

supplementing the offering memorandum distributed in connection with the ECP Program.

4. Defined Terms. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed by the Extendible CP Resolution.

Analysis

This resolution extends the duration of Metro's general obligation extendable commercial paper. The Council first authorized a commercial paper program in 2003 as a form of short-term financing for capital projects to cover interim construction costs while awaiting the appropriate time to issue the long-term bonds. Commercial paper is basically a line of credit that Metro can access to commence capital projects approved by the Council. This program allows Metro to issue variable rate tax-exempt commercial paper with varying maturity dates ranging from 1 day to 270 days, but commercial paper is usually "rolled" until the bonds are issued. State law allows commercial paper to be rolled up to six years. The state of Tennessee uses a similar commercial paper program, as do many other large cities. Metro's commercial paper program has been successful in helping Metro Government time the market to obtain the most favorable interest rate possible for the issuance of long term bonds.

Resolution No. RS2017-688 approved an amendment to Metro's commercial paper authorization to increase the maximum outstanding amount from \$200 million to \$325 million, and extended the final maturity dates until January 1, 2022. This resolution simply approves another extension of the final maturity date until January 1, 2025.