

# **DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY**

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#### CITY OF ORLANDO DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY

#### I. Introduction

This Debt Management Policy is intended to (a) set forth guidelines under which the City's debt management program shall be administered, (b) set appropriate targets and boundaries for the City's current debt program, and (c) ensure that future generations of elected officials have reasonable latitude to address the financial circumstances of their tenure. This Debt Management Policy, as amended and adopted by City Council annually, sets forth the goals and objectives of the program and authorizes the City's Finance Committee to further define targets and benchmarks within these parameters. The City's original Debt Management policy was adopted by City Council on October 4, 1994.

#### II. Scope

This Debt Management Policy shall apply to all debt issued by the City and the Community Redevelopment Agency on behalf of the citizens, ratepayers and taxpayers of the City of Orlando.

# III. Objectives

The objectives of this Debt Management Policy are as follows:

- A. Balance multiple financial management objectives, including:
  - <u>Creativity</u>: examine new or different means to achieve established objectives at the lowest possible cost;
  - Innovation: address, consider or conceive new financing options which are either developed in the City's traditional municipal markets or adaptable from other existing financial markets;
  - 3. <u>Flexibility</u>: retain the City's current and future options to meet the financing challenges of the City;
  - Responsibility: be fair, reasonable and equitable to each generation of taxpayers, ratepayers, users and other beneficiaries when distributing the debt burden or costs of government;
  - Corporate Image: act as a good corporate citizen, to maintain or enhance the City's credit worthiness and reputation and to ensure the trust of those who have or will purchase the City's debt or other forms of borrowing; and
  - 6. <u>Due Care</u>: pay timely attention to and comply with each and all of the agreements, laws, contracts, covenants, policies and obligations which make up or are related to the City debt management program(s).
- B. Define and categorize the City's current debt programs as governmental or proprietary within the self-supporting and non-self supporting categories.

- Enhance the City's ability to access the credit markets and enhance or maintain the credit ratings for each of its programs.
- D. Address the purpose, use and advantages of the City's Internal Loan Fund program, as it is appropriately integrated into the City's overall debt management program.
- E. Evaluate each of the following in anticipation of new borrowing initiatives:
  - 1. Appropriate final maturity (1 to 30 years);
  - 2. Principal Amortization pattern (e.g., level principal, level debt service, etc.);
  - Use of long-term fixed, intermediate term fixed or variable rate debt pricing options, and
  - Use of risk management techniques (caps, swaps, floors, collars, etc.) to manage the City's variable rate risk exposure consistent with the City's Interest Rate Risk Management Products Policy.
- F. Identify appropriate debt constraints or limits in an effort to ensure adequate flexibility for future generations of elected officials;
- G. Provide for changes in targets and amendments to this Policy which can be approved by the Finance Committee and City Council, and an appropriate time frame to implement such changes.
- H. Provide a framework within which the City's corporate styled Debt Management Program can effectively operate.
- I. Provide for the publication of a Bond Disclosure Supplement that reports on the status of the City's debt management programs.

# IV. Categorize Debt Program(s)

The City shall periodically establish standards for and classify each of the City's debt programs into one of the following:

- A. Self-Supporting Debt:
  - Proprietary operations
    - i) Wastewater
    - ii) Parking
  - 2. Other Governmental (Non-General Fund revenues)
    - i) Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)
    - ii) Special Assessment and Tax-Increment
    - iii) State Sales Tax Payments Revenues Bonds
    - iv) Contract Tourist Development Tax Payments Revenue Bonds
- B. Non Self-supporting Debt:
  - 1. Proprietary operations

- 2. General Governmental (including the General Fund)
  - i) Covenant Program
  - ii) General Obligation

This distinction recognizes that self-supporting proprietary programs do not directly or indirectly place a burden on taxpayers in the form of increased taxes. As long as each system's user rates meet the needs of both operations and debt service, the debt program is not considered part of either the General Government or Tax-Supported Debt of the City.

