 miles		
Ossining, Village	20 miles		
Scarsdale, Village	19 miles		

ZONE #4	ROUND TRIP
(31 - 40 Miles)	REIMBURSEMENT
1/1/21 - 12/31/22	\$252.32
Pelham Manor	35 miles

The above Zone Rates will be reimbursed plus mileage to be reimbursed at \$.56 (or the then current IRS mileage rate) times distance.

PRISONER TRANSPORTATION--ZONE RATE

	THIS AGREEMENT, made this day of, 2021
by and between	een:
	THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, a municipal corporation of the State of New York having an office and place of business in the Michaelian Office Building, 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York 10601
	(hereinafter referred to as the "County")
and	
	a municipality of the State of New York having its office and place of business at
	(hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality")
	WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 500-c and 500-d of the Corrections law
prisoners are	required to be transported from local municipalities to the Westchester County
Jail in Valha	lla, New York; and
	WHEREAS, the County and the Municipality agree to cooperate in providing
such prisone	r transportation.
	NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms and conditions herein

1. **PRISONER TRANSPORTATION**: Except for prisoners arrested by the Westchester County Department of Public Safety, the Municipality shall provide round trip prisoner transportation using its own police department personnel and vehicles between the Municipality and the Westchester County Department of Correction for all prisoners remanded to the Westchester County Jail by court order or required to appear before the local

contained, the County and the Municipality agree as follows:

court within the Municipality. The County will reimburse the Municipality for the actual number of round trips. All municipalities, where possible, shall hold prisoners for one daily trip to the Department of Correction.

2. **REIMBURSEMENT**: The Municipality shall be reimbursed by the County for prisoner transportation services at the rate plus mileage per round trip indicated in the Zone Rate Plan attached hereto as Appendix "A" and made a part hereof. The rate will be paid as follows:

For transportation to County Jail subsequent to arrest - 1 round trip plus mileage;

For Transportation from County Jail to local court; no return - 1 round trip plus mileage;

For Transportation from County Jail to local court; remand to County Jail, where the time expended does not exceed three (3) hours - 2 round trips plus mileage;

Only in the following circumstances will an hourly rate and mileage fee be paid, as an alternative to the zone rate set forth above:

- a. Transportation of female prisoners (1 officer and 1 matron). A minimum of four (4) hours will be reimbursed for a matron; or
- b. Transportation of seven (7) or more prisoners (requiring an additional officer); or
- c. Transportation of prisoners charged with Class A felonies <u>OR</u> classified by Department of Correction as an "A" or "AA" prisoner considered to present danger <u>may</u> warrant (requiring an additional officer); or
- d. Transportation from County Jail to local court and remand to County Jail where time expended exceeds three (3) hours.

In the event that any one of conditions "a" through "d" above are met, then the actual per hour personnel costs incurred by the Municipality will be paid at the hourly wage

and fringe benefit cost as determined in the applicable collective bargaining agreement between the Municipality and the Municipal Police Association for police officers and/or matrons plus a mileage.

Reimbursement for mileage shall be at the rate of fifty-six cents (\$.56) per mile, or at the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate, multiplied by the mileage indicated in Appendix "A".

- 3. <u>MEALS</u>: The County shall reimburse the Municipality for meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners for the actual and reasonable costs incurred and receipts submitted as part of the municipality's monthly voucher submitted to the Department of Correction.
- 4. <u>TERM</u>: This Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2021 and shall terminate on December 31, 2022. The County may, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Municipality, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part when it deems it to be in its best interest. In such event, the Municipality shall be compensated and the County shall be liable only for payment for services rendered prior to the effective date of termination.
- 5. PAYMENT: Requests for reimbursement shall be submitted by the Municipality on a monthly basis on properly executed County claim forms and paid after approval by the Commissioner of Correction. The number of round trips made, prisoners transported and dates should be listed on the claim forms submitted to the Department of Correction. Reimbursement request shall be subject to audit by the County, and the Municipality shall keep and make available to the County such detailed books and records as are reasonably necessary to substantiate the basis for reimbursement. The Municipality shall not be entitled to reimbursement for any prisoner transportation expense not specifically provided for herein.

The total aggregate cost to the County under this Agreement and the agreements with the other municipalities for zone rate prisoner transportation pursuant to the Act No of the Westchester County Board of Legislators approved on , 2021, shall not

exceed \$1,391,126. This Agreement shall be deemed executory only to the extent of the monies appropriated and available for the purpose of this Agreement and no liability on account hereof shall be incurred by the County beyond the amount of such monies.

- 6. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION: All personnel and vehicles engaged in prisoner transportation duties shall at all times remain and be deemed the employees and property of the Municipality. In addition to, and not in limitation of the insurance provisions contained in Schedule "B" of this Agreement, the Municipality agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the County, its officers, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all liability, loss, damage or expense the County may suffer as a result of any and all claims, demands, causes of action or judgments arising directly or indirectly out of the transportation of prisoners for which reimbursement is sought hereunder for losses arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the Municipality, its agents or employees.
- 7. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: This Agreement constitutes the entire and integrated agreement between and among the parties hereto and supersedes any and all prior negotiations, agreements and conditions, whether written or oral. Any modification or amendment to this Agreement shall be void unless it is in writing and subscribed by the party to be charged.
- 8. <u>APPLICABLE LAW</u>: This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- 9. <u>APPROVALS</u>: This Agreement is subject to the approval of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, the Westchester County Board of Acquisition and Contract and the governing legislative body of the Municipality.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the	ne County and the Municipality have executed
this Agreement on the day of	, 2021.
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THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER	
Ву:	Ву:
By: Joseph K. Spano	(Name)
Commissioner of Correction	(Title)
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Approved by the Westchester County Board	of Legislators by Act No. 2021 - on the
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Assistant County Attorney	
Approved as to form and manner of execution: Assistant County Attorney The County of Westchester 1/dcr/122710/Zone Rate Agmt. 2021	Approved as to form and manner of execution:

MUNICIPALITY'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK)				
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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY (Municipality)

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(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, Town 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
(Town Board, Village Board, City Gouncil)
thereunto duly authorized, and that such authority is in full force and effect at the date hereof. (Signature)
STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)
On this day of, 2021, 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 i
the of said municipal corporation.
(title)
Notary Public County

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SCHEDULE "B"

STANDARD INSURANCE PROVISIONS (MUNICIPALITY)

I. Prior to commencing work, and throughout the term of the Agreement, the Municipality 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. Municipality 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 Municipality 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 Municipality 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 Municipality 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 Municipality to take out, maintain, or the taking out or maintenance of any required insurance, shall not relieve the Municipality from any liability under the Agreement, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with or otherwise limit the contractual obligations of the Municipality 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 Municipality'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 Municipality until such time as the Municipality shall furnish such additional security covering such claims in form satisfactory to the Director.

In the event of any loss, if the Municipality 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 Municipality. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

The Municipality 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.
 - 3. All policies of the Municipality 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 Municipality.

