

## **Public Financing Advisory Committee**

Thursday, December 12, 2019, 1:30 p.m. Hall of Administration, Board Hearing Room

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order/Instructions/Opening Remarks:** Meeting called to order by Chair Moohr at 1:30 p.m.

Attendees: John J. Moohr (Chair), Min Chai (Vice Chair), Tom Hammond (Committee Member), Carlos Carney (Committee Member), Shari Freidenrich (Treasurer-Tax Collector), Frank Davies (Auditor-Controller), Suzanne Luster (Public Finance Director) and Nikhil Daftary (County Counsel).

Absent: Wallace B. Rodecker (Committee Member), Frank Kim (CEO)

- **II.** Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2019 Minutes: Vice Chair Chai made a Motion to approve the meeting minutes. Member Hammond seconded. Member Hammond requested to specify the changes made to the PFAC By-Laws in the minutes. The Motion passed as amended with an abstention from Member Carney.
- III. Approval of Public Financing Advisory Committee 2020 Calendar of Meetings: Member Hammond made a Motion to approve the PFAC Meeting Schedule as presented. Member Carney seconded it. The Motion passed.

Chair Moohr asked for a listing of alternative dates for possible special meetings so Committee members can plan accordingly. Suzanne Luster, Public Finance Director, stated that a listing of possible special meetings will be sent to members.

**IV.** Public Finance Status Report: Suzanne Luster, Public Finance Director, presented a status report.

At the last meeting, the Committee recommended to the Board of Supervisors the Underwriter qualified panel for future County of Orange financings and the selection of financing professionals for the possible formation and financing of one or more Rancho Mission Viejo Community Facilities Districts. On October 8, 2019, the Board of Supervisors approved the items as recommended.

V. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors the issuance of short-term Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, 2020 Series A in an amount not to exceed \$499 million: Treasurer- Tax Collector Freidenrich moved from the dais to the audience for this item. Suzanne Luster, Public Finance Director, presented a report on this item and answered questions from Committee members. The item will be presented to the Board of Supervisors at their December 17, 2019 meeting with the financing closing by January 15, 2020.

Member Hammond inquired if the 2019 Series Pension Obligation Bonds are current with their payment schedule. Ms. Luster reported that they will be paid off by April 2020 as

scheduled. Member Hammond asked about the percentage of retirement expenses compared to the gross County budget. Ms. Luster stated this is approximately 8-10% of the gross County Budget.

Treasurer-Tax Collector Freidenrich answered Committee members regarding OCERS rate of return. Treasurer-Tax Collector also noted that OCERS' triennial Experience Study to review and re-evaluate assumptions will be performed in 2020.

Vice Chair Chai inquired about the decrease in net budget savings. Ms. Luster stated that the decrease in net budget savings is due to the decrease in the discount from OCERS and the increase in interest rate costs.

Vice Chair Chai made a Motion to approve the recommendation, Member Hammond seconded it. The Motion passed.

- VI. Public Comments: None
- VII. Committee Comments: Treasurer-Tax Collector welcomed new Committee members.
- **VIII.** Adjournment: Chair Moohr adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.