

Police Facility Financing – Borrowing Ordinance

CITY COUNCIL – September 16, 2025

City Staff Representative: Department:

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Purpose

To request City Council's approval of a Borrowing Ordinance authorizing borrowing to finance the purchase and renovation of a property at 133 S. 27th Street for use as an additional Police Department location.

Background

One September 2nd, City Council approved two resolutions related to this transaction. The first approved the purchase of the property. The second allowed the City to reimburse ourselves using future borrowing proceeds.

Property and Project Recap

- Office Building located at 133 S. 27th Street
 - Built in 1985, renovated in 2018 with a new roof in 2021
 - 15,780 square feet (mix of office and storage space)

- Proposed Use
 - Public Safety Administration and Training Facility

- Proposed Financing
 - Certificates of Participation to cover cost of acquisition and remodel/retrofit







Form of Financing – Certificates of Participation

A Lease-Purchase Agreement

- Financing arrangement where investors buy a share of lease revenues of a project.
- The financing is secured by a property owned by the City.
- The City makes annual payments, similar to traditional debt service.

Proposed Structure

- Anticipated borrowing of \$6.2M with repayment over 15 years.
- Repayment will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.
- The newly acquired property (133 S. 27th Street) will serve as security for the loan.
- Loan will be "direct placement" with a bidding process.

Proposed Borrowing Timeline

Borrowing is targeted to close November 2025 in the amount of \$6.2M.

Late Mid September October September Bank RFP Bank RFP 2nd Issued Review and Reimbursement Requesting Bids Lender Resolution on Financings Selection September October Late 16th November 7th Borrowing Borrowing Borrowing Ordinance Ordinance Closes and Funds are (Initial) (Final) Received

Borrowing Ordinance Language



- Provides staff with the authority to complete the financing as proposed.
- Newly acquired property at 133 S. 27th Street will serve as security.
- Defines borrowing parameters:
 - Maximum financing = \$6.2M
 - Maximum interest rate = 5.25%
 - Maximum term = 15 years

Next Steps

City Council

- September 16th Bond Ordinance (First Reading)
- October 7th Bond Ordinance (Second Reading)

Staff & Partners

- September Issue banking RFP and receive proposals.
- October Review proposals and select banking partner.
- November Close on financing agreements and receive funds.

Staff Recommendation and Council Options

Staff Recommendation

 Approve the Ordinance as presented, allowing the City to pursue the financing as proposed in support of the purchase and renovation of the property discussed.

Council Options

- Approved the Ordinance as presented.
- Reject the Ordinance.
- Request additional information.