## LEGISLATIVE DIGEST (Amended on 05/24/18)

[Power Revenue Bond Issuance and Sale - San Francisco Public Utilities Commission - Not to Exceed \$154,928,059]

Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of tax-exempt or taxable Power Revenue Bonds and other forms of indebtedness by the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (Commission) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$154,928,059 to finance the costs of various capital projects benefitting the Power Enterprise pursuant to Charter, Sections 9.107(6) and 9.107(8), authorization to issue Refunding Power Revenue Bonds; declaring the Official Intent of the Commission to reimburse itself with one or more issues of tax-exempt bonds; and ratifying previous actions taken in connection therewith, as defined herein.

**Existing Law** 

This is new legislation.

## **Background Information**

The proposed Ordinance authorizes the issuance by the SFPUC of its power enterprise revenue bonds (the "Power Revenue Bonds") in an amount not to exceed \$154,928,059 to finance the costs of various capital water projects benefitting the SFPUC Power Enterprise. The Power Revenue Bonds will be issued pursuant to Charter sections 9.107(6) and 9.107(8), at a maximum rate of 12% per annum. The Ordinance delegates to the SFPUC the authority to determine the timing, amount and manner of sale of Power Revenue Bonds (i.e., competitive or negotiated), subject to the SFPUC approving the form of a substantially final offering document.

The Power Revenue Bonds will be issued pursuant to the terms of a Trust Indenture dated as of May 1, 2015, as further amended and supplemented from time to time (the "Indenture"), between the Commission and U. S. Bank National Association, as trustee thereunder.

The Commission is authorized to determine the timing, amount and manner of sale (i.e., competitive or negotiated) of each series of Power Revenue Bonds or the delivery of other forms of indebtedness (including New Clean Renewable Energy Bonds and Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds, commercial paper, revolving credit notes, and bond anticipation notes) pursuant to the proposed Ordinance; but the Commission's authority to issue Power Revenue Bonds or incur other forms of indebtedness is subject to further approval by the Commission of the form of substantially final offering document related to such bonds (if any) and the approval of any related financing documents.

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Finally the Ordinance provides for the issuance of Refunding Bonds under Charter Section 9.109 without returning to the Board for approval provided that the Commission achieves at least 3% present value debt service savings. The Commission is required to provide a savings report to the Board within 30 days of the date of execution of any refunding. The authority to issue Refunding Bonds ends June 30, 2020.

Upon issuance of the Bonds, to the extent permitted by law, one-twentieth of one percent (0.05%) of the gross proceeds of the Bonds will be deposited in a fund established by the City Controller's Office and appropriated by the Board at the direction of the Public Utilities Revenue Bond Oversight Committee established by Proposition P.

The Ordinance requires\_the Commission as a part of the two-year budget review to provide to the Board of Supervisors a written report about Power Revenue Bonds authorized under the Charter or Proposition E (as applicable), detailing the total amount authorized, the total amount sold, the remaining authorized but unissued amount, and the bond authorization no longer necessary due to changes in projects and project financing, beginning in May 2020.