

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY COUNSEL

File #: 19-203 Board Meeting Date: 3/12/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John C. Beiers, County Counsel

Subject: Issuance and Sale by the Portola Valley School District of its Election of 2018 General

Obligation Bonds, Series 2019A

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Portola Valley School District to issue and sell its Election of 2018 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019A, through a negotiated sale, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 without further action of the County.

BACKGROUND:

The voters in the Portola Valley School District ("District") approved by more than fifty-five percent of the voters a school bond measure on November 6, 2018, authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$49,500,000 (the "Bond Measure").

In its Resolution No. 03-2019, adopted on February 6, 2019, the District's Board of Education authorized the issuance and sale of "Portola Valley School District, (San Mateo County, California) Election of 2018 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019A, in an aggregate principal amount not-to-exceed \$20,000,000" (the "Series 2019A Bonds"), and requested that the County Board of Supervisors authorize the District to issue and sell the Series 2019A Bonds on its own behalf, by negotiated sale.

DISCUSSION:

In the past, the County has issued and sold general obligation bonds on behalf of a school district. For this transaction, the District has adopted a resolution (the "District Resolution") requesting that the County authorize the District itself to issue the particular series of 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 & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, as bond counsel and disclosure counsel, and Keygent, LLC. as municipal advisor.

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