Having made these classifications, the Mayor and City Council shall commit to:

- A. Act with regard to self-supporting proprietary operations, when necessary, to increase rates to ensure that each operation maintains rate coverages (revenue to debt service ratios) as required by the higher of either City policy or related debt covenants.
- B. Limit the level of annual debt service as a percentage of available annual revenues to ensure a reasonable ability to address recurring operations and maintenance and/or capital requirements on a pay-as-you-go basis for all self-supporting governmental operations.
- Establish the annual subsidy required and compare it to the actual subsidy needed for all non self-supporting proprietary operations.
- Adhere to debt limits established herein to ensure current and future flexibility for all Non Self-Supporting Debt.

# V. Manage the Use/Commitment of Pledgable Resources

- A. The City uses its Covenant Program as the primary financing mechanism and security source used to finance general government capital projects.
- B. The City recognizes that pledgable revenue sources are limited. The City will treat the use of each as a deployment of a scarce resource, and careful attention will be focused on balancing future flexibility with the need to consume scarce resources. The use of scarce resources as a secondary pledge should be thoughtfully addressed, used strategically, and, wherever possible, be:
  - 1. Limited to specific dollar amounts, and
  - Subject to recapture, if and when the primary revenue pledge demonstrates sufficient strength on its own.

### VI. Measuring Interperiod Equity

When measuring its commitment to its infrastructure and related service delivery potential, the City shall address both its capital and operating and maintenance requirements. For purposes of this policy, the City shall focus on its capital portion. When measuring interperiod equity, the City must consider the need to allocate the burden between generations and, more specifically, fiscal periods. The City will seek to measure the impact of proposed capital funding sources (debt and Pay-As-You-Go) for both a single year and longer-term forward forecasts. This future

capacity analysis shall consider debt service maturities and payment patterns as well as the City's commitment to a Pay-As-You-Go budgetary capital allocation.

# VII. Maintaining/Improving Credit Ratings

The City shall strive to maintain its Ratings and enhance the overall credit standing of not only its general credit, but also, each of its specific debt programs. When addressing efforts to enhance its current ratings, the City will seek to balance its current flexibility (and related ability to meet the challenges facing the community) with potential limitations or restrictions which may be required to enhance a bond rating. In light of the then current market conditions, the City will have to judge the enhanced market advantage of a projected rating by program against the potential loss of flexibility which may be necessary to achieve the rating enhancement. The City's current ratings are regularly published by the Rating Agencies and are summarized annually in the City's Bond Disclosure Supplement.

The need for three ratings and merit of various rating services' ratings may be judged (a) at the time and in the circumstances of the contemplated issue and (b) in the perspective of the City's overall programs.

#### VIII. The Internal Loan Fund

In 1986-87, the City created its Internal Loan (banking) Fund as a conduit device to distribute the debt proceeds which it initially received from the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission (SSGFC) into loans to various operating funds of the City. In 1991, the City established its current Covenant Program, which is used as the primary funding source for the Internal Loan Fund and incorporated the pledge associated with the SSGFC.

The goal of the Internal Loan Fund is to provide funding for various projects around the City, with flexibility of loan terms and a low, blended interest rate. The blended loan rate is achieved through a mix of variable, medium-term, and long-term Covenant backed debt instruments. In general, loan repayment schedules are established that are shorter than bond repayment provisions, in order to provide the City an internal and revolving source of capital financing without needing to access the public markets for small projects.

Loans are provided to both proprietary and non-proprietary operations. Loan repayments from proprietary operations are subordinate to revenue bond debt issued for and secured by proprietary funds.

## IX. Criteria for Evaluating Debt Options

The City Council has authorized the Finance Committee to establish specific target benchmarks for potential exercise of debt options. Further, within the framework established by the goals, objectives and established target benchmarks, City Council authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to act on behalf of the City, in a manner intended to lower the effective cost of debt to the taxpayers and citizens of Orlando. With regard to this delegation of authority, both to the Finance Committee and ultimately to the Chief Financial Officer, the following criteria for evaluating debt options has been established:

# A. Maturity Analysis

For self-supporting proprietary operations, the primary strategy is to use a long-term level debt service maturity structure. To the extent that shorter maturities or alternative amortization strategies are utilized in an effort to reduce the effective borrowing costs, a comparative advantage must be considered in relationship to the potential negative impacts on user rates and charges.

For all other categories of debt, the City may consider opportunities to either shorten maturities or alter amortization structures. A level principal structure may be considered versus level debt service generally as long as the structure does not increase the maximum annual debt service by more than 25%. Additionally, the City should consider a level principal maturity structure compared to shorter maturity level debt service structure when maximum annual debt service is similar.

