Minutes

Texas Bond Review Board

Board Meeting

Thursday, March 21, 2013, 10:00 a.m.

R.E. Johnson Building, Central Conference Room

1501 N. Congress Ave.

Austin, TX 78701

The Texas Bond Review Board (BRB) convened in a Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 21, 2013 in the R.E. Johnson Building, Central Conference Room in Austin, Texas. Present were Ed Robertson, Chair and Alternate for Governor Rick Perry; Kenneth Besserman, Alternate for Comptroller Susan Combs; and Jamie Dudensing, Alternate for Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst. Also in attendance were Stephanie Leibe with the Office of the Attorney General, Bond Finance Office staff members and others.

1. **Call to Order**

Ed Robertson, as Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. A quorum was present.

1. **Approval of Minutes**

UPON MOTION BY KENNETH BESSERMAN AND SECOND BY JAMIE DUDENSING, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD APPROVED THE MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 8, 2013 PLANNING SESSIONS, AND THE JANUARY 17, 2013 BOARD MEETING.

1. **Public Comment**

Scott Swain is a concerned citizen who provided public comment about the construction of a multifamily housing development to be called the Waters at Willow Run Apartments discussed as item VIII below.

1. **Texas Water Development Board Debt Reclassification from Not-Self Supporting to Self Supporting for the State Participation Program Bonds Series 2010C**

Representative present was Piper Montemayor, Debt Portfolio Manager

UPON MOTION BY KENNETH BESSERMAN AND SECOND BY JAMIE DUDENSING, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARDapproved to authorize the Executive Director to certify to the Legislative Budget Board that the outstanding indebtedness of the Texas Water Development Board in the State Participation Program referenced in the Certificate of the Texas Water Development Board Regarding Demonstration of Self-Supporting State Debt Pursuant to Article III, Section 49-j of the Texas Constitution executed by the Executive Administrator of the Texas Water Development Board on February 1, 2013 is hereby designated as self-supporting and no longer requires payment from the general revenues of the state.

1. **Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Single Family Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2013 Series A (Taxable)**

Representatives present were: Timothy Nelson, Director of Bond Finance, TDHCA; Elizabeth Bowes, Bond Counsel, Bracewell & Guiliani.

UPON MOTION BY JAMIE DUDENSING AND SECOND BY KENNETH BESSERMAN, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD approved the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Single Family Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2013 Series A (Taxable) in a total par and maximum proceeds amount of $44,160,000 including premiums, if any, as outlined in the application dated March 5, 2013 and supplements through March 8, 2013.

1. **Texas State Technical College Waco Lease Purchase (Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment for East Williamson County Higher Education Center at Hutto)**

TSTC representatives were excused from attending.

UPON MOTION BY ED ROBERTSON AND SECOND BY KENNETH BESSERMAN, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARD approved the Texas State Technical College to finance the total cost of $2,200,000 for furniture, fixtures and equipment for the Multi-Institution Teaching Center through the Texas Public Finance Authority’s Master Lease Purchase Program as outlined in the application dated March 1, 2013 and supplements through March 6, 2013.

1. **EXEMPT - Grand Parkway Transportation Corporation Grand Parkway System Revenue Obligations (in one or more Series of Bonds, Notes or other Obligations)**

An updated Exempt Issuer Notice of Intent was received on Monday March 18, 2013 and staff will continue its review of this transaction.

1. **Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs The Waters at Willow Run Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds Series 2013**

Representatives present were: Teresa Morales, Multifamily Finance Specialist, TDHCA; Cameron Dorsey, Director of Multifamily Finance, TDHCA; Barbara Deane, General Counsel, TDHCA; Elizabeth Bowes, Bond Counsel, Bracewell & Guiliani; Barton Withrow, Financial Advisor, George K. Baum and Co.; Dan Dill, Merchant Capital; Michael Nguyen, Atlantic Housing Foundation; Nicole Flores, City Real Estate Advisors.

UPON MOTION BY ED ROBERTSON AND SECOND BY KENNETH BESSERMAN, THE TEXAS BOND REVIEW BOARDmoved todefer taking action on the approval of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (The Waters at Willow Run Apartments) Series 2013 pursuant to Texas Administrative Code Title 34, Part 9, Subchapter A, Rule §181.4.

1. **Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code to deliberate with respect to the duties, evaluation, and compensation of the Executive Director**

The Board did not go into Executive Session.

1. **Consideration and action, if any, with respect to the previous agenda item**

No action was taken on this item.

1. **Date for Next Board Meeting**

The next scheduled Planning Session is on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 and next scheduled Board Meeting is on Thursday, May 23, 2013.

1. **Report from the Executive Director**

* Staff provided an updated list of legislation affecting the Bond Review Board including HB 14, SB 14, SB 636, HB 1805 and SB 1652 all relating to transparency.
* Staff gave testimony on Monday, March 18, 2013 on SB 14 and HB 14.
* The Bond Review Board has received 820 local bond issues that need to be processed which is an increase of 5% from this time last year.
* Staff has begun reconciling state debt as of February 28, 2013.

1. **Adjourn**

There being no further business to discuss, the Board meeting adjourned at 10:39 am.