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County Executive

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Westchester County Board of Legislators  
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Dear Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval are the following three acts in connection with capital project RGI11 (3163) General Infrastructure-Parks Dams ("RGI11"):

(1) an act, which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to rescind, in part, prior Bond Act No. 94-2011, which authorized financing in the amount of \$500,000.00 for design of improvements to the dam at Woodlands Lake at V.E. Macy Park in Irvington ("94-2011 Rescinding Bond Act"). The 94-2011 Rescinding Bond Act is required to rescind \$5,380.64 in unencumbered and unissued RGI11 funds, which are deemed repealed pursuant to Local Finance Law Section 41.00(3)(b). The 94-2011 Rescinding Bond Act will leave intact the remaining \$494,619.36 in previously encumbered funds, which will be re-authorized through a separate bond act to continue the project;

(2) an act, which, if adopted, would authorize the County to rescind, in part, prior Bond Act No. 196-2014, which authorized financing in the amount of \$300,000.00 for design of improvements to various dams in Westchester ("196-2014 Rescinding Bond Act"). The 196-2014 Rescinding Bond Act is required to rescind \$17.00 in unencumbered and unissued RGI11 funds, which are deemed repealed pursuant to Local Finance Law Section 41.00(3)(b). The 196-2014 Rescinding Bond Act will leave intact the remaining \$299,983.00 in previously encumbered funds, which will be re-authorized through a separate bond act to continue the project; and

(3) a bond act authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$1,194,602.36 to finance the cost of design in connection with improvements to various dams in the County park system ("Consolidated Bond Act"). This proposed Consolidated Bond Act includes, (i) the \$494,619.36 encumbered funds for RGI11 authorized by Bond Act No. 94-2011, (ii) the \$299,983.00 encumbered funds authorized by Bond Act No. 196-2014, and (iii) \$400,000.00 in additional design funding, bringing the total amount authorized for RGI11 to \$1,194,602.36.

The Consolidated Bond Act is necessary to consolidate the previously encumbered funds for RGI11 with the additional \$400,000.00 in design funding, thereby preserving the availability of such funds and giving the County the ability to amend the Consolidated Bond Act at the time of construction financing to secure a longer period of probable usefulness and amortization period for the project as a whole.

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation (the "Department") has advised that RGI11 provides funding to repair and reconstruct existing dams and structures throughout the park system. Maintaining dams is essential to protecting downstream properties. The operation and maintenance of the

County's dams is the Department's responsibility. Accordingly, the Department must comply with all applicable rules, regulations, and guidelines of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and RGI11 is essential to maintaining such compliance.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and it is estimated that design will take twelve months to complete. It is anticipated that the design work will be completed by a consultant. It is estimated that construction will take twelve months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized the County to issue bonds to finance RGI11 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

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

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Jenkins  
Westchester County Executive

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Attachments

**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 the following three acts, which were prepared by the law firm Hawkins, Delafield & Wood LLP, in connection with capital project RGI11 (3163) General Infrastructure-Parks Dams (“RGI11”):

(1) an act, which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (“County”) to rescind, in part, prior Bond Act No. 94-2011, which authorized financing in the amount of \$500,000.00 for design of improvements to the dam at Woodlands Lake at V.E. Macy Park in Irvington (“94-2011 Rescinding Bond Act”). The 94-2011 Rescinding Bond Act is required to rescind \$5,380.64 in unencumbered and unissued RGI11 funds, which are deemed repealed pursuant to Local Finance Law Section 41.00(3)(b). The 94-2011 Rescinding Bond Act will leave intact the remaining \$494,619.36 in previously encumbered funds, which will be re-authorized through a separate bond act to continue the project;

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(3) a bond act authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$1,194,602.36 to finance the cost of design in connection with improvements to various dams in the County park system (“Consolidated Bond Act”). This proposed Consolidated Bond Act includes, (i) the \$494,619.36 encumbered funds for RGI11 authorized by Bond Act No. 94-2011, (ii) the \$299,983.00 encumbered funds authorized by Bond Act No. 196-2014, and (iii) \$400,000.00 in additional design funding, bringing the total amount authorized for RGI11 to \$1,194,602.36.

The Consolidated Bond Act is necessary to consolidate the previously encumbered funds for RGI11 with the additional \$400,000.00 in design funding, thereby preserving the availability of such funds and giving the County the ability to amend the Consolidated Bond Act at the time of construction financing to secure a longer period of probable usefulness and amortization period for the project as a whole.

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation (the “Department”) has advised that RGI11 provides funding to repair and reconstruct existing dams and structures throughout the park system. Maintaining dams is essential to protecting downstream properties. The operation and maintenance of the County’s dams is the Department’s responsibility. Accordingly, the Department must comply with all applicable rules, regulations, and guidelines of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and RGI11 is essential to maintaining such compliance.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and it is estimated that design will take twelve months to complete. It is anticipated that the design work will be completed by a consultant. It is estimated that construction will take twelve months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized the County to issue bonds to finance RGI11 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, RGI11 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 annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this recommendation.

Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed 94-2011 Rescinding Bond Act and 196-2014 Rescinding Bond Act, as well as the related Consolidated Bond Act, and recommends approval of all the proposed acts.

It should be further 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 and to adopt the Amending Bond Act and Consolidated Bond Act.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

White Plains, New York

**COMMITTEE ON**

ACT NO. -20\_\_\_\_\_

RESCINDING BOND ACT OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, PARTIALLY RESCINDING THE BOND ACT ADOPTED JULY 11, 2011 TO FINANCE THE COST OF PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DAM AT WOODLANDS LAKE AT V.E. MACY PARK IN THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON (Adopted \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_).

WHEREAS, this Board has heretofore duly authorized the issuance of \$500,000 bonds to finance the cost of preparation of surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for planning improvements to the dam at Woodlands Lake at V.E. Macy Park in the Village of Irvington (the “Project”), pursuant to Act No. 94-2011 (the “Prior Bond Act”) duly adopted on July 11, 2011;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Finance Law Section 41.00, as of July 11, 2021 the authorization of County bonds for the Project, as described in the Prior Bond Act was deemed repealed except to the extent of the \$494,619.36 previously encumbered by the County under said Bond Act;

WHEREAS, this Board has now determined to rescind the Prior Bond Act, except to the extent of encumbrances made thereunder, and to reauthorize the \$494,619.36 in remaining bond authorization, which has been or shall be authorized in another Bond Act to continue the Project;

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK (by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority vote of the voting strength of said Board), AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION (A) The bond act duly adopted by this Board on July 11, 2011, entitled:

“ACT NO. 94-2011

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DAM AT WOODLANDS LAKE AT V.E. MACY PARK IN THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON; STATING THE ESTIMATED

MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$500,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS.”

is hereby rescinded to the extent of the \$5,380.64 not heretofore encumbered under said Bond Act.

SECTION (B) The rescission of the bond act set forth in Section (A) of this act shall in no way affect the validity of the liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken pursuant to said bond act, and all such liabilities incurred, obligations issued, or action taken shall be deemed to have been incurred, issued or taken pursuant to said bond act, as so amended.

SECTION (C) This Act shall take effect in accordance with Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter.

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