# 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 \$1,260,000, prepared by the law firm of Hawkins Delafield and Wood, LLP, to finance a component of capital project WCC85 – Academic Arts Building Infrastructure Upgrade ("WCC85").

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$1,260,000, would finance the County's 50% share of Phase II of the Academic Arts Building Infrastructure Upgrade project. Westchester Community College (the "College") has advised that the total cost of this phase is \$2,520,000, of which 50% will be funded by New York State and 50% by the County. This phase will address plumbing systems, sprinkler coverage and electrical systems. The plumbing and sprinkler system upgrades will ensure compliance with National Fire Prevention Association requirements. The electrical systems upgrade will include switches and circuit breakers. In addition, lights will be upgraded to allow for better visibility, as some lighting levels in the building are below industry standards and will be replaced accordingly. This project is critical to maintaining safety and compliance standards.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and is anticipated to take 12 months to complete and will be performed by outside consultants. It is estimated that construction will take 18 months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

Your Committee is advised that your Honorable Board has previously authorized bonding in connection with Phase I of this project as indicated on the annexed fact sheet.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, the above-referenced capital project 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.

White Plains, New York

Appropriations Public Works & Transportation

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Dated: April 4, 2022 White Plains, New York

The following members attended the meeting remotely, pursuant to Chapter 1 of New York State Laws of 2022, and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below.

Committee(s) on:

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## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

CAPITAL PROJECT #:	WCC85	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED						
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT  To Be Completed by Budget								
X GENERAL FUND		SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND						
	Source of County Funds (check one):	X Current Appropriations						
		Capital Budget Amendment						
-	SECTION B - BONDING AUTHORIZATIONS  To Be Completed by Finance							
Total Principal	\$ 1,260,000 PPU	J 15 Anticipated Interest Rate 1.41%						
Anticipated An	nual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 69,502						
Total Debt Serv	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 1,042,530						
Finance Depart	ment: Interest rates from January	26, 2022 Bond Buyer - ASBA						
SI	ECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BU To Be Completed by Submitting Depart	·						
Potential Relat	ed Expenses (Annual): \$	-						
×	ed Revenues (Annual): \$	-						
	Anticipated savings to County and/or impact of department operations (describe in detail for current and next four years):							
No Operating Ir	* *							
	SECTION D - EMPI							
0,0	per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of							
Number of Full	Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded:	13						
	SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIG							
County Staff	X Consultant	Not Applicable						
Prepared by:	Dawn Gillins							
Title:	Controller	2-Reviewed By:						
Department:	Westchester Community College	Budget Director						
Date:	2/4/22							



## 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:

WCC85 ACADEMIC ARTS BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE

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

01-11-2022 (Unique ID: 1875)

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(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.

**COMMENTS:** Modifications to fire safety systems should be reviewed by the Westchester County Fire Marshal prior to project completion.

#### 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

REFERENCE: WCC85

### ACT NO.24-2022

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,260,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE PHASE II OF THE WESTCHESTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC ARTS BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE PROJECT, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$2,520,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,260,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS; AND THE APPLICATION OF \$1,260,000 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO BE EXPENDED TOWARDS THE COST OF SAID OBJECT OR PURPOSE 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 04/11, 2022)

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, \$1,260,000 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 Academic Arts Building Infrastructure Upgrade Project, including

improvements to addresses the plumbing systems and sprinkler coverage in the building to be in accordance with NFAP requirements, electrical systems upgrades including switches and circuit breakers, lighting upgrades to allow for better visibility and some lighting levels are below those as per industry standards, and will be replaced accordingly; 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 object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is \$2,520,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$1,260,000 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 \$1,260,000 expected to be received from the State of New York to be expended towards the cost of said object or purpose 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 object or purpose for which said \$1,260,000 bonds authorized by this Act are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 12(a)(2) of the Law, is fifteen (15) 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

