Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting: September 13, 2018

Item Number: 007

Budget

Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin’s official intent to reimburse itself from: November 2016 Proposition 1 General Obligation bonds in the amount of $111,875,120; Certificates of Obligation in the amount of $57,800,000; and Contractual Obligations in the amount of $28,215,000.

Fiscal Note

$111,875,120 in General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds to be issued in August 2019 or later; $57,800,000 in General Obligation Certificates of Obligation to be issued in August 2019 or later; and $28,215,000 in General Obligation Contractual Obligations to be issued in August 2019 or later. Fiscal note is attached.

For More Information

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Additional Backup Information:

A city must have budgeted for and provided a source of funds in order to enter into a contract. For the City of Austin to spend money today, State and federal law require the City to approve a reimbursement resolution, which allows the City to reimburse itself from the issuance of debt obligations in the future. The resolution must contain certain information and protect the tax-exempt status of the future issuance. Failure to adopt a qualified declaration of official intent will prohibit the City from reimbursing the cost with the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations. Reimbursement bonds generally must be issued no later than 18 months after the later of, the date the expenditure was made, or the date that the project with respect to which the expenditure was made, is placed in service.

This action expresses the City Council’s intent to authorize the reimbursement for costs
associated with FY 2018-19 Approved Capital Budget items for General Obligation debt, as described below:

General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds: $111,875,120
• 2016 P1 - $111,875,120 for transportation and mobility

General Obligation Certificates of Obligation: $57,800,000
• $13,700,000 for Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) match for Austin Transportation projects
• $25,000,000 for Waller Creek District improvements
• $9,900,000 for public safety facility improvements
• $6,000,000 for new fire stations
• $3,200,000 for Longhorn Dam improvements

General Obligation Contractual Obligations: $28,215,000
• $22,455,000 for Citywide vehicles and equipment
• $5,760,000 for Austin Resource Recovery organics program expansion vehicles and equipment