

Public Safety & Veterans Meeting Agenda



Committee Chair: David Tubiolo

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10:00 AM

Committee Room

Joint W/ B&A, LEG, I&H

CALL TO ORDER

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

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [2026-323](#) **PH-Real Property Tax Exemption for Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces Serving in a Combat Zone**

A RESOLUTION to set a Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester County by adding a new chapter 476 in relation to a real property tax exemption for active duty members of the Armed Forces serving in a combat zone." [Public Hearing set for _____, 2026 at _____ .m.]. LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2026-324.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS AND LEGISLATION

Guests: Law Department: Justin Adin, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney

Budget Department: Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director

2. [2026-324](#) **LOCAL LAW-Real Property Tax Exemption for Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces Serving in a Combat Zone**

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3. [2026-325](#) **PH-Real Property Tax Exemption for Seriously Disabled Veterans in the Line of Duty**

A RESOLUTION to set a set a Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW Amending Article II of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County in relation to a real property tax exemption for seriously disabled veterans in the line of duty." [Public Hearing set for _____, 2026 at _____ .m.]. LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2026-326.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS AND LEGISLATION

Guests: Law Department: Justin Adin, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Budget Department: Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director

4. [2026-326](#) **LOCAL LAW-Real Property Tax Exemption for Seriously Disabled Veterans in the Line of Duty**

A LOCAL LAW amending article II of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County in relation to a real property tax exemption for seriously disabled veterans in the line of duty.

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Guests: Law Department: Justin Adin, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
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5. [2026-312](#) **PH-Real Property Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Police Officers Killed in the Line of Duty**

A RESOLUTION to set a Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW amending the laws of Westchester County by adding a new chapter 474 in relation to a real property tax exemption for surviving spouses of police officers killed in the line of duty." [Public Hearing set for _____, 2026 at _____ .m.]. LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2026-313.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON LEGISLATION, PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS AND BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Law Department: Justin Adin, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
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Guests: Law Department: Justin Adin, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
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7. [2026-314](#) **PH-Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Services Members**

A RESOLUTION to set a Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester County with respect to a tax exemption for surviving spouses of volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance services members." [Public Hearing set for _____, 2026 at _____ .m.]. LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2026-315.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON LEGISLATION, PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS AND BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Law Department: Justin Adin, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Budget Department: Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director

8. [2026-315](#) **LOCAL LAW-Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Services Members**

A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester County with respect to a tax exemption for surviving spouses of volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance services members.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON LEGISLATION, PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS AND BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

Guests: Law Department: Justin Adin, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney
Budget Department: Dianne Vanadia, Associate Budget Director

9. [2026-331](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BCR64-3232-Correctional Facility Replace Fire Alarm System**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of SEVEN MILLION, NINE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND (\$7,960,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BCR64 (3232) - Correctional Facility Replace Fire Alarm System.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS

Guests:

Correction Department: Joseph Spano, Commissioner, William Fallon, Director of Administrative Services, Karl Vollmer, Senior Assistant Warden

10. [2026-337](#) **IMA-Prisoner Transportation-Peekskill**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Peekskill to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS

Guests:

Correction Department: Joseph Spano, Commissioner, William Fallon, Director of Administrative Services, Karl Vollmer, Senior Assistant Warden

11. [2026-338](#) IMA-Prisoner Transportation-White Plains

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of White Plains to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS

Guests:

Correction Department: Joseph Spano, Commissioner, William Fallon, Director of Administrative Services, Karl Vollmer, Senior Assistant Warden

II. OTHER BUSINESS**III. RECEIVE & FILE****ADJOURNMENT**



TRANSMITTAL MEMO

To: The Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators

From: Hon. Kenneth W. Jenkins, Westchester County Executive

Date: July __, 2026

Re: A LOCAL LAW Amending the Laws of Westchester County by Adding a New Chapter 476 in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces Serving in a Combat Zone.

Enclosed herewith for your consideration is “A LOCAL LAW Amending the Laws of Westchester County by Adding a New Chapter 476 in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces Serving in a Combat Zone.”

Section 458-d of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, enacted in 2025, provides a local option where municipalities can opt in to provide real property tax exemptions for active duty members of the armed forces serving in a combat zone.

While there are tax exemptions for veterans in recognition of their service to our country, there are currently no property tax exemptions for those on active duty, serving our country. This property tax exemption recognizes such service when those members have served in a combat zone and put their life on the line to serve our country.

This property tax exemption would exempt up to 25% of the value of a primary residence, capped at \$20,000 (or the product of \$20,000 times the applicable equalization rate for the municipality), in accordance with the limits allowed under Section 485-d.

I recommend adoption of this Local Law.

COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee has reviewed “A LOCAL LAW Amending the Laws of Westchester County by Adding a New Chapter 476 in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces Serving in a Combat Zone.”

Your Committee is aware that Section 458-d of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, enacted in 2025, provides a local option where municipalities can opt in to provide real property tax exemptions for active duty members of the armed forces serving in a combat zone.

Your Committee recognizes that, while there are tax exemptions for veterans in recognition of their service to our country, there are currently no property tax exemptions for those on active duty, serving our country. This property tax exemption recognizes such service when those members have served in a combat zone and put their life on the line to serve our country.

Your Committee notes that this property tax exemption would exempt up to 25% of the value of a primary residence, capped at \$20,000 (or the product of \$20,000 times the applicable equalization rate for the municipality), in accordance with the limits allowed under Section 485-d.

Your Committee is informed that the proposed legislation 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

9, 2026, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee concurs in this conclusion.

In light of all of the foregoing, your Committee recommends the adoption of this Local Law.

Dated: 2026
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

RESOLUTION NO. ____ – 2026

RESOLVED, that this Board hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 209.141(4) of the Laws of Westchester County on Local Law Intro. No. ____ - 2026, entitled “A LOCAL LAW Amending the Laws of Westchester County by Adding a New Chapter 476 in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces Serving in a Combat Zone.” The public hearing will be held at __.m. on the ____ day of _____, 2026 in the Chambers of the Board of Legislators, 8th Floor, Michaelian Office Building, White Plains, New York. The Clerk of the Board shall cause notice of the time and date of such hearing to be published at least once in one or more newspapers published in the County of Westchester and selected by the Clerk of the Board for that purpose in the manner and time required by law.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: _____

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND

AIRPORT FUND

SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense _____

Total Current Year Revenue _____

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

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____

LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. -2026

A LOCAL LAW Amending the Laws of Westchester County by Adding a New Chapter 476 in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces Serving in a Combat Zone.

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

Section 1: A new Chapter 476 of the Laws of Westchester County is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Chapter 476 – TAX EXEMPTION FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

SERVING IN A COMBAT ZONE

Sec. 476.01 – Purpose. Pursuant to the provisions of section 458-d of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, the purpose of this chapter is to grant a partial exemption from taxation of up to 25 percent of the assessed valuation of real property which is owned as a primary residence by the members of the armed forces serving in a combat zone, meeting the requirements set forth in this Chapter.

Sec. 476.02 – Eligible Person. An individual is eligible to apply for this exemption if they are a member of the armed forces who, at any time during the calendar year immediately preceding the applicable taxable status date, served on active duty in a combat zone, as documented by a copy of such member's military orders or a certified letter from such member's commanding officer. Provided, however, that an owner who is receiving an exemption under any provision of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County on a given assessment roll shall not be eligible for an exemption under this section on the same assessment roll. For purposes of this section: the term

“active duty” shall have the same meaning as such term is used in section 101 of title 10 of the United States code; the term “armed forces” shall have the same meaning as such term is used in section 101 of title 10 of the United States code and shall also include the army and air national guard of the United States and New York naval militia; and the term “combat zone” shall mean areas designated by an executive order from the President of the United States in which the United States armed forces are engaging or have engaged in combat.

Sec. 476.03 – Eligible Property. This exemption can only be applied to real property owned by an eligible person and held as that person’s primary residence; provided, however, that in the event that any portion of such property is not used exclusively for residential purposes, but is used for other purposes, such portion shall be subject to taxation and only the remaining portion used exclusively for residential purposes shall be subject to the exemption provided by this section. For purposes of this Chapter, real property is considered “owned” by an eligible person if it is held in trust solely for the benefit of the eligible person.

