

George Latimer County Executive

February 9, 2022

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

Dear Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is a bond act ("Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to issue bonds in the amount of \$600,000 to finance the following capital project:

WCC91 - Technology Upgrade On-Campus 2017/18-2021/22 ("WCC91").

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$600,000 would finance the County's approximately 50% share of the cost of Phase II of the Westchester Community College ("College") technology upgradeon campus program, including firewall replacement to protect the College from growth security threats, network test equipment replacement, newer wiring, network and computing technology, comprehensive long range plan for the preservation and enhancement of technology at the College's main campus in Valhalla, PC, laptop, printer, router, and scanner replacements, desktop virtualization growth, phone replacement conversion to voice over IP, server, switch, Uninterrupted Power Supply, and tape drive replacements, server enhancement/replacements, academic classroom initiatives which will upgrade technology.

The College has advised that the amount appropriated for Phase II of WCC91 is \$1,200,000. This bond request in the amount \$600,000, represents the County's 50% share; New York State has approved funding for the remaining 50%.

The College has advised that it provides educational instruction to over 22,000 students each year. Such services must be supported by technology. Long-term consideration is required to adequately plan for the introduction and replacement of new and existing technologies. WCC91 provides funding for the purchase of computer equipment and peripherals, IT infrastructure and the installation of state of the art technology at the Valhalla campus.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized the County to issue bonds in the amount of \$618,000 in connection with Phase I of WCC91 by Act 99-2021.

Following receipt by the College of State funds and bonding authorization from the County, the College anticipates that the work will be completed within approximately 24 months. It is anticipated that installation will be accomplished by in-house staff.

The Planning Department has advised that based on its review, WCC91 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. As you know, your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to reach its own conclusion.

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

Sincerely,

George Latimer County Executive

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 \$600,000 to finance capital project WCC91 – Technology Upgrade On-Campus 2017/18-2021/22 ("WCC91"). The Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, will finance the County's approximately 50% share of the cost of Phase II of the Westchester Community College ("College") technology upgrade-on campus program, including firewall replacement to protect the College from growth security threats, network test equipment replacement, newer wiring, network and computing technology, comprehensive long range plan for the preservation and enhancement of technology at the College's main campus in Valhalla, PC, laptop, printer, router, and scanner replacements, desktop virtualization growth, phone replacement conversion to voice over IP, server, switch, Uninterrupted Power Supply, and tape drive replacements, server enhancement/replacements, academic classroom initiatives which will upgrade technology

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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

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #	#:	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 AU						
	To Be Completed by						
Total Principal		5 Anticipated Interest Rate 0.89%					
Anticipated An	nual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 123,230					
Total Debt Ser	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 616,150					
Finance Depart	tment: Interest rates from January 24	6, 2022 Bond Buyer - ASBA					
S	ECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUD To Be Completed by Submitting Departme						
Potential Relat	ted Expenses (Annual): \$						
	ted Revenues (Annual): \$						
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	vings to County and/or impact of departr stail for current and next four years):	ment operations					
No Operating I	and an exploration of the second seco						
	SECTION D - EMPLO	VMENT					
As	per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of a						
Number of Full	Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded:						
	SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN	WORK PROVIDER					
County Staff	Consultant	X Not Applicable					
Prepared by:	Dawn Gillins	~ / 0					
Title:	Controller 2-7	Reviewed By:					
Department:	Westchester Community College	Budget Director					
Date:	2/4/22	Date:					



Memorandum Department of Planning

TO: Michelle Greenbaum, Senior Assistant County Attorney Jeffrey Goldman, Senior Assistant County Attorney

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

DATE: January 28, 2022

SUBJECT: STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT: WCC91 TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE ON-CAMPUS 2017/18-2021/22

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on <u>01-12-2022</u> (Unique ID: <u>1879)</u>

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 <u>TYPE II action</u> pursuant to section(s):

 617.5(c)(31): purchase or sale of furnishings, equipment or supplies, including surplus government property, other than the following: land, radioactive material, pesticides, herbicides, or other hazardous materials.

COMMENTS: None.

DSK/dvw

cc: 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 Cirillo, Director of Physical Plant 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 \$600,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE PHASE II OF THE WESTCHESTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE-ON CAMPUS PROGRAM, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,200,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$600,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS; AND THE APPLICATION OF \$600,000 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO BE EXPENDED TOWARDS THE COST OF SAID CLASS OF OBJECTS OR PURPOSES OR REDEMPTION OF THE COUNTY'S OBLIGATIONS ISSUED THEREFOR, OR TO BE BUDGETED AS AN OFFSET TO THE TAXES FOR THE PAYMENT OF 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, \$600,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance Phase II of the Westchester Community College technology upgrade-on campus program, including Firewall Replacement to keep the college

protected from growth security threats, network test equipment replacement, newer wiring, network and computing technology, comprehensive long range plan for the preservation and enhancement of technology at the College's main campus in Valhalla, PC, laptop, printer, router, and scanner replacements, desktop virtualization growth, phone replacement conversion to voice over IP, server, switch, UPS, and tape drive replacements, server enhancement/replacements, academic classroom initiatives which will upgrade technology, 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 \$1,200,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$600,000 bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds, the levy of a tax to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds and notes, and the application of \$600,000 expected to be received from the State of New York to be expended towards the cost of said objects or purposes or redemption of the County's obligations issued therefor. or to be budgeted as an offset to the taxes for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds.

