

RESOLUTION NO. 9834

**RESOLUTION ORDERING THE SALE OF \$53,950,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF CITY OF MESA UTILITY SYSTEMS REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2011.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mesa (the "*City*") plans to issue \$53,950,000 of its Utility Systems Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 (the "*Bonds*"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Bonds will be sold through an on-line bidding process pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes ("*A.R.S.*") Section 9-529;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA**, as follows:

**Section 1.** The Bonds are hereby ordered to be sold through an on-line bidding process pursuant to Title 9, Chapter 5, Article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended, and in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids for the Purchase of Bonds (the "*Notice*") in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Bonds are payable as to both principal and interest from net revenues derived by the City from the operation of its utility systems.

**Section 2.** The Senior Executive Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to finalize the terms of the Notice and to reject all bids or accept the lowest cost bid received for the purchase of the Bonds. Such acceptance shall be subject to confirmation by the Mayor and Council. No defect or error in such Notice shall affect or invalidate the sale of the Bonds. The Senior Executive Manager is hereby authorized to cause a preliminary official statement to be prepared in compliance with Section 240.15c2-12, General Rules and Regulations, Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "*Rule*"), and is authorized to deem such preliminary official statement "final" for purposes of the Rule.

**Section 3.** All bids for the Bonds will be received through Thomson Financial's PARITY® System an "Online Bidding Process" as permitted in A.R.S. Section 9-529. The official bid form shall be created for the electronic bidding. The City will assume no responsibility for the proper functioning of the PARITY® System, for any error contained in any bid submitted electronically, or failure of any bid to be transmitted, received or opened at the official time for receipt of bids.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on April 18, 2011.

CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA

By: \_\_\_\_\_

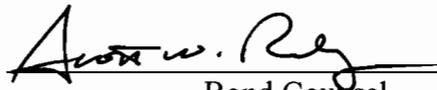
  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Bond Counsel

CERTIFICATE

I, Linda Crocker, the duly appointed and acting City Clerk of the City of Mesa, Arizona, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 9834 was duly passed by the City Council of the City of Mesa, Arizona, at a special meeting held on April 18, 2011, and the vote was 7 ayes and 0 nays and that the Mayor and 6 Council Members were present thereat.

DATED: April 18, 2011.

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Clerk

**EXHIBIT A**

**\$53,950,000  
CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA  
UTILITY SYSTEMS REVENUE BONDS  
SERIES 2011**

**NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF BONDS  
(Electronic Bidding Only)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that unconditional bids will be received to and including the hour of 10:30 a.m., Arizona time, on May 18, 2011, by the City of Mesa, Arizona (the "*City*"), for the purchase of all, but not less than all, of \$53,950,000 aggregate principal amount of the City's Utility Systems Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 (the "*Bonds*"). A bid may be submitted only through the facilities of PARITY ("*PARITY*"). Submission of bids is further discussed below. Through PARITY, the City's Senior Executive Manager or Wedbush Securities, Inc, the City's financial advisor (the "*Financial Advisor*"), will electronically receive the bids at such time. The Mayor and Council will meet at the hour of 7:30 a.m., on May 19, 2011, for the purpose of considering bids received and, if an acceptable bid is received, awarding the contract for the purchase of the Bonds.

The City reserves the right to continue the date for receipt of bids. If the date for receipt of bids is continued, prior to 10:30 a.m., Arizona time, on May 17, 2011, or prior to 10:30 a.m., Arizona time, on the day prior to the date to which receipt of bids has been continued, the City will give notice of the continuance by PARITY at [www.i-Deal.com](http://www.i-Deal.com).

The Bonds will be dated as of the date of initial delivery, and will bear interest from their date to the maturity of each of the Bonds at a rate per annum of not to exceed eight percent (8%). Interest on the Bonds is payable semiannually on January 1 and July 1 commencing January 1, 2012. The Bonds will mature on July 1, in the year and in the principal amount as follows:

<b>Maturity Date (July 1)</b>	<b>Principal Amount</b>
2035	\$53,950,000

**TIME FOR RECEIPT OF BIDS.** Bids will be received to and including the hour of 10:30 a.m., Arizona time. The time maintained by PARITY shall constitute the official time.

**ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURES:** All bids must be submitted only through the facilities of PARITY in accordance with this Notice Inviting Bids for the Purchase of Bonds (the "*Notice*"). Bids must be submitted on the official bid form that resides on the PARITY system (the "*Official Bid Form*"), without alteration or interlineation. Subscription to the Thomson Financial Municipal Group's BIDCOMP Competitive Bidding System is required in order to submit a bid. The City will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidder to subscribe. The City is using PARITY as an on-line bidding process, and not as the City's agent, to conduct electronic bidding for the Bonds.