Sec. 476.04 – Cooperative Apartments. For purposes of this Chapter, title to that portion of real property owned by a cooperative apartment corporation in which a tenant-stockholder of such corporation resides and which is represented by their share or shares of stock in such corporation as determined by its or their proportional relationship to the total outstanding stock of the corporation, including that owned by the corporation, shall be deemed to be vested in such tenant-stockholder. Further, provided that all other eligibility

criteria of this section are met, that proportion of the assessment of such real property owned by a cooperative apartment corporation determined by the relationship of such real property vested in such tenant-stockholder to such real property owned by such cooperative apartment corporation in which such tenant-stockholder resides shall be subject to exemption from taxation pursuant to this section and any exemption so granted shall be credited by the appropriate taxing authority against the assessed valuation of such real property; the reduction in real property taxes realized thereby shall be credited by the cooperative apartment corporation against the amount of such taxes otherwise payable by or chargeable to such tenant-stockholder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a tenant-stockholder who resides in a dwelling that is subject to the provisions of either article two, four, five or eleven of the New York State Private Housing Finance Law shall not be eligible for an exemption pursuant to this section.

Sec. 476.05 – Exemption. An eligible person shall be entitled to an exemption on an eligible property of twenty-five percent (25) of the assessed value of such property, provided, that such exemption shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars or the product of twenty thousand dollars multiplied by the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, or in the case of a special assessing unit, the class ratio, whichever is less.

Sec. 476.06 – Application for Exemption. An application for an exemption pursuant to this article must be made by the owner, or all of the owners, of the property on a form prescribed by the state board of real property services. The

owner or owners shall file the completed form in the assessor's office on or before the appropriate taxable status date.

Section 2: This Local Law shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all applications for exemptions on assessment rolls that are based on taxable status dates occurring on and after October 1, 2026.



TRANSMITTAL MEMO

To: The Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators

From: Hon. Kenneth W. Jenkins, Westchester County Executive

Date: July __, 2026

Re: A LOCAL LAW Amending Article II of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County in
Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Seriously Disabled Veterans in the Line of Duty.

Enclosed herewith for your consideration is “A LOCAL LAW Amending Article II of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Seriously Disabled Veterans in the Line of Duty.”

Section 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, as amended in 2025 in 2026, provides a local option where municipalities can opt in to provide real property tax exemptions for certain seriously disabled veterans.

Veterans who suffer a serious disability during their service face physical, mental, emotional, and financial hardships. These disabilities severely impact their lives, and can leave them unable to work as a result. In addition, disability may often require special modifications to their homes to facilitate independent living. In addition, those seriously disabled veterans living in New York State are faced with a high cost-of-living, including significant housing costs—before the added costs of modifications. The struggle to remain financially stable is difficult.

Opting into this property tax exemption will help alleviate the burden on those veterans by providing much needed tax relief, in the form of an exemption from property taxation on a primary residence. Doing so is a way the County can help those who suffered life-altering disabilities serving our country.

I recommend adoption of this Local Law.

COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee has reviewed “A LOCAL LAW Amending Article II of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Seriously Disabled Veterans in the Line of Duty.”

Your Committee is aware that Section 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, as amended in 2025 in 2026, provides a local option where municipalities can opt in to provide real property tax exemptions for certain seriously disabled veterans.

Your Committee notes that, veterans who suffer a serious disability during their service face physical, mental, emotional, and financial hardships. These disabilities severely impact their lives, and can leave them unable to work as a result. In addition, disability may often require special modifications to their homes to facilitate independent living. In addition, those seriously disabled veterans living in New York State are faced with a high cost-of-living, including significant housing costs—before the added costs of modifications. The struggle to remain financially stable is difficult.

Your Committee finds that opting into this property tax exemption will help alleviate the burden on those veterans by providing much needed tax relief, in the form of an exemption from property taxation on a primary residence. Doing so is a way the County can help those who suffered life-altering disabilities serving our country.

Your Committee is informed that the proposed legislation 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 9, 2026, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee concurs in this conclusion.

In light of all of the foregoing, your Committee recommends the adoption of this Local Law.

Dated: 2026
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

RESOLUTION NO. ____ – 2026

RESOLVED, that this Board hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 209.141(4) of the Laws of Westchester County on Local Law Intro. No. ____ - 2026, entitled “A LOCAL LAW Amending Article II of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Seriously Disabled Veterans in the Line of Duty.” The public hearing will be held at __.m. on the ____ day of _____, 2026 in the Chambers of the Board of Legislators, 8th Floor, Michaelian Office Building, White Plains, New York. The Clerk of the Board shall cause notice of the time and date of such hearing to be published at least once in one or more newspapers published in the County of Westchester and selected by the Clerk of the Board for that purpose in the manner and time required by law.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: _____

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

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Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____

LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. -2026

A LOCAL LAW Amending Article II of Chapter 473 of the Laws of Westchester County in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Seriously Disabled Veterans in the Line of Duty.

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

Section 1: A new Section 473.251 of the Laws of Westchester County is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 473.251. – Seriously Disabled Veterans

In addition to exemptions based on the foregoing sections, the primary residence of any Seriously Disabled Veteran shall be exempt from taxation as follows:

1. Qualification:
 - a. The Seriously Disabled Veteran was discharged as follows:
 - i. Discharged or released under honorable conditions;
 - ii. Has a qualifying condition, as defined in section one of the New York State Veterans' Services Law, and has received a discharge other than bad conduct or dishonorable; or
 - iii. Is a discharged LGBT veteran, as defined in section one of the New York State Veterans' Services Law, and has received a discharge other than bad conduct or dishonorable.
 - b. The Seriously Disabled Veteran:

- i. Is considered to be permanently and totally disabled as a result of military service;
 - ii. Is rated 100% disabled by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs;
 - iii. Has been rated by the United State Department of Veterans Affairs as individually unemployable; and
 - iv. Is eligible for pecuniary assistance from the United States government, or has received pecuniary assistance from the United States government and has applied such assistance toward the acquisition or modification of a suitable housing unit with special features or movable facilities made necessary by the nature of the veterans' disability.
2. Exemption. The necessary land for the suitable housing unit identified above shall be fully exempt from taxation and special district charges, assessments and special ad valorem levies, provided that such veteran meets all other requirements of this section. In no case shall the taxable assessed value of the property of a qualifying veteran be reduced below zero. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to require or authorize the discontinuance of any exemption granted pursuant to subdivision three of section four hundred fifty-eight of the New York State Real Property Tax Law.

Section 2: This Local Law shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all applications for exemptions on assessment rolls that are based on taxable status dates occurring on and after October 1, 2026.

COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee has reviewed “A LOCAL LAW Amending the Laws of Westchester County by Adding a New Chapter 474 in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Police Officers Killed in the Line of Duty.”

Your Committee is aware that Section 471 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, enacted in 2025, provides a local option where municipalities can opt in to provide real property tax exemptions for surviving spouses of police officers who are killed in the line of duty.

Your Committee notes that, beyond the emotional trauma, survivors of police officers killed in the line of duty often face financial difficulties due to a reduction in income. Survivors in New York State are faced with a high cost-of-living, including significant housing costs. For those families that now must rely on survivor benefits that only pay a percentage of the deceased officer’s wages, the struggle to remain financially stable is difficult.

Your Committee finds that opting into this property tax exemption will help alleviate the burden on surviving spouses by providing much needed tax relief, in the form of a 50% exemption from taxation. Doing so is a way the County can help the families of police officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Your Committee is informed that the proposed legislation 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 9, 2026, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee concurs in this conclusion.

In light of all of the foregoing, your Committee recommends the adoption of this Local Law.

Dated: 2026
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

RESOLUTION NO. ____ – 2026

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Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____

LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. -2026

A LOCAL LAW Amending the Laws of Westchester County by Adding a New Chapter 474 in Relation to a Real Property Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Police Officers Killed in the Line of Duty.

