## Budget & Appropriations Meeting Agenda



Committee Chair: Jewel Williams Johnson

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

Monday, July 21, 2025

10:00 AM

**Committee Room** 

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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https://westchestercountyny.legistar.com/ This website also provides links to materials for all matters to be discussed at a given meeting.

Legislator Tubiolo will be participating remotely from 2870 G Avenue (Bldg 7318A) Fort Johnson, LA

Legislator Colin Smith will be participating remotely from 1132 Main Street, Suite 1, Peekskill, New York 10566

#### MINUTES APPROVAL

#### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

#### 1. <u>2025-283</u> CBA-RP056-Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work

AN ACT amending the 2025 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project RP056 - Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT

Joint with PE and PWT.

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation Commissioner Kathleen O'Connor

First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia

Director of Development II Rob Lopane

#### 2. <u>2025-284</u> <u>BOND ACT-RP056-Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work</u>

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of TWELVE MILLION (\$12,000,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project RP056 - Playland Infrastructure, Rides and Site Work.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC

#### **WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT**

Joint with PE and PWT.

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation

Commissioner Kathleen O'Connor

First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia

Director of Development II Rob Lopane

#### 3. <u>2025-308</u> ACT-Westchester Community College Proposed 2025-2026 Budget

AN ACT adopting the Westchester County Community College Budget and making appropriations for the operation of the Westchester Community College.

B&A only.

Guests:

President Dr. Belinda Miles

Westchester Community College

Director Larry Soule Budget Department

#### II. OTHER BUSINESS

#### III. RECEIVE & FILE

#### **ADJOURNMENT**



Kenneth W. Jenkins County Executive

June 20, 2025

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

Dear Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is an Act which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to amend its current year Capital Budget (the "Capital Budget Amendment"), as well as adopt a related bond act ("Bond Act") to finance the following 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, would 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.

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.

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.

Based on the importance of this project to the County, your Honorable Board's favorable action on the proposed Capital Budget Amendment and Bond Act is most respectfully requested.

Kenneth Wenkins

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Westchester County Executive

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# 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: , 2025 White Plains, New York

**COMMITTEE ON** 

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### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

CAPITAL PROJECT #	#:RP056	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED			
	SECTION A - CAPITAL BU	The state of the s			
!	To Be Completed by	Budget			
X GENERAL FUNI	D AIRPORT FUND	SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND			
	Source of County Funds (check one):	Current Appropriations			
		X Capital Budget Amendment			
	SECTION B - BONDING AU	THORIZATIONS			
	To Be Completed by	Finance			
Total Principal	\$ 12,000,000 <b>PPU</b>	15 Anticipated Interest Rate 3.49%			
Anticipated An	nnual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 1,045,376			
Total Debt Ser	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 15,680,647			
Finance Depart	tment: maab bond buyer 6-24-25				
S	ECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUD	GET (exclusive of debt service)			
	To Be Completed by Submitting Departme	ent and Reviewed by Budget			
Potential Relat	ted Expenses (Annual): \$	-			
Potential Relat	Potential Related Revenues (Annual): \$ -				
Anticipated say	vings to County and/or impact of departi	ment operations			
E .	etail for current and next four years):				
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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	Reviewed By:			
Department:	Budget	published Budget Director			
Date:	6/24/25	Date: 6 25 25			





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 SEOR.

#### DSK/cnm

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-

#### WESTCHESTER COUNTY PLANNINGBOARD

#### 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. 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		Revised 2025		
	Appropriation	Change	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	<b>\$0</b>		\$0
Cash	\$0	4 19	\$0
Total	\$0	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000

Section 3. The ACT shall take effect immediately.

**REFERENCE: RP056** 

ACT NO. -20

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 , 20\_\_\_\_)

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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STATE OF NEW YORK )	
COUNTY OF NEW YORK ;	ss.:
with the original on file in my office, and the whole of the said original Act, which	t I have compared the foregoing Act No20 that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, 20 and approved by the County Executive
IN WITNESS WHEREOF	F, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said County Board of Legislators this day of , 20
(SEAL)	The Clerk and Chief Administrative Office of the County Board of Legislators County of Westchester New York