Section 2. The period of probable usefulness of the class of objects or purposes for which said \$600,000 bonds authorized by this Act are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 35 of the Law, is five (5) years.

Section 3. Current funds are not required to be provided as a down payment pursuant to Section 107.00 d. 9. of the Law prior to issuance of the bonds authorized herein, or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds. The County intends to finance, on an interim basis, the costs or a portion of the costs of said improvements for which bonds are herein authorized, which costs are reasonably expected to be reimbursed with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County, pursuant to this Act, in the maximum amount of \$600,000. 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 \$1,200,000 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 in accordance with Section 107.71 of the

Westchester County Charter.

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

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act No. -20____ with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of the said original Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester on , 20____ and approved 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 Officer 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 on ______, 20___ and the validity of the obligations authorized by such Bond Act may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the County of Westchester, in the State of New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this Notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

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

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object or purpose:

to finance Phase II of the Westchester Community College technology upgrade-on campus program, including Firewall Replacement to keep the college protected from growth security threats, network test equipment replacement, newer wiring, network and computing technology, comprehensive long range plan for the preservation and enhancement of technology at the College's main campus in Valhalla, PC, laptop, printer, router, and scanner replacements, desktop virtualization growth, phone replacement conversion to voice over IP, server, switch, UPS, and tape drive replacements, server enhancement/replacements, academic classroom initiatives which will upgrade technology, 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:

\$600,000; five (5) years

Dated: _____, 20__ White Plains, New York 11 1 11 1

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

CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:*	СВА	Fact Sheet Date:*
WCC91		01-07-2022
Fact Sheet Year:*	Project Title:*	Legislative District ID:
2022	TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE ON- CAMPUS 2017/18-2021/22	3,
Category*	Department:*	CP Unique ID:
WCC - BUILDINGS	COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1879

Overall Project Description

Westchester Community College provides educational instruction to approximately 22,000 students each year. Such services must be supported in one way or another by technology. This project provides funding for the purchase of computer equipment and peripherals, IT infrastructure requirements and the installation of state of the art technology at the Valhalla campus. The purpose is to give long term consideration to assuring the College can keep up with the rapid and on-going changes which occur with information and educational technologies. It will enable the college to maintain its commitment to providing the high level of instruction expected by the residents of Westchester County. The emphasis of this project is to assure that funds will be available to provide the latest technology well into the future.

 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	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	Under Review
Gross	6.236	6.236	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Non-County Shares	2,418	1.818	600	0	0	0	0	0
Net	3,818	4,418	-600	0	0	0	0	0

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

Current Bond Description: Current bonding approval is necessary to fund the County's 50% share of Phase II of the Technology Upgrade – On Campus. This phase will include Firewall Replacement to keep the college protected from growth security threats. The Colleges network test equipment is also on a 5 year replacement cycle. This equipment becomes obsolete as newer wiring, network and computing technology is introduced requiring the equipment to be replaced periodically. The project cost for this phase totals \$1,200,000 which supports the comprehensive long range plan for the preservation and enhancement of technology at the College's main campus in Valhalla. The project cost provides for the College's PC, laptop, printer, router, and scanner replacements which are on a 5 year cycle. This project also provides Desktop Virtualization Growth that will increase system capacity to serve additional students in order to provide an easy to maintain, uniform computing environment for students to work from specific locations on or off campus. Phone replacements. This Phase will continue our server enhancement/replacements in order to support the need for faster computers and expansion of services and instructional needs required by the students. This project also includes academic classroom initiatives which will upgrade technology to provide students with the ability to learn in an environment which is supported by the latest technologies.

Financing Plan for Current Reque	est:	
Non-County Shares:	S 600,000	
Bonds/Notes:	600,000	
Cash:	0	
Total:	\$ 1,200,000	

SEQR Classification:

TYPE II

Amount Requested:

600,000

Comments:

The amount appropriated for Phase II is \$1,200,000. This bonding request in the amount \$600,000, represents the County's 50% share of approved Capital Project WCC 91 – Technology Upgrade – On Campus (Phase II). The State has approved funding on the remaining 50%.

Energy Efficiencies:

Appropriation History:

Year	Amount	Description		
2018	1,236,000 TECHNOL	OGY UPGRADE ON CAMPUS PH 1		
2019	1,200,000 TECHNOL	1,200,000 TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE ON CAMPUS PH II		
2020	1,200,000 TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE ON CAMPUS PH III			
2021	1,200,000 TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE ON CAMPUS PHIV			
2122	1,400,000 TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE ON CAMPUS PH V			

Total Appropriation History:

6,236,000

Financing History:

Year	Bond Act #	Amount	Issued	Description
21	99	618,000		0 TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE OFF CAMPUS 2017/18-2021/22

Total Financing History: 618,000

Date
01-12-2022
Date
01-12-2022
Date
01-13-2022
Date
01-14-2022