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

Section 1: A new Chapter 474 of the Laws of Westchester County is hereby enacted to read as follows:

**Chapter 474 – TAX EXEMPTION FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES OF
POLICE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY**

Sec. 474.01 – Purpose. Pursuant to the provisions of section 471 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, the purpose of this chapter is to grant a partial exemption from taxation of 50 percent of the assessed valuation of real property which is owned as a primary residence by the surviving spouse of a police officer that is killed in the line of duty, meeting the requirements set forth in this Chapter.

Sec. 474.02 – Eligible Person. An individual is eligible to apply for this exemption if they are a surviving spouse of a police officer that is killed in the line of duty. For purposes of this Chapter, the term “police officer” shall have the same meaning as defined in section 1.20 of the New York State Criminal Procedure Law. To establish eligibility, an individual must provide to their applicable assessor documents sufficient to establish eligibility as determined by the New York State Commissioners of the Division of Criminal Justice Services and the Department of Taxation and Finance.

Sec. 474.03 – Eligible Property. This exemption can only be applied to real property owned by an eligible person and held as that person’s primary residence. For purposes of this Chapter, real property is considered “owned” by an eligible person if it is held in trust solely for the benefit of the eligible person.

Sec. 474.04 – Cooperative Apartments. For purposes of this Chapter, title to that portion of real property owned by a cooperative apartment corporation in which a tenant-stockholder of such corporation resides and which is represented by their share or shares of stock in such corporation as determined by its or their proportional relationship to the total outstanding stock of the corporation, including that owned by the corporation, shall be deemed to be vested in such tenant-stockholder. Further, provided that all other eligibility criteria of this section are met, that proportion of the assessment of such real property owned by a cooperative apartment corporation determined by the relationship of such real property vested in such tenant-stockholder to such real property owned by such cooperative apartment corporation in which such tenant-stockholder resides shall be subject to exemption from taxation pursuant to this section and any exemption so granted shall be credited by the appropriate taxing authority against the assessed valuation of such real property; the reduction in real property taxes realized thereby shall be credited by the cooperative apartment corporation against the amount of such taxes otherwise payable by or chargeable to such tenant-stockholder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a tenant-stockholder who resides in a dwelling that is subject to the provisions of either article two, four, five or eleven of the

New York State Private Housing Finance Law shall not be eligible for an exemption pursuant to this section.

Section 2: This Local Law shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all applications for exemptions on assessment rolls that are based on taxable status dates occurring on and after October 1, 2026.

TO: BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive recommending adoption of “A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester County with respect to a Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Services Members.”

Your Committee recognizes that volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers provide a significant benefit to residents and taxpayers through their countless hours of service protecting our communities. Accordingly, in conformance with New York State Real Property Tax Law (“Real Property Tax Law”) Section 466-a, the County enacted Chapter 475 of the Laws of Westchester County (“Chapter 475”) authorizing a ten (10) percent tax exemption for volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance service members with two (2) or more years of service, and continuing that exemption for certain un-remarried spouses of a volunteer firefighter or ambulance service member who died in the line of duty.

Your Committee is aware that Section 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law was amended by the State to provide a local option where municipalities can opt in to provide a greater real property tax exemption for surviving spouses of a volunteer firefighter or ambulance service member who died in the line of duty.

Your Committee notes that, beyond the emotional trauma, survivors of volunteer firefighters or ambulance workers that die in the line of duty often face financial difficulties due to a reduction in

income. Survivors in New York State are faced with a high cost-of-living, including significant housing costs, and financial stability is difficult to achieve.

Your Committee finds that opting into this property tax exemption will help alleviate the burden on surviving spouses by providing much needed tax relief, in the form of a 50% exemption from taxation. Doing so is a way the County can help the families of volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Your Committee is advised that the proposed Local Law does not meet the definition of an action under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning, dated January 9, 2026, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee concurs in this conclusion.

Based on the foregoing, your Committee recommends the passage of this Local Law.

Dated 2026
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

RESOLUTION NO. ____ – 2026

RESOLVED, that this Board hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 209.141(4) of the Laws of Westchester County on Local Law Intro. No. ____ - 2026, entitled “A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester County with respect to a Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Services Members.” The public hearing will be held at __.m. on the ____ day of _____, 2025 in the Chambers of the Board of Legislators, 8th Floor, Michaelian Office Building, White Plains, New York. The Clerk of the Board shall cause notice of the time and date of such hearing to be published at least once in one or more newspapers published in the County of Westchester and selected by the Clerk of the Board for that purpose in the manner and time required by law.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: _____

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND

AIRPORT FUND

SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense _____

Total Current Year Revenue _____

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

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____

LOCAL LAW NO. -2026

A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester with respect to a Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Service Members.

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

Section 1. Section 475.01 of the Laws of Westchester County is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 475.01. Purpose

The purpose of this Chapter is to provide volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance service members, who are qualified real property owners, with the tax exemption authorized by Section 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law, and to continue this exemption in the case of certain ~~un-remarried~~surviving spouses of deceased volunteers pursuant to that law. The exemptions authorized by this Chapter are subject to all the qualifications and limitations set forth in Sections 466-a and 466-l of the Real Property Tax Law.

Section 2. Section 475.41 of the Laws of Westchester County is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 475.41. ~~Continuation of~~Exemption for un-remarried the surviving spouse of a deceased volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker killed in the line of duty.

~~The exemption authorized by this chapter shall be continued for the un-remarried~~ Real property owned by the surviving spouse of a deceased member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department, or incorporated voluntary ambulance service, killed in the line of duty shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of fifty percent (50%) of the assessed value of such property for county purposes, and county special district purposes other than sewer purposes, exclusive of special assessments; provided, that:

- (a) Such ~~un-remarried~~surviving spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department, or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an ~~un-remarried~~surviving spouse of an enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department, or incorporated voluntary ambulance service who was killed in the line of duty; and
- (b) Such deceased volunteer had been an enrolled member for at least five years; and
- (c) Such deceased volunteer had been receiving ~~the~~an exemption prior to ~~his or her~~their death.

Section 3. This Local Law shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all applications for exemptions on assessment rolls that are based on taxable status dates occurring on and after October 1, 2026.



TRANSMITTAL MEMO

To: The Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators

From: Kenneth W. Jenkins, County Executive

Date: June 24, 2026

Re: AN AMENDED BOND ACT for capital project BCR64 (3232) - Correctional Facility Replace Fire Alarm System

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is an amended bond act ("Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to issue additional bonds in the amount of \$7,960,000 to finance the following capital project:

BCR64 (3232) – Correctional Facility Replace Fire Alarm System ("BCR64").

The Amended Bond Act, in the total amount of \$9,625,000, which includes \$1,665,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County, would finance the construction associated with the replacement of the Correctional Facility Fire Alarm System throughout the entire facility complex.

The Department of Correction ("Department") has advised that the existing fire alarm system has reached the end of its useful life and is in need of replacement through the Correctional facility complex. The new system will replace existing devices and use existing wiring with a fiber network between panels connected to a Fireworks graphic work station. It would also include the installation of a Vesda/Xtralis Vea system for Blocks 1-3. The entire fire alarm system for the correctional facility has reached its end of life and can no longer be repaired as software and parts are no longer available.

Design has been completed by in house staff. Following bonding authorization, the Department estimates that construction will take twelve (12) months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has authorized the County to issue bonds for BCR64 as follows: Bond Act No. 96 - 2024 in the amount of \$665,000 which financed the cost of design for the replacement of the existing fire alarm system at the Westchester County Jail in Valhalla, as amended by Bond Act 114 – 2025 to increase the initial amount authorized under Bond Act No. 96 – 2024 by \$1,000,000, to a new total amount of \$1,665,000 to expand the scope of the project to include construction services, and to increase the period of probable usefulness of said bonds. A portion of bonds authorized under Bond Act No. 96 – 2024 have been issued. Authority is now requested to amend Bond Act No. 114 – 2025 to increase the amount authorized thereunder by \$7,960,000, to a new total amount of \$9,625,000, to include additional construction services.

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

**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 an amended bond act (“Amended Bond Act”) in the total amount of \$9,625,000.00, which includes \$1,665,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County, to finance capital project BCR64 (3232) – Correctional Facility Replace Fire Alarm System (“BCR64”).

The Amended Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm Harris Beach Murtha, will finance the construction associated with the replacement of the Correctional Facility Fire Alarm System throughout the entire facility complex.

