



**COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS REPORT  
CONCERNING THE 2015 COUNTY BUDGET (Final Report)  
December 5, 2014**

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

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**WESTCHESTER COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF LEGISLATORS**

Honorable Colleagues:

On November 10, 2014, County Executive Robert Astorino forwarded his proposed 2015 County Operating, Special Districts and Capital Budget to the Committee on Budget and Appropriations. The Committee has devoted full attention to reviewing, analyzing and debating the proposed 2015 Operating, Special Districts and Capital Budget since its arrival.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee held three hearings on the proposed budget, the first on November 20, 2014, the second on November 25, 2014 and the third and final public hearing, as required by the County's Charter, on Wednesday evening, December 3, 2014 in the Chamber of the County Office Building. The hearings were attended by concerned residents. In addition, the Budget and Appropriations Committee has benefited from the testimony of Commissioners and heads of major departments, as well as from analysis of the proposed budgets by the Citizens' Budget Advisory Committee and by our auditors, which presented their final report to the Budget and Appropriations Committee on Friday, December 5, 2014.

On Monday, December 1, 2014, pursuant to Section 167.81 of the Westchester County Charter as amended by Local Law 8-1994, the Committee on Budget and Appropriations filed a memorandum of proposed additions to the proposed 2015 Budget.

The Board of Legislators will continue to debate the legally required balanced budget for 2015. We are committed to continuing to find the balance between investment in our residents, services and infrastructure while stabilizing the tax levy.

Your Committee finds that amounts appropriated in the 2015 County Budget pursuant to the policies of this Board are for the purposes of performing the operations of the County and providing essential services to County residents.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee offers no additional amendments at this time.

Dated: December 5, 2014  
White Plains, New York

Committee on Budget & Appropriations

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COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS  
 CONCERNING THE 2015 COUNTY BUDGET (Additions)  
 December 1, 2014

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

Honorable Colleagues:

On November 10, 2014, County Executive Robert P. Astorino forwarded his proposed 2015 County Capital Budget and his proposed 2015 County Operating and Special Districts Budget. The Budget & Appropriations Committee of this Honorable Board immediately began to analyze and discuss them.

Pursuant to Section 167.81 of the Laws of Westchester County as amended by Local Law 8-1994, your Committee on Budget & Appropriations, within a specified time period, has the authority to file with the Board a memorandum of any proposed additions to the Proposed Budget.

In keeping with Board policy, your Committee on Budget & Appropriations notes that any additions contained in this Memorandum, as well as any other item, may still subsequently be reduced or entirely deleted from the Proposed 2015 County Operating, Capital, and Special Districts Budget prior to their adoption.

As is its practice during the process of considering additions, your Committee on Budget & Appropriations has called on various County departments and agencies to testify.

It has also relied on the expertise of its auditors and has taken into account the views of all Legislators, the Citizens Budget Advisory Committee, numerous groups and organizations, individual citizens, and has held two of three Public Hearings. All of these perspectives have been factored into this Memorandum, ensuring that it is the product of government decision-making truly shared by all those affected.

Through its issuance of this Memorandum, your Committee on Budget & Appropriations hereby complies with the Westchester County Charter. While obviously it believes the actions contained within this Memorandum are prudent, that evaluation must ultimately be made by this Honorable Board. Likewise, the County tax rate can only be changed by a majority of this Honorable Board when it passes a budget and/or acts on a County Executive's veto (or vetoes) on specific, Charter-allowed items.

With these understandings, your Committee on Budget & Appropriations hereby recommends the following additions to this Honorable Board for its full deliberation and ultimate decision (see attached schedule):

Dated: December 1, 2014  
White Plains, NY

Committee on Budget & Appropriations

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Westchester County  
Proposed 2015 Budget Additions

