



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
Inter-Departmental Correspondence  
County Counsel



**Date:** September 2, 2015  
**Board Meeting Date:** October 6, 2015  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** John C. Beiers, County Counsel

**Subject:** Issuance and Sale by the Jefferson Elementary School District of its Election of 2012 General Obligation Bonds, Series C

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Jefferson Elementary School District to issue and sell Series C Bonds on its own behalf, through a negotiated sale, in an amount not to exceed \$17,500,000.

**BACKGROUND:**

The voters in the Jefferson Elementary School District ("District") approved by more than fifty-five percent of the voters a school bond measure on November 6, 2012, authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$67,500,000 (the "Bond Measure"). In two prior issuances in 2013 and 2014, the District issued \$35,000,000 of the total authorized amount of \$67,500,000.

In its Resolution No. 15-08-26, adopted on August 26, 2015, the District's Board of Education authorized the issuance and sale of "Jefferson Elementary School District (San Mateo County, California) Election of 2012 General Obligation Bonds, Series C, in an aggregate principal amount not-to-exceed \$17,500,000" ("Series C Bonds"), and requested that the County Board of Supervisors authorize the District to issue and sell the Series C Bonds on its own behalf, by negotiated sale.

**DISCUSSION:**

State law generally provides that the County may issue and sell general obligation bonds on behalf of a school district, but California Government Code §§ 53506 et. seq. and Education Code § 15140(b) also allow the Board of Supervisors to authorize the District to sell and issue bonds directly on its own behalf without further action of the Board of Supervisors or officers of the County.

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The District is being assisted by Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth, as bond counsel, and Keygent, LLC. 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.