The Department of Correction (“Department”) has advised that the existing fire alarm system has reached the end of its useful life and is in need of replacement through the Correctional facility complex. The new system will replace existing devices and use existing wiring with a fiber network between panels connected to a Fireworks graphic work station. It would also include the installation of a Vesda/Xtralis Vea system for Blocks 1-3. The entire fire alarm system for the correctional facility has reached its end of life and can no longer be repaired as software and parts are no longer available.

Your Committee is advised that design has been completed by in house staff. Following bonding authorization, the Department estimates that the construction will take twelve (12) months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

Your Committee notes that your Honorable Board has authorized the County to issue bonds for BCR64 as follows: Bond Act No. 96 - 2024 in the amount of \$665,000 which financed the cost of design for the replacement of the existing fire alarm system at the Westchester County Jail in Valhalla, as amended by Bond Act 114 – 2025 to increase the initial amount authorized under Bond

Act No. 96 – 2024 by \$1,000,000, to a new total amount of \$1,665,000 to expand the scope of the project to include construction services, and to increase the period of probable usefulness of said bonds. A portion of bonds authorized under Bond Act No. 96 – 2024 have been issued. Authority is now requested to amend Bond Act No. 114 – 2025 to increase the amount authorized thereunder by \$7,960,000, to a new total amount of \$9,625,000, to include additional construction services.

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: _____, 20____
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

c/cmc/06.24.2026

TO: 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: June 18, 2026

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT
BCR64 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY REPLACE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM**

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on
06/03/2026 (Unique ID: 3232)

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.
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COMMENTS: None.

DSK/oav

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
Matthew Castro, Chief Planner
Claudia Maxwell, Principal Environmental Planner

ACT NO. -20____

BOND ACT OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, AMENDING AND RESTATING THE BOND ACT ADOPTED JUNE 2, 2025 IN RELATION TO FINANCING THE COST FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY; AT THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF \$9,625,000. (Adopted _____, 20____).

WHEREAS, this Board of Legislators (the “Board”) has heretofore duly authorized the issuance of bonds to finance the costs for the construction of the replacement of the fire alarm system at the Correctional Facility at the estimated maximum cost of \$1,665,000 (the “Original Project”), pursuant to Act No. 114-2025, duly adopted on June 2, 2025 (the “Prior Act”), and it has now been determined that (i) the costs for the construction of the replacement of the fire alarm system at the Correctional Facility in the amount of \$7,960,000 shall be added to the costs of the Original Project (collectively, the “Project”) and (ii) the maximum cost of the Project shall now total \$9,625,000, and the Prior Act shall be amended and restated as set forth herein; and

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 (A). The bond act duly adopted by this Board on June 2, 2025, entitled:

“(BOND) ACT NO. 114-2025

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,665,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY; STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,665,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,665,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS.”

is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

BOND ACT OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, AMENDING AND RESTATING THE BOND ACT ADOPTED JUNE 2, 2025 IN RELATION TO FINANCING THE COST FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY; AT THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF \$9,625,000. (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, \$9,625,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance the cost for construction of the replacement of the fire alarm system at the Correctional Facility; 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 \$9,625,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$9,625,000 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 specific object or purpose for which the bonds authorized by this resolution is to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 56 of the Law, is ten (10) 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 \$9,625,000. 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 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 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.

Section (B). The amendment and restatement 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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LEGAL NOTICE

An amended and restated Bond Act, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board of Legislators on June 2, 2025 and amended on _____, 20__ and approved, as amended, 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 amended 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.

ACT NO. _____-20__

BOND ACT OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, AMENDING AND RESTATING THE BOND ACT ADOPTED JUNE 2, 2025 IN RELATION TO FINANCING THE COST FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE REPLACEMENT OF THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM AT THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY; AT THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF \$9,625,000. (Adopted _____, 20__).

object or purpose: to finance the cost for construction of the replacement of the fire alarm system at the Correctional Facility; all as set forth in the County's 20__ Capital Budget, as amended

amount of obligations to be issued:

and period of probable usefulness: \$9,625,000; ten (10) 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

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: _____		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:		PPU:	
Anticipated Interest Rate:			
Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest):			
Total Debt Service (Annual cost x Term):			
Finance Department:			
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: _____			
Prepared by: _____		Approved By: _____	
Title: _____		Budget Director	
Department: _____		Date: _____	
Date: _____			



Memorandum
Office of the County Executive
Michaelian Office Building

To: The Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators

From: Hon. Kenneth W. Jenkins, Westchester County Executive

Date: June 10, 2026

Re: An Act authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Peekskill to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

Pursuant to New York State Correction Law sections 500-c and 500-d, the County of Westchester ("County") is required to transport at its own expense prisoners between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York. In addition, the County is required to provide meals to such prisoners. The County relies on assistance from local municipalities to carry out these functions and by so doing saves taxpayer funds.

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is legislation which would authorize the County to enter into an intermunicipal agreement ("IMA") with the City of Peekskill ("Peekskill") for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and expiring December 31, 2027 in order to reimburse Peekskill an amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 in 2026 and an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00 in 2027, for a total not to exceed amount of \$190,000.00. This IMA will allow the County to reimburse Peekskill for the costs incurred by Peekskill to transport prisoners who have been arraigned to and from Peekskill City Court ("Court") and the Westchester County Jail ("Jail").

For the period from January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026, Peekskill shall provide round trip transportation for all prisoners remanded to Jail by court order or required to appear before the Court and that the County shall reimburse the Municipality for (i) round trip prisoner transportation services as defined in Article One of the IMA, at an hourly rate as agreed upon, and for up to a maximum of four (4) hours per officer, per round trip (ii) vehicle mileage (iii) and for actual and reasonable costs incurred for meals provided to post-arrangement prisoners.

Thereafter, for the period from May 18, 2026 through December 31, 2027, the County and the Peekskill have agreed that prisoner transportation for all prisoners remanded to the Jail by court order, shall be provided and managed collaboratively between the County and the Peekskill, and that the County will reimburse Peekskill for (i) round trip prisoner transportation services as defined in Article Two of the IMA, at an hourly rate as agreed upon, and for up to a maximum of two and a half (2.5) hours per officer, per round trip, and (ii) vehicle mileage.

The County will reimburse Peekskill for prisoner transportation at the following rates: (a) from the period January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026: \$95 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to four (4) hours per Round Trip; (b) from the period from May 18, 2026 through December 31, 2026: \$95 per hour, per

police officer, maximum up to two and a half (2.5) hours per Round Trip; (c) from the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027: \$96.90 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to two and a half hours per Round Trip. Peekskill shall also be reimbursed for vehicle usage at the rate of seventy-two point five cents (\$.725) per mile, or at the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate, between the Court or Headquarters and Jail which is deemed twenty (20) miles each way.

It is in the best interest of the County to enter into this IMA with Peekskill, and recommend that your Honorable Board approve the annexed Act.

KWJ/JS/mb

Attachments

TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee has been advised that pursuant to sections 500-c and 500-d of the New York State Correction Law, the County of Westchester (“County”) is required at its own expense to transport prisoners between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York.

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive, recommending approval of an Act, which, if adopted, would authorize the County to enter into an intermunicipal agreement (“IMA”) with the City of Peekskill (“Peekskill”) for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and expiring December 31, 2027 in order to reimburse Peekskill an amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 in 2026 and an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00 in 2027, for a total not to exceed amount of \$190,000.00. This IMA will allow the County to reimburse Peekskill for the costs incurred by Peekskill to transport prisoners who have been arraigned to and from Peekskill City Court (“Court”) and the Westchester County Jail (“Jail”).

Your Committee has been further advised that for the period from January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026, Peekskill shall provide round trip transportation for all prisoners remanded to Jail by court order or required to appear before the Court and that the County shall reimburse the Municipality for (i) round trip prisoner transportation services as defined in Article One of the IMA, at an hourly rate as agreed upon, and for up to a maximum of four (4) hours per officer, per round trip (ii) vehicle mileage (iii) and for actual and reasonable costs incurred for meals provided to post-arrangement prisoners. Thereafter, for the period from May 18, 2026 through December 31, 2027, the County and the Peekskill have agreed that prisoner transportation for all prisoners remanded to the Jail by court order, shall be provided and managed collaboratively between the County and the Peekskill, and that the County will reimburse Peekskill for (i) round trip prisoner transportation services as defined in Article Two of the IMA, at an hourly rate as agreed upon, and for up to a maximum of two and a half (2.5) hours per officer, per round trip, and (ii) vehicle mileage.