All bids made through the facilities of PARITY shall be deemed irrevocable offers to purchase the Bonds on the terms provided in this Notice and shall be binding upon the entity making the bid as if made by a signed, sealed bid delivered to the City. Neither the City nor the Financial Advisor

shall be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by, or as result of the use of the facilities of, PARITY, the use of such facilities being the sole risk of the prospective bidder.

If any provisions of this Notice shall conflict with information provided by PARITY, as the approved provider of electronic bidding services, this Notice shall control. Further information about PARITY, including any fee charged, may be obtained from BIDCOMP/PARITY, 1359 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10018, Attn: Customer Support (212.849.5021).

Bidders are requested to state in their bids the net interest cost to the City, as described under "AWARD AND DELIVERY" herein. All electronic bids shall be deemed to incorporate the provisions of this Notice Inviting Bids for the Purchase of Bonds.

**PURPOSE:** The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of making improvements to the utility systems of the City and to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

**BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM:** The Bonds will be initially issued to, and registered in the name of, Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as the securities depository of the Bonds for a book-entry-only system (the "*Book-Entry-Only System*"). Under the Book-Entry-Only System, beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds will be available in book-entry form only through direct or indirect DTC participants.

Ownership interests in the Bonds may be purchased in denominations of \$5,000 of principal amount due on a specific maturity date or integral multiples thereof.

Transfers of beneficial ownership interest in the Bonds will be accomplished by book entries made by DTC and the DTC Participants or Indirect DTC Participants who act on behalf of the beneficial owners.

DTC may determine to discontinue providing its services with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving notice to the City and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law. Under such circumstances (if there is not a successor securities depository), physical certificates representing the Bonds will be executed and delivered. In addition, the City may determine to discontinue the book-entry-only system of transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In such event, physical certificates representing the Bonds will be registered in the names of the Beneficial Owners and executed and delivered. Upon registration of Bonds in the beneficial owner's name, the beneficial owners will become the owners of the Bonds (the "*Owners of the Bonds*") for all purposes, including the receipt of principal and interest payments and notices with respect to the Bonds.

**For a more detailed description of the Book-Entry-Only System, see the information in the Official Statement relating to the "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM".**

**OPTIONAL REDEMPTION:** The Bonds are subject to call for redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the City, in whole or in part, on July 1, 2021, or on any date thereafter by the payment of a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the Bonds called for redemption plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, but without premium.

**NOTICE OF REDEMPTION:** So long as the Bonds are held under the Book-Entry-Only System, notices of redemption will be sent to DTC, in the manner required by DTC. If the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, notice of redemption of any Bond will be mailed to the registered owner of the Bond or Bonds being redeemed at the address shown on the bond register maintained by the registrar not more than sixty (60) nor less than thirty (30) days prior to the date set for redemption.

Failure to properly give notice of redemption shall not affect the redemption of any Bond for which notice was properly given. Notice of any redemption will also be sent to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"), currently through the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access system ("EMMA"), in the manner required by the MSRB.

**REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER:** U.S. Bank National Association will serve as bond registrar and paying agent with respect to the Bonds (the "Registrar"). If the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, the Registrar will administer registration and transfer of the Bonds and the Bonds will be transferable only upon the bond register to be maintained by the Registrar upon surrender to the Registrar. The Registrar may be changed without notice to any owner or beneficial owner of the Bonds.

**PAYMENT OF BONDS:** So long as the Book-Entry-Only System is in effect, all payments of principal and interest shall be paid to DTC. If the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, interest on the Bonds shall be payable by check mailed on or prior to the interest payment date to the Owners of the Bonds at the addresses of such owners as they appear on the books of the Registrar on the record date (as described hereafter). Principal on the Bonds shall be paid when due upon surrender of such Bonds at the office of the Registrar (unless the Owner of the Bonds is eligible for payment by wire transfer). If the Book-Entry-Only System is not in effect, then upon prior written request of an Owner of at least \$1,000,000 in principal amount of Bonds outstanding made at least twenty (20) days prior to an interest payment date, all payments of interest and, if adequate provision for surrender is made, principal shall be paid by wire transfer in immediately available funds to an account within the United States of America designated by such Owner of the Bonds. Payment of principal and interest as to bonds held by a securities repository shall be by wire transfer.

**RECORD DATE:** So long as the Bonds are held under the Book-Entry-Only System, payments of principal and interest shall be paid to DTC. If the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, the record date for determination of ownership for payment of interest shall be the fifteenth calendar day prior to an interest payment date. The Registrar shall pay interest to the Owners of record on the record date notwithstanding that transfers of ownership may occur on any Bond between the record date and the next interest payment date.

