ACT 158 - 2025
(BOND) ACT 159 - 2025

Reference RP056

HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee is in receipt of a transmission from the County Executive recommending approval of an Act amending the County of Westchester's (the "County") 2025 Capital Budget (the "Capital Budget Amendment"), as well as adoption of a related bond act (the "Bond Act") which, if approved, would authorize the County to issue $12,000,000 in bonds to finance capital project RP056 – Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work ("RP056").

The proposed Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County's 2025 capital budget to create a new appropriation in the amount of $12,000,000 for project RP056.

The Bond Act, in the amount of $12,000,000, which was prepared by the law firm of Hawkins Delafield and Wood, LLP, would finance design, construction and construction management to reconstruct, rehabilitate and make operational various rides, facilities and other associated infrastructure and site work at Playland Park.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and will take approximately eight (8) months to complete and will be performed by outside consultants. Construction will take approximately twelve (12) months to complete and will commence upon execution and approval of construction contracts.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, the above-referenced capital project 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 further environmental review is required. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this recommendation.

In addition, Section 167.131 of the County Charter 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, a copy of the Planning Board report is herewith attached for your Honorable Board's review.

Your Committee is advised that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of this Honorable Board is required in order to amend the County's Capital Budget, as well as to adopt the related Bond Act.

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 can only be enacted following adoption of the Capital Budget Amendment.

Dated: July 21st, 2025
White Plains, New York

c/jpg/6-10-25

Budget & Appropriations	Parks & Environment	Public Works & Transportation

Dated: July 21, 2025
White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below

Committee(s) on:

Budget & Appropriations

Public Works & Transportation

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: RP056 ☐ **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

SECTION B - BONDING AUTHORIZATIONS

To Be Completed by Finance

Total Principal $ 12,000,000 **PPU** 15 **Anticipated Interest Rate** 3.49%

Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest): $ 1,045,376

Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term): $ 15,680,647

Finance Department: maab bond buyer 6-24-25

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: 130

Prepared by: Dianne Vanadia

Title: Associate Budget Director

Department: Budget

Date: 6/24/25

Reviewed By: DV 6/25/25

Budget Director

Date: 6/25/25

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Memorandum
Department of Planning

TO: Michelle Greenbaum, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Jeffrey Goldman, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Carla Chaves, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Maximilian Zorn, Assistant County Attorney

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

DATE: June 11, 2025

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT: RP056 PLAYLAND INFRASTRUCTURE, RIDES AND SITEWORK**

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on 06-10-2025 (Unique ID: 2969)

With respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Planning Department recommends that no 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)(2):** replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building, energy, or fire codes unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part.

COMMENTS: Any work that goes beyond reconstruction or replacement in kind may be subject to further review as may be required by SEQR.

DSK/cnm
cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
Lawrence Soule, Budget Director
Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Blanca P. Lopez, Commissioner of Planning
Kathleen O'Connor, Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Conservation
Peter Tartaglia, First Deputy Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Conservation
Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director
Robert Lopane, Director of Program Development – PRC Planning
Susan Darling, Chief Planner
Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner
Claudia Maxwell, Principal Environmental Planner

RESOLUTION 25-16

WESTCHESTER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

Amendment of Planning Board Report on 2025 Capital Project Requests

RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work

WHEREAS, RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work project funds the repairs and rehabilitation to reconstruct, rehabilitate and make operational various rides, facilities, utilities and other associated infrastructure and site work at Playland Park, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive will submit legislation to the County Board of Legislators which would authorize amending the 2025 Capital Budget to include the **RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work,** to include funding in the amount of $12,000,000 for the repair and reconstruction as well as necessary site work at Playland Park, and

WHEREAS, Parks, Recreation and Conservation recently engaged an independent recreation and leisure consultant specializing in the inspection of amusement park rides and attractions. The consultant conducted a comprehensive evaluation of all rides at Playland and provided a detailed assessment, identifying safety issues and maintenance concerns, and

WHEREAS, the rides and their supporting infrastructure is vital to preserving the park's historical, cultural, and recreational significance. This effort ensures the safety of all visitors and will enhance the overall user experience. Many of the rides have significantly aged and now require thorough repairs and upgrades to comply with modern safety standards, boost reliability, and prolong their usable life, and

WHEREAS, this project is classified as a "PL2HP" - "approved in concept, subject to review when more detailed studies or plans are prepared," and

WHEREAS, due to the historical significance of Playland Park, this project will be referred to the Westchester County Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) for their review and recommendations, and

WHEREAS, the project is generally consistent with ***Westchester 2025 – Policies to Guide County Planning***, as adopted by the Planning Board on May 6, 2008 and amended on January 5, 2010 by maintaining county facilities; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Planning Board, pursuant to Section 167.131 of the County Charter, amends its Report on the 2025 Capital Project Requests to include the attached report on Capital Project **RP056 Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work** in the amount of $12,000,000.

