

**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 a bond act (“Bond Act”) in the amount of \$200,000 to finance capital project B0132 – Photovoltaic (PV) Systems (“B0132”). The Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm Harris Beach Murtha, will finance the cost of a study to evaluate locations for installation of potential photovoltaic (PV) systems at County buildings, parking areas, and grounds to supply electricity for County operations. Photovoltaic (PV) systems are a renewable energy resource used to generate electricity without relying on fossil fuels. The use of these systems will enable the County to migrate away from fossil fuels while providing an economic benefit.

The Department of Public Works and Transportation (“Department”) has advised that the first phase of the project will evaluate locations for PV systems considering solar potential, ease of installation and cost. A plan for the installation of the PV systems will be developed based on the results of the evaluations and programmed as future phases of this capital project. The Department will then explore grant funding from federal and state agencies.

Following bonding authorization, the study will be scheduled and is anticipated to take nine (9) months to complete and will be performed by a consultant.

The Department of Planning has advised your Committee that based on its review, the authorization of the proposed capital project may be classified as a Type “II” action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (“SEQR”). Therefore, no environmental review is required. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this recommendation.

It should be noted that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to adopt the Bond Act. Your Committee recommends the adoption of the proposed Bond Act.

Dated: April 13, 2026
White Plains, New York

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Budget & Appropriations

Infrastructure & Housing

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: B0132

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 \$ 200,000 PPU 5 Anticipated Interest Rate 2.41%

Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest): \$ 42,920

Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term): \$ 214,600

Finance Department: Interest rates from March 18, 2026 Bond Buyer - ASBA

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: 2

Prepared by: Robert Abbamont

Title: Dir. Of Operations (Capital)

Department: DPWT

Date: 3/25/26

Reviewed By:

3/25/26


3/26/26

Date:

Budget Director

3/26/26

TO: Michelle Greenbaum, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Carla Chaves, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Maximilian Zorn, Assistant County Attorney
Maria Baratta, Assistant County Attorney

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

DATE: March 9, 2026

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:
B0132 PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SYSTEMS**

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on 03/06/2026 (Unique ID: 3107)

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)(27):** conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action.
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COMMENTS: The current request is for a study only.

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cc: Emily Saltzman, Director of Operations
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director
Robert Abbamont, Director of Operations, Department of Public Works & Transportation
Susan Darling, Chief Planner
Claudia Maxwell, Principal Environmental Planner

ACT NO. -20__

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$200,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF THE PLANNING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SYSTEMS AT COUNTY BUILDINGS; STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$200,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$200,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED TO FINANCE SUCH COST; 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, to the provisions of other laws applicable thereto, \$200,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance the cost of the planning for the installation of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems at County buildings, including evaluation of locations for solar potential and related 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 objects or purposes, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is \$200,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$200,000 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.

Section 2. The period of probable usefulness applicable to the class of objects or purposes for which bonds authorized by this resolution is to be issued within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 62(2nd) of the Law, is five (5) 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 \$200,000. This Act is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 4. 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 5. 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. 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 6. 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 7. This Act shall take effect in accordance with Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter.

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LEGAL NOTICE

A Bond Act, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board of Legislators on _____, 20__ and approved by the County Executive on _____, 20__ and the validity of the obligations authorized by such Bond Act may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the County of Westchester, in the State of New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Complete copies of the Bond Act summarized herewith shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York, for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice.

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object or purpose: planning for the installation of Photovoltaic (PV) Systems at County buildings, including evaluation of locations for solar potential and related work; all as set forth in the County's current year Capital Budget, as amended.

amount of obligations to be issued:

and period of probable usefulness: \$200,000; five (5) years

Dated: _____, 20__
White Plains, New York

Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer of the County
Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York

CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:*
B0132

CBA

Fact Sheet Date:*
01-02-2026

Fact Sheet Year:*
2026

Project Title:*
PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SYSTEMS

Legislative District ID:

Category*
BUILDINGS, LAND &
MISCELLANEOUS

Department:*
PUBLIC WORKS

CP Unique ID:
3107

Overall Project Description

This project will provide funding for the installation of photovoltaic (PV) systems at County buildings, parking areas, and grounds to supply electricity for County operations. The first phase of the project will evaluate locations for solar potential, ease of installation, and cost. A plan for the installation of the PV systems will be developed based on the results of the evaluations and programmed as future phases of this capital project. Grant funding will be explored from federal and state agencies.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Best Management Practices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy Efficiencies | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Labor Agreement | <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Under Review
Gross	200	0	200	0	0	0	0	0
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net	200	0	200	0	0	0	0	0

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

Current Bond Description: Funding is requested for a study to evaluate locations for solar potential, ease of installation, and cost.

Financing Plan for Current Request:

Non-County Shares:	\$ 0
Bonds/Notes:	200,000
Cash:	0
Total:	\$ 200,000

SEQR Classification:
TYPE II

Amount Requested:
200,000

Expected Design Work Provider:

- County Staff Consultant Not Applicable

Comments:

Energy Efficiencies:

PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SYSTEMS ARE A RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE USED TO GENERATE ELECTRICITY WITHOUT RELYING ON FOSSIL FUELS. THE USE OF THESE SYSTEMS WILL ENABLE THE COUNTY TO MIGRATE AWAY FROM FOSSIL FUELS WHILE PROVIDING AN ECONOMIC BENEFIT.

Appropriation History:

Year	Amount	Description
2026	200,000	STUDY

Total Appropriation History:
200,000

Total Financing History:

0

Recommended By:

Department of Planning
DVWA

Date
03-06-2026

Department of Public Works
RJB4

Date
03-06-2026

Budget Department
DEV9

Date
03-06-2026

Requesting Department
RJB4

Date
03-08-2026

PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SYSTEMS (B0132)

User Department : Public Works

Managing Department(s) : Public Works ;

Estimated Completion Date: TBD

Planning Board Recommendation: Project approved in concept but subject to subsequent staff review.

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Non County Share									
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Current Year Description

The current year request funds a study.

Current Year Financing Plan

Year	Bonds	Cash	Non County Shares	Total
2026	200,000			200,000

Impact on Operating Budget

The impact on the Operating Budget is the debt service associated with the issuance of bonds.