Minutes

Texas Bond Review Board

Board Meeting

Thursday, November 15, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Capitol Extension, Room E2.026

1100 Congress Ave.

Austin, TX 78701

The Texas Bond Review Board (BRB) convened in a Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, November 15, 2018 in the Capitol Extension Room E2.026 in Austin, Texas. Present were Sarah Hicks, Chair and Alternate for Governor Greg Abbott; Joaquin Guadarrama, Alternate for Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick and Melissa Popkoff, Alternate for Comptroller Glenn Hegar. Also in attendance were Leslie Brock and Rosalind Hunt with the Office of the Attorney General, Bond Finance Office staff members and others.

1. **Call to Order**

Sarah Hicks, as Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

1. **Approval of Minutes**

UPON MOTION BY Joaquin guadarrama AND SECOND BY Melissa Popkoff, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD APPROVED THE MINUTES FOR THE September 11, 2018 Planning Session and the September 20, 2018 Board Meeting.

1. **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

1. **Texas Water Development Board Request for Waiver of Texas Water Code 17.0112(a) related to the Economically Distressed Areas Program pursuant to Texas Water Code 17.0112(b)**

Representatives present were: Georgia Sanchez, Development Fund Manager, TWDB; Rebecca Trevino, Chief Financial Officer, TWDB; Todd Chenoweth, General Counsel, TWDB; and Jessica Zuba, Deputy Executive Administrator, TWDB.

UPON MOTION BY Melissa Popkoff AND SECOND BY Sarah Hicks, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD MOVED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION granting a waiver to the Texas Water Development Board under Texas Water Code Section 17.0112(b), authorizing the Water Development Board to issue Economically Distressed Areas Program bonds in state fiscal year 2019 in an amount not to exceed $53,492,380 on the grounds that currently there is not a sufficient amount of bonds to meet program needs during this fiscal year and that the public health and safety require immediate authorization of additional bonds.

1. **Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Request for Annual Waiver of the Section 2306.142(l) Requirements pursuant to Texas Government Code 2306.142(m) for calendar year 2019**

Representatives present were: Monica Galuski, Director of Bond Finance and Chief Investment Officer, TDHCA; and Elizabeth Bowes, Partner, Bracewell.

UPON MOTION BY JOAQUIN GUADARAMMA AND SECOND BY MELISSA POPKOFF, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD waives the requirements of Section 2306.142(l) of the Texas Government Code pursuant to Section 2306.142(m) based on TDHCA’s determination that it is unfeasible or will damage the financial condition of TDHCA to issue bonds with the restrictions contained in Section 2306.142(l) of the Texas Government Code.

1. **Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Ventura at Fairgrounds Apartments) Series 2018**

Representatives present were: David Danenfelzer, Senior Director, Development Finance, TSAHC; Robert Dransfield, Bond Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright LP; and Neal Route, Senior Development Associate, Dominium.

Upon discussion regarding the status of the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation’s approval of the bond resolution for agenda item VI, Chairwoman Hicks moved to recess the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:19 a.m., at which time Rob Latsha presented agenda item XI - Report from the Executive Director. The Board members’ discussion regarding the status of agenda item VI resumed. Chairwoman Hicks moved to recess the meeting again at 10:23 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:32 a.m. and David Danenfelzer confirmed that the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation passed both the Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Ventura at Fairgrounds Apartments) Series 2018 and the Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Ventura at Tradewinds Apartments) Series 2018 at its meeting held on November 15, 2018.

UPON MOTION BY MELISSA POPKOFF AND SECOND BY JOAQUIN GUADARRAMA, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD APPROVED THE TEXAS STATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING CORPORATION Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Ventura at Fairgrounds Apartments) Series 2018 in a maximum par amount and total proceeds amount of $40,000,000, including premiums, if any, as outlined in the application dated October 30, 2018 and supplements through November 15, 2018.

1. **Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Ventura at Tradewinds Apartments) Series 2018**

Representatives present were: David Danenfelzer – Senior Director, Development Finance, TSAHC; Robert Dransfield – Bond Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright LP; and, Neal Route – Senior Development Associate, Dominium.

UPON MOTION BY JOAQUIN GUADARAMMA AND SECOND BY MELISSA POPKOFF, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD APPROVED THE Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Ventura at Tradewinds Apartments) Series 2018 in a maximum par amount and total proceeds amount of $30,000,000, including premiums, if any, as outlined in the application dated October 30, 2018 and supplements through November 15, 2018.

1. **EXEMPT – Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board State of Texas (General Obligation Bonds) College Student Loan Refunding Bonds, Series 2018**

This application was approved on the BRB EXEMPT track on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 5pm.

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1. **Date for Next Board Meeting**

The next planning session is scheduled for Monday, January 7, 2019 to accommodate opening day of the 86th Legislative Session on Tuesday, January 8, 2019. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 17, 2019 in Capitol Extension Room E2.026.

1. **Report from the Executive Director**

* Staff has begun working on the tables and charts for the fiscal year 2018 local government debt report. Staff plans to publish this report to the agency’s website either late December or early January.
* BRB staff expects the 2019 PAB volume cap to be in excess of $3.00 billion.
* A copy of the fiscal year 2018 Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) report will be posted to the agency’s website today. Staff plans to send a draft copy of the fiscal year 2018 State Debt Annual Report to the Board for review on Tuesday, November 20th. Staff plans to publish the final version on the agency’s website by Friday, November 30th.
* The next Texas Public Finance Seminar is scheduled for Tuesday, December 4, 2018 in the Legislative Conference Center. Karina Davis, Senate Parliamentarian, has agreed to give a presentation on the Texas Legislative Process.

1. **Adjourn**

There being no further business, the Board Meetingwas adjourned at 10:35 a.m.