

ALTERNATIVES FOR REFINANCING THE CITY'S CURRENT PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS (POBs) OUTSTANDING

Finance Department

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BACKGROUND

- 1. The City currently has \$101 million of Pension Obligation Bonds outstanding with limited restructuring/refinancing opportunities available
- 2. Bonds were issued pursuant to a judicial Validation Judgment dated May 3, 2004 that all the POB's will be valid, legal and binding obligations of the City
- 3. As part of a 2008 refinancing of the 2005 Series B POB market security program, the City used Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) which were interest only payments for 15 years and 5 year principal "balloon" payments for years 15-20. There is approx. \$31.1 million of the bonds outstanding
- 4. This presentation summarizes the City's current POB debt profile, and alternatives on how to amortize (i.e., pay down) this remaining \$31.1 million in principal

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EXISTING POB'S – CURRENT DEBT SUMMARY

	2004 Series A-1	2005 Series A	2016 BAN
Issuer / Series	California Statewide Communities Development Authority Pooled Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds	City of Riverside Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds	City of Riverside Taxable Pension Obligation Refunding Bond Anticipation Notes
Principal Outstanding	\$56,600,000	\$13,255,000	\$31,145,000
Final Maturity Date	June 1, 2023	June 1, 2020	June 1, 2017
Interest Rates	Fixed Rate [5.896% to 6.076%]	Fixed Rate [4.780%]	Fixed Rate [0.980%]
Call Feature	Any Date Make Whole Call MWC = Sum of present values of the remaining scheduled principal and interest payments discounted at a composite Treasury Rate plus 10 basis The Currenty Make Whole Premium (which can change daily) exceeds \$10 million	Non-Callable to Maturity	Non-Callable to Maturity

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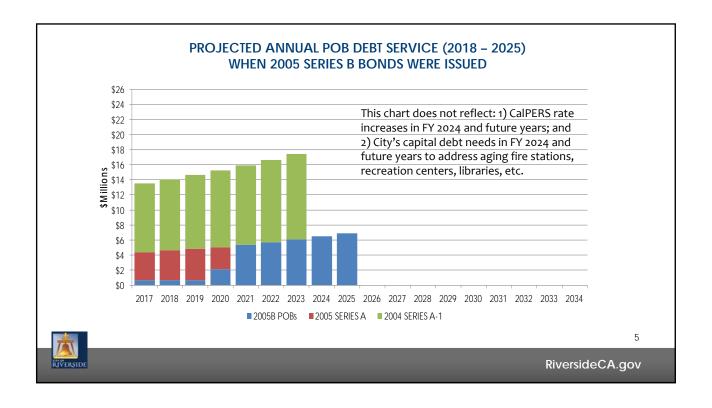
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BACKGROUND ON 2016 BAN

- 1. City issued \$30 million of 2005 Series B Auction Rate Securities along with the fixed rate 2005 Series A POBs
- 2. Series B bonds structured as interest only payments for 15 years with "balloon" principal payments from 2021 through 2025 which would then retire the debt
- 3. In February 2008, the auction rate market failed as a result of the broader crisis occurring in financial markets at that time
- 4. Beginning in May 2008, the City issued one year interest only Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) to "refinance" the failing 2005 Series B auction rate securities with the same term as the original series B- these bonds must be re-issued every May to begin June 1 every year.
- 5. As of May 31, 2017, no principal payments will have been made for these bonds. Current balance is approx. \$31.1M



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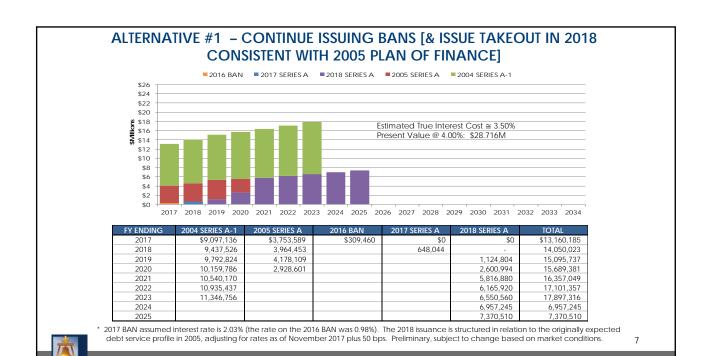


