



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Counsel



DATE: November 8, 2013
BOARD MEETING DATE: December 10, 2013
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: John C. Beiers, County Counsel

SUBJECT: Issuance and Sale by the San Mateo Union High School District of General Obligation Bonds

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the San Mateo Union High School District to issue and sell San Mateo Union High School District (San Mateo County, California) Election of 2010 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013A, through a negotiated sale, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000,000, without further action of the County.

BACKGROUND:

The voters in the San Mateo Union High School District ("District") approved by more than fifty-five percent of the voters a school bond measure on November 2, 2010, in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$186,000,000 (the "Bond Measure").

On November 14, 2013, the District's Board of Trustees adopted its Resolution No. 13-14-06 (the "District Resolution") authorizing the issuance of "San Mateo Union High School District (San Mateo County, California) Election of 2010 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013A", in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 (the "Bonds"), and requesting that the County Board of Supervisors authorize the District to issue and sell on its own behalf, by negotiated sale, the Bonds.

In 2011, the District issued \$89,999,988.95 of its "San Mateo Union High School District (San Mateo County, California) Election of 2010 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011A."

DISCUSSION:

Typically, the County issues and sells general obligation bonds on behalf of a school district. For this transaction, the District has requested that the County authorize the District itself to issue the Bonds and to sell the Bonds through a negotiated sale. California Government Code sections 53506, et. seq. and Education Code Section 15140(b) allow the Board of Supervisors to authorize the District to sell and issue bonds

on its own behalf without further action of the Board of Supervisors or officers of the County.

The District is being assisted by Stradling Yocca Carlson and Rauth, as bond counsel, and Stiefel, Nicolaus and Company, as financial advisor.

Authorizing the District to issue and sell its own bonds will contribute to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of Collaborative Community by supporting fiscal accountability.

FISCAL IMPACT:

These bonds are general obligations of the District, and do not constitute an obligation of the County. No part of any fund of the County is pledged or obligated to the payment of the bonds.