



PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 3.

DATE OF MEETING: November 17, 2014

REQUESTED BY: Bob Murphy, Interim County Manager

SHORT TITLE: Discussion of Upcoming Bond Projects & Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Staff to Pursue Financing.

BACKGROUND: Ted Cole and Mitch Brigulio of Davenport & Company will review financing options for the county's capital improvements plan to include school and county projects. This particular discussion will focus primarily on the financing of several county projects that are already underway and which are being funded by contributions from the county's general fund. The proceeds from the proposed financing will reimburse the general fund for those monies already spent and provide funds to complete the projects. Also included are two projects that are not yet underway, but which are critical; replacement of the HVAC system that serves the county administration buildings and renovation of Probation and Parole office space. With the assistance of the county's bond counsel, Bob Jessup, we will review a proposed schedule for all of the steps leading up to the issuance of debt. Finally, the board will be asked to approve a resolution authorizing the staff to begin work on a financing of the proposed county capital projects.

Pender County Installment Financing – Schedule

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| County provides new audit to LGC | As soon as possible |
| County staff makes initial, informal contact with LGC staff | As soon as convenient, but probably best to do this after audit submitted |
| Preliminary BOCC discussion of general financing approach and affordability analysis | BOCC meeting of Nov. 17 |
| County, bond counsel and financial advisor confirm financing plan | Promptly after BOCC meeting of Nov. 17 and preliminary LGC staff meeting |
| County makes filing with legislative joint committee | By Dec. 20 for LGC approval in February |
| Publish notice of County public hearing | By Dec. 26 for Jan. 5 hearing [must be at least ten days' prior to hearing date] |
| County Board holds public hearing; adopts preliminary resolution formally approving financing plan and requesting LGC approval | BOCC meeting of Jan. 5 |
| County's preliminary application due to LGC | By Jan. 6 for LGC approval in February |

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| County receives construction bids on WWTP – Phase II | Jan. 13 [proposed target date] |
| County approves construction bids | BOCC meeting of Jan. 22 |
| County Board adopts resolution formally approving substantially final financing terms and documents | BOCC meeting of Feb. 2 |
| Nonprofit financing corporation meets to approve financing plan and documents, and to authorize officers to complete closing | Before LGC approval on Feb. 3 |
| County provides commitment for title insurance for lender’s review | Before LGC approval on Feb. 3 |
| LGC approval | Feb. 3 |
| Underwriter distributes preliminary official statement to potential LOBs investors | Feb. 4 |
| LOBs sale date: underwriter and County agree on final interest rates and payment schedule | On or about Feb. 18 |
| County staff meets with bond counsel to sign documents required for the closing | Between sale date and closing |
| Loan closing | On or about Feb. 25 |



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 3a.

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REQUESTED BY: Bob Murphy, Interim County Manager

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Staff to Pursue Financing.

BACKGROUND: There are several capital projects underway that are being funded by the County General Fund. It has always been the intention of the Board of Commissioners to reimburse the General Fund through a financing. The County's FY 2013-14 Audit will be submitted to the Local Government Commission very shortly, a prerequisite for the issuance of debt. The Board will discuss the projects, now underway, a potential financing schedule and other needed capital projects that might be included in the same financing. Representatives of Davenport and Company will review financing options and Bond Counsel will discuss a possible schedule leading up to the issuance of debt. The Board will be asked to authorize staff to move forward in pursuit of the debt after the LGC accepts the County's audit.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To consider a resolution authorizing staff to pursue financing.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

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Initial

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

the County Manager, Finance Officer, County Attorney and all other County officers are authorized to pursue the financing plan substantially as described to the November 17 County Board meeting, taking into account the Board's comments and with the understanding that financing is subject to a later public hearing and then final board approval.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Williams ___ McCoy ___ Brown ___ Tate ___ Ward ___

J. David Williams, Chairman 11/17/14
Date

ATTEST 11/17/14
Date