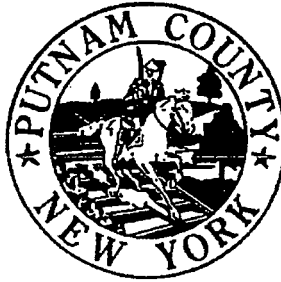


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AGENDA
SPECIAL BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN ROOM #318
PUTNAM COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512

Members: Chairman Birmingham, Legislators Montgomery, Gouldman, Addonizio, Russo, D'Angelo, Regan, Sayegh & Crowley

Monday

5:45p.m.

April 27, 2026

(Eco. Dev., Audit & Admin. And Special Full Mtgs will immediately follow)

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval - Consideration of Amending Budgetary Amendment 26A026**
- 4. Adjournment**

WILLIAM J. CARLIN, Jr. CPA
Commissioner Of Finance



KEVIN M. BYRNE
PUTNAM COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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4.27.26

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

MEMORANDUM

To: Diane Trabulsy, Legislative Clerk
From: William J. Carlin, Jr., Commissioner of Finance *WJC*
Re: Budgetary Amendment - 26A026
Date: April 13, 2026

At the request of the Commissioner of Finance, the following budgetary amendment is required.

<u>Increase Estimated Appropriations:</u>		
55197000 53000 52420	ARPA - Paving	2,147,000
<u>Decrease Estimated Appropriations:</u>		
58989000 53000 52225	ARPA - Stabilization Center	2,147,000
<u>Increase Estimated Revenues:</u>		
55197000 428601 52420	ARPA - Interfund Transfer	2,147,000
<u>Decrease Estimated Revenues:</u>		
58989000 428601 52225	ARPA - Interfund Transfer	2,147,000
	Fiscal Impact - 2026 - \$ 0	
	Fiscal Impact - 2027 - \$ 0	

This Resolution is required to reallocate ARPA funding from the Stabilization Center project to the County-wide paving project as per the attached correspondence. Please forward to the appropriate committee.

Approved : _____
Kevin M, Byrne, County Executive



CC: ALL

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TO: Diane Trabulsy
Clerk of the Legislature

CC: Daniel G. Birmingham, Chair
Putnam County Legislature

William J. Carlin
Commissioner of Finance

FROM: Kevin M. Byrne
County Executive

DATE: April 13, 2026

RE: Letter of Necessity, ARPA Reallocation – Stabilization Center to County-Wide Paving \$2.1M

Please accept this Letter of Necessity for the Legislature to consider the Commissioner of Finance's request for reallocation of ARPA funds from the Stabilization Center project to County-wide paving at the soonest appropriate meeting.

It is this office's understanding that time is of the essence for this reallocation. With a September 2026 deadline to spend ARPA funds for paving, the County paving projects need to be scheduled timely with the paving contractor(s). The County's outside ARPA consultant had recommended that the County contact the U.S. Treasury for advice as to this reallocation. While the Treasury was contacted some time ago, the Administration wanted to allow as much time as possible to allow for a definitive response from the U.S. Treasury before submitting to the Legislature. However, a definitive response has not been received as of the date of this memorandum, and in the interest of avoiding any further delay, the request is now being submitted for consideration.

Commissioners Carlin and Feighery will be available to answer any questions in connection with this request.

Thank you kindly for your prompt attention to this matter.

COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE
WILLIAM J. CARLIN



COUNTY EXECUTIVE
KEVIN M. BYRNE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Diane Trabulsy, Clerk
Putnam County Legislature

FROM: William J. Carlin Jr. *WJC*
Commissioner of Finance

RE: **Stabilization Center ARPA Funds Reallocation Request - \$2.1M**

DATE: April 13, 2026

As we are all aware, the deadline to expend ARPA funds is December 31, 2026.

The decision of the Carmel Town Planning Board has made it impossible for People USA to fulfill the terms of its contract with the County to provide a 24/7 Crisis Stabilization Center in Putnam County, while expending the \$2.5 Million in ARPA funds by the deadline.

The U.S. Treasury guidance supports the County being able to reallocate the remaining funds to another contract post the December 31, 2024 obligation deadline. The County believes that these circumstances fall under the very limited instances where a recipient may replace a contract after that deadline.

Please know that the Administration has carefully considered the various requests as to where to reallocate the funds. The Administration's main priority is reallocating the funds in such a manner as to minimize the risk of having to return the funds to the U.S. Treasury. The projects identified all raised various issues with ARPA compliance.

After careful consideration of numerous factors, consulting with the County's outside ARPA consultant, PKF O'Connor Davies, and reaching out to the U.S. Treasury, the Administration has determined that placing the remaining \$2.147 Million in funds into County-wide paving projects carries the least amount of risk. Paving/infrastructure is an ARPA eligible project category, it is a pre-existing project, the contracts were procured according to ARPA guidelines, the County is well within its allowable dollar limit for allocating funding to paving, and these are projects that the County was already planning to complete using Capital funds.

To address the continuing need to expand mental health services in Putnam County, please be advised that I intend to assign \$2.1 Million of the unassigned fund balance to an assigned account for mental health initiatives. This is in response to a request from the County Executive and will occur once the audit is complete. Any use of the funds is subject to Legislative and Executive approval.

Funds allocated to paving must be expended by September 2026. It is my understanding that the County's contractors usually begin in late spring. Please see the attached memorandum from Commissioner of DPW Thomas Feighery. As time is of the essence, we respectfully ask that this matter be considered at the next appropriate committee meeting. I will be present to provide additional information and answer any questions.

Please see the attached resolution for the Legislature's review and consideration.

WHEREAS, Putnam County allocated its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds pursuant to Resolution # 135 of 2022, with a focus on infrastructure related to school safety, mental health, substance abuse, food insecurity, clean water, roads, bridges and buildings; and

WHEREAS, a budgetary amendment was made pursuant to Resolution #135 of 2022 wherein \$2,500,000 was appropriated for a Stabilization Center; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County issued an RFP for the establishment and operation of a 24 hour a day, 7 day per week Crisis Stabilization Center in Putnam County to which People USA responded; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County contracted with People USA to establish and operate a 24-hour a day, 7 day per week Crisis Stabilization Center in Putnam County and that the County would provide \$2,500,000 in ARPA funding for the project; and

WHEREAS, any ARPA funds need to be expended prior to the December 31, 2026 deadline set by the U.S. Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the County and People USA agreed to a June 1, 2026 deadline in the contract to allow the County time to reallocate the funds timely if needed; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Treasury allows APRA recipients to reallocate ARPA funds to a new contract after the December 31, 2024 deadline if the recipient and contractor mutually agree to terminate the contract for convenience; and

WHEREAS, due to circumstances beyond the County's control, it has become clear that People USA will not be able to perform under the contract to deliver a 24 hour a day, 7 day per week Crisis Stabilization Center in Putnam County, and that People USA will not expend the funds by the June 1, 2026 in accordance with the terms of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the County and People USA are mutually terminating the contract for convenience; and

WHEREAS, the Administration requests that the remaining funds (\$2,147,000) be reallocated to ARPA-eligible County-wide paving projects; and

WHEREAS, that paving is an allowable use of ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance, and the County Auditor have reviewed and recommended said reallocation; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has reviewed and recommended said reallocation; and

WHEREAS, the _____ Committee has reviewed and approved of this request; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that \$2,147,000 of ARPA funds from the Stabilization Center project be reallocated to County-wide paving projects.

THOMAS FEIGHERY
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS



KEVIN M. BYRNE
PUTNAM COUNTY EXECUTIVE

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kevin Byrne, County Executive

FROM: Thomas Feighery, Commissioner

DATE: April 6, 2026

RE: Paving 2026 & ARPA reallocation request

The paving schedule for 2026 has started. An important consideration to keep in mind is that if we are to use ARPA funds, we would need to get our projects in the queue with our contractor now. Historically, paving companies start paving downstate first due to higher temperatures and then rotate upstate. Since this must be done by September, we may very well miss out if we wait too long.

cc: James Burpoe, Deputy County Executive
Jennifer Caruso, Director of Compliance
William J. Carlin, Commissioner of Finance

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Thomas Feighery".

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 24, 2026

TO: Kevin Byrne
County Executive
Compton Spain
County Attorney

FROM: Daniel G. Birmingham *DGB/det*
Chairman, Putnam County Legislature

CC: William Carlin
Commissioner of Finance

Anna Diaz
Senior Deputy County Attorney

Sara Servadio
Commissioner Social Services

Heather Abissi
Legislative Counsel

RE: **Urgent:** Request for County Attorney to Contact Service Provider re:
Budget & Finance Committee Attendance (April 27, 2026)

County Executive Byrne and County Attorney Spain, based on the discussions held during the April 23, 2026 Special Meeting of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee regarding SLFRF funding associated with Project **TPN247118** (Public Health / Mental Health Services), I am writing to request your assistance in facilitating the attendance of representatives from the project's contracted service provider.

Given the significance of this matter, and in the interest of ensuring that the Legislature has a complete and accurate understanding of the current status, contractual considerations, and any potential paths forward, it is in the best interest of maintaining a constructive and balanced process between branches of government that the Legislature hear directly from the service provider.

Accordingly, I request that Senior County Attorney Anna Diaz contact counsel for the service provider and extend an invitation for appropriate representatives to attend the upcoming **Special Budget & Finance Committee meeting on Monday, April 27, 2026 at 5:45 PM**, to be held in **Room 318, 40 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, New York**. Their participation will assist the Legislature in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities and in ensuring that any decisions regarding the administration of these federal funds are made with the benefit of complete information.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.