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

Your Committee is in receipt of a transmittal from the County Executive recommending approval by the County of Westchester ("County") of a bond act ("Bond Act") in the amount of \$350,000 to finance capital project T0056 – Bus Stop Improvements II ("T0056"). The Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, will finance a portion of the cost of construction of bus stop improvements throughout the County, including the rehabilitation of curbs, sidewalks, and pads at bus stops for the Department of Public Works and Transportation ("Department").

The Department has advised that many bus stops serving the Bee-Line bus system are in need of enhancement and/or updates. The Department anticipates receiving an additional \$400,000 in Federal Transit Administration funds in connection with T0056, for a total anticipated project cost of \$750,000.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and is anticipated to take six months to complete. It is anticipated that the design work will be completed by consultants. It is estimated that construction will take six months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

It should be noted that the County Budget Department is submitting this Bond Act to your Honorable Board simultaneously with the proposed 2022 Capital Budget. It is the County's goal to submit this Bond Act now so that the referenced projects will be ready to proceed without delay in early 2022.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, T0056 has been classified as a Type "II" action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617. Therefore, no further environmental review is required. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this conclusion.

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: December 7, 20 21 White Plains, New York

Public Works ÉTransportation

Dated: December 7, 2021

White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely, pursuant to Chapter 417 of New York State Laws of 2021, and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below.

Committee(s) on:

**Public Works & Transportation** 

**Budget & Appropriations** 

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### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

CAPITAL PROJECT	#: <u>T0056</u>	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED				
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT To Be Completed by Budget						
X GENERAL FUN		SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND				
	Source of County Funds (check one):	X Current Appropriations				
		Capital Budget Amendment				
	SECTION B - BONDING AUT To Be Completed by I					
Total Principal	\$ 350,000 PPU	10 Anticipated Interest Rate 0.84%				
Anticipated Ar	nnual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 36,637				
Total Debt Ser	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 366,370				
Finance Depar	tment: Interest Rates from October 6	i, 2021 Bond Buyer - ASBA				
S	ECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUDG To Be Completed by Submitting Departme	GET (exclusive of debt service)				
Potential Relat	ted Expenses (Annual): \$	and neviewed by budget				
	ted Revenues (Annual): \$	•				
	vings to County and/or impact of departn					
	etail for current and next four years):	nent operations				
٨٥	SECTION D - EMPLO	8				
As per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of appropriation funds one FTE Job						
Number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded: 4						
SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN WORK PROVIDER						
County Staff	X Consultant	Not Applicable				
Prepared by:	Michael Swee					
Title:	Dir. Of Surface Transit Ops.	Reviewed By:				
Department:	DPW&T	<b>Deputy Budget Director</b>				
Date:	10/18/21	Date: 10/18/21				



#### Memorandum Department of Planning

TO:

Michelle Greenbaum, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Jeffrey Goldman, Senior Assistant County Attorney

FROM:

David S. Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM
Director of Environmental Planning

DATE:

October 14, 2021

SUBJECT:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:

T0056 BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS II

**PROJECT/ACTION:** Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on

09/28/2021 (Unique ID: 1849)

With respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Planning Department recommends that no further 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:

617.5(c)(2): replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building, energy, or fire codes unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part.

COMMENTS: None.

#### DSK/cnm

Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff

Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive

Tami Altschiller, Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney

Gideon Grande, Deputy Budget Director

Lorraine Yazzetta, Associate Budget Director

Robert Abbamont, Director of Operations, Dept. of Public Works & Transportation

Anthony Zaino, Assistant Commissioner

William Brady, Chief Planner

Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner

Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner

#### ACT NO. -20

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$350,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COST OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$750,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE EXPENDITURE OF \$400,000 OF GRANT FUNDS EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE ISSUANCE OF \$350,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED TO FINANCE SUCH COST; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS. (Adopted , 20 )

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK (by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the voting strength of said Board), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (the "Law"), the Westchester County Administrative Code, being Chapter 852 of the Laws of 1948, as amended, and to the provisions of other laws applicable thereto; \$350,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance a portion of the cost of the construction of bus stop improvements throughout the County, including the rehabilitation of curbs, sidewalks, and pads at bus stops for the Department of Transportation, 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 total cost of said class of objects or purposes, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is \$750,000. The plan of financing includes the expenditure of \$400,000 in grant funds expected to be received from the United States of America and the issuance of \$350,000 bonds herein authorized; and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds and the levy of a tax to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds and notes.

