

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD IN AND FOR THE CITY OF MESA, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014, TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS THEREOF THE QUESTIONS OF AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UTILITY SYSTEMS REVENUE BONDS OF THE CITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona (the “*Council*”), believe it to be in the best interest of the City of Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona (the “*City*”) to authorize the issuance and sale of utility systems revenue bonds of the City (the “*Bonds*”) to complete the purposes set forth in the questions on the ballot; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary that the Council submit the questions of the issuance and sale of such bonds to the qualified electors of the City; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESA, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** **Order and Call of Election; Ballot.** Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (“A.R.S.”) § 9-524, as amended, a special bond election in the City is hereby ordered and called to be held on November 4, 2014 in conjunction with the Statewide general election, to submit to the qualified electors of the City the questions as shown in substantially the form of ballot attached hereto and marked Exhibit A, which is a part of this resolution and