DEPARTMENT	ORG	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
REVENUE ADDITIONS				
SOCIAL SERVICES (22)	101 22 5960	9806	Federal Aid	\$216,886
PARKS AND RECREATION (42)				
	165 42 4215	9050	Playland Departmental Income	\$4,600,000
	165 42 4000	9289	Parks Revenue	\$100,000
PUBLIC WORKS (46)				
	101 46 2000	9289	Capital Projects	\$327,000
	101 46 3300	9274	Leased Building Space	\$300,000
	101 52 9034	9034	Hotel Tax	\$175,000
	101 52 9035	9035	Auto Use Tax	\$50,000
	101 52 9022	9022	PILOTS	\$48,000
	101 44 2100	9289	Student Metro Cards	\$100,000
TOTAL REVENUE ADDITIONS				\$5,916,886

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DEPARTMENT	ORG	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
EXPENDITURE ADDITIONS				
BOARD OF LEGISLATORS (10)	101 10 1000	1010	Net-Annual Regular	\$50,000
			TOTAL	\$50,000
COUNTY EXECUTIVE (11)				
WOMEN	101 11 0900	4380	Child Care Council of Westchester	\$60,000
			TOTAL	\$60,000
YOUTH BUREAU	101 11 0400	4380	TYCC I-Lead After School Academy	\$40,000
			TOTAL	\$40,000
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	101 11 0710	1010	Energy Conservation & Sustainability Director	\$60,000
			TOTAL	\$60,000
SOCIAL SERVICES (22)				
	101 22 8900	5960	Family Ties of Westchester	\$325,654
	101 22 8900	5990	Title XX	\$687,000
	101 22 8900	5960	WestCOP	\$25,000
	101 22 8900	5960	Youth Shelter Program of Westchester Co.	\$75,000
			TOTAL	\$1,112,654
SENIOR SERVICES (24)	101 24 1000	4380	Jewish Council of Yonkers Senior Volunteer Program	\$5,000
				\$5,000
CONSUMER PROTECTION (25)	101 25 100	1010	Senior Inspector	\$76,410
			TOTAL	\$76,410

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DEPARTMENT	ORG	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
HEALTH (27)	101 27 0400	4354	Pest Management Committee	\$40,000
			TOTAL	\$40,000
PARKS, RECREATION & CONSERVATION (42)	165 42 5000	1010	Curator	\$53,315
	165 42 4650	1010	Curator	\$53,315
	165 42 4215	4630	Playland Marketing	\$600,000
	165 42 4000 5530	2400	Additional Equipment	\$20,000
			TOTAL	\$726,630
PUBLIC WORKS (46)	101 46 2000	1010	Director Design Coordination	\$71,313
	101 46 2000	1010	Senior Engineer (Civil)	\$58,148
	101 46 2000	1010	Assistant Engineer (Civil)	\$52,470
	101 46 2000	1010	Assistant Engineer (Civil)	\$52,470
	101 46 2000	1010	Junior Engineer (Civil)	\$39,987
	101 46 2000	1010	Junior Engineer (Civil)	\$39,987
	101 46 3200	1010	Maintenance Mech I	\$30,799
	101 46 3400	1010	Sr. Maintenance Mech III	\$44,179
	101 46 3400	1010	Maintenance Mech I	\$28,485
	101 46 6000	1010	Maintenance Worker	\$28,485
	101 46 6000	1010	Sr. Maintenance Mech II	\$39,987
	101 46 6000	1010	Chief Rd. Maintainer I	\$36,424
	101 46 6000	1010	Heavy Motor Equipment Operator	\$33,518

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DEPARTMENT	ORG	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
	101 46 6000	1010	Maintenance Mechanic I	\$30,799
	101 46 6000	3240	General Supplies	\$100,000
	101 42 6000	4200	Repairs & Maintenance	\$100,000
	101 46 6000	4310	Non-Recurring Repairs	\$350,000
			TOTAL	\$1,137,051
MISCELLANEOUS BUDGET (52)				
	101 52 2110	2110	Public Utility Service Agency	\$50,000
	101 52 2508	2508	FSSY/JCY Westchester Community Partners	\$30,000
	101 52 2508	2508	April's Child	\$20,000
	101 52 2508	2508	Youth Backpack Program (Yonkers)	\$4,850
	101 52 2085	2085	Legal Aid	\$418,000
	101 52 2093	2093	Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (Teekskill Office)	\$30,000
	101 52 2010	2010	Arts Westchester	\$8,500
	101 52 2135	2135	Tourism	\$26,250
	101 52 2508	2508	Bethel Baptist Church Renaissance After School	\$28,000
	101 52 2508	2508	WHC/HVCC	\$50,000
	101 52 2508	2508	Community Based Organizations	\$120,000
			TOTAL	\$785,600
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFIT ADDS				
	101 52 1500	1650	Retirement	\$220,363
	101 52 1500	1651	FICA	\$113,502
	101 52 1500	1710	MCTD Mobility Tax	\$2,822
	101 52 1500	1680	Employee Benefits	\$503,790
			TOTAL	\$840,477
TOTAL ADDS				
				\$4,933,822

