



Midpeninsula Regional  
Open Space District

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Meeting 18-28  
July 11, 2108

**AGENDA ITEM 6**

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Establishing Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Tax Levy for the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District’s General Obligation Bonds - Series 2015A, Series 2015B and Series 2018

**GENERAL MANAGER’S RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt Resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District for each of San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties to establish an ad valorem property tax levy of \$1.80 per \$100,000 (or \$0.0018 per \$100) in assessed value for the General Obligation Bonds – Series 2015A, Series 2015B and Series 2018 (Measure AA).

**SUMMARY**

On June 3, 2014, voters of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (District) approved the passage of Measure AA authorizing the District to issue up to \$300 million of general obligation bonds (Bonds) over thirty years to finance Measure AA capital projects. By Resolution 2015-19 adopted on May 13, 2015, the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of up to \$45,000,000 as the first tranche of the Bonds. The District subsequently issued \$40,000,000 of tax-exempt bonds (Series A) and \$5,000,000 of taxable bonds (Series B). By Resolution 2017-31 adopted on December 6, 2017, the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of up to \$60,000,000 as the second tranche of the Bonds. The District subsequently issued \$50,000,000 of tax-exempt bonds in February 2018.

**DISCUSSION**

Debt service payments on the Bonds are paid through ad valorem taxes on all taxable property within the District. Each year, the levy is calculated based on the assessed value and the debt service amount the District needs to collect. The evolution of the tax levy is as follows:

2015-16	\$ .0008 per \$100 of assessed valuation
2016-17	\$ .0006 per \$100 of assessed valuation
2017-18	\$ .0009 per \$100 of assessed valuation
2018-19	\$ .0018 per \$100 of assessed valuation (proposed)

Based on the debt service schedule for the Bonds, and tax revenue projections provided by the District’s Tax Administration Consultant (Goodwin Consulting Group), the Board is asked to approve resolutions for each of the three Counties authorizing the placement of an ad valorem property tax levy of \$0.0018 per \$100, or \$1.80 per \$100,000 in assessed value.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The establishment of the ad valorem property tax levy will provide the District with sufficient revenues to pay the scheduled debt service payments on related debt service September 1, 2018, March 1, 2019 and September 1, 2019.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REVIEW**

This item was not previously reviewed by a Board Committee.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice was provided pursuant to the Brown Act. No additional notice is necessary.

**CEQA COMPLIANCE**

No compliance is required as this action is not a project under CEQA.

**NEXT STEPS**

If approved by the Board, the General Manager will direct staff to forward the resolutions to the relevant departments and Board of Supervisors of each County for inclusion in the 2018-2019 property tax bills.

**Attachments:**

1. Resolution of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Setting the Tax Rate on Voter Approved General Obligation Bonds – County of San Mateo
2. Resolution of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Setting the Tax Rate on Voter Approved General Obligation Bonds – County of Santa Clara
3. Resolution of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Setting the Tax Rate on Voter Approved General Obligation Bonds – County of Santa Cruz

Responsible Department Head:

Stefan Jaskulak, Chief Financial Officer/Director of Administrative Services

Prepared by:

Andrew Taylor, Finance Manager

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-\_\_\_\_****A RESOLUTION OF THE MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT SETTING THE 2018-19 TAX RATE FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY ON VOTER APPROVED GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

**WHEREAS**, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (the “District”) is a regional open space district that includes territory in each of the County of San Mateo, the County of Santa Clara and the County of Santa Cruz (each, a “County”; collectively, the “Counties”); and

**WHEREAS**, the District is empowered to issue general obligation bonds that are authorized by two-thirds of the qualified electors of the District pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 5500) of Chapter 3 of Division 5 of the Public Resources Code and Article 4.5, commencing with Section 53506, of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code of the State of California (collectively, the “Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, a special bond election was duly and regularly held in the District on June 3, 2014, for the purpose of submitting a ballot measure to the qualified electors of the District (the “2014 Authorization”), and more than two-thirds of the votes cast at the election approved the issuance of up to \$300 million of general obligation bonds to finance certain projects specified in the 2014 Authorization; and