Adopted this 1st day of July, 2025

Bernard Thombs, Chair

ACT No. 158 - 2025

An Act amending the 2025 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project RP056 PLAYLAND INFRASTRUCTURE, RIDES AND SITE WORK

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

Section 1. The Capital section of the 2025 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	Previous 2025 Appropriation	Change	Revised 2025 Appropriation
I. Appropriation		$12,000,000	$12,000,000

Section 2. The estimated method of financing in the Capital Section of the 2025 Westchester County Capital Budget is amended as follows:

II. METHOD OF FINANCING			
Bonds and/or Notes	$0	$12,000,000	$12,000,000
Non County Shares	$0		$0
Cash	$0		$0
Total	$0	$12,000,000	$12,000,000

Section 3. The ACT shall take effect immediately.

REFERENCE: RP056

ACT NO. 159 - 2025

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $12,000,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FOR VARIOUS INFRASTRUCTURE AND SITE WORK IMPROVEMENTS AT PLAYLAND PARK, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS $12,000,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF $12,000,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS (Adopted 07/21 , 2025)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, 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, and to the provisions of other laws applicable thereto, $12,000,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance the design, construction and construction management of various infrastructure and site work improvements at Playland Park, including improvements to various rides, facilities, and other associated infrastructure and site work; 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 specific object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is $12,000,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of $12,000,000 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 and notes.

Section 2. The period of probable usefulness of said specific object or purpose, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 19(c) of the Law, is fifteen (15) 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 $12,000,000. This Act is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 4. The estimate of $12,000,000 as the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is hereby approved.

Section 5. 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 6. 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 within the County. 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 7. 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 8. This Act shall take effect in accordance with Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter.

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CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:*	☒ **CBA**	**Fact Sheet Date:***
RP056		06-10-2025
Fact Sheet Year:*	**Project Title:***	**Legislative District ID:**
2025	PLAYLAND INFRASTRUCTURE, RIDES AND SITEWORK	7,
Category*	**Department:***	**CP Unique ID:**
PLAYLAND	PARKS, RECREATION & CONSERVATION	2969

Overall Project Description

This project will address the critical need to reconstruct, rehabilitate and make operational various rides, facilities and other associated infrastructure and site work at
Playland Park.

☒ Best Management Practices	☐ Energy Efficiencies	☒ Infrastructure
☒ Life Safety	☐ Project Labor Agreement	☐ Revenue
☐ Security	☐ Other	

FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Under Review
Gross	12,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,000
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net	12,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,000

Expended/Obligated Amount (in thousands) as of : 0

Current Bond Description: This project will fund design, construction and construction management to reconstruct, rehabilitate and make operational various rides, facilities and other associated infrastructure and site work at Playland Park.

Financing Plan for Current Request:

Non-County Shares:	$ 0
Bonds/Notes:	12,000,000
Cash:	0
Total:	**$ 12,000,000**

SEQR Classification:
TYPE II

Amount Requested:
12,000,000

Expected Design Work Provider:

☐ County Staff ☐ Consultant ☐ Not Applicable

Comments:
A capital budget amendment in the amount of $12,000,000 is requested and shown under review.

Energy Efficiencies:

Total Financing History:
0

Recommended By:

Department of Planning MLLL	**Date** 06-10-2025
Department of Public Works RJB4	**Date** 06-10-2025
Budget Department DEV9	**Date** 06-10-2025
Requesting Department RCL3	**Date** 06-10-2025

430 STATE OF NEW YORK)
)
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Legislators of said County, including the Bond Act contained therein, held on July 21, 2025 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, pursuant to Section 103 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, PRIOR to the time of said meeting, I duly caused a public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be to be given to the following newspapers and/or other news media as follows:

Newspaper and/or other news media	Date Given
News Channel 12	July 17, 2025
The Journal News	
Hometown Media	
CBS2NY	
The Examiner News	
WABCTV News	

I FURTHER CERTIFY that PRIOR to the time of said meeting, I duly caused public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be conspicuously posted in the following designated public location(s) on the following dates:

Designated Location(s) of posted notice	Date of Posting
www.westchesterlegislators.com	July 17, 2025

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County Board of Legislators on July 22, 2025.

Malika Vanderberg, Clerk
Westchester County Board of Legislators

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The foregoing Bond Act was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

AYES: Legislator Jose Alvarado
Legislator Nancy Barr
Legislator Benjamin Boykin
Legislator Terry Clements
Legislator Margaret Cunzio
Legislator Vedat Gashi
Legislator Judah Holstein
Legislator David Imamura
Legislator James Nolan
Legislator Catherine Parker
Legislator Erika Pierce
Legislator Colin Smith
Legislator David Tubiolo
Legislator Emiljana Ulaj
Legislator Jewel Williams-Johnson
Legislator Tyrae Woodson-Samuels

NOES:

ABSENT: Legislator Shanae Williams

EXCUSED:

The Bond Act was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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APPROVED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date: 7/24/25

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

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act No. 158 - 2025, and (Bond) Act No. 159 - 2025, with the originals on file in my office, and that the same are correct transcripts therefrom, and of the whole, of said original Act, and (Bond) Act, which were duly adopted by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on July 21, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on July 22, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 23rd day of July, 2025.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

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