PROJECT	NUMBER	AMOUNT
<b>2015 CAPITAL BUDGET ADDS</b>		
Design study for a countywide system of stream and storm gauges		\$150,000
Tree replacement program in County parks and nature preserves		\$2,500,000
Design for implementation of a data warehouse & data base tool		\$200,000
Phase 1 development for updating County Asset Management Plan		\$600,000
Design for Pondfield Road West Bridge over Bronx River	RB03L	\$500,000
Design for Grant Avenue Bridge over Central Westchester Pkwy	CR150	\$500,000
Design for Sherwood Avenue Bridge over BRP		\$500,000
Study/Design for rerouting footpath under Metro-North bridge along BRP in Longvale section of Y.O.		\$500,000
Design study for discontinuing the connection conveying stormwater from the BRP to Y.O. 36" sanitary sewer		\$500,000
Overhaul of lighting fixtures to accommodate LED lighting		\$600,000
County Park Drainage Improvement		\$5,000,000
Playland Building Repair		\$500,000
Housing Implementation Funds (HIF)	BPL1A	\$3,000,000
New Homes Land Acquisition (NHLA)	BPL10	\$3,000,000
Midland Avenue (Bronxville)		\$1,000,000
Main Street (Eastchester)		\$1,000,000
Broadway to Haveline Road (Harrison)		\$1,000,000
Pleasantville Road (Pleasantville)		\$1,000,000
Ludlow Pocket Park (Yonkers)		\$2,500,000
Bronx River Dredging		\$1,000,000
<b>TOTAL ADDS</b>		<b>\$25,550,000</b>

DEPARTMENT	ORG	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<b>SPECIAL DISTRICT REVENUE ADDITIONS</b>				
Environmental Facilities (60)	221 60 0110	9557	Septic Tank and Individual Waste	\$25,000
			TOTAL	\$25,000
<b>SPECIAL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE ADDITIONS</b>				
Environmental Facilities (60)	221 60 0110	1010	Weight Scale Supervisor	\$25,000
			TOTAL	\$25,000

ACT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2014

AN ACT adopting the County Budget and making appropriations for the conduct of the County Government for the year Two Thousand Fifteen.

Be it enacted by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. The accompanying County Budget including the current plan and the capital program for the County of Westchester and the several districts therein, as listed below, is hereby adopted for the fiscal year Two Thousand and Fifteen:

County of Westchester	
Environmental Facilities, Department of	Saw Mill Valley Sanitary Sewer District
Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer District	South Yonkers Sanitary Sewer District
Bronx Valley Sanitary Sewer District	Upper Bronx Valley Sanitary Sewer District
Central Yonkers Sanitary Sewer District	North Yonkers Pump Station
Hutchinson Valley Sanitary Sewer District	Joint Treatment Plant (Yonkers)
Mamaroneck Valley Sanitary Sewer District	Water Agency
New Rochelle Sanitary Sewer District	County Water District No. 1
North Yonkers Sanitary Sewer District	County Water District No. 2
Ossining Sanitary Sewer District	County Water District No. 3
Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District	County Water District No. 4
Port Chester Sanitary Sewer District	Refuse Disposal District No. 1

Section 2. During the Calendar Year 2015, the Commissioner of Finance shall verify and provide the Board of Legislators quarterly with a statement of the County's cash flow for the General Fund.

