

ACT 274 - 2025

**HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS  
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee is in receipt of a proposed Act transmitted by the County Attorney, which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to amend an agreement, as previously amended and assigned, ("Agreement") with the law firm Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP ("Friedman Kaplan" or "Firm") to provide legal counsel and advice ("Services") to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission ("Commission"), by (i) increasing the not-to-exceed amount authorized under the Agreement by an additional \$100,000.00, from an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 to a new total amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, and (ii) extending the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2026.

Your Committee is advised that on March 10, 2025, by Act No. 58-2025, your Honorable Board authorized the County to retain Mondaire Jones, Esq. ("Mr. Jones"), to provide the Services to the Commission, for a term commencing on February 25, 2025 and continuing through February 24, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, payable at the rate of \$500.00 per hour. The Agreement was subsequently executed.

Thereafter, on May 5, 2025, by Act No. 150-2025, your Honorable Board further authorized the County to consent to the assignment and amendment of the Agreement to Friedman Kaplan ("Assignment Agreement"). The Assignment Agreement was subsequently executed and effective April 2, 2025.

Authority is now respectfully requested for the County to amend the Agreement by (i) increasing the not-to-exceed amount authorized thereunder by an additional \$100,000.00, from an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 to a new, total amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, and (ii) extending the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2026.

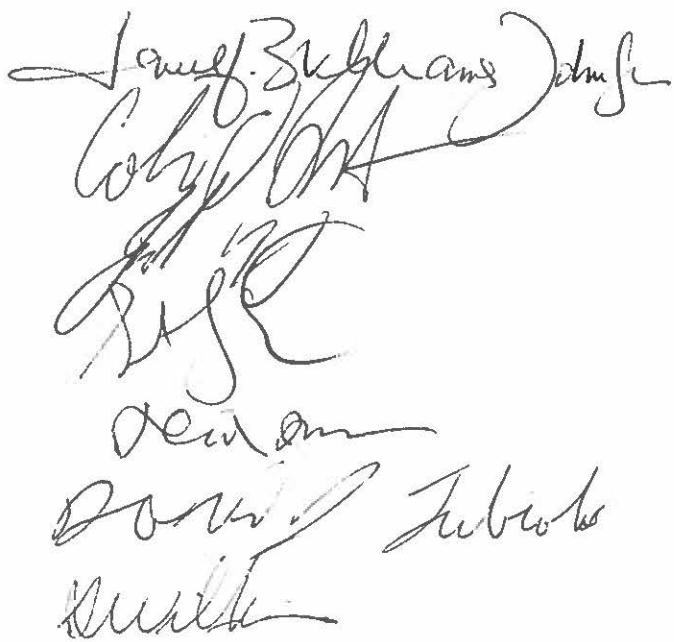
Except as specifically provided herein, all terms and conditions of the Agreement, as previously amended and assigned, shall remain in full force and effect.

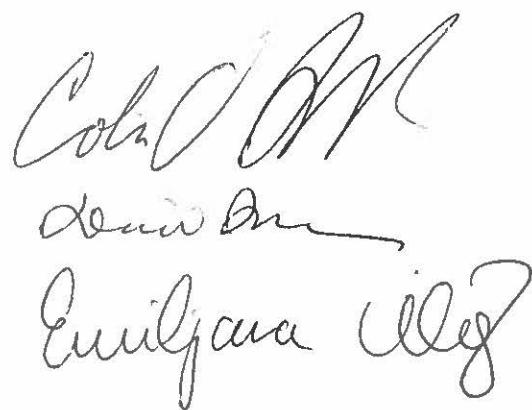
The Planning Department has advised that the proposed amendment to the Agreement does not meet the definition of an action under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 14, 2025, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators.

An affirmative vote of a majority of the voting strength of the Board of Legislators is required for approval of the attached Act.

Your Committee recommends approval of the attached Act.

Dated: November 24, 2025  
White Plains, New York

  
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COMMITTEE ON  
c:MCZ 11.10.25  
Budget & Appropriations

Law & Major Contracts

# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: County Charter Revision Amendment  NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

## OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget

### SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND

AIRPORT FUND

SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

### SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense NTE \$100,000.00

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

Source of Funds (check one):  Current Appropriations  Transfer of Existing Appropriations

Additional Appropriations

Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: 101\_18\_1000\_4923

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount N/A

Describe: An Act authorizing the County to amend an agreement with the firm of Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP to provide legal counsel and advice to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission by increasing the NTE amount by an additional \$100,000.00.

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount N/A

Describe:  

### Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:

Current Year: N/A

Next Four Years: N/A

Prepared by: Patricia Haggerty

Title: Sr. Budget Analyst

Department: Budget

Date: November 6, 2025

Reviewed By: JH

Date:  

Budget Director  

11/06/25

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AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to amend an agreement, as previously amended and assigned, with the law firm Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP to provide legal counsel and advice to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission, by (i) increasing the not-to-exceed amount under the Agreement by an additional \$100,000.00, and (ii) extending the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2026.

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

**Section 1.** The County of Westchester (“County”) is hereby authorized to amend an agreement, as previously amended and assigned, (“Agreement”) with the law firm Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins LLP (“Friedman Kaplan” or “Firm”) to provide legal counsel and advice (“Services”) to the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission (“Commission”), by (i) increasing the not-to-exceed amount authorized under the Agreement by an additional \$100,000.00, from an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 to a new total amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, and (ii) extending the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2026.

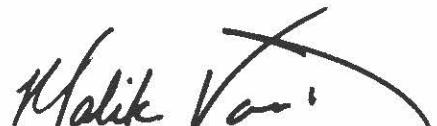
**§2.** That except as otherwise expressly amended hereby, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement, as previously amended and assigned, shall remain in full force and effect.

**§3.** This Act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
WESTCHESTER COUNTY ) ss.  
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**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 274 - 2025, with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole, of the said original Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on December 8, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on December 15, 2025.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025.



Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County  
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