## B. Market Options

#### (i). Election to Issue Fixed Rate Debt

The City has available to it two separate fixed rate programs: long-term Fixed Rate Debt and Medium Term Notes. Fixed Rate Debt is the traditional way municipalities have issued debt-- debt is offered to investors with a fixed maturity schedule at rates fixed in a single offering. Long-term Fixed Rate Debt issuance should be based upon a consideration of the following factors: (a) the level of long-term rates at the time of issuance versus the last 3 to 10 years, (b) a short to intermediate range forecast for long term rates, (c) the ratio of short-term (or variable rate) debt to current program debt outstanding and/or (d) the amount of Variable Rate Debt outstanding by program.

The City issued its first series of Medium Term Notes in 2002. This issue of Medium Term Notes was sold to investors with an initial amortization schedule of 2 to 12 years. As the individual principal amounts come due, the City re-offers the debt on a 1 to 15 year maturity basis until the designated final maturity. The benefit of the Medium Term Note structure is that the City prices its debt in the lower interest rate portion of the yield curve. The risk to the City of this structure is primarily the risk that interest rates will rise in successive re-offerings at a level sufficient to offset the initial interest savings. The City should consider issuing Medium Term Notes under circumstances where the structure is expected to provide the City with a lower cost of capital compared to longterm fixed rate debt using a breakeven rate analysis. The City should limit the amount of Medium Term Note issuance consistent with rating agency and bond insurer guidelines. The City currently limits the amount of Medium Term Note total maturities in any one year to (a) an amount not greater than 200% of the liquidity portion of the City's investment portfolio as of April 1st, and (b) not to exceed \$12 million. In addition, this limit may be raised up to \$20 million if a liquidity facility is provided for 50% of the amount of total maturities in any single year.

#### (ii). Election to Issue Variable Rate

Issuing Variable Rate Debt permits the City to access rates on the very short end of the yield curve. The difference in short versus long-term rates varies with the shape of the yield curve and has typically ranged from 100-350 basis points (or 1.0% to 3.5%). By issuing Variable Rate Debt, the issuer is subject to interest rate risk. However, Variable Rate Debt has historically been at lower interest rate levels than recognized fixed rate

indices, and is generally able to create a natural hedge against changes in the City's Short-Term Investment portfolio.

Variable Rate Debt should be used for two purposes: (1) as an interim financing device (during construction periods) and (2), subject to limitations, as an integral portion of a long-term strategy to lower the City's effective cost of capital. The City's interim variable rate program allows the City to avoid the inefficiency of borrowing for small projects and allows for an aggregation of small projects and, thus, a more cost effective debt management program. Under either circumstance, when the cycle of long-term rates moves down to or near historic lows, consideration should be given to fixing (converting to a fixed rate to maturity alternative) a portion of the then outstanding Variable Rate Debt to take advantage of the attractive long-term fixed rates.

## (iii). Hedging Election

The City's Interest Rate Risk Management Products Policy provides guidelines for any hedging the City's Variable Rate Debt exposure.

#### (iv). Debt Program Targets

In general, the City seeks to lower its overall cost of funds through an issuance of Variable Rate Debt and Medium Term Notes since these products are generally lower than fixed rates of interest. In addition, the Variable Rate Debt would simultaneously create a hedge against its variable rate investments to protect its financial condition in lower interest rate environments. The potential savings and benefits justify interest rate exposure as long as the risk is mitigated by limiting the amount of the Net Variable Rate Debt. In considering Net Variable Rate Debt, the rating agencies generally recognize the issuer's ability to match its assets and liabilities and generally exclude or net variable rate debt equal to (i) certain variable rate assets and (ii) applied Debt Hedging Products such as interest rate caps and swaps where appropriate. The following targets are established for the overall City's debt portfolio, including all Self-Supporting Debt and Non Self Supporting Debt:

## Overall City and CRA Debt

Overall City and CRA	<b>Targets</b>
Fixed Rate	
• Goal	50-60%
Unhedged or Net Variable Rate:	
• Goal	15-25%
Maximum	30%