Your Committee has been further advised that the County will reimburse Peekskill for prisoner transportation at the following rates: (a) from the period January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026: \$95 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to four (4) hours per Round Trip; (b) from the period from May 18, 2026 through December 31, 2026: \$95 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to two and a half (2.5) hours per Round Trip; (c) from the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027: \$96.90 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to two and a half hours per Round Trip. Peekskill shall also be reimbursed for vehicle usage at the rate of seventy-two point five cents (\$.725) per mile, or at the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate, between the Court or Headquarters and Jail which is deemed twenty (20) miles each way.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMA does not meet the definition of an “action” under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR, Part 617. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 9, 2026, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Therefore, no environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this recommendation.

Your Committee has been advised that a majority of the voting strength of the Board of Legislators is required in order to adopt the attached Act.

After review and careful consideration, your Committee recommends favorable action upon the proposed Act.

Dated: _____, 2026

White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

C/MB/6.10.26

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Peekskill in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail within the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, for a total amount not to exceed \$190,000.00.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester (the “County”) be and hereby is authorized to enter into an intermunicipal agreement (“IMA”) with the City of Peekskill (“Peekskill”) for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and expiring December 31, 2027 in order to reimburse Peekskill an amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 in 2026 and an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00 in 2027, for a total not to exceed amount of \$190,000.00. This IMA will allow the County to reimburse Peekskill for the costs incurred by Peekskill to transport prisoners who have been arraigned to and from Peekskill City Court (“Court”) and the Westchester County Jail (“Jail”).

§2. The County will reimburse Peekskill for prisoner transportation at the following rates: (a) from the period January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026: \$95 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to four (4) hours per Round Trip; (b) from the period from May 18, 2026 through December 31, 2026: \$95 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to two and a half (2.5) hours per Round Trip; (c) from the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027: \$96.90 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to two and a half hours per Round Trip. Peekskill shall also be reimbursed for vehicle usage at the rate of seventy-two point five cents (\$.725) per mile, or at the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate, between the Court or Headquarters and Jail, which is deemed twenty (20) miles each way.

§3. The County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute instruments and to take any and all action necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

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PRISONER TRANSPORTATION--PEEKSKILL

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 2026 by
and between:

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, a municipal corporation of the State of New York having an office and place of business in the Michaelian Office Building, 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York 10601

(hereinafter referred to as the “County”)

and

THE CITY OF PEEKSKILL, a municipality of the State of New York having its office and place of business at 840 Main Street, Peekskill, New York 10566

(hereinafter referred to as the “Municipality”)

RECITALS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 500-c and 500-d of the Corrections law prisoners are required to be transported between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail in Valhalla, New York (the “Jail”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Municipality agree to cooperate in providing such prisoner transportation to and from the Peekskill City Court (the “Court”); and

WHEREAS, the County and the Municipality have agreed that from January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026, it is acknowledged that the Municipality provided round trip transportation for all prisoners remanded to the Jail by court order or required to appear before the Court within the Municipality and that the County shall reimburse the Municipality for (i) round trip prisoner transportation services as defined in Article One below, at an hourly rate as agreed upon, and for up to a maximum of four (4) hours per officer, per round trip (ii) vehicle mileage (iii) and for actual and reasonable costs incurred for meals provided to post-arrangement prisoners, as agreed upon herein; and

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WHEREAS, for the period from May 18, 2026 through December 31, 2027, the County and the Municipality agree that prisoner transportation for all prisoners remanded to the Jail by court order, shall be provided and managed collaboratively between the County and the Municipality, and that the County will reimburse the Municipality for (i) round trip prisoner transportation services as defined in Article Two below, at an hourly rate as agreed upon, and for up to a maximum of two and a half (2.5) hours per officer, per round trip, and (ii) vehicle mileage pursuant to the procedures set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms and conditions herein contained, the County and the Municipality agree as follows:

**ARTICLE ONE
PRISONER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES DURING THE PERIOD OF
JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH MAY 17, 2026**

Section 1.1 PRISONER TRANSPORTATION:

From the period of January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026, except for prisoners arrested by Westchester County Department of Public Safety Services, it is hereby recognized and agreed that the Municipality provided round trip prisoner transportation using its own police department personnel and vehicles between the Municipality and the Westchester County Department of Correction (“Department”) for all prisoners remanded to the Jail by court order or required to appear before the Peekskill City Court within the Municipality. The County will reimburse the Municipality for the actual number of round trips between the Court and the Jail during this period.

Section 1.2 DEFINITION OF ROUND TRIP UNDER ARTICLE ONE:

“Round Trip” is defined as:

For transportation to the Jail subsequent to arrest - 1 Round Trip;

For transportation from the Jail to the Court; no return - 1 Round Trip; and

For transportation from the Jail to the Court; and remand to the Jail - 2 Round Trips

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Section 1.3.PAYMENT TERMS UNDER ARTICLE ONE :

The Municipality shall be reimbursed by the County for prisoner transportation services conducted during the period of January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026 at the hourly rate indicated in Schedule “A” which is attached hereto made a part hereof and up to a maximum of four (4) hours per officer per round trip.

The Municipality shall also be reimbursed for vehicle usage at the rate of seventy-two point five cents (\$.725) per mile, or at the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate, between Peekskill City Court and the Westchester County Jail which is deemed to be twenty (20) miles each way.

The County shall also reimburse the Municipality for all meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners for the actual and reasonable costs incurred and receipts submitted as part of the Municipality’s monthly invoices submitted to the Department.

Payment under this Agreement for services rendered pursuant to Article One shall be made after submission by the Municipality of a monthly invoice, which invoice shall be uniquely numbered, and paid only after approval of the invoice by the Commissioner.

Each invoice submitted to the Department of Correction, shall include the following information: (i) month, each service date (ii) number of Round Trips made per each date and the rate for such Round Trip as set forth in Section 1.3 above, each Round Trip must identify the number of prisoners transported, and the number of police officers utilized (iii) number of miles and mileage rate, (iv) number of meals provided to prisoners during each Round Trip and the cost for such meals, (v) supporting documentation such as a chart including line item descriptions of each expense. Reimbursement request shall be subject to audit by the County, and the Municipality shall keep and make available to the County such detailed books and records as are reasonably necessary to substantiate the basis for reimbursement. The Municipality shall not be entitled to reimbursement for any prisoner transportation expense not specifically provided for herein.

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ARTICLE TWO

**PRISONER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 18, 2026
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2027**

Section 2.1 PRISONER TRANSPORTATION:

The Department shall provide transportation for all prisoners in their custody who are required to appear before Peekskill City Court by court order within the Municipality.

- a. Municipality shall allow Department staff and prisoners to safely access the two dry cells outside of the courtroom area of the Court through the Municipality's lockup located in the City of Peekskill Police Department headquarters ("Headquarters").
- b. Municipality must provide appropriate and secure accommodations to restroom facilities located in the Headquarters for any prisoner requesting to use restroom facilities.
- c. County, pursuant to New York state requirement of "30-Minute Checks" through the Department's staff, will maintain constant observation of Department prisoners at all times when they are not in the courtroom at the Court or under the supervision of New York State Court Officers.

The Department shall manage all new admission remands prisoner transportation services pursuant to the following procedures.

When Department's transportation staff is not present at the Court:

After Municipality receives a newly remanded prisoner from the Court, Municipality shall notify the County by notifying the Department's Booking Supervisor and request the Department's ability to conduct a pickup of the prisoner to transport to the Jail.

The County, by and through its Department's Booking Supervisor, shall notify the Municipality if the Department is able to respond to the Municipality's request to transport the prisoner to the Jail. If the Department is able to respond, the Department shall notify the Municipality of the Department's ability to conduct a pickup of the prisoner at the Court or being held at the Headquarters. The Municipality and the Department shall collaborate and work diligently to facilitate any prisoner transportation pickup.

