



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

November 7, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: 9.11

TOPIC: RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE FINANCING OF A PROPOSED PROJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT; ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE WITH REIMBURSEMENT BOND REGULATIONS UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

BACKGROUND: Last month, the School Board submitted a review and comment proposal to the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) whereby the School District proposed to fund a \$3.3 million purchase of the Ice Arena from the Forest Lake Area Athletic Association. The proposed project would be funded via a capital lease purchase using Certificates of Participation brokered by Springsted, Inc. not to exceed \$3.0 million. The MDE has provided a positive review and comment for the proposed project to the school district.

The winter months are the peak earning time for the Ice Arena. It would be very beneficial to the school district to capture as much revenue as possible during the peak earning time of the facility.

PROCESS: This resolution authorizes the Superintendent and Business Manager to close on the transaction as soon as possible using district funds while waiting on the proceeds from the financing transaction.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the attached resolution.