#### **Covenant Program**

The following targets are established for the Covenant Program:

Targets
40-50%
25-35%
50%

# **Other Debt Program Targets**

In addition to the aforementioned targets for the overall City and CRA debt, and the Covenant Program, specific targets regarding the limits on unhedged or Net Variable Rate Debt exposure for the senior debt of each separate borrowing program are set forth below:

Other Debt Programs	Target Maximum Net Variable Rate Debt (1) Exposure
Wastewater	35%
Parking	15%
CRA (Downtown District)	15%
Special Assessment	N/A
State Sales Tax Payments	N/A
Contract TDT Payments	N/A
New Debt Programs:	TBD.

(1) The maximum Net Variable Rate Debt exposure limits have been established in recognition of each program's variable rate exposure associated with the Internal Loan Fund exposure. The City's Wastewater program does not currently have Internal Loan Fund exposure and therefore, a higher maximum is more appropriate compared to the Parking and the CRA (Downtown District) Programs which have Internal Loan Fund (subordinate lien) variable rate exposure.

# (v). Refunding Options

Targets for a Fixed Rate Debt to Fixed Rate Debt refunding should include the following criteria:

- 1. Maximum true interest cost
- 2. Minimum economic present value of at least 5% of refunded bonds,
- 3. Minimum annual average debt service savings of at least \$100,000.

Lower net present value cost savings and annual average debt service savings criteria may be appropriate for shorter term or smaller fixed rate refunding issues.

Refunding Variable Rate Debt to Fixed Rate Debt cannot provide for the similar measurable benchmarks and should be based on the aforementioned Election to Issue Fixed Rate Debt criteria.

Refunding of Variable Rate Debt to Variable Rate Debt should be based primarily on the economic or structured advantages of the new program.

Criteria and savings targets associated with Synthetic Refundings that are consistent with the provisions of the City's Interest Rate Risk Management Policy, should be established on a case-by-case basis and should generally be higher (more restrictive) than the criteria for Fixed Rate Debt refundings.

While a framework (a delegation of authority) has been established regarding the management of the City's debt portfolio, specific City Council approval is still required prior to the issuance of any new debt. Once the City Council has approved a refunding (revenue source, structure and target benchmark), the Finance Committee may act to adjust the target benchmarks, within the goals and objectives framework, to address changing market conditions.

## X. Measures of Future Flexibility

As the City addresses its needs at any one period in time, the Mayor and City Council must both be prepared to ensure the flexibility of this and future generations of elected officials to meet the then present needs and challenges which face the community. Since neither State law nor the City Charter provide any fixed limits on the amount of debt which may be incurred (other than the requirement to have General Obligation debt approved in advance by referendum), the following targets or limits are established to ensure future flexibility. The following goals/targets are set to ensure the current and future flexibility, and financial vitality of the City.

<u>Targets</u>
20% max.
10% max.
15 year
max.
25 year
max.
20 year
max.
12 year
max.
\$1,375
max.
2.5% max.
3.5% max.
50% max.
15% to
25%

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes City's Utility Services Tax reserves.

While the City currently operates well within these targets/goals, it is appropriate to use these various common measures of debt burden as a means of setting parameters for the overall City's Debt Management Program.

# XI. Monitoring, Reporting, Amendments and/or Exceptions

The Chief Financial Officer shall monitor the actual results against the targets presented in this policy and shall publish a comparison of the targets against the fiscal year end numbers in the City's Bond Disclosure Supplement. The report will include the following information, to the extent applicable:

# A. Debt Program Targets, and

### B. Measures of Future Flexibility Targets;

From time to time, circumstances may suggest that an exception be approved to one or more of the policy constraints established herein. Amendments and/or exceptions must be submitted through the Finance Committee to the City Council and shall become effective only after approved by the City Council.

As is established in the policy governing the Finance Committee, within the guidelines established by the goals/policies and objectives/strategies, the Finance Committee can establish

and amend, where necessary, the target benchmarks which further define the aggregate guidelines within which the Chief Financial Officer operates.

#### XII. Continuing Disclosure Commitment Compliance

In response to SEC Rule 15c2-12, the City has established guidelines and procedures for meeting Continuing Disclosure Commitments. These procedures cover annual disclosure and other reportable events prescribed by the SEC Rule, as well as procedures for compliance with tax rules and the opportunity for timely remediation when needed.