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

	summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board of, 20 and approved by the County Executive on and the validity of the obligations authorized by such Bond Act may be
hereafter contested only County of Westchester, provisions of law which were not substantially of commenced within two authorized in violation of	y if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the in the State of New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the a should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is enty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were of the provisions of the Constitution.
inspection during norma	es of the Bond Act summarized herewith shall be available for public all business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the New York, for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this
WESTCHESTER, OR SCOST OF THE DESIGNATION OF THE ESTIMATION OF FINANCING HEREIN AUTHORIZE	IZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,000,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE GN, CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FOR UCTURE AND SITE WORK IMPROVEMENTS AT PLAYLAND PARK, MATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$12,000,000; STATING THE G SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,000,000 BONDS (D; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND BONDS (Adopted, 20)
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Dated:, White Plains, No.	20 ew York
	Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer of the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York

#### **CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET**

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Project ID:* RP056	<b>▼ CBA</b>				Fact Sheet Date:* 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			2	969				
Overall Project Description									
This project will address the critic associated infrastructure and site v Playland Park.		nstruct, rehabilitate	and make	operation	al various	rides, faci	ilities and	other	
<b>■</b> Best Management Practices	□ Er	ergy Efficiencies		×	Infrastru	cture			
■ Life Safety	☐ Pr	oject Labor Agreem	ent		Revenue	:			
☐ Security	□ Ot	her							
FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROG	RAM (in thou	sands)		r					
	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	
Net	12,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,000	
Current Bond Description: Thirehabilitate and make operational	various rides, f	und design, construction design construction design, construction design construction design	ction and o	construction infrastruction	on manage ure and si	ement to re te work at	econstruct, Playland l	Park.	
Financing Plan for Current Req Non-County Shares:	uest:	s 0							
Bonds/Notes:		12,000,000							
Cash:		College Colleg							
Total:	\$\frac{0}{12,000,000}								
SEQR Classification:		3 12,000,000							
TYPE II									
Amount Requested: 12,000,000									
Expected Design Work Provider	-								
☐ County Staff	☐ Consultant				Not App	licable			
Comments: A capital budget amendment in the	amount of \$1	2,000,000 is request	ed and she	own under	review.				
Energy Efficiencies:									
<b>Total Financing History:</b> 0									

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Recommended By:

Department of Planning

MLLL 06-10-2025

Date

Date

**Department of Public Works** 

Date RJB4 06-10-2025

**Budget Department** 

DEV9 06-10-2025

**Requesting Department** Date

RCL3 06-10-2025



Kenneth W. Jenkins County Executive

Department of the Budget

Lawrence C. Soule Budget Director

July 15th, 2025

Westchester County Board of Legislators Michaelian Office Building 148 Martine Avenue White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators:

I am pleased to submit the proposed operating and capital budgets for Westchester Community College (WCC) for the 2025–2026 academic year for your consideration.

The operating budget includes a modest tuition increase of \$150 per semester, as approved by the WCC Board of Trustees. A key priority for the County is to ensure students have access to high-quality academic opportunities while maintaining affordability. In support of this goal, the County is increasing its sponsor contribution to \$26,200,000—an increase of \$350,000 over the previous academic year.

The proposed capital budget includes appropriations totaling \$31,290,000 for FY 2025–2026, with the County responsible for funding approximately half of that amount. These capital funds will support critical renovations to the Library, Science, and Administration buildings; upgrades to classrooms and administrative facilities; enhanced technology infrastructure across both on- and off-campus sites; and the installation of rooftop solar panels at multiple locations. In addition, the County will provide approximately \$3,567,343 to support the College's capital debt service.

Westchester County remains committed to supporting accessible, affordable higher education for our residents. Education continues to be a powerful driver of upward mobility, community development, and long-term economic and social benefit. Despite the challenges ahead, our investment in higher education remains unwavering.

The proposed budget reflects the County's continued support of Westchester Community College's mission of student success, academic excellence, workforce development, economic advancement, and lifelong learning. We are proud to help ensure the College has the resources it needs to achieve these vital goals.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth W. Jenkins

Westchester County Executive

# TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee on Budget and Appropriations is in receipt of a transmittal from the County Executive of his proposed 2025-26 Westchester Community College Budget and Budget Act making appropriations in the amounts of one hundred twenty-seven million, five hundred nine thousand, nine hundred and ten dollars (\$127,509,910) for operating purposes, and thirty-one million, two hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$31,290,000) for capital purposes for the support of the County Community College for the fiscal year beginning September first two thousand twenty-five.

The accompanying budget proposal calls for a County Sponsor Contribution in the amount of twenty-six million two hundred thousand dollars (\$26,200,000) to be appropriated and taxed for in the 2026 Westchester General Fund Operating Budget for the support of Community College Operations for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025.

The Department of Budget has advised that this legislation is necessary for the operation of Westchester Community College for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025.

