Agenda Item No._____

TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS AGENDA REQUEST

Work Session _____ Voting Session December 3, 2013 Executive Session _____ Date Date Date

Request made by: <u>Samuel T. Biscoe</u> I. A. County Judge

Requested Text: Public Hearing on behalf of Italy Higher Education Facilities Corporation regarding issuance of Italy Higher Education Facilities Corporation Special Project Revenue Note in a maximum principal amount not to exceed \$2,750,000 for the benefit of The Khabele School, a nonprofit school with 4 locations in Travis County

- II. A. Any backup material to be presented to the court must be submitted with this Agenda Request (Original and eight copies of agenda request and backup).
 - B. Please list all of the agencies or officials' names and telephone numbers that might be affected by or involved with this request. Send a copy of this Agenda Request and backup to them:
- III. Required Authorizations: Please check if applicable.

 <u>Planning and Budget Office (473-9106)</u> Additional funding for any department or for any purpose Transfer of existing funds within or between any line item Grant
 Human Resources Department (473-9165) A change in your department's personnel (reclassifications, etc.)
 <u>Purchasing Office (473-9700)</u> Bid, Purchase Contract, Request for Proposal, Procurement
 County Attorney's Office (473-9415) Contract, Agreement, Policy & Procedure

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted to the County Judge's office in writing by 5:00 PM on Tuesdays for the next week's meeting. Late or incomplete requests may be deferred to the next meeting.



MEMORANDUM from Cliff Blount

> (512) 807-254 Fax (512) 474-1901 *E-mail: blountz@namanhowell.com*

TO: Travis County Commissioners Court

DATE: November 26, 2013

RE: Khabele School Public Hearing

AGENDA DATE: December 3, 2013

A public hearing for a financing by the Italy Higher Education Facilities Corporation for the Khabele School (the "School") is on the agenda for December 3. This hearing is a part of the request for "TEFRA" approval that you regularly receive. The School is an accredited private school and also is a 501(c)(3) organization under the Internal Revenue Code. The School has four campuses located in Travis County and the purpose of this financing (up to \$2,750,000) will be to refinance some earlier debt incurred by the School for these four campuses.

Issuer

Under federal law the School cannot issue tax exempt debt directly but has to go through a Texas "education facilities corporation" or similar organization. Italy has such a corporation that has been in existence for many years. The lender on this financing (Regions Equipment Finance) has requested that the loan be a "bank qualified" tax exempt loan. To be "bank qualified", the loan has to be done in a jurisdiction which has issued less than \$10,000,000 in tax exempt debt in 2013.

Procedures

Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code sets out certain public approval procedures for this type of loan. Under that section of the law, it is necessary to obtain approval both in the city where the debt is being issued (Italy) and in the city or county (Travis County in this instance) where the facilities are located. That law requires a publication of a notice of public hearing in the local paper (which occurred in the *Statesman* on November 14 and a copy of which is attached hereto). After that hearing, the financing has to be approved by either the full commissioner's court or the county judge.

Non-liability

There is absolutely no liability to the county on this transaction whatsoever. The county is not a party to any of the loan documents but only has to give its approval because of the federal law mentioned above.

The School

The financing will refinance educational facilities (and pay certain costs of issuance) located at 9511 Brodie Lane, 9607 Brodie Lane, 1934 Berkeley Avenue, and 6305 Manchaca Road, which are owned, operated and used solely by the School. According to the School's website, it was founded in 2001 and is an independent, coeducational day school. They are currently a candidate to become an International Baccalaureate World School. The School's website is http://www.khabele.org/

<u>CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS</u> <u>APPROVING A FINANCING BY THE ITALY HIGHER EDUCATION</u> <u>FACILITIES CORPORATION FOR KHABELE SCHOOL</u>

I hereby certify that I am the County Judge of Travis County, Texas and I am elected at large.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, I hereby approve a financing in a maximum principal amount of \$2,750,000 by the Italy Higher Education Facilities Corporation for the benefit of Khabele School, a Texas nonprofit corporation (the "School").

Such approval is given after a public hearing was held on December 3, 2013 by the Commissioners Court of Travis County, Texas on behalf of the Italy Higher Education Facilities Corporation. Notice of such hearing was published in the *Austin America-Statesman* on November 14, 2013. A copy of such notice, and the minutes of the hearing, are attached.

The funds are to finance, or refinance temporary indebtedness previously incurred to finance, educational school facilities and located on four (4) separate campuses which currently have street addresses of 9511 Brodie Lane, Austin, Texas 78748, 9607 Brodie Lane, Austin, Texas, 78748, 1934 Berkeley Avenue, Austin, Texas, 78745, 6305 Manchaca Road, Austin, Texas, 78745, to be owned and used by the School in furtherance of its educational mission as a nonprofit educational school (the "Project").

This approval is given solely to satisfy the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code as approval by the "host jurisdiction" where the Project is located.