#### A. Policy

1. It is the policy of the City of Orlando to provide full and fair disclosure and comply with all post-issuance regulatory obligations in connection with the initial sale and distribution of its publicly marketed debt instruments and to provide appropriate ongoing secondary market information in compliance with the requirements of applicable federal and state securities laws, rules and regulations, including Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Rule 15c 2-12 (the "Rule").

- 2. This policy is implemented through the adoption of the administrative procedures set forth below which provide for assignment of responsibility for information compilation, communication, analysis, response and dissemination.
- 3. The Office of Business and Financial Services (OBFS) is charged with general authority and responsibility for developing, implementing and overseeing compliance with this policy and the administrative procedures with respect hereto. Policy direction is provided by the Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Chief Financial Officer, while day-to-day administration of Continuing Disclosure tasks and compliance is carried out by the City Treasurer and Treasury Manager for Debt Service (herein the "Treasury Manager").

#### B. Procedures

1. The City Chief Financial Officer will provide or cause to be provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, not later than the following June 1 after each preceding fiscal year end, the following information:

(i) Audited financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Controller is responsible for preparing the City's annual Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for approval by the Chief Financial Officer.

(ii) Certain annual financial information required to be provided pursuant to the Rule. The annual Bond Disclosure Supplement provides much of this information. The Treasury Manager is responsible for preparing the annual Bond Disclosure Supplement for approval by the Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer.

2. For applicable bond issues prior to December 1, 2010, the City Treasurer and/or Treasury Manager will provide or cause to be provided, in a timely manner, to the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events as required by the Rule, if such event is material:

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- principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- non-payment related defaults;
- unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax-exempt status of bonds;
- modifications to rights of the holders of bonds;
- bond calls (other than scheduled mandatory redemption);
- bond defeasances;
- release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of bonds; and
- rating changes.
- 3. For applicable bond issues on or after December 1, 2010, the City Treasurer and/or Treasury Manager will provide or cause to be provided to the MSRB in an electronic format, in a timely manner, as prescribed by the MSRB, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events as required by the Rule (initially established as not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event):
  - principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - non-payment related default, if material;
  - unscheduled draws on the debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or
    final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701- TEB)
    or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the
    bonds, or other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the bonds; or
    events affecting the tax-exempt status of bonds;
  - modifications to rights of the holders of bonds, if material;
  - bond calls, if material, and tender offers (other than scheduled mandatory

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4. For applicable bond issues on or after February 27, 2019, the City Treasurer and/or	-	Formatted: Indent: Left: 0.75", No bullets or numbering
Treasury Manager will provide or cause to be provided to the MSRB in an electronic format, in a timely manner, as prescribed by the MSRB, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events as required by the Rule (initially established as not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event):		
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the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the City, other than in the ordinary
course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action
or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than
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- appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- incurrence of a financial obligation of the City, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the City, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of the financial obligation of the City, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- 5. The City will provide or cause to be provided, in a timely manner, to the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, notice of a failure by the City to provide the information described in Paragraph II. above on or prior to the date set forth therein.
- 6. Working through OBFS, City Administration and Department Directors will be responsible for monitoring the City operations within their control as to any possible events required to be disclosed hereunder or other occurrences that may be material with respect to City debt instruments. Following the occurrence of an event not set forth in Section II.B. or C., OBFS, in consultation with bond and disclosure counsel and financial advisory consultants, will assess the need for disclosure and, if deemed necessary, prepare disclosure appropriate for the given event. OBFS will coordinate to disseminate the official written disclosure to the MSRB. This notice may be disseminated by a third party dissemination agent if one is under contract.
- 7. For new bond issuances, the City will ensure any material non-compliance events with continuing disclosure requirements within the past five years are properly reported in the Official Statement.
- 8. The following procedures are intended to address certifications on the 8038-G Form confirming that the City has established written procedures to monitor compliance with issue prices, the use of proceeds, private business uses, arbitrage, yield restriction, and rebate requirements of Section 148 of the Code, as well as training and records retention. The implementation of the procedures is intended to assist in compliance with the tax rules and the opportunity for timely remediation through the "remedial action" regulations or the IRS Voluntary Closing Agreement Program.
  - (i). Issue Price. As part of the closing process, the Chief Financial Officer and/or Treasurer will consult with the financial advisor and bond counsel and obtain a

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written certification from the underwriter, placement agent or other purchaser of the bonds as to the offering price of the bonds that is in form and substance acceptable to the City and bond counsel.