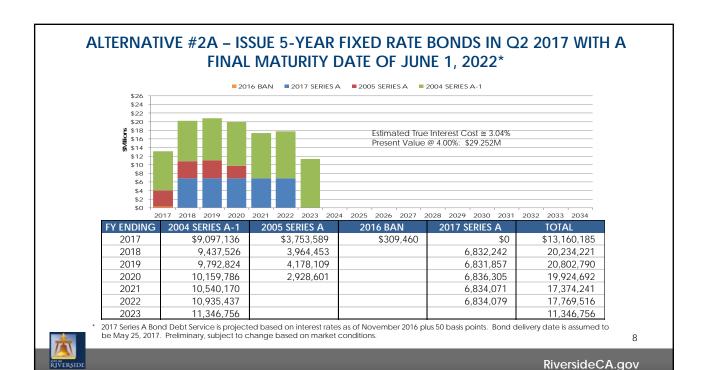
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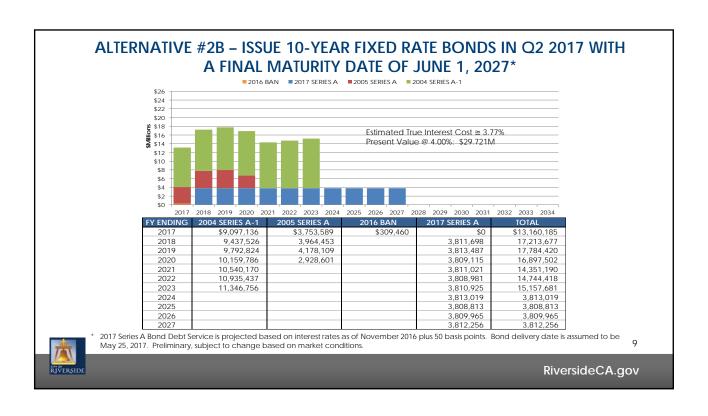
- 1. Alternative #1 -Continue issuing one year BANs (need to issue in June 1, 2017) and come up with a plan to pay them off at a later date before they expire May 31, 2018
- 2. Alternative #2 Issue either 5 Year or 10 Year fixed rate bonds in Q2 2017 with a final maturity date of June 1, 2022 or June 1, 2027
- 3. Alternative #3 Continue issuing BANs but pay "buy-down (principal) amounts year until the bonds are retired. One example is paying an \$11M "buy-down" each year for three years with a final maturity date of June 1, 2020
- 4. Alternative #4 Payoff in full the BANs before June 1, 2018. This would be approx. \$32.0M
- All these options fall under the dates authorized under the Validation Judgment of June 1, 2034

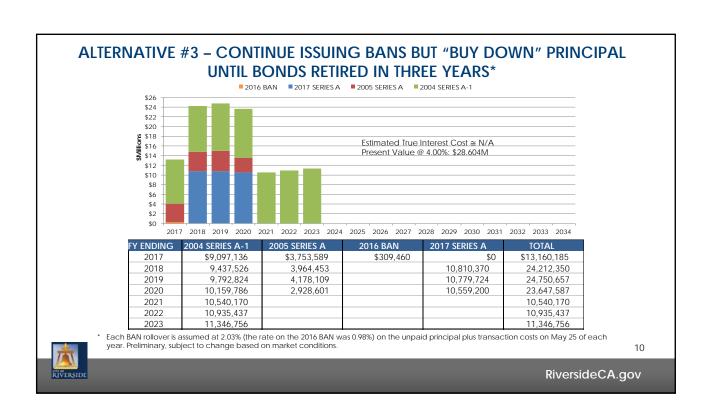


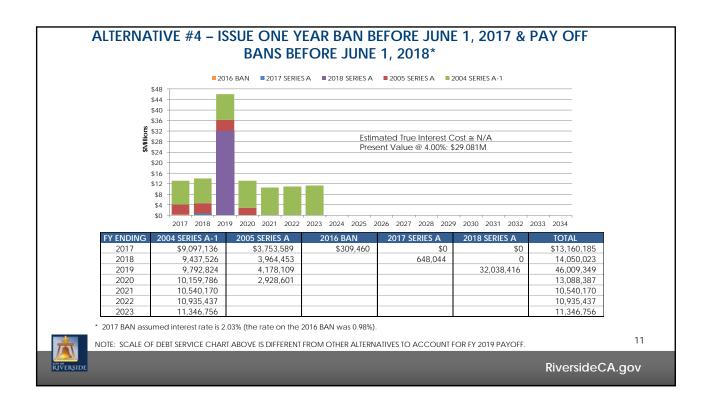
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends Alternative #2, a 10 year short term refinancing of the current BANs using Measure Z funds with the goal to retire the debt in 2027.



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RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance Committee:

- 1. Review this Report;
- 2. Direct staff to work with the Budget Engagement Commission to further review the refunding options, and in particular Alternative 2 recommended by staff, using Measure Z funds as the payment source; and,
- 3. Direct the Chief Financial Officer or designee to develop a POB debt refinancing plan upon input from the Budget Engagement Commission and present such plan to the City Council for final approval as part of the Measure Z five-year spending plan.

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