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If the Department advises that it is able to respond for pickup, the Department shall make reasonable efforts to assume custody of the prisoner within two (2) hours of notification by the Municipality. If the Department is unable to respond within the two (2) hour time period, the Municipality shall proceed with the prisoner transport pursuant to Section 2.3., using its own police department personnel and vehicles. Reimbursement will be limited to round-trip transport from the Court or Headquarters to the Jail, as detailed in Section 2.3 below. In the event that the Municipality proceeds with the prisoner transport pursuant to this provision, it shall notify the Department's Booking Supervisor at the soonest time possible.

Section 2.2 DEFINITION OF ROUND TRIP UNDER ARTICLE TWO:

“Round Trip” is defined as:

For transportation to the Jail from the Court or the Headquarters subsequent to arrest
- 1 Round Trip.

Section 2.3.PAYMENT TERMS UNDER ARTICLE TWO:

If the Department is unable to respond to a prisoner transportation pickup request, the Municipality shall provide transport for prisoners remanded to the Department's custody using its own police department personnel and vehicles pursuant to the reimbursement terms set forth in this Section 2.3. Reimbursement will be limited to round-trip transport from the Court or Headquarters to the Jail.

The Municipality shall be reimbursed by the County for prisoner transportation services conducted after May 17, 2026, through December 31, 2027, at the hourly rate indicated in Schedule “A” which is attached hereto made a part hereof and up to a maximum of two and a half (2.5) hours per officer per Round Trip.

The Municipality shall also be reimbursed for vehicle usage at the rate of seventy-two point five cents (\$.725) per mile, or at the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate,

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between the Court or Headquarters and Jail which is deemed for the purposes of this Section to be twenty (20) miles each way.

Each invoice submitted by the Municipality to the Department, shall include the following information: (i) month, each service date (ii) number of Round Trips made per each date and the rate for such Round Trip as set forth in Section 2.3 above, each Round Trip must identify the number of prisoners transported and the number of police officers utilized, (iii) number of miles and mileage rate, (iv) supporting documentation such as a chart including line item descriptions of each expense. Reimbursement requests shall be subject to audit by the County, and the Municipality shall keep and make available to the County such detailed books and records as are reasonably necessary to substantiate the basis for reimbursement. The Municipality shall not be entitled to reimbursement for any prisoner transportation expense not specifically provided for herein.

ARTICLE THREE
MISCELLANEOUS

Section 3.1 TERM:

This Agreement shall commence retroactively on January 1, 2026 and shall expire on December 31, 2027. The County or the Municipality may, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part when it deems it to be in its best interest. In such event, the Municipality shall be compensated and the County shall be liable only for payment for services rendered prior to the effective date of termination.

Section 3.2 AGGREGATE AMOUNT AND SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATIONS:

The annual aggregate cost to the County under this Agreement in 2026 shall not exceed \$110,000.00, and in 2027 shall not exceed \$80,000.00, for a total aggregate cost to the County pursuant to this Agreement, which shall not exceed \$190,000.00. . The County agrees that if the not to exceed amounts for either or both 2026 or 2027 are expected to be exceeded, it will make reasonable efforts to seek approval from the Board of Legislators to increase such amount to cover the remainder of the applicable year for which the increase is sought. If the not-to-exceed

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amount set forth herein is reached and the County declines to authorize additional funding, the City's obligation to perform transports under this Agreement shall cease.

This Agreement shall be deemed executory only to the extent of the monies appropriated and available for the purpose of this Agreement and no liability on account hereof shall be incurred by the County beyond the amount of such monies.

The Municipality, shall, at no additional charge, furnish all labor, services, materials, tools, equipment and other appliances necessary to complete round trip prisoner transportation, unless specific additional charges are expressly permitted under this Agreement. It is recognized and understood that even if specific additional charges are expressly permitted under this Agreement, in no event shall total payment to the Municipality exceed the not-to-exceed amount set forth above.

Section 3.3 ENTIRE AGREEMENT:

This Agreement constitutes the entire and integrated agreement between and among the parties hereto and supersedes any and all prior negotiations, agreements and conditions, whether written or oral. Any modification or amendment to this Agreement shall be void unless it is in writing and subscribed by the party to be charged.

Section 3.4 APPLICABLE LAW:

This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

Section 3.5 APPROVALS:

This Agreement is subject to the approval of the Westchester County Board of Legislators and the governing legislative body of the Municipality.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and the Municipality have executed this Agreement on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

THE CITY OF PEEKSKILL

By: _____
Joseph Spano
Commissioner of Correction

By: _____
Matthew Alexander
City Manager

Approved by the Westchester County Board of Legislators by Act Number _____ on the day of _____, 2026.

Approved by the City Council of the City of Peekskill on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Approved _____ :

Approved as to form and
manner of execution:

Assistant County Attorney
The County of Westchester
K/BARA/DCR/Peekskill IMA 2026-75

City of Peekskill City Attorney

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MUNICIPALITY'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

On this _____ day of _____, 2026, before me personally came
_____, to me known, and known to me to be the
_____ of _____
_____,

the municipal corporation described in and which executed the within instrument, who being by
me duly sworn did depose and say that he, the said _____
resides at

_____ and that he is _____ of said municipal corporation.

Notary Public County

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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
(Municipality)

I, _____,
(Officer other than officer signing contract)

certify that I am the _____ of the
(Title)

(Name of Municipality)

(the "Municipality") a corporation duly organized in good standing under the

(Law under which organized, e.g., the New York Village Law, Town Law,
General Municipal Law)

named in the foregoing agreement that _____
(Person executing agreement)

who signed said agreement on behalf of the Municipality was, at the time of execution

_____ of the Municipality, that said
(Title of such person),

agreement was duly signed for on behalf of said Municipality by authority of its thereunto

(Town Board, Village Board, City Council)

duly authorized, and that such authority is in full force and effect at the date hereof.

(Signature)

STATE OF NEW YORK)

ss.:

COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

On this _____ day of _____, 2026, before me personally came _____
_____ whose signature appears above, to me known, and know to be the
_____ of _____,
(title)

the municipal corporation described in and which executed the above certificate, who being by me
duly sworn did depose and say that he, the said _____
resides at _____, and that he is
the _____ of said municipal corporation.
(title)

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SCHEDULE “A”

PEEKSKILL REIMBURSEMENT RATES

January 1, 2026 through May 17, 2026:

\$95 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to four (4) hours per Round Trip.

May 18, 2026 through December 31, 2026:

\$95 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to two and a half (2.5) hours per Round Trip.

January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027:

\$96.90 per hour, per police officer, maximum up to two and a half hours per Round Trip.



Memorandum
Office of the County Executive
Michaelian Office Building

To: The Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators

From: Hon. Kenneth W. Jenkins, Westchester County Executive

Date: June 15, 2026

Re: An Act authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of White Plains to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027.

Pursuant to New York State Correction Law sections 500-c and 500-d, the County of Westchester ("County") is required to transport at its own expense prisoners between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York. The County relies on assistance from local municipalities to carry out these functions and by so doing saves taxpayer funds.

Transmitted herewith for your Honorable Board's review and approval is an Act which would authorize the County to enter into an intermunicipal agreement ("IMA") with the City of White Plains ("White Plains") in order to reimburse White Plains in an amount not to exceed \$195,000.00 in 2026, and \$200,257.00 in 2027, for a total amount not to exceed \$395,257.00, for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and expiring on December 31, 2027. This IMA will allow the County to reimburse White Plains for the costs incurred by White Plains to transport prisoners who have been arraigned to and from White Plains and the Westchester County Jail, located at Valhalla, New York.

In 2026, reimbursement to White Plains for round trip prisoner transportation will be at the following all in rates: \$283.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$424.00 per round trip with three police officers; and \$565.00 per round trip with four police officers. In 2027, reimbursement to White Plains for round trip prisoner transportation will be at the following all in rates: \$293.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$440.00 per round trip with three police officers; and \$587.00 per round trip with four police officers. These round trip reimbursement rates are inclusive of all costs and expenses related to transportation of prisoners pursuant to the IMA, including costs incurred for meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners and round trip vehicle mileage during transportation of prisoners. White Plains may not seek any additional fees for transportation of prisoners. White Plains and the County has agreed that the aforementioned rates are to cover all expenses related to prisoner transportation.