(ii). Use of Proceeds. The Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with bond and disclosure counsel, will:

a. maintain clear and consistent accounting procedures for tracking the investment and expenditures of bond proceeds, including investment earnings on bond proceeds;

b. at or shortly after closing of a bond issue, ensure that any allocations for reimbursement expenditures comply with the tax certificate; and

c. monitor that sale proceeds and investment earnings on sale proceeds of taxexempt bonds are spent in a timely fashion consistent with the requirements of the tax certificate.

(iii). Monitoring Private Business Use. The Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the City Attorney, bond and disclosure counsel, will review proposed contracts or arrangements with non-governmental persons or organizations or the federal government (collectively referred to as "private persons") with respect to the bond-financed facilities which could result in private business use of the facilities such as sales of bond-financed facilities; leases of bond-financed facilities and management service contracts relating to bond-financed facilities and shall have bond counsel review new contracts or amendments and determine whether any limits on private business use are exceeded and, if so, whether any actions are required to be taken to comply with the tax rules.

(iv). Arbitrage, Yield Restriction and Rebate Compliance. OBFS will (i) confirm that bond counsel has filed the applicable information reports (such as Form 8038-G) for each bond issue with the IRS on a timely basis, and (ii) maintain copies of such form including evidence of timely filing as part of the transcript of the bond issue. The Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with appropriate consulting firms, if necessary, shall confirm, recalculate and annually monitor the calculation of arbitrage on outstanding City debt as the basis for ongoing rebate compliance as set forth in the 8038-G and the tax certificate.

(v). Training and Retention of Records. The Chief Financial Officer and/or Treasurer will circulate training materials and guidance prepared by bond and disclosure counsel regarding developing continuing disclosure regulatory compliance and compliance with the rules applicable to the issuance of tax-exempt bonds for review by responsible individuals. Responsible individuals will undertake training needed to obtain any applicable continuing education related to issuance and accounting of tax-exempt bond proceeds and investing public funds. OBFS will ensure that for each issue of bonds, the transcript and all records and documents described in these procedures will be maintained while any of the bonds are outstanding (and during the five-year period following the final maturity or redemption of that bond issue), or if the bonds are refunded (or re-refunded), while any of the refunding bonds are outstanding (and during the five-year period following the final maturity or redemption of the refunding bonds).

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(vi). Execution of Form 8038-G. The Chief Financial Officer, or other individual authorized pursuant to a resolution of the City Council, shall execute Form 8038-G as an authorized representative of the City.

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# XIII. Debt Management Policy Review and Modification

The City's Debt Management Policy will be submitted by the Finance Committee for annual ratification by the City Council by May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The authority to effect any change, modification or amendment of this Debt Management Policy shall rest solely with the City Council. The Finance Committee and staff recommendations for policy changes may be submitted in conjunction with the annual ratification or more often as deemed necessary. Policy changes initiated by City Council may be made as deemed appropriate. Policy changes will become effective on the date stipulated by City Council.

# $XI\underline{VH}$ . Time-Line for Implementation of Amendments

Considering the then current position of the interest rate curve, recent movements and indication of possible short term direction, the City shall consider a reasonable time-line(s) to bring the then current debt program in line with amendments to this Debt Management Policy.

#### XIV. Effective Date

The City's Debt Management Policy was ratified and approved by the City Council on April <u>816</u>, 201<u>9</u>8.

# **Glossary of Key Terms**

"Amortization" means the schedule of debt principal to be paid over a period of time.

"Banking Fund" See "Internal Loan Fund".

"Bond Disclosure Supplement" The City's annual report which provides market disclosure relating to the City's debt offerings.

"Covenant Program" means the City's debt program that is secured by covenant to budget and appropriate from non-ad valorem revenues and encompasses all debt that is defined as Covenant Obligations under the City's Covenant Ordinance.

