

The refunding of the HUD Section 108 Loan (Central City Entertainment Center) Refunding Series 2010 will be through a taxable transaction in order to comply with certain federal tax laws. Combined with the Series 2011A refunding on this Council agenda, this refunding meets the City of Austin Financial Policies of 4.25% present value saving on the refunded bonds.

In order to provide the City with the flexibility to quickly respond to changing market conditions, the proposed ordinance delegates the authority to the City Manager or Chief Financial Officer (the "Pricing Officer") to effect the execution of the sale of the refunding bond transaction in accordance with the parameters set forth in the ordinance. In addition, the authority of the Pricing Officer to exercise the authority delegated thereto by the Council under the ordinance expires on March 30, 2012.

The transaction will be sold through the following underwriting team which was approved by Council on May 17, 2007.

Senior Manager
Ramirez & Co. (MBE)

Co-Managers
Barclay's

Citigroup Morgan Stanley

Morgan Keegan (Regional) Southwest Securities (Regional) Rice Financial Products (MBE) Cabrera Capital Markets (MBE) Siebert Brandford Shank (MBE)

McCall, Parkhurst and Horton will serve as bond counsel and Andrews Kurth will serve as underwriter counsel for this transaction.

This item has been posted for not later than 2:00 p.m., in order for Council action to occur prior to the close of the financial markets.