**WHEREAS**, for the purpose of financing the projects authorized by the 2014 Authorization (the “Projects”), by its Resolution No. 15-19, the District issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015, Series A and Series B for the aggregate amount of \$45,000,000 pursuant to the Act. By Resolution No. 17-31, the District further issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018 for the aggregate amount of \$50,000,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 5569 of the Public Resources Code provides that, for the purpose of paying all sums coming due for principal and interest on all bonds of the District, there shall be levied and collected each year a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on such bonds and, also, that part of the principal which will become due before the time for setting the next general tax levy; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 5571 of the Public Resources Code provides that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, at the time of making the general tax levy in each year, levy a tax upon all the real and personal property within the District and within its respective County at a rate sufficient to meet the proportion of taxes necessary to be raised in the County for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of the bonds and other indebtedness of the District; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, as follows:

**SECTION 1. Levy of Tax.** The Board of Directors of the District hereby determines that the tax rate necessary to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds coming due and payable on September 1, 2018, March 1, 2019 and September 1, 2019 is \$0.0018 per \$100 of assessed

valuation, and such tax rate shall be and is hereby levied in accordance with all applicable requirements of law.

**SECTION 2. Collection of Tax.** The Controller is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Auditor-Controller of the County of San Mateo, and to the Board of Supervisors of the County, and to take such actions and execute such documents as may be required to cause the tax rate set forth in Section 1 to be placed on the 2018-2019 property tax bill and collected by each of the County.

**SECTION 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect from and after the date of its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018, at a Regular Meeting thereof, by the following vote:

**AYES:**  
**NOES:**  
**ABSTAIN:**  
**ABSENT:**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary  
Board of Directors

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President  
Board of Directors

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
General Counsel

I, the District Clerk of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District by the above vote at a meeting thereof duly held and called on the above day.

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District Clerk

## RESOLUTION NO. 18-\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPENSOURCE DISTRICT SETTING THE 2018-19 TAX RATE FOR SANTA CLARA COUNTY ON VOTER APPROVED GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS**

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**WHEREAS**, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (the “District”) is a regional open space district that includes territory in each of the County of San Mateo, the County of Santa Clara and the County of Santa Cruz (each, a “County”; collectively, the “Counties”); and

**WHEREAS**, the District is empowered to issue general obligation bonds that are authorized by two-thirds of the qualified electors of the District pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 5500) of Chapter 3 of Division 5 of the Public Resources Code and Article 4.5, commencing with Section 53506, of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code of the State of California (collectively, the “Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, a special bond election was duly and regularly held in the District on June 3, 2014, for the purpose of submitting a ballot measure to the qualified electors of the District (the “2014 Authorization”), and more than two-thirds of the votes cast at the election approved the issuance of up to \$300 million of general obligation bonds to finance certain projects specified in the 2014 Authorization; and

**WHEREAS**, for the purpose of financing the projects authorized by the 2014 Authorization (the “Projects”), by its Resolution No. 15-19, the District issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015, Series A and Series B for the aggregate amount of \$45,000,000 pursuant to the Act. By Resolution No. 17-31, the District further issued General Obligation Bonds, Series 2018 for the aggregate amount of \$50,000,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 5569 of the Public Resources Code provides that, for the purpose of paying all sums coming due for principal and interest on all bonds of the District, there shall be levied and collected each year a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on such bonds and, also, that part of the principal which will become due before the time for setting the next general tax levy; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 5571 of the Public Resources Code provides that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara, at the time of making the general tax levy in each year, levy a tax upon all the real and personal property within the District and within its respective County at a rate sufficient to meet the proportion of taxes necessary to be raised in the County for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of the bonds and other indebtedness of the District; and

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valuation, and such tax rate shall be and is hereby levied in accordance with all applicable requirements of law.

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Board of Directors

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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General Counsel

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