Section 2. The period of probable usefulness of the class of objects or purposes for which said \$350,000 bonds authorized by this Act are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a.24 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 total amount of \$350,000. This Act is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 4. The estimate of \$750,000 as the estimated total cost of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is hereby approved.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this Act and of the Law, and pursuant to the provisions of §30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals thereof, and of §\$50.00, 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of said Law, the powers and duties of the County Board of Legislators relative to authorizing the issuance of any notes in anticipation

of the sale of the bonds herein authorized, or the renewals thereof, relative to providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, relative to prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the respective amounts of bonds herein authorized, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and relative to executing agreements for credit enhancement, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance of the County, as the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 6. Each of the bonds authorized by this Act and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale thereof shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by \$52.00 of said Local Finance Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the County of Westchester, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and provision shall be made annually in the budgets of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the notes and bonds to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 7. The validity of the bonds authorized by this Act and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this Act or a summary hereof, are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity, is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This Act shall take effect not earlier than January 1, 2022 and in accordance with Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter.

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

#### LEGAL NOTICE

A Bond Act, a summary of which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board of Legislators on, 20 and approved by the County Executive of, 20 and the validity of the obligations authorized by such Bond Act may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the County of Westchester, in the State of New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.
Complete copies of the Bond Act summarized herewith shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York, for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice.
ACT NO
object or purpose: to finance a portion of the cost of the construction of bus stop improvements throughout the County, including the rehabilitation of curbs, sidewalks, and pads at bus stops for the Department of Transportation, all as set forth in the County's Current Year Capital Budget, as amended.
amount of obligations to be issued: and period of probable usefulness: \$350,000; 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

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

Project ID:* T0056	□СВА	Fact Sheet Date:* 10-15-2021
Fact Sheet Year:* 2022	Project Title:* BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS II	Legislative District 1D:
Category* TRANSPORTATION	Department:* AIRPORT/DOT	CP Unique ID: 1849
Overall Project Description  This multi-year project funds bus stops in amenities, improved ADA accessibility, but the stops in a stop i	nprovements. Improvements will include ite us shelters, concrete bus stop pads (in-road)	ms such as: new paved areas, bus stop , curbing and signage.
■ Best Management Practices	☐ Energy Efficiencies	■ Infrastructure
☐ Life Safety	☐ Project Labor Agreement	Revenue
☐ Security	□ Other	

FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Under Review
Gross	1,850	1.850	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Non-County Shares	400	400	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net	1,450	1,450	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

Current Bond Description: County.	The request is to fund the rehabilitation of curbs, sidew	alks, and pads at bus stops throughout the
Financing Plan for Current	Request:	
Non-County Shares:	\$ 400,000	
Bonds/Notes:	350,000	
Cash:	0	
Total:	\$ 750,000	

#### SEQR Classification:

TYPE II

#### **Amount Requested:**

350,000

#### Comments:

FTA funding for bus stop improvements.

#### **Energy Efficiencies:**

#### **Appropriation History:**

Year	Amount	Description
2014	100,000	ANALYSIS AND DESIGN FOR THIS PROJECT
2015	500,000	CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS TO BUS STOPS
2017	300,000	CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS TO BUS STOP
2018	250,000	CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS TO BUS STOP
2019	200,000	CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS TO BUS STOP
2020	500,000	CHANGE OF FINANCING FOR THIS PROJECT DUE TO FTA FUNDS; CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS TO BUS STOP

#### **Total Appropriation History:**

1,850,000

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**Total Financing History:** 

0

Recommended By:

Department of Planning

WBB4

Date 09-28-2021

Department of Public Works

RJB4

Date

09-29-2021

**Budget Department** 

**GKGA** 

Date

09-29-2021

**Requesting Department** 

RJB4

Date

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# BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS II ( T0056 )

**User Department:** 

Airport/DOT

Managing Department(s):

Airport/DOT ;

**Estimated Completion Date:** 

TBD

1,450

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

1,450

#### FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands) **Est Ult Cost Appropriated** Exp / Obl 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 Under Review Gross 1,850 1,850 **Non County Share** (400)(400)

#### **Project Description**

This multi-year project funds bus stops improvements. Improvements will include items such as: new paved areas, bus stop amenities, improved ADA accessibility, bus shelters, concrete bus stop pads (in-road), curbing and signage.

#### **Current Year Description**

There is no current year request.

Total

#### **Impact on Operating Budget**

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

ppropriation	History		
Year	Amount	Description	Status
2014	100,000	Analysis and design for this project	AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION
2015	500,000	Continued improvements to bus stops	AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION
2017	300,000	Continued improvements to bus stop	AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION
2018	250,000	Continued improvements to bus stop	AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION
2019	200,000	Continued improvements to bus stop	AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION
2020	500,000	Change of financing for this project due to FTA funds; Continued improvements to bus stop	\$100,000 AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION; \$400,000 NCS
Total	1,850,000		

Prior Appropriations			
	Appropriated	Collected	Uncollected
Bond Proceeds	1,450,000		1,450,000
Federal Funds	400,000		400,000
Total	1,850,000		1,850,000