Measure R Short-Term Borrowing

Board Staff Briefing

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Issue

- State and Federal grants require that Metro pay project expenses and request reimbursement of the payments.
- A short-term borrowing program will help bridge the gap between when expenditures are required and when programmed funding is received.
- Without short-term liquidity, we may be faced with delaying or stopping projects until funds can be accumulated to construct projects on a "pay go" basis.

Estimated Benefits of Short-Term Borrowing to Avoid Project Delays

Example	Estimated Amounts
Estimated expenditures for FY16 for Regional Connector Project	\$228.4 million
Estimated cost of one year delay (FY16) for Regional Connector Project (based on estimated project cost escalation and one year of extended overhead)	\$94.4 million
Estimated cost of one year short-term borrowing to fund \$228.4 million of FY16 Regional Connector Project expenditures	\$2.1 million
Estimated savings from short-term borrowing to avoid one year delay in Regional Connector Project expenditures, after issuance and interest costs	\$92.3 million



Comparison of Short and Long Term Borrowing Costs

	Intere	ated Annual est Cost At 300M
I. <u>Short-Term Borrowing Program</u> ¹		
(Based on bank proposals received)		
Current short-term rates (borrowing rate of 0.83%)	\$	2,488,000
5-year historic average of short-term rates (borrowing rate of 0.85%)	\$	2,548,400
10-year historic average of short-term rates (borrowing rate of 1.92%)	\$	5,745,100
II. Long-Term Borrowing		
TIFIA Loans (Crenshaw rate of 2.43%) ²	\$	7,290,000
Measure R Bonds (estimated rate of 3.29%)	\$	9,870,000
Savings for one year from short-term borrowing at current rates versus TIFIA	\$	4,802,000
Savings for one year from short-term borrowing at current rates versus Measure R Bonds (at estimated rate of 3.29%)	\$	7,382,000
 ¹ This analysis assumes the terms of the costliest bank proposal. ² TIFIA loan terms differ – this analysis assumes most advantageous TIFIA loan. 		



Summary of Proposals and Recommendations Credit Agreements Supporting \$300 Million Measure R Short-Term Borrowing Program

	Rank	Bank	Maximum Commitment Amount	Estimated Annual Cost based on Commitment Amount	Estimated Annual Interest Cost Normalized for Comparison Purposes At \$300M*	
	5-Year Revo	olver Program (Estimated borr	owing rate of .49% to .83%)			
	1	Bank of the West	\$50 million	\$252,200	\$1,513,000	
	2	State Street	\$100 million	\$488,600	\$1,465,700	
	3	RBC	\$150 million	\$1,018,500	\$2,036,900	
	4	JP Morgan	\$300 million	\$2,488,000	\$2,488,000	
	3-Year Revolver Program (Estimated borrowing rate of .43% to .63%)					
	1	Bank of the West	\$50 million	\$214,700	\$1,288,000	
	2	State Street	\$100 million	\$438,600	\$1,315,700	
	3	RBC	\$150 million	\$703,500	\$1,406,900	
	4	Wells Fargo	\$75 million	\$397,000	\$1,588,000	
	5	Bank of America	\$300 million	\$1,813,000	\$1,813,000	
	6	JP Morgan	\$300 million	\$1,858,000	\$1,858,000	
	7	Barclays	\$150 million	\$944,000	\$1,888,000	
	3-Year CP F	Program (Estimated borrowi	ng rate of .64%)			
		Bank of Tokyo - Mitsubishi	\$ 300 million	\$1,916,900	\$1,916,900	
for t	time specified	mended proposers are indicated in each proposal.				

Benefits of Short-Term Borrowing Program

Short-Term Financing:

- Short-term interest rates are very attractive now, including bank fees and marketing costs.
- Relatively fast to issue additional debt when needed.
- No need to borrow more than current project requirements so no extra interest costs or negative arbitrage.
- Can be repaid without any penalty.



End Presentation

Discussion