**SECURITY:** The Bonds are payable as to both principal and interest solely from the net revenues derived by the City from the ownership, use and operation of its utility systems pursuant to law, including Title 9, Chapter 5, Article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended (the "Net Revenues"). Neither the Bonds nor the obligations of the City thereunder constitute a debt or a pledge of the full faith and credit of the City, the State or any political subdivision thereof. The Bonds are being issued on a parity of lien on such Net Revenues with the City's outstanding Utility Systems Revenue Bonds and Utility Systems Revenue Refunding Bonds previously issued in nineteen separate series and the City's outstanding Loan Agreement with the Water Infrastructure and Finance Authority of Arizona. The aggregate outstanding principal amount for all parity obligations is presently \$860,441,963.

**INTEREST RATES:** Bids for the purchase of the Bonds must state the rate of interest to be paid and no bid at a price less than the par value of the Bonds, together with all accrued interest thereon at the date of delivery of the Bonds, will be considered. All of the Bonds must bear the same rate of interest. Bids must be expressed in multiples of one-eighth (1/8) or one-twentieth (1/20) of one percent. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a year comprised of 360 days consisting of twelve (12) months of thirty (30) days each.

Any interest rate bid which would result in an interest payment amount having fractional cents will be deemed a waiver of the right to payment of such fractional cents. No fractional cents will be paid or accumulated for payment on any Bond.

**INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED BY WINNING BIDDER:** The winning bidder will be required to furnish to the City, at or before the closing, a certificate in a form acceptable to Gust Rosenfeld, P.L.C. ("*Bond Counsel*"), Phoenix, Arizona, stating that it did offer all of the Bonds to the public in a bona fide public offering and it reasonably expected that a substantial amount of the Bonds of that maturity (i.e. at least ten percent (10%) of each maturity of the Bonds) would be sold by it, as of the sale date, at the initial offering prices set forth in the certificate, together with such additional representations as Bond Counsel may require to verify that it is reasonable to rely on the winning bidder's certification about the reasonably expected initial public offering price, including that the issue price of the Bonds set forth in the certificate did not exceed their fair market value as of the sale date. The "public" does not include bond houses, brokers or similar persons acting in the capacity of underwriters and wholesalers. The initial offering prices to be certified shall be furnished to the City within 24 hours after the award of the Bonds.

**FORM OF BID AND GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT:** The prescribed form of bid for the Bonds will be available on the PARITY system and all bids must be submitted on that form. The winning bidder shall deliver a good faith deposit in the amount of \$1,079,000 (the "Deposit"), in the form of either of the following: (i) a certified or cashier's check payable to the City, or (ii) a wire transfer to the City, delivered to the City within 24 hours of notification of the award. Such bidder shall be solely responsible for the timely delivery of their Deposit whether by check or wire transfer. Neither the City nor the Financial Advisor have any liability for delays in the transmission of the Deposit.

The Deposit made by certified or cashier's check should be made payable to the City and delivered to City of Mesa, Attn: Controller, 20 East Main Street, Suite 300, Mesa Arizona 85201.

The Deposit sent via wire transfer should be sent to the City according to the following instructions:

*JP Morgan Chase, ABA Number 021000021; Account number 90002519; For Further Credit to: Branch 902711, Reference: Name of Bidder – Utility Systems Revenue Bonds, Series 2011.*

Contemporaneously with such wire transfer, the bidder shall send an e-mail to the City Senior Executive Manager (e-mail address: [chuck.odom@mesaaz.gov](mailto:chuck.odom@mesaaz.gov)), to the Controller (e-mail address [doug.yeskey@mesaaz.gov](mailto:doug.yeskey@mesaaz.gov)) and to the Financial Advisor (e-mail addresses: [larry.given@wedbush.com](mailto:larry.given@wedbush.com) and [janelle.gold@wedbush.com](mailto:janelle.gold@wedbush.com), including the following information; (i) indication that a wire transfer has been made, (ii) the amount of the wire transfer, (iii) the issue to which it applies, and (iv) federal reference number, if available.

The Deposit received from the winning bidder, the amount of which will be deducted at settlement, will be deposited by the City and no interest will accrue to the winning bidder. In the event the winning bidder fails to comply with the accepted bid, said amount will be retained by the City.

**CUSIP NUMBERS:** CUSIP numbers will be placed on the Bonds, but neither failure to place such numbers on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the winning bidder thereof to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of the sale. No CUSIP number will be deemed to be part of any Bond or of the contract evidenced thereby.

**RIGHT OF REJECTION:** The City reserves the right in its discretion to reject any and all bids received and to waive any irregularity or informality in the bids, except that the time for receiving bids shall be of the essence.

**AWARD AND DELIVERY:** Unless all bids are rejected, the Bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid results in the lowest net interest cost to the City. The net interest cost will be determined by computing the aggregate amount of interest payable on the Bonds from their date to their respective maturity dates and by deducting therefrom any premium. Delivery of the Bonds will be made to the purchaser upon payment in Federal or immediately available funds at the offices of Bond Counsel, or, at the purchaser's request and expense, at any other place mutually agreeable to both the City and the winning bidder.