It is in the best interest of the County to enter into this IMA with White Plains, and recommend that your Honorable Board approve the annexed Act.

KWJ/JS/mb
Attachments

**TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER**

Your Committee has been advised that pursuant to sections 500-c and 500-d of the New York State Correction Law, the County of Westchester (“County”) is required at its own expense to transport prisoners between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York.

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive, recommending approval of an Act, which, if adopted, would authorize the County to enter into an intermunicipal agreement (“IMA”) with the City of White Plains (“White Plains”) in order to reimburse White Plains in an amount not to exceed \$195,000 in 2026, and \$200,257.00 in 2027, for a total amount not to exceed \$395,257.00, for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and expiring on December 31, 2027. This IMA will allow the County to reimburse White Plains for the costs incurred by White Plains to transport prisoners who have been arraigned to and from White Plains and the Westchester County Jail, located at Valhalla, New York.

Your Committee has been further advised that in 2026, reimbursement to White Plains for round trip prisoner transportation will be at the following all in rates: \$283.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$424.00 per round trip with three police officers; and \$565.00 per round trip with four police officers. In 2027, reimbursement to White Plains for round trip prisoner transportation will be at the following all in rates: \$293.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$440.00 per round trip with three police officers; and \$587.00 per round trip with four police officers. These round trip reimbursement rates are inclusive of all costs and expenses related to transportation of prisoners pursuant to the IMA, including costs incurred for meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners and round trip vehicle mileage during transportation of prisoners. White Plains may not seek any additional fees for transportation of

prisoners. White Plains and the County has agreed that the aforementioned rates are to cover all expenses related to prisoner transportation.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMA does not meet the definition of an “action” under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR, Part 617. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 9, 2026, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Therefore, no environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this recommendation.

Your Committee has been advised that a majority of the voting strength of the Board of Legislators is required in order to adopt the attached Act.

After review and careful consideration, your Committee recommends favorable action upon the proposed Act.

Dated: _____, 2026
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of White Plains in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail within the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, for a total amount not to exceed \$395,257.00.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester (the “County”) be and hereby is authorized to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement (“IMA”) with the City of White Plains (“White Plains”) in order to reimburse White Plains in an amount not to exceed \$195,000 in 2026, and \$200,257.00 in 2027, for a total amount not to exceed \$395,257.00, for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2026 and expiring on December 31, 2027. This IMA will allow the County to reimburse White Plains for the costs incurred by White Plains to transport prisoners who have been arraigned to and from White Plains and the Westchester County Jail, located at Valhalla, New York.

Section 2. The County will reimburse White Plains as follows: in 2026, reimbursement to White Plains for round trip prisoner transportation will be at the following all in rates: \$283.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$424.00 per round trip with three police officers; and \$565.00 per round trip with four police officers. In 2027, reimbursement to White Plains for round trip prisoner transportation will be at the following all in rates: \$293.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$440.00 per round trip with three police officers; and \$587.00 per round trip with four police officers. These round trip reimbursement rates are inclusive of all costs and expenses related to transportation of prisoners pursuant to the IMA, including costs incurred for meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners and round trip vehicle mileage during transportation of prisoners. White Plains may not seek any additional fees for transportation of prisoners. White Plains and the County has agreed that the aforementioned rates are to cover all expenses related to prisoner transportation.

Section 3. The County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute instruments and to take any and all action necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes hereof.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

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PRISONER TRANSPORTATION—WHITE PLAINS

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 2026 by and between:

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, a municipal corporation of the State of New York having an office and place of business in the Michaelian Office Building, 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, New York 10601

(hereinafter referred to as the “County”)

And

THE CITY OF WHITE PLAINS, a municipality of the State of New York having its office and place of business at 255 Main Street, White Plains, New York 10601

(hereinafter referred to as the “Municipality”)

(each of the County and the Municipality may be referred to individually as a “Party” and together as the “Parties”)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 500-c and 500-d of the Corrections law prisoners are required to be transported between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail in Valhalla, New York; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Municipality agree to cooperate in providing such prisoner transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms and conditions herein contained, the County and the Municipality agree as follows:

1. **PRISONER TRANSPORTATION:** Except for prisoners arrested by Westchester County Department of Public Safety Services, the Municipality shall provide round trip prisoner transportation using its own police department personnel and vehicles between the Municipality and the Westchester County Department of Correction (“Department”) for all prisoners remanded to the Westchester County Jail by court

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order or required to appear before the local court within the Municipality. The County will reimburse the Municipality for the actual number of round trips. The Municipality, where possible, shall hold prisoners for one daily trip to the Westchester County Jail.

2. **DEFINITION OF ROUND TRIP:**

“Round Trip” is defined as follows:

For Transportation to County Jail subsequent to arrest - 1 round trip;

For Transportation from County Jail to local court; no return - 1 round trip;

For Transportation from County Jail to local court; remand to County Jail, - 2 round trips;

3. **PAYMENT TERMS:** The Municipality shall be reimbursed by the County for Round Trip prisoner transportation services at the following rates:

2026 - \$283.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$424.00 per round trip with three police officers and \$565.00 per round trip with four police officers; and

2027 - \$293.00 per round trip with two police officers; \$440.00 per round trip with three police officers and \$587.00 per round trip with four police officers.

The Parties agree that the aforementioned reimbursement rates, have been mutually calculated and determined. These round trip reimbursement rates are inclusive of all costs and expenses related to the transportation of prisoners pursuant to this Agreement, including costs incurred for meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners and round trip vehicle mileage during transportation of prisoners. The Municipality may not seek any additional fees for transportation of prisoners, these rates are intended to cover all expenses related to prisoner transportation.

The annual aggregate cost to the County under this Agreement in 2026 shall not exceed \$195,000.00, and in 2027 shall not exceed \$200,257.00, for a total aggregate not to exceed cost to the County pursuant to this Agreement, of \$395,257.00.

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Payment under this Agreement shall be made after submission by the Municipality of a monthly invoice, which shall be uniquely numbered, and paid only after approval of the invoice by the Commissioner.

Each invoice submitted to the Department of Correction shall include the following information: (i) month, each service date (ii) number of Round Trips made per each date and the rate for such Round Trips as set forth in Section 3 above and each Round Trip must identify the number of prisoners transported, (iv) supporting documentation such as a chart including line item descriptions of each expense. Reimbursement request shall be subject to audit by the County, and the Municipality shall keep and make available to the County such detailed books and records as are reasonably necessary to substantiate the basis for reimbursement. The Municipality shall not be entitled to reimbursement for any prisoner transportation expense not specifically provided for herein.

This Agreement shall be deemed executory only to the extent of the monies appropriated and available for the purpose of this Agreement and no liability on account hereof shall be incurred by the County beyond the amount of such monies.

The Municipality, shall, at no additional charge, furnish all labor, services, materials, tools, equipment and other appliances necessary to complete round trip prisoner transportation, unless specific additional charges are expressly permitted under this Agreement. It is recognized and understood that even if specific additional charges are expressly permitted under this Agreement, in no event shall total payment to the Municipality exceed the not-to-exceed amount set forth above.

4. **TERM:** This Agreement shall commence retroactively on January 1, 2026 and shall expire on December 31, 2027. The County or the Municipality may, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other Party, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part when it deems it to be in its best interest. In such event, the Municipality shall be compensated and the County shall be liable only for payment for services rendered prior to the effective date of termination.

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5. **INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION:** All personnel and vehicles engaged in prisoner transportation duties shall at all times remain and be deemed the employees and property of the Municipality. In addition to, and not in limitation of the insurance provisions contained in Schedule “A” of this Agreement, the Municipality agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the County, its officers, employees and agents harmless from and against any and all liability, loss, damage or expense the County may suffer as a result of any and all claims, demands, causes of action or judgments arising directly or indirectly out of the transportation of prisoners for which reimbursement is sought hereunder for losses arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the Municipality, its agents or employees.
6. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Agreement constitutes the entire and integrated agreement between and among the parties hereto and supersedes any and all prior negotiations, agreements and conditions, whether written or oral. Any modification or amendment to this Agreement shall be void unless it is in writing and subscribed by the party to be charged.
7. **APPLICABLE LAW:** This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
8. **APPROVALS:** This Agreement is subject to the approval of the Westchester County Board of Legislators and the governing legislative body of the Municipality.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and the Municipality have executed this Agreement on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

THE CITY OF WHITE PLAINS

By: _____

By: _____

Joseph K. Spano
Commissioner of Correction

Justin C. Brasch
Mayor

Approved by the Westchester County Board of Legislators by Act Number 20 - ____ on the __th day of _____, 2026.

