Board Agenda Item Overview



Meeting Date: December 13, 2022 Meeting Type: Regular

Item Category: Consent Item Primary Contact: Dr. Roosevelt Nivens

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Item Name: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF LAMAR CISD UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOLHOUSE BONDS, SERIES 2023; APPROVING THE PREPARATION OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO

Item Summary: The voters of Lamar CISD authorized the issuance of \$1,516,623,300 in schoolhouse bonds in an election held November 8, 2022 in three separate propositions. Proposition A approved \$1,310,611,605 for the construction, acquisition, and equipment of school buildings in the District, the purchase of the necessary sites for school buildings, the purchase of new school buses, the retrofitting of school buses with emergency, safety, or security equipment, and the purchase or retrofitting of vehicles to be used for emergency, safety, or security purposes. Proposition B approved \$189,241,920 for the construction, renovation, acquisition, and equipment of career and technology facilities and the purchase of necessary site(s). Proposition C approved \$16,769,775 for the acquisition or update of classroom and district technology equipment.

Administration and the District's municipal advisor recommend selling the first installment of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$650,000,000. To proceed with the sale of bonds, it is required that the Board of Trustees approve the Order authorizing the sale of the new money bonds.

A preliminary draft of the Order Authorizing the Issuance of Lamar CISD Unlimited Tax Schoolhouse Bonds, Series 2023 is attached. Within the Order there are certain parameters that must be met to allow the Authorized Officer to execute the transaction. Those parameters are:

- The true interest cost (TIC) of the Bonds shall not exceed 5.50%, which amount is less than the maximum rate allowed under Section 1204.006 of the Texas Government Code, as amended;
- The aggregate principal amount of the Series 2023 Bonds issued shall not exceed the total maximum principal amount of \$650,000,000; and
- No bond shall mature later than forty (40) years from the date of closing.

The Order authorizes the Authorized Officer to approve the final form of the Preliminary Official Statement (POS) and to deem it final for purposes of the federal securities laws. A copy of the entire POS (prospectus) will be available when complete.

Recommendation: Administration recommends that the Board approve the Order Authorizing the Issuance of Lamar Consolidated Independent School District Unlimited Tax Schoolhouse Bonds, Series 2023.

Policy Reference: CCA (Legal)

Leadership Definition Alignment: Plan for Success

Strategic Plan Alignment: N/A

Currently Budgeted?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ No Budgetary Impact

Completion or Implementation Timeline: 2022-2023 Fiscal Year through issuance of final installment of bonds authorized by the referendum held and approved by voters on November 8, 2022.