SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE:	March 5, 2004
SUBJECT:	General Obligation Parameter Resolution Hogle Zoo / Tracy Aviary
AFFECTED COUNCIL DISTRICTS:	Citywide
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The Council held a briefing on March 2, 2004 to discuss the proposed parameter resolution for the issuance of general obligation bonds for the Hogle Zoo and Tracy Aviary projects. There were not questions about these two proposed projects other than when the bonds would actually be issued. Council Members then discussed the timing of the remaining general obligation projects and their status.

After the March 2, 2004 briefing it was suggested that the resolution be modified to include language that the zoo remains at its present location for the duration of the bonds. The City's bond counsel has prepared a new version that includes the following requested clause.

"It is a condition to the issuance of the bonds that the City shall have an agreement with the Utah Zoological Society (or its successors and assigns) that the Hogle Zoo will remain at its present location for so long as the bonds remain outstanding."

MOTIONS:

Council staff has prepared the following motions when considering the proposed parameter resolution.

- 1. ["I move that the Council"] Adopt a resolution, in the form presented to the Council on March 2, 2004 including additional language that provides for the zoo remaining at its present location for the duration of the bonds which sets the parameters for the issuance and sale of bonds for Hogle Zoo and Tracy Aviary.
- 2. ["I move that the Council"] Adopt a resolution, in the form presented to the Council on March 2, 2004 which sets the parameters for the issuance and sale of bonds for Hogle Zoo and Tracy Aviary.
- **3.** ["I move that the Council"] **Not adopt a resolution which would set the parameters for the issuance and sale of bonds for Hogle Zoo and Tracy Aviary.**

The following information was provided to the Council for their March 2, 2004 briefing.

The adoption of a parameters resolution is the next step in issuance of voter authorized general obligation bonds. In November 2003, the residents of Salt Lake City authorized the issuance of

bonds for five projects. The City has up to 10 years to issue the bonds to finance the projects. Two of the authorized projects; the Hogle Zoo and Tracy Aviary, are designed and are ready to be constructed. The remaining three projects will be forwarded for funding once the projects are developed and are ready for financing.

The parameters resolution is for the issuance of up to \$11.3 million principal (\$10.2 million for Hogle Zoo, \$1.1 million for Tracy Aviary) bond amount with an interest rate not to exceed 6.00%. The term of the bond will be not more than 20 years.

The Administration is recommending that the Council place the adoption of the parameters resolution on the March 9, 2004 Council Meeting agenda.

cc: Rocky Fluhart, Steve Fawcett, Gordon Hoskins, and Dan Mulé