THIS APPROVAL IS GIVEN WITH THE EXPRESS UNDERSTANDING AND LIMITATION THAT TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY WHATSOEVER IN REGARD TO THIS FINANCING OR THE PROJECT, AND THAT THIS FINANCING IS NOT BEING UNDERTAKEN BY EITHER TRAVIS COUNTY OR ANY SUBORDINATE ENTITY CREATED BY TRAVIS COUNTY.

Signed as of this _____ day of December, 2013.

Samuel T. Biscoe, Travis County Judge

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS. CAUSE NO: D-1-GN-13-00328 : REBA COLLEEN MERRITT, RONALD AIR MERRITT AND THE UNKNOWN RS AT LAW OF RONALD MERRITT riendant(s), in the hereinafter styled 1 numbered cause: DU (AND EACH OF YOU) HAVE BEEN ED. YOU may employ an attorney. /OU or your attorney do not file a tten answer with the clerk who is-d this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the inday next following the expiration 42 days from the date of issuance 'eof, that is to say at or before 10 lock A.M. of Monday the SEPTEMBER 2013, and answer the PLAINTIFFS GINAL PETITION of Plaintiff(s), filed the 98TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT Travis County Texas, on JANUARY 28, 13, a default judgment may be taken ainst you. Said suit being number D-iN-13-00028, in which NC BANK NATIONAL ASSOCATION intiff (s), d EBBA COLLEEN MERRITT. RONALD

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XAS LL OF WHICH MORE FULLY APPEARS CM PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION J FILE IN THIS OFFICE, AND WHICH FERENCE IS HERE MADE FOR ALL IN-NTS AND PURPOSES. sued and given under my hand and a seal of sold court at Austin, Texas, iguist 15, 2013.

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EQUESTED BY: FELLEY D. HOPKINS ARRETT DAFFIN TURNER & ENGEL LLP IO W 5TH ST STE 602 USTIN, TX 78701 JSINESS PHONE: (972)386-5040 XX: (512)477-1112 AMALIA RODRIGUEZ-MENDOZA AMALIA RODRIGUEZ-MENDOZA

MALIA RODRIGOEZ-IMENDOZA Travis County District Clerk Travis County Courthouse 1000 Guedalupe, P.O. Box 679003 (78767) Austin, Texas 78701 /s/By: PATSY YBARRA, Deputy

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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Com-missioners Court of Travis County, Texas (the "County") will conduct a public hearing on behalf of Italy Higher Edu-cation Facilities Corporation, a Texas public corporation (the "Corporation") at the Travis County Commissioner's Courtroom, 700 Laveca, First Floor, Aus-tin, Texas 78701 on December 3, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. concerning the issuance of an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$2,750,000 in tax-exempt rev-enue bonds (the "Bonds"). The Bonds will be used by the Corporation to make a loan to The Khabele School, a Texas nonprofit corporation (the "Bor-rower"), to finance, and/or refinance indebtedness previously incurred to finance, existing educational school facilities located on four (4) separate campuses which currently have street addresses of 9511 Brodie Lane, Austin, Texas, 78748, 1934 Berkeley Avenue, Austin, Texas, 78745, 6305 Manchaca Road, Austin, Texas, 78745, 007 over "In furtherance of its educational school (the "Project") and to pay costs of issuance. THE BONDS SHALL NOT REPRESENT OR CONSTITUTE A UABILITY OR PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS OR OF ANY OTHER MU-NICIPAL CORPORATION OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS WHATSDEVER. SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

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the Bonds for the purposes of financing the Project. Anyone desiring to make written com-ments may submit them to the Corpora-tion by 5:00 p.m. on November 29, 2013, to the attention of Cliff Blount of Na-man Howell Smith & Lee, PLLC, 8310-1 Capital of Texas Highway North, Suite 490, Austin, Texas 78731. This notice is given pursuant of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Marie R. Bacon, Decessed, were Issued on August 27, 2013, in Cause No. C-1-PB-12-001737 pending in the Probate Court of Travis County, Texas, to: JOHN C. CHANOSKI. The residence of the Executor is in Tra-vis County, Texas; the post office address is:

or Nathan L. Kennedy Nathan I. Kennedy Attorney at Law 1607 Nueces Street

1607 Nucces street Austin, Texas 78701 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being admin-istered are required to present them within the time and in the manner pre-scribed by law. DATED the 11TH day of Novemebr, 2013.

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13. Nathan L. Kennedy ATTORNEY AT LAW 1607 NUECES STREET AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701 PH: (512) 469-0092 FAX: (512) 469-9102 NKENNEDY@NATHANKENNEDYLAW. COM

COM /s/By NATHAN L, KENNEDY STATE BAR NO. 24049190 ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTOR

Powder Room LLC, James Dunn, Manager, is making application with the Texas Alcoholic **Beverage Commission** for a Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage Late Hours Permit, and Food and Beverage Certificate to be located at 620 West 6th Street, First Floor, Unit 1, Austin, Travis County,

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