**CANCELLATION:** Bidders are to take notice that, pursuant to Arizona law, if, within three (3) years from the award of the contract to purchase the Bonds, any person who was significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the contract for the purchase of the Bonds on behalf of the City becomes an employee or agent of the winning bidder in any capacity or a consultant to the winning bidder with respect to the contract for the purchase of the Bonds, the City may cancel the contract without penalty or further obligation by the City. In addition to such cancellation, the City may recoup any fees or commissions paid or due to any person who was significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the contract for the purchase of the Bonds on behalf of the City.

**LEGAL OPINION:** The Bonds are sold with the understanding that the City will furnish the winning bidder with the approving opinion of Gust Rosenfeld, P.L.C., serving as Bond Counsel. An undated copy of such opinion can be found in the preliminary official statement (the "*Preliminary Official Statement*"). Said attorneys have been retained by the City as Bond Counsel and in such capacity are to render their opinion only upon the legality of the Bonds under Arizona law and on the exemption of the interest income on such Bonds from Federal and State of Arizona income taxes (see "Tax-Exempt Status" below). Fees of Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with such approving opinion are expected to be paid from Bond proceeds. Except to the extent necessary to issue its approving opinion as to validity of the Bonds, Bond Counsel has not been requested to examine or review and has not examined or reviewed any financial documents, statements or materials that have been or may be furnished in connection with the authorization, issuance or marketing of the Bonds and accordingly will not express any opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of any such financial documents, statements or materials. In submitting a bid for the Bonds, the bidder agrees to the representation of the City by Bond Counsel.

**TAX-EXEMPT STATUS:** In the opinion of Bond Counsel under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, and assuming continuing compliance with certain restrictions, conditions and requirements by the City, interest income on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for purposes of calculating federal income taxes and is exempt from Arizona income taxes.

Should changes in the law cause Bond Counsel's opinion to change prior to delivery of the Bonds to the winning bidder, the winning bidder will not be obligated to pick up and pay for the Bonds, and the winning bidder's Deposit will be returned.

**QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS:** The Bonds will not be "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "*Code*").

**PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DEEMED FINAL, DELIVERY OF FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT:** The City, acting through its Senior Executive Manager, will deem the Preliminary Official Statement provided in connection with the sale of the Bonds to be final as of its date as required by Section 240.15(c)(2)(12), General Rules and Regulations, Securities Exchange Commission Act of 1934, except for the omission of offering prices, selling compensation, delivery dates,

terms to be specified in the winning bidder's bid, ratings, other terms depending on such matters and the identity of the winning bidder, all as may be necessary for the City to complete a final official statement.

Within twenty-four hours after the award of the Bonds, the winning bidder must provide the City with all necessary offering price information, selling compensation information, all other terms of the sale which depend on such matters and any underwriter information, all as may be necessary to complete the final Official Statement.

Within seven (7) business days after the award of the Bonds, the City will provide the winning bidder with 100 copies of the final Official Statement at no cost. The final Official Statement will be in substantially the same form as the Preliminary Official Statement with such additions, deletions or revisions as the City deems necessary.

The City will deliver at closing an executed certificate stating that as of the date of delivery the information contained in the final Official Statement, including any supplement, relating to the City and the Bonds is true and correct in all material respects and that such final Official Statement does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

**CONTINUING DISCLOSURE:** In connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the City will deliver a continuing disclosure certificate for purposes of the Rule as hereinafter described and as described in the Official Statement. For purposes of the Rule, the City is the only "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds. The City will agree, as described in the Official Statement, to provide or cause to be provided (i) certain annual financial information and operating data (the "Annual Information") for the preceding fiscal year, (ii) the City's audited financial statements, (iii) timely notice of the occurrence of certain enumerated events with respect to the Bonds, and (iv) timely notice of any failure by the City to provide its Annual Information within the time specified in that certificate. See the more complete description of the certificate in the Official Statement. The City is current on all of its existing continuing disclosure undertakings.

**NO LITIGATION AND NON-ARBITRAGE:** The City will deliver a certificate to the effect that no litigation is pending affecting the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The City will also deliver an arbitration certificate covering its reasonable expectations concerning the Bonds.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Copies of this Notice and the Preliminary Official Statement relating to the Bonds will be furnished to any bidder upon request made to the Clerk of the City of Mesa, Arizona; or to Wedbush Securities, Inc, 3200 E. Camelback Road, Suite 290, Phoenix, Arizona 85018, telephone 602.952.6851; Financial Advisor to the City with respect to the Bonds.

**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA**