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Everything's Coming Up Golden in White Plains this Spring

Playland Management Deal Under BOL Scrutiny

By Pat Casey

Last week, County Executive Robert Astorino endorsed a proposal by Standard Amusements LLC to invest \$25 million in private money to restore Playland.

The plan, which was submitted in response to a request for proposals by the County Executive, is based on the vision of Nicholas Singer, a native of Westchester County, who attended Harrison public schools and whose family frequently visited Playland's amusement park during his youth.

Now under review by the Board of Legislators, the proposal suggests that the county pay \$2,250,000 up front; invest \$22,750,000 million of its money within five years into refurbishing the park; and make annual payments to the county starting at \$300,000 and escalating 2 percent a year. The county

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The White Plains Beautification Foundation celebrates 50 Golden years in 2015 with thousands of yellow daffodil blooms springing up around the city as sun and high temperatures mark the change of seasons over the weekend. The Basket at Armory Place, at Westchester Avenue and North Broadway, is sponsored by White Plains residents Barbara and Richard Dannenberg with plantings from Gedney Farms Nursery.