Section 3. The several amounts specified in the above mentioned budget under the column heading "Allowed 2015" or so much of such amount as shall be sufficient to accomplish the purposes designated are hereby appropriated for such purposes under the following general classifications:

- Personal Service (Code 100 and 101)
- Purchase of Equipment (Code 200)
- Materials and Supplies (Code 300)
- Expenses (Code 400 and 599)
- Relief (Code 501)
- County Debt Service (Agency 51)
- Miscellaneous (Agency 52)
- Capital Projects

Section 4. Within 30 days after the close of the Second Quarter and the Fourth Quarter for the Calendar Year 2015, the Commissioner of Finance shall verify and provide the Board of Legislators with:

- (i) A combined statement of the County's cash balances for all accounts
- (ii) A statement of the County's cash balances for all enterprise funds

Section 5. With respect to the Executive Branch of County government, the positions shown in the budget are hereby authorized, created and/or continued and the number appearing on the line items of the positions shall be the number of positions under such title.

Section 6. All elective officers, appointive officers and other positions are to be paid at salaries set in accordance with the provisions of the personnel rules and amendments thereto adopted by this Board and with respect to the Executive Branch of County government, may be filled only in accordance with procedures approved by the County Executive.

Section 7. Where personal service is required to accomplish the intended purpose of an appropriation, such personal service may be employed in accordance with the provision of the personnel rules and amendments thereto adopted by the Board, when approved and allocated by the Budget Director as appropriate.

Section 8. Where personnel are employed under a trust or grant, such employment shall terminate at the expiration of the funds provided by the trust or grant.

Section 9. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to advance from funds on hand to Year 2015 Budget accounts such amounts as may be required, pending receipt of taxes and/or other revenues.

Section 10. Transfer of appropriations between departments and transfer of appropriations between a department and the Miscellaneous Budget are made upon the prior recommendation of the County Executive with the prior authorization of the County Board of Legislators.

Section 11. Transfer of appropriations between general classifications of expenditures within the same department and transfers of appropriations between account lines in the Miscellaneous Budget are made with the prior authorization of the County Executive on the recommendation of the Budget Director and with the prior approval of the Committee of the County Board designated by resolution of such Board.

Section 12. The "Trusts" section presented after the operating budget of a department is provided for informational purposes only. Adoption of this budget act shall not be considered to be acceptance of any grant requiring the expenditure of County funds.

Section 13. The invalidity of any provisions, paragraphs, or portions of this Act shall have no effect upon the validity of any other part or portion hereof. Should any provision(s) of this Act be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or for any reason unenforceable, the remainder shall nonetheless be of full force and effect.

Section 14. This ACT shall take effect immediately.

DATED: December \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

White Plains, New York

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AN ACT affixing the amounts of the County and Special District Taxes for 2015 resulting from the County Budget.

Be it enacted by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. The amounts of the County and Special District Taxes for 2015 resulting from the County Budget are hereby fixed and determined as indicated below:

County of Westchester:		
Metropolitan Transportation Authority	27,531,241	
Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Mobility Tax	1,340,352	
County Operating Purposes	519,551,875	
Total County		548,423,468
Special Districts:		
Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer District		8,525,659
Bronx Valley Sanitary Sewer District		20,593,322
Central Yonkers Sanitary Sewer District		1,422,722
Hutchinson Valley Sanitary Sewer District		5,883,577
Mamaroneck Valley Sanitary Sewer District		14,143,170
New Rochelle Sanitary Sewer District		18,471,675
North Yonkers Sanitary Sewer District		4,304,454
Ossining Sanitary Sewer District		3,892,824
Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District		3,897,401
Port Chester Sanitary Sewer District		2,250,005
Saw Mill Valley Sanitary Sewer District		12,341,786
South Yonkers Sanitary Sewer District		1,627,510
Upper Bronx Valley Sanitary Sewer District		1,447,492
County Water District No. 1		2,336,264
Refuse Disposal District No. 1		45,035,977

Section 2. The foregoing amounts are hereby levied and assessed upon the real property liable therefore in the County, and in the several special districts indicated.

Section 3. This ACT shall take effect immediately.

DATED: December \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

White Plains, New York