Approved by the Common Council of the City of White Plains on the __ day of _____, 2026.

Approved:

Approved as to form and manner of
execution:

Assistant County Attorney
The County of Westchester
K/BARA/DCR/White Plains IMA 26-27 CON140741

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MUNICIPALITY'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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On this _____ day of _____, 2026, before me personally came Justin C. Brasch, to me known, and known to me to be the Mayor of The City of White Plains, the municipal corporation described in and which executed the within instrument, who being by me duly sworn did depose and say that he, the said Justin C. Brasch resides at White Plains, New York and that he is Mayor of said municipal corporation.

Notary Public _____ County _____

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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(Municipality)

I, _____, certify that I am the Corporation Counsel of The City of White Plains (the "Municipality") a corporation duly organized in good standing under the Laws of 1915, Chapter 356 named in the foregoing agreement that Justin C. Brasch who signed said agreement on behalf of the Municipality was, at the time of execution Mayor of the Municipality, that said agreement was duly signed for on behalf of said Municipality by authority of its thereunto Common Council duly authorized, and that such authority is in full force and effect at the date hereof.

(Signature)

STATE OF NEW YORK)

ss.:

COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

On this _____ day of _____, 2026, before me personally came _____ whose signature appears above, to me known, and know to be the Corporation Counsel of The City of White Plains, the municipal corporation described in and which executed the above certificate, who being by me duly sworn did depose and say that he, the said _____ resides at _____, and that he is the Corporation Counsel of said municipal corporation.

Notary Public County

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SCHEDULE “A”

STANDARD INSURANCE PROVISIONS

(Municipality – Law Enforcement Operations)

1. Prior to commencing work, and throughout the term of the Agreement, the Municipality shall obtain at its own cost and expense the required insurance as delineated below from insurance companies licensed in the State of New York, carrying a Best's financial rating of A or better. Municipality shall provide evidence of such insurance to the County of Westchester (“County”), either by providing a copy of policies and/or certificates as may be required and approved by the Director of Risk Management of the County (“Director”). The policies or certificates thereof shall provide that ten (10) days prior to cancellation or material change in the policy, notices of same shall be given to the Director either by overnight mail or personal delivery for all of the following stated insurance policies. All notices shall name the Municipality and identify the Agreement.

Prior to commencing work, and throughout the term of the Agreement, the Municipality shall obtain at its own cost and expense the required insurance as delineated below from insurance companies licensed in the State of New York, carrying a Best's financial rating of A or better. Municipality shall provide evidence of such insurance to the County of Westchester (“County”), either by providing a copy of policies and/or certificates as may be required and approved by the Director of Risk Management of the County (“Director”). The policies or certificates thereof shall provide that ten (10) days prior to cancellation or material change in the policy, notices of same shall be given to the Director either by overnight mail or personal delivery for all of the following stated insurance policies. All notices shall name the Municipality and identify the Agreement.

Failure of the Municipality to take out, maintain, or the taking out or maintenance of any required insurance, shall not relieve the Municipality from any liability under the Agreement, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with or otherwise limit the contractual obligations of the Municipality concerning indemnification.

All property losses shall be made payable to the “County of Westchester” and adjusted with the appropriate County personnel.

In the event that claims, for which the County may be liable, in excess of the insured amounts provided herein are filed by reason of Municipality’s negligent acts or omissions under the Agreement or by virtue of the provisions of the labor law or other statute or any other reason, the amount of excess of such claims or any portion thereof, may be withheld from payment due or to become due the Municipality until such time as the Municipality shall furnish such additional security covering such claims in form satisfactory to the Director.

In the event of any loss, if the Municipality maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums identified herein, the County shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or

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higher limits maintained by the Municipality. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the County.

2. The Municipality shall provide proof of the following coverage (if additional coverage is required for a specific agreement, those requirements will be described in the Agreement):

a. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability. Certificate form C-105.2 or State Fund Insurance Company form U-26.3 is required for proof of compliance with the New York State Workers' Compensation Law. State Workers' Compensation Board form DB-120.1 is required for proof of compliance with the New York State Disability Benefits Law. Location of operation shall be "All locations in Westchester County, New York."

Where an applicant claims to not be required to carry either a Workers' Compensation Policy or Disability Benefits Policy, or both, the employer must complete NYS form CE-200, available to download at: [NYS Workers' Compensation Board website](#)

If the employer is self-insured for Workers' Compensation, he/she should present a certificate from the New York State Worker's Compensation Board evidencing that fact (Either SI-12, Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance, or GSI-105.2, Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance).

b. Commercial General Liability Insurance with a combined single limit of \$2,000,000 (c.s.1) per occurrence limit naming the "County of Westchester" as an additional insured on a primary and non-contributory basis. This insurance shall include the following coverages:

- i. Premises - Operations.
- ii. Broad Form Contractual.
- iii. Independent Contractor and Sub-Contractor.
- iv. Products and Completed Operations.

c. Commercial Umbrella/Excess Insurance: \$3,000,000 each Occurrence and Aggregate naming the "County of Westchester" as additional insured, written on a "follow the form" basis.

NOTE: Additional insured status shall be provided by standard or other endorsement that extends coverage to the County of Westchester for both on-going and completed operations.

d. Automobile Liability Insurance with a minimum limit of liability per occurrence of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and a minimum limit of \$100,000 per occurrence for property damage or a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 unless otherwise

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indicated in the contract specifications. This insurance shall include for bodily injury and property damage the following coverages and name the "County of Westchester" as additional insured:

- i. Owned automobiles.
 - ii. Hired automobiles.
 - iii. Non-owned automobiles.
- e. Law Enforcement Liability/Police Liability Insurance - The Municipality shall provide proof of such insurance with a minimum limit of \$5,000,000 per occurrence naming the County as additionally insured. The insurance shall include the following coverages:
- i. Assault and Battery
 - ii. Excessive Force
 - iii. False Arrest
 - iv. Misuse of Fire Arms
 - v. Abuse and Molestation
 - vi. Deliberate Indifference
 - vii. Professional Liability

3. All policies of the Municipality shall be endorsed to contain the following clauses:

- a) Insurers shall have no right to recovery or subrogation against the County (including its employees and other agents and agencies), it being the intention of the parties that the insurance policies so effected shall protect both parties and be primary coverage for any and all losses covered by the above-described insurance.
- b) The clause "other insurance provisions" in a policy in which the County is named as an insured, shall not apply to the County.
- c) The insurance companies issuing the policy or policies shall have no recourse against the County (including its agents and agencies as aforesaid) for payment of any premiums or for assessments under any form of policy.
- d) Any and all deductibles in the above described insurance policies shall be assumed by and be for the account of, and at the sole risk of, the Municipality.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: _____		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:		PPU:	
Anticipated Interest Rate:			
Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest):			
Total Debt Service (Annual cost x Term):			
Finance Department:			
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: _____			
Prepared by: _____		Approved By: _____	
Title: _____		Budget Director	
Department: _____		Date: _____	
Date: _____			

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: _____

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND

AIRPORT FUND

SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense _____

Total Current Year Revenue _____

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

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: _____

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND

AIRPORT FUND

SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense _____

Total Current Year Revenue _____

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

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: _____

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND

AIRPORT FUND

SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense _____

Total Current Year Revenue _____

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

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: _____

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

SECTION A - FUND

GENERAL FUND

AIRPORT FUND

SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense _____

Total Current Year Revenue _____

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

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: _____

Next Four Years: _____

Prepared by: _____ **Approved by:** _____

Title: _____ **Budget Director**

Department: _____ **Date:** _____

Date: _____