

Agenda Report

July 14, 2003

TO: City Council
THROUGH: Finance Committee

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AND THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE INVITATION OF BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRIC REVENUE BONDS, 2003 SERIES, APPROVING A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL BONDS, A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT, A NOTICE INVITING BIDS AND OFFICIAL FORM OF PROPOSAL; AND AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL BONDS, ESTABLISHING A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$15 MILLION OF AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL, THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO ELECTRIC REVENUE BOND INDENTURE, VARIOUS ESCROW AGREEMENTS AND A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve:

1. A Resolution authorizing the invitation of bids for the purchase of electric revenue bonds, 2003 series, approving a notice of intention to sell bonds, a preliminary official statement, a notice inviting bids and official form of proposal; and authorizing the publication of a notice of intention to sell bonds, and
2. An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of a not to exceed \$15 million aggregate principal amount of Electric Revenue Bonds, 2003 series, payable out of the Electric Fund and approving the execution and delivery of a third supplement to the electric revenue bond indenture, various escrow agreements and a continuing disclosure agreement in connection therewith.

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

This agenda report requests authority to issue up to \$15 million in new revenue bonds by the Electric Fund to:

- Complete the installation of the GT 3 and GT4 (approx. \$7.5 million) and;
- Fund the installation of the Pacific DC line (approx. \$1.0 million);

The balance of the proceeds will be used to cover the cost of issuance and fund the required reserve fund.

BACKGROUND

The 2003 Bonds proceeds will be used to pay certain costs of the Local Generation Repowering Project (the "2003 Project") that were not funded by the 2002 Bonds.

Local Generation Repowering Project

The \$89.8 million Local Generation Repowering Project is a key element of the City Council approved Power System Strategic Resource Plan (Plan), developed in response to recent regional power shortages, energy price volatility, and stricter emissions control requirements recently adopted by the South Coast Air Quality Management District ("SCAQMD"). The Local Generation Repowering Project will effectively enable PWP to meet its stated goals of reliable electric service, stable rates, competitive energy pricing, and environmental stewardship.

New Gas Turbines GT3 & GT4. This portion of the 2003 Project, which is under construction and expected to be operational in October 2003, includes the replacement of existing steam generators Broadway 1 and Broadway 2 (B1 and B2) with two new 45MW simple-cycle combustion turbines. These new units, which will be located on the utilities existing Glenarm property (adjacent to Broadway) and designated as Gas Turbine Unit 3 and Unit 4 (GT3 and GT4), are essential and time critical. B1 and B2, which provide needed capacity to reliably meet PWP's peak loads and an important hedge against power market price spikes, were retired on January 1, 2003 due to strict new emission control requirements imposed by the SCAQMD. With their higher efficiency, superior operational flexibility, and 98% reduction in NOx emission rates, GT3 and GT4 will be far more effective in the role currently played by B1 and B2. The final procurement and installation budget for GT3 and GT4 is \$82.3 million (an increase of \$7.5 million over initial budget estimate).

Sylmar Converter Station Upgrade. This portion of the 2003 Project is to fund the upgrade of the Sylmar Converter Station. This is a DC to AC converter at the south end of the Pacific Northwest DC Intertie, a double-pole, +/-500 kV transmission line spanning 850 miles from Celilo in northern Oregon to Sylmar, California. This line conveys energy from BPA and other Pacific Northwest utilities at NOB to Sylmar. PWP purchased 70 MW (2.25%) of the total 3100 MW capacity of the southern portion (south of the point where the line crosses the NOB) of the Pacific Northwest DC project.

LADWP is currently constructing a \$118 million replacement for the Sylmar converter station, which was damaged in the 1994 Northridge earthquake, to improve seismic performance. Pasadena's share of the cost will be \$2.71 million, less \$1.76 million that will be funded by FEMA.

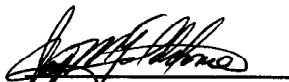
FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated annual debt service on this transaction is \$1.1 million. Payments will be made from the Light and Power Fund and funds are available from currently approved rates.

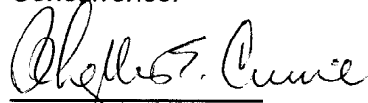
Respectfully submitted,


Cynthia J. Kurtz
City Manager

Approved by:


Jay M. Goldstone
Director of Finance

Concurrence:


Phyllis Currie
General Manager, Water and Power

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF CITY OF PASADENA ELECTRIC REVENUE BONDS, 2003 SERIES, PAYABLE OUT OF THE LIGHT AND POWER FUND, AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO ELECTRIC REVENUE BOND FISCAL AGENT AGREEMENT AND A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XIV of the Charter (the "Charter") of the City of Pasadena (the "City"), the City Council of the City (the "City Council") is authorized to provide for the issuance of revenue bonds for the purpose of providing moneys for the acquisition and construction of additions to, extensions, improvements, or repairs of the electric works of the City (the "Electric System") by ordinance authorizing the issuance of such revenue bonds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 6760 of the City, adopted on August 3, 1998, the City has heretofore issued \$70,635,000 principal amount of its Electric Revenue/Refunding Bonds, 1998 Series (the "1998 Bonds") pursuant to an Electric Revenue Bond Fiscal Agent Agreement, dated as of August 1, 1998 (the "Master Fiscal Agent Agreement"), by and between the City and BNY Western Trust Company, as fiscal agent (the "Fiscal Agent"), as supplemented by a First Supplement to Electric Revenue Bond Fiscal Agent Agreement, dated as of August 1, 1998, by and between the City and the Fiscal Agent (the "First Supplement,") and pursuant to Ordinance No. 6902 of the City, adopted on July 1, 2002, the City has heretofore issued \$82,320,000 principal amount of its Electric Revenue Bonds, 2002 Series (the "2002 Bonds") pursuant to a Second Supplement to Electric Revenue Bond Fiscal Agent Agreement, dated as of July 1, 2002, by and between the City and the Fiscal Agent (the "Second Supplement") to provide moneys (i) for the acquisition and construction of additions to, and extensions and improvements of, the Electric System and (ii) to refund in their entirety of certain outstanding obligations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XIV of the Charter, the City now proposes to issue its Electric Revenue Bonds, 2003 Series (the "2003 Bonds"), pursuant to the Master Fiscal Agent Agreement, the First Supplement, and the Second Supplement, as further supplemented by a Third Supplement to Electric Revenue Bond Fiscal Agent Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2003, by and between the City and the Fiscal Agent (the "Third Supplement," and together with the Master Fiscal Agent Agreement, the First Supplement and the Second Supplement, the "Fiscal Agent Agreement"), to provide moneys for the acquisition and construction of additions to, and extensions and improvements of, the Electric System; said 2003 Bonds not to constitute an indebtedness of the City but to constitute obligations which shall be payable as to both principal and interest, and any premiums upon the redemption of any thereof prior to maturity, only from the Light and Power Fund of the City and certain other funds as provided in the Fiscal Agent Agreement; and this Ordinance is for the purpose of authorizing the issuance of such 2003 Bonds.