"Debt Hedging Products" means interest rate risk mitigation products such as swaps, caps, floors, collars and options in connection with the incurrence of City debt obligations.

"Debt Service" means scheduled payments of interest and principal on debt obligations.

"Fixed Rate Debt" means a debt obligation issued with a predetermined interest rate.

"General Government Debt" means all Non Self Supporting debt. These are the programs whose expenditures for debt service are in direct competition with other General Fund expenditures (salaries, utilities, supplies, etc.).

"Hedged Variable Rate Debt" total variable rate debt less any associated Debt Hedging Products and allocated Short-Term Investments.

"Internal Loan Fund" means a conduit financing device to distribute proceeds of debt into loans to various operating funds of the City. The goal of Internal Loan Fund is to provide funding for various projects around the City, with flexibility of loan terms and low, blended rate. The blended loan rate is achieved through a mix of variable, medium-term, and long-term Covenant backed debt instruments. In general, loan repayment schedules are established that are shorter than bond repayment provisions, in order to provide the City a revolving source of capital financing without needing to access the public markets for each capital need.

"Maturity" means the length of time until the principal amount of a bond must be repaid.

"Medium Term Loans" means debt issued with a fifteen year or less maturity that is Designated Maturity Debt as defined in the Covenant Program. See above, IX. Criteria for Evaluating Debt Options, B. Market Options, (i) Election to Issue Fixed Rate Debt.

"Net Variable Rate Debt" means total Variable Rate Debt less Hedged Variable Rate Debt.

"Non-Self Supporting Debt" means any indebtedness of the City other than Self Supporting Debt

"Pay-As-You-Go" refers to the payment of capital projects or other non operating projects using non-capitalized revenues.

"Present Value" means the amount that a future sum of money is worth today given a specified rate of return.

"Ratings" means ratings that are issued by Moody's Investors Service, Fitch and Standard & Poor's Corporation and any other nationally recognized rating agency, to the extent they have in effect a rating on City debt.

"Self Supporting Debt" means any indebtedness of the City for borrowed money that is either (a) secured by or payable exclusively from a source of revenues other than Covenant Revenues, or (b) primarily payable from revenues of the type described in clause (a) above and secondarily from Covenant Revenues if the Covenant Revenues have not been used (or, as provided below, deemed to have been used) to pay any portion of such indebtedness for the three Fiscal Years preceding the date of determination and if the City projects that the Covenant Revenues will not be so used during the next two Fiscal Years; and either (c) that is secured by a revenue source that has been in effect for at least three Fiscal Years and that would have provided coverage of at least 125% of the average annual debt service on such obligations secured by such revenue source in each of the three preceding Fiscal Years or, (d) if the revenue source has not been in existence for at least three Fiscal Years, that is secured by a revenue source that would have provided coverage of at least 150% of the average annual debt service on such obligations secured by such revenue source in at least the last full Fiscal Year preceding the issuance of such obligations and that is projected to provide at least 150% debt service coverage (based on revenue and debt service projections by the City) in each of the three ensuing Fiscal Years; and (e) in any such case, in the three preceding Fiscal Years, no debt service on which has been paid (or, as provided below, deemed to have been paid) from Covenant Revenues deposited in the General Fund or the Utilities Services Tax Fund. For purposes of calculating the coverage requirements described in this definition, the historical and projected receipts of a particular revenue source shall be adjusted retroactively to the initial date of the calculation period to reflect changes in rates, levies or impositions enacted prior to the date of calculation. For purposes of this definition, Covenant Revenues will be deemed to have been used to pay debt service on any debt if Covenant Revenues have been transferred in the relevant period, other than pursuant to a Capital Transfer, to a fund or account used to pay debt service on such debt.

"Synthetic Refundings" means refunding transactions that include the use of interest rate risk management products such as swaps, caps, floors, collars and options.

"Short-term Investments" means liquid investment assets of the City.

"Tax-Supported Debt" means General Government Debt programs plus Other Governmental Self-Supporting Debt. This creates two categories of debt which place direct or indirect burden on the taxpayers of the City.

"Unhedged Variable Rate Debt" means Net Variable Rate Debt.

"Variable Rate Debt" means debt obligations entered into that use a variable, auction reset, adjustable, convertible or other similar interest rate which is not fixed in percentage at the date of issue.