\$1,260,000. 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 \$2,520,000 as the estimated total cost of the aforesaid object or purpose 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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#### CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:* WCC85	□СВА	Fact Sheet Date:* 01-07-2022
Fact Sheet Year:* 2022	Project Title:* ACADEMIC ARTS BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE	Legislative District ID: 3,
Category*	Department:*	CP Unique ID:
WCC - BUILDINGS	COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1875
was constructed in 1980 at 86,321 sq. ft.	uilding Infrastructure project in the amount of and renovated in 2010, which focused primnajor project included in this phase is the inf	arily on upgrades to the mechanical systems,
<b>▼</b> 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	12,498	4,092	0	0	0	0	8,406	0
Less Non-County Shares	6,249	2,046	0	0	0	0	4,203	0
Net	6,249	2,046	0	0	0	0	4,203	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 this second phase of the Academic Arts Building Infrastructure Upgrade project. This phase addresses the plumbing systems and sprinkler coverage in the building to be in accordance with NFAP requirements. The electrical systems upgrade will include switches and circuit breakers. Lights will be upgraded to allow for better visibility and some lighting levels are below those as per industry standards, and will be replaced accordingly. This project is critical to be in accordance with safety and compliance requirements.

### Financing Plan for Current Request:

 Non-County Shares:
 \$ 1,260,000

 Bonds/Notes:
 1,260,000

 Cash:
 0

 Total:
 \$ 2,520,000

#### **SEQR Classification:**

TYPE II

#### **Amount Requested:**

1,260,000

## **Comments:**

The amount appropriated for the phase II of this project is \$2,520,000. This bonding request in the amount of \$1,260,000 represents the County's 50% share of approved Capital Project WCC85 – Academic Arts Building Infrastructure Upgrade). New York State has approved funding on the remaining 50%.

#### **Energy Efficiencies:**

#### Appropriation History:

Year	Amount	Description		
2020	1,572,000	ACADEMIC ARTS BLDG INFRASTRUCTURE PH 1		
2021	2,520,000	ACADEMIC ARTS BLDG INFRASTRUCTURE PH II		

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

4,092,000

Financing History:

Year	Bond Act #	Amount	Issued	Description
21	97	786,000		0 ACADEMIC ARTS BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE

## **Total Financing History:**

786,000

Recommended By:

Department of Planning

WBB4

Date

01-11-2022

**Department of Public Works** 

RJB4

Date

01-11-2022

**Budget Department** 

LMY1

Date

01-12-2022

**Requesting Department** 

DAGX

Date

01-14-2022

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STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER
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I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Legislators of said County, including the Bond Act contained therein, held on April 11, 2022 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, pursuant to Section 103 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, PRIOR to the time of said meeting, I duly caused a public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be to be given to the following newspapers and/or other news media as follows:

Newspaper and/or other news media

Date Given April 7, 2022

WVOX FIOS1 News Channel 12 The Journal News

Hometown Media

I FURTHER CERTIFY that PRIOR to the time of said meeting, I duly caused public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be conspicuously posted in the following designated public location(s)on the following dates:

Designated Location(s) of posted notice

Date of Posting April 7, 2022

Clerk

Vanderberg, Westchester County Board of Degislators

#### www.westchesterlegislators.com

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County Board of Legislators on April 12, 2022.

Sunday

The foregoing Bond Act was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

#### AYES:

Legislator Jose Alvarado Legislator Nancy Barr Legislator Catherine Borgia Legislator Benjamin Boykin Legislator Terry Clements Legislator Margaret Cunzio Legislator Vedat Gashi Legislator Christopher Johnson Legislator Damon Maher Legislator James Nolan Legislator Catherine Parker Legislator Erika Pierce Legislator MaryJane Shimsky Legislator Colin Smith Legislator David Tubiolo Legislator Jewel Williams-Johnson Legislator Tyrae Woodson-Samuels

NOES:

ABSENT:

The Bond Act was thereupon declared duly adopted.

APPROVED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date

STATE OF NEW YORK	)	
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WESTCHESTER COUNTY	)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing (Bond) Act, (Bond) Act No. 24 - 2022, 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 April 11, 2022, and approved by the County Executive on April 12, 2022.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

