

**Resolution establishing a pre-qualified pool of firms eligible to provide investment banking and underwriting services for Franklin County general obligation debt issues during calendar years 2010 and 2011 and authorizing an underwriting team for the upcoming issuance of bonds.
(Commissioners)**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners intends to assemble a team of qualified firms to provide investment banking and underwriting services to the County during calendar years 2010 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners will, as capital financing needs arise, utilize one or more firms from a recommended pre-qualified pool to provide negotiated debt underwriting services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners invited firms to submit proposals through a competitive request for proposal (RFP 2010-01-12) process; and

WHEREAS, twenty firms submitted proposals in response to the request for proposal; and

WHEREAS, after a comprehensive examination of the qualifications and experience of all the firms that submitted proposals, the County has identified a pre-qualified pool of three senior managers and five co-managers; and

WHEREAS, based upon the result of final selection interviews, the County has identified a team of managers to serve as underwriters for the upcoming issuance of bonds as authorized by Resolutions 251-10, 252-10, 253-10, and 254-10 that were all approved on March 23, 2010; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. That the following three firms shall be eligible for appointment as senior managers (or co-managers) of the investment banking and underwriting teams related to Franklin County's general obligation debt issues during calendar years 2010 and 2011:
 - Fifth Third Securities
 - Stifel, Nicolaus & Company
 - PNC Capital Markets

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2. That the following five firms shall be eligible for appointment as co-managers of the investment banking and underwriting teams related to Franklin County's general obligation debt issues during calendar years 2010 and 2011:
 - Siebert Brandford Shank
 - Huntington Investment Company
 - Edward Jones
 - Rice Financial Products
 - JP Morgan Securities

3. That the County Administrator is hereby authorized, pursuant to section 305.30 of the Revised Code, to enter into engagement agreements with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company as Senior Manager and Fifth Third Securities and Siebert Brandford Shank as Co-Managers for the upcoming issuance of general obligation debt as authorized by Resolutions 251-10, 252-10, 253-10, and 254-10.

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