



Public Works & Transportation

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft

Committee Chair: Erika Pierce

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10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy & Climate committees.

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Legislator Colin Smith will be participating remotely from 1132 Main St Suite 1 Peekskill, NY 10566.

With a quorum present, Chair Pierce called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Others in Attendance: BOL: Legislators: Jewel Williams Johnson, Symra Brandon, and David Imamura; GUESTS: Planning Dept.: Blanca Lopez, Suzette Lopane, David Kvinge, and Susan Darling

Present: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

Remote: Legislator Smith

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [ACT-2023-202](#) **CBA-BPL40-2257-Stormwater Mngmt.-Various Co. Fac. II**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Suzanne Lopane, Landscape Architect

Ms. Lopane and Mr. Kvinge discussed the item. Ms. Lopane said this will increase the County's share for the cost of the design and installation/construction of a living shoreline/artificial reef within the Long Island Sound shoreline at the County's Edith Read Wildlife Sanctuary and Playland Park in Rye. She said that additional funds are necessary due to significant cost increases associated with the project due to increases in costs of materials and labor, as well as methods of construction and project modifications required by state and

federal permitting agencies.

Chair Pierce noted that this project is not only important environmentally, but is critical to prevent erosion of the Playland parking lot. Ms. Lopane said they did a wave study of the area, and tried to build smaller berms in the area, but they have succumbed to the waves. This will be a much larger berm, and will be more effective.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

2. [ACT-2023-203](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BPL40-2257-Stormwater Mngmt.-Various Co. Fac. II**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Suzette Lopane, Landscape Architect

See discussion of Item #1 above.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

3. [ACT-2023-204](#) **IMA-Stormwater Sewer Study-Town of Mamaroneck**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Commissioner Blanca Lopez

Commissioner Lopez said this will authorize the County to enter into an IMA with the Town of Mamaroneck for the Town to conduct a study of its Stormwater sewer network. The study will provide recommendations to create alternatives to reduce the frequency of flooding in known flood prone areas in the Town. In consideration for performing the study, the County will pay the Town \$150,000 per year, with a total amount not-to-exceed \$300,000.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

4. [ACT-2023-196](#) BOND ACT-BPL26-2235-Flood Mitigation

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge

Commissioner Lopez said this Bond Act will authorize the County to issue up to \$150,000 in bonds to fund up to 50% of the costs associated with a study focused on developing solutions to flooding in the area of Peach Lake in the Town of North Salem. The study will take approximately eight months to complete. In accordance with the IMA, the County and the Town will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is \$239,800. The County will pay the Town an amount not to exceed \$ 119,900.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

5. [ACT-2023-197](#) IMA-Flood Mitigation-BPL26-2235-North Salem

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge

See discussion of Item #4 above

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

6. [RES-2023-119](#) ENV RES-BPL26-2236-Flood Mitigation

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge

Assistant Commissioner Kvinge discussed the item. He said that the Amended Bond Act, in the total amount of \$3,870,000, would fund up to 50% of the costs of a project to alleviate flooding in the area of Avon Circle and Westchester Avenue in the Village of Rye Brook. The IMA provides that the County and the Village of Rye Brook will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is estimated to be \$7,161,258. The County will pay the Village an amount not to exceed \$3,580,629.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

7. [ACT-2023-198](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BPL26-2236-Flood Mitigation**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge

See discussion of Item #6 above.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

8. [ACT-2023-199](#) **IMA-BPL26-2236-Flood Mitigation-Rye Brook**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge

See discussion of Item #6 above.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

9. [ACT-2023-206](#) **BOND ACT-BPL26-2324-Flood Mitigation**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.

Guest: Dept. of Planning: Susan Darling, Principal Environmental Planner

Ms. Darling discussed the item. She said that the Bond Act, in the amount of \$121,250, would fund up to 50% of the costs associated with a watershed study and flood area analysis in the vicinity of Harrison Avenue in the City of Yonkers. In accordance with the IMA, the County and the City will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is \$197,500. The County will pay the City an amount not to exceed \$98,750.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

10. [ACT-2023-207](#) **IMA-BPL26-2324-Flood Mitigation-Yonkers**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.
Guest: Dept. of Planning: Susan Darling, Principal Environmental Planner

See discussion of Item #9 above.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

11. [ACT-2023-208](#) **BOND ACT-BPL26-2326-Flood Mitigation**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.
Guest: Dept. of Planning: Susan Darling, Principal Environmental Planner

Ms. Darling said this Bond Act, in the amount of \$128,750, would fund up to 50% of the costs associated with a watershed study and flood area analysis in the vicinity of Clunie Avenue in the City of Yonkers. In accordance with the IMA, the County and the City will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is \$212,500. The County will pay to the City an amount not to exceed \$106,250.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

12. [ACT-2023-209](#) **IMA-BPL26-2326-Flood Mitigation-Yonkers**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Environment, Energy and Climate committees.
Guest: Dept. of Planning: Susan Darling, Principal Environmental Planner

See discussion of Item #11 above.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Barr, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the Committee adjourned at 11:44 a.m. by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Absent: Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

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