

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

Your Committee is in receipt of a bond act (“Consolidated Bond Act”) of the County of Westchester (“County”) authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,500,000 to finance the cost of purchase and installation of the bus wash system at the Cerrato Maintenance Facility (“CMF”) at the County-owned Valhalla Campus in the Town of Mount Pleasant in connection with Capital Project T0045 – Replace Bus Wash At The Cerrato Maintenance Facility (“T0045”).

This \$4,500,000 proposed Consolidated Bond Act was prepared by the law firm Harris Beach and represents a \$1,800,000 increase to the amount previously authorized for T0045, and includes the \$2,700,000 previously authorized for T0045 by Bond Act 39-2021.

The Department of Public Works and Transportation (“Department”) has advised that the current bus wash was constructed as part of the original CMF in Valhalla, which was built in 1994. The bus wash is reaching its useful life and requires frequent maintenance and repair. The CMF houses 78 buses, all of which are washed every day. A new bus wash would be more energy efficient and would use less water.

Design is currently being undertaken by a consultant and is expected to be completed by the first quarter of 2025. It is estimated that construction will take nine months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has previously authorized the County to issue bonds to finance T0045 as indicated in the annexed fact sheet.

The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, T0045 may be 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 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 Consolidated Bond Act. Your Committee recommends the adoption of the proposed Consolidated Bond Act.

Dated: _____, 20____.
White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

C:MG/12-13-24

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT #: T0045

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 \$ 4,500,000 PPU 5 Anticipated Interest Rate 2.98%

Anticipated Annual Cost (Principal and Interest): \$ 993,812

Total Debt Service (Annual Cost x Term): \$ 4,969,062

Finance Department: maab 1-14-25

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: 48

Prepared by: Michael Swee

Title: Director of Surface Transportation

Department: DPW&T

Date: 1/14/25


Reviewed By: 

01/16/25

Budget Director

Date: 1/16/25

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

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

DATE: January 10, 2025

SUBJECT: **STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:
T0045 REPLACE BUS WASH AT THE CERRATO MAINTENANCE
FACILITY**

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on 12-11-2024 (Unique ID: 2766)

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; and
- **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/mvc

cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff
Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive
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Susan Darling, Chief Planner
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ACT NO. -20__

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,500,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A BUS WASH SYSTEM AT THE CERRATO MAINTENANCE FACILITY AT THE VALHALLA CAMPUS; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$4,500,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,500,000 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, to the provisions of other laws applicable thereto, \$4,500,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance the cost of the purchase and installation of the bus wash system at the Cerrato Maintenance Facility at the County-owned Valhalla Campus in the Town of Mount Pleasant as set forth in the County's current year Capital

Budget, as amended. The total estimated maximum cost of said objects or purposes, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is \$4,500,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$4,500,000 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 objects or purposes for which the bonds authorized by this Act are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 32 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 \$4,500,000. 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 not earlier than January 1, 2021 and 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 the cost of purchase and installation of the bus wash system at the Cerrato Maintenance Facility at the County-owned Valhalla Campus in the Town of Mount Pleasant as set forth in the County's current year Capital Budget, as amended.

amount of obligations to be issued:

and period of probable usefulness: \$4,500,000, five 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:* T0045	<input type="checkbox"/> CBA	Fact Sheet Date:* 01-02-2025
Fact Sheet Year:* 2025	Project Title:* REPLACE BUS WASH AT THE CERRATO MAINTENANCE FACILITY	Legislative District ID: 3,
Category* TRANSPORTATION	Department:* AIRPORT/DOT	CP Unique ID: 2766

Overall Project Description

This project funds the purchase of new bus wash components and equipment. The current components and equipment have reached the end of their useful life.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Best Management Practices | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Efficiencies | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Project Labor Agreement | <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Under Review
Gross	5,025	3,225	1,800	0	0	0	0	0
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net	5,025	3,225	1,800	0	0	0	0	0

Expended/Obligated Amount (in thousands) as of : 559

Current Bond Description: Funding requested in 2025 is for project cost escalation related to the purchase and installation of a new bus wash system at the Valhalla bus garage.	
Financing Plan for Current Request:	
Non-County Shares:	\$ 0
Bonds/Notes:	1,800,000
Cash:	0
Total:	\$ 1,800,000

SEQR Classification:
TYPE II

Amount Requested:
1,800,000

Expected Design Work Provider:

- County Staff
 Consultant
 Not Applicable

Comments:

Energy Efficiencies:

Appropriation History:

Year	Amount	Description
2016	455,000	PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION
2019	70,000	COST ESCALATION
2021	2,700,000	CHANGE IN SCOPE AND A COST ESCALATION
2025	1,800,000	ESCALATION

Total Appropriation History:
5,025,000

Financing History:

Year	Bond Act #	Amount	Issued	Description
16	240	455,000	445,589	INSTALLATION OF A BUS WASH SYSTEM AT CERRATO MAINTENANCE FACILITY
21	39	2,700,000	0	REPLACE BUS WASH SYSTEM AT CERRATO MAINTENANCE FACILITY

Total Financing History:

3,155,000

Recommended By:

Department of Planning
MLLL

Date
12-11-2024

Department of Public Works
RJB4

Date
12-11-2024

Budget Department
DEV9

Date
12-12-2024

Requesting Department
MAS9

Date
12-12-2024

REPLACE BUS WASH AT THE CERRATO MAINTENANCE FACILITY (T0045)

User Department : Airport/DOT

Managing Department(s) : Airport/DOT ;

Estimated Completion Date: TBD

Planning Board Recommendation: Project without physical planning aspects of concern to the Westchester County Planning Board.

FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

	Est Ult Cost	Appropriated	Exp / Obl	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Under Review
Gross	5,025	3,225	559	1,800					
Non County Share									
Total	5,025	3,225	559	1,800					

Project Description

This project funds the purchase of new bus wash components and equipment. The current components and equipment have reached the end of their useful life.

Current Year Description

The current year request funds a cost escalation.

Current Year Financing Plan

Year	Bonds	Cash	Non County Shares	Total
2025	1,800,000			1,800,000

Impact on Operating Budget

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

Appropriation History

Year	Amount	Description	Status
2016	455,000	Purchase and installation	DESIGN
2019	70,000	Cost escalation	AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION
2021	2,700,000	Change in scope and a cost escalation	DESIGN
Total	3,225,000		

Prior Appropriations

	Appropriated	Collected	Uncollected
Bond Proceeds	3,225,000	445,589	2,779,411
Total	3,225,000	445,589	2,779,411

Bonds Authorized

Bond Act	Amount	Date Sold	Amount Sold	Balance
240 16	455,000	12/15/17	375,973	9,411
		12/15/17	69,033	
		12/15/17	583	
39 21	2,700,000			2,700,000
Total	3,155,000		445,589	2,709,411