NOW, THEREFORE, the People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

Section 1. Authorization to Issue 2003 Bonds: Purpose; Principal Amount.

(a) Pursuant to Article XIV of the Charter, the City Council does hereby authorize to be issued, upon the terms and conditions as hereinafter set forth, the 2003 Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$15,000,000 for the acquisition and construction of additions to, and extensions and improvements of, the Electric System, including the payment of costs and expenses incidental thereto.

(b) This Ordinance shall constitute complete authority to issue the 2003 Bonds pursuant to the Fiscal Agent Agreement as provided herein.

Section 2. Issuance of Bonds. The 2003 Bonds shall be issued pursuant to and in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Ordinance, and more specifically in the Fiscal Agent Agreement.

Section 3. Date of Issuance; Maximum Interest Rates. The 2003 Bonds shall be dated as of the date of delivery thereof (which shall be no later than October 1, 2003). The maximum true interest cost for the 2003 Bonds shall not exceed six percent (6.0%) per annum.

Section 4. Maturity Dates. The maximum term for the 2003 Bonds shall be 20 years. Subject to the preceding sentence, the 2003 Bonds shall mature and be payable on such dates as specifically set forth in the Third Supplement described in Section 6 hereof.

Section 5. Source of Payment. The 2003 Bonds shall not constitute an indebtedness of the City but shall constitute obligations which shall be payable as to both principal and interest, and any premiums upon the redemption of any thereof prior to maturity, only from the Light and Power Fund of the City, as provided in Article XIV of the Charter, and certain other funds as authorized by Article XIV and provided in the Fiscal Agent Agreement.

Section 6. Approval of Third Supplement. In order to prescribe the terms and conditions upon which the 2003 Bonds are to be issued, secured, executed, authenticated and held, the Third Supplement proposed to be executed and entered into by the City and the Fiscal Agent, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved, and the Director of Finance (or, in the absence of the Director of Finance, his designee) is hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the City, to execute, and the City Clerk is authorized to affix the official seal of the City to, and deliver the Third Supplement to the Fiscal Agent in substantially such form, with such changes (including, without limitation, such changes as may be necessary to provide for the issuance of a municipal bond insurance policy and/or a surety bond for the reserve fund if so determined or such changes as may be requested by rating agencies providing a rating on the 2003 Bonds) as may be approved by the Director of Finance (or, in the absence of the Director of Finance, his designee), acting on behalf of the City, subject to advice of counsel, such execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of the approval of the City of all changes from the form of the Third Supplement presented to this meeting.

Section 7. Continuing Disclosure Agreement. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement, proposed to be executed and entered into by and between the City and the Fiscal Agent, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B is hereby approved, and the Director of Finance (or, in the absence of the Director of Finance, his designee) is hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the City, to execute and deliver to the trustee the Continuing Disclosure Agreement in substantially said form, with such changes as may be approved by the Director of Finance (or, in the absence of the Director of Finance, his designee), acting on behalf of the City, subject to advice of counsel, such execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of the approval of the City of all changes from the form of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement presented to this meeting.

Section 8. Official Action. All actions heretofore taken by the officers and agents of the City with respect to the issuance of the 2003 Bonds and the negotiation and execution of said agreements are hereby approved, confirmed and ratified. The City Manager, the Director of Finance, the City Treasurer, the City Clerk and any and all other officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the City to do any and all things and take any and all actions, including, without limitation, the negotiation of a municipal bond insurance policy for all or any of the 2003 Bonds and a surety bond in lieu of cash for any reserve fund, and including execution and delivery of any and all certificates, requisitions, agreements and other documents, which they, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable in order to consummate the issuance, sale and delivery of the 2003 Bonds pursuant to the agreements described herein.

Section 9. Provisions Necessary and Desirable. The provisions of this Ordinance are deemed necessary and desirable to facilitate the issuance and sale of the 2003 Bonds authorized by this Ordinance.

Section 10. Publication. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause this Ordinance, excepting the exhibits attached hereto, to be published once in the *Pasadena Star-News*, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in said City.

Section 11. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect on the date of publication pursuant to Section 10, subject only to the right of referendum provided in Section 1413 of the City Charter.

Signed and approved this _____ day of _____, 2003.

Mayor of the City of Pasadena, California

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its regular meeting held _____, 2003, by the following vote:

Ayes:


Noes:

Absent:

Published:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Michele Beal Bagneris
City Attorney

Jane L. Rodriguez
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Mary Neale
Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP
Bond Counsel

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THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE**
