# Debt Issuance and Management Policy and Continuing Disclosure Compliance

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- As of 2017, Gov. Code § 8855 requires a local debt policy be in place prior to the sale of any bond issue
- Standard debt policy is being used by many other agencies
- Purpose for the debt, type of debt, relationship of the debt to budget, policy goals and internal controls must be part of the policy
- Policy supports City goals of fiscal sustainability and financial prudence.
- Provides guidelines for bond issuance, administration of bond records and bond proceeds expenditures

#### Use of Debt:

- Included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan
- Long term debt should not be used for short useful life
- Cost Effective and Efficient
- Financial alternatives should be considered

#### Use of Proceeds:

- Purchase of land
- Purchase of Capital
- Construction or reconstruction of a facility
- Refunding, refinancing or restructuring debt

#### Short Term Debt:

- Temporary shortfall in cash flow
- Short lived capital projects such as leasing equipment
- Reliable revenue source must be identified for repayment
- Internal Controls
  - Annual Report Filing
  - Record keeping procedures on all debt related items

- Types of Financing
  - General Fund Supported Debt
  - Revenue Bonds
  - Special Districts Financing
  - General Obligation Bonds
  - Tax Increment Financing
  - Conduit Debt

- Outlines and provides guidelines for the
  - The Structure of Debt
  - Use of Alternative Debt Instruments
  - Refunding
  - Market communication, administration and reporting
  - Record-keeping
  - Arbitrage Rebates

# Continuing Disclosure Compliance

- Must comply with the annual filing of disclosures for each bond issue
- Completion of annual financial statements each fiscal year (CAFR)
- Review of the Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) annually
- Retain records for the appropriate time frame

Questions?