Therefore, the Committee recommends the adoption of the attached Budget Act making appropriations for the support of the County Community College for the fiscal year beginning September first two thousand twenty-five.

DATED: , 2025 White Plains, New York AN ACT adopting the Westchester County Community College Budget and making appropriations for the operation of the Westchester Community College. Be it enacted by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. The accompanying Departmental Budget for the Community College in the gross amount of One Hundred Twenty-Seven Million, Five Hundred Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$127,509,910) and the Capital Budget in the gross amount of Thirty-One Million, Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$31,290,000) is hereby adopted for the Community College fiscal year September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026.

Section 2. The several amounts specified in the above mentioned budget under the column heading "allowed 2025/2026" are hereby appropriated for such purposes under the following general classifications:

Personal Service (Code 1)	\$104,790,068		
Purchase of Equipment (Code 2)	\$	430,415	
Materials and Supplies (Code 3)	\$	4,287,345	
Expenses (Codes 4 and 5)	\$	18,002,082	
Capital Budget (Code 9000)	\$	31,290,000	

Section 3. The President of the Community College, pursuant to regulations established by the College Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to make transfers between sub-accounts within the general classifications of Personal Service (Code 1), Purchase of Equipment (Code 2), Materials and Supplies (Code 3), and Expenses (Codes 4 and 5).

Section 4. The Budget Director, with the approval of the County Executive and the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, after formal request and justification by the College President upon authorization by the College Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to make transfers among the sub-accounts within the general classification of Capital (Code 9000), and between any general classifications of account.

Section 5. The total annual salaried position count, exclusive of trusts and grants, is Five Hundred and Seventy-One (571). The President of the College may, upon authorization of the College Board of Trustees, and certification to the Budget Director of availability of funds, increase this count by no more than five percentum (5%), rounded down to the nearest whole number, in the fiscal year. Increases over five percentum (5%) require approval of the Budget Director, after request of the College President, as authorized by the College Board of Trustees. Appeal of the Budget Director's decision may be made to the County Executive, whose decision will be considered final. Annual Salaried positions may not be created in Other Than Personal Service operating accounts.

Section 6. Where personnel are employed under a trust or grant, such employment shall terminate at the expiration of the funds provided by the trust or grant.

Section 7. An amount not to exceed Twenty-Six Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$26,200,000) shall be appropriated and taxed for in the 2026 Westchester County General Fund Operating Budget as a sponsor contribution to support the 2025/2026 Westchester County Community College Budget. Appropriations for Expenditure Transfers and Reimbursements in the College's 2025/2026 budget, or such amounts as shall be sufficient and necessary to accomplish the designated purposes of this budget including but not limited to meeting the state maintenance of effort and tuition cap requirements and the net return from the 2025/2026 budget due hereunder to the general fund, may not be changed without the written approval of the County Executive and the Budget Director.

Section 8. Upon request of and justification by the President of the College, the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary to satisfy current obligations or continue existing operations, to advance such additional funds on hand to 2025/2026 budget accounts.

Section 9. Other revenues to support the operation of the 2025/2026 Community College Departmental Budget are hereby estimated as follows:

State Aid	\$ 30,496,936
Departmental:	
Student Tuition	\$ 51,930,974
Other	\$ 3,194,000
Chargebacks to Other	
Community Colleges:	
Operating	\$ 5,018,000
Capital	\$ 263,000
Fund Balance	\$ 8,757,000
Interest on Investments	\$ 1,650,000

Section 10. The President of the College shall file detailed monthly statements of expenditures and revenues with the County Board of Legislators, the Budget Director, and the Commissioner of Finance, said reports to be inclusive of all College operations. An annual audit, as well as any periodic audits which may be necessary, as prescribed by law, and provided for by the Board of Trustees, shall be filed with the County Board of Legislators, the Budget Director and the Commissioner of Finance.

Section 11. This Act shall take effect immediately.

DATED: August , 2025 White Plains, New York

### WESTCHESTER COUNTY

### **BOARD OF LEGISLATORS**



Chairman of the Board Legislator, 4th District



TO:

Hon, Jewel Williams Johnson

Chair, Budget & Appropriations

FROM:

Hon, Vedat Gashi

Chairman of the Board

DATE:

July 15, 2025

RE:

ACT – Westchester Community College Proposed 2025-2026 Budget

As Chairman of the Board of Legislators, I am placing the below item directly into the Committee on Budget & Appropriations.

Thank you.

(ID: 2025-308) ACT - Westchester Community College Proposed 2025-2026 Budget AN ACT adopting the Westchester County Community College Budget and making appropriations for the operation of the Westchester Community College.

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