

George Latimer County Executive

July 12, 2021

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

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is an amended Bond Act ("Amended Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to issue additional bonds in the amount of \$350,000 to finance the following capital project:

BCR50 – Infirmary/Suicide Prevention Area ("BCR50").

The Amended Bond Act, in the total amount of \$950,000 which includes \$600,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County, would finance the cost of design in connection with renovations to the County Correctional Facility to provide for a staff-efficient suicide prevention watch area.

The Department of Corrections ("Department") has advised that additional financing is required because the scope of BCR50 has evolved from a stand-alone building to renovation of existing space in the jail. The Department seeks to use existing space in the Jail (J-Block) by retrofitting existing space to accommodate a suicide prevention area. The Department has advised that this will minimize construction costs and expedite completion of the project. Since design was already started on a stand-alone building, many internal specifications from that design will be used for this renovation project.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and is anticipated to take nine months to complete. Design is being undertaken by a consultant. Construction is estimated to take twelve 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 a portion of BCR50, as follows: Bond Act No. 85-2013 in the amount of \$600,000 to finance design in connection with BCR50. These bonds have not been sold. Accordingly, it is now requested that Bond Act No. 85-2013 be amended to increase the total amount authorized by \$350,000, for a total authorized amount, as amended, of \$950,000.

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

Office of the County Executive

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

Sincerely,

George Latimer County Executive

Attachments

HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee is in receipt of an amended bond act ("Amended Bond Act") in the total amount of \$950,000 which includes \$600,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County of Westchester ("County") to finance Capital Project BCR50 – Infirmary/Suicide Prevention Area ("BCR50"). The Amended Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm Hawkins, Delafield, & Wood, is required to finance the cost of design in connection with renovations to the County Correctional Facility to provide for a staff-efficient suicide prevention watch area.

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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 Amended Bond Act. Your Committee recommends the adoption of the proposed Amended Bond Act.

Dated: , 20____. White Plains, New York

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CAPITAL PROJECT	#:BCR50	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED			
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT To Be Completed by Budget					
X GENERAL FUN	D AIRPORT FUND	SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND			
	Source of County Funds (check one):	X Current Appropriations			
		Capital Budget Amendment			
*	SECTION B - BONDING AUT To Be Completed by F				
Total Principal	\$ 950,000 PPU	5 Anticipated Interest Rate 0.39%			
Anticipated Ar	nnual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 192,196			
Total Debt Ser	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 960,980			
Finance Depar	tment: Interest rates from July 1, 202	1 Bond Buyer - ASBA			
S	ECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUDG To Be Completed by Submitting Department				
Potential Relat	ted Expenses (Annual): None	• t st ∀ cost			
Potential Relat	ted Revenues (Annual): None				
	vings to County and/or impact of departm	nent operations			
	etail for current and next four years):	of outside and the anti-the			
	operations will be improved by renovation a ensuring the health and safety of residen				
FATATION	SECTION D - EMPLOY				
As	per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of ap				
Number of Full	Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded:	10			
	SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN	WORK PROVIDER			
County Staff	X Consultant	Not Applicable			
Prepared by:	William Fallon				
Title:	Director of Administrative Services	Reviewed By:			
Department:	Correction //	Budget Director			
Date:	7/7/21	Date: 3(5)			



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:

June 30, 2021

SUBJECT:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:

BCR50 INFIRMARY/SUICIDE PREVENTION AREA

PROJECT/ACTION:

Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on

05-19-2021 (Unique ID: 1691)

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)(27): conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action.

COMMENTS: The current request is for design only.

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

Anthony Zaino, Assistant Commissioner

William Brady, Chief Planner

Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner

Claudia Maxwell, Associate Environmental Planner

REFERENCE: BCR50

ACT NO. -20____

BOND ACT OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, AMENDING THE BOND ACT ADOPTED MAY 20, 2013 TO FINANCE THE COST OF PLANNING AND DESIGN FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE WESTCHESTER CORRECTIONAL FACILITY TO PROVIDE FOR A SUICIDE PREVENTION AREA, AT THE MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$950,000. (Adopted , 20____).

