

Finance, Audit, Insurance and Real Property Committee

CFO Report

Item 8a June 13, 2023

Bond Financing Team

2023 Series A Bonds

Bond Financing Team

Finance wants to thank the underwriting team members and various Metropolitan staff who contributed to the successful pricing.

• The underwriting syndicate was led by a California-based MWBE investment bank.

Firm	Role
Siebert Williams Shank	Senior Manager
Ramirez & Co, Inc.	Co-Senior Manager
Cabrera Capital	Co-Manager
Barclays	Co-Manager
Public Financial Management, Inc.	Municipal Advisor
Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP	Bond Counsel
Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth LLP	Disclosure Counsel

Adopted Budget - CIP

2023 Series A Bonds

CIP Projections

\$600 million total capital expenditures approved for FY 2022/23 & 2023/24 Budget

- The FY 2022/23 & 2023/24 Adopted Budget included \$600 million in total capital expenditures.
- Approximately \$300 million each fiscal year consisting of both PAYGO (\$135 million per year) and new money bond proceeds (\$330 million in FY 2022/23).
- Issued \$257 million in bond proceeds based on current spend to meet our anticipated needs.

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Transaction Summary

While the closing of the District's bonds is scheduled for June 21st, the pricing terms have been set as of June 6th.

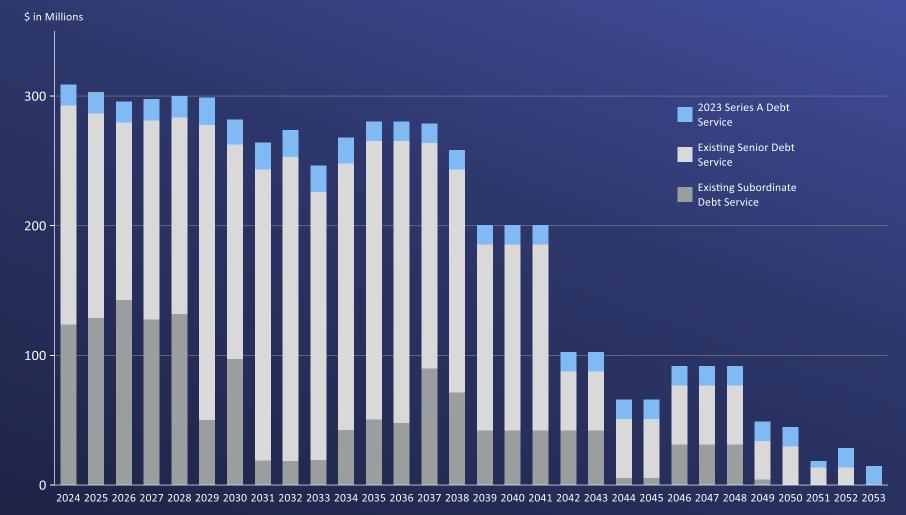
Metropolitan's Bond Pricing

- On Tuesday, June 6th, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California priced \$258,410,000 of Water Revenue and Refunding Bonds, 2023 Series A
- The bonds were issued with an All-In True Interest Cost of 3.88% and has an average life of 17.4 years
 - In March 2023, staff reported out a good-faith estimated True Interest Cost of **4.017%**.
- Compared to other recent utility bond sales, MWD priced 8 to 29 basis points better.
- During the order period, \$874 million in institutional orders from 49 different investors were submitted, including orders from 13 potential new investors
- Overall, the transaction was 3.3x oversubscribed

Metropolitan's Debt Profile with the 2023 Series A Bonds

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Projected FY Annual Debt Service by Lien



Axis title

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Rating Agency Highlights

Even though Metropolitan has strong fundamentals supporting its credit, future credit challenges exist.

Credit Rating Considerations

- The Bonds were rated **AAA from S&P** and **Aal from Moody's** with Stable outlooks. Key credit challenges identified by Moody's/S&P include:
 - Variable water supplies that will remain vulnerable to climate change
 - Worsening drought conditions that could reduce available supplies or deplete stored water levels
 - Increased capital costs required to meet future supply or environmental requirements that significantly weaken financial performance or water affordability
 - Weakened debt service coverage or liquidity (rate capacity and/or unrestricted reserves)



Questions