WHEREAS, this Board has heretofore duly authorized the issuance of \$600,000 bonds to finance the cost of preparation of surveys, preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for planning the construction of a new infirmary at the Westchester County Correction Facility to provide for a suicide prevention area, pursuant to Act No. 85-2013 duly adopted on May 20, 2013; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that there is existing available space at the Westchester County Correctional Facility for the construction of a suicide prevention area, thereby not necessitating the construction of a new infirmary, and it is necessary to revise the prior bond act and increase the amount of bonds to be issued and the appropriation for such project for estimated cost of such improvement;

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 May 20, 2013, entitled:

"ACT NO. 85-2013

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$600,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE

COST OF PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW INFIRMARY AT THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$600,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$600,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; AND PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$950,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, TO FINANCE THE COST OF PREPARATION OF SURVEYS, PRELIMINARY AND DETAILED PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING THE RENOVATION OF THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY TO PROVIDE FOR A SUICIDE PREVENTION AREA, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$950,000; STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$950,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; 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, \$950,000 bonds of the County, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized to be issued to finance the cost of preparation of surveys,

preliminary and detailed plans, specifications and estimates necessary for planning the renovation of the Westchester County Correctional Facility to provide for a staff-efficient suicide prevention watch area; 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 specific object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof is \$950,000. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$950,000 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 said specific object or purpose, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 62(2nd) 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 \$950,000. 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 \$950,000 as the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid specific 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.

SECTION (B) The amendment 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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COUNTY OF NEW YORK)	SS.:
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	oproved 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 w	hich is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board of
Legislators on May 20, 2013 and amen	nded on , 20 and approved, as amended.
by the County Executive on	nded on, 20 and approved, as amended,, 20 and the validity of the obligations authorized
by such Bond Act may be hereafter co	ontested only if such obligations were authorized for an object
	estchester, in the State of New York, is not authorized to expend
money or if the provisions of law which	ch should have been complied with as of the date of publication
of this Notice were not substantially co	omplied 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 pro	ovisions of the Constitution.
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Complete copies of the amende	ed Bond Act summarized herewith shall be available for public
inspection during normal business hou	ars at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the
County of Westchester, New York, for	or a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this
Notice.	•
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	ounty Correctional Facility to provide for a staff-efficient
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Capital Budget,	as amended.
amount of obligations to be issued:	
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Dated:, 20	
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	Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer of the County Board
Ö	of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York

CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:* BCR50	□СВА	Fact Sheet Date:* 05-19-2021
Fact Sheet Year:* 2021	Project Title:* INFIRMARY/SUICIDE PREVENTION AREA	Legislative District ID: 3,
Category* BUILDINGS, LAND & MISCELLANEOUS	Department:* CORRECTION	CP Unique ID: 1691
Overall Project Description This project will replace the present "infin Westchester County Correction facility.	mary" and create a new staff efficient suicid	e prevention watch area, located at the
■ Best Management Practices	■ Energy Efficiencies	▲ Infrastructure
■ Life Safety	☐ Project Labor Agreement	Revenue
■ Security	Other	
FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (n thousands)	

	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Under Review
Gross		5,200	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net	5,200	5,200	0	0	0	0	0	0

Expended/Obligated Amount (in thousands) as of: 580

Current Bond Description: existing space in the jail.	Bonding is requested to fund design modification from a stand alone building to renovation of
Financing Plan for Current	Request:
Non-County Shares:	S 0
Bonds/Notes:	350,000
Cash:	0
Total:	\$ 350,000

SEQR Classification:

TYPE II

Amount Requested:

350,000

Comments:

Energy Efficiencies:

THE EXISTING LIGHTING SYSTEM WILL BE REPLACED WITH ENERGY EFFICIENT LED LIGHTING.

Appropriation History:

Year	Amount	Description
2013	600,000 DESIGN	
2014	4,600,000 CONSTRUCTION	

Total Appropriation History:

5,200,000

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Financing History:

Year	Bond Act #	Amount	Issued	Description
13	85	600,000		0 INFIRMARY / SUICIDE PREVENTION AREA FACITLITY AT WESTCHESTER COUNTY CORRECTIONS FACILITY

Total Financing History:

600,000

Recommended By:

Department of Planning

WBB4

Date

05-19-2021

Department of Public Works

RJB4

Date

05-19-2021

Budget Department

LMY1

Date

05-25-2021

Requesting Department

WPF4

Date

05-25-2021

INFIRMARY/SUICIDE PREVENTION AREA (BCR50)

User Department:

Correction

Managing Department(s):

Correction; Public Works;

Estimated Completion Date:

TBD

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

FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

Est Uit Cost Appropriated

Exp / Obl

2021

2022

15

2025 Under Review

Gross

Total

5,200

580

2023

2024

2025 Under Kevie

Non County Share

5,200

5,200

5,200

580

Project Description

This project will replace the present "infirmary" and create a new staff efficient suicide prevention watch area, located at the Westchester County Correction facility.

Current Year Description

There is no current year request.

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
2013	600,000	Design
2014	4,600,000	Construction

Status

DESIGN

AWAITING BOND AUTHORIZATION

Total 5,200,000

Prior Appropriations		1000	
	Appropriated	Collected	Uncollected
Bond Proceeds	5,200,000		5,200,000
Total	5,200,000		5,200,000

Bonds Authorized				
Bond Act	Amount	Date Sold	Amount Sold	Balance
85 13	600,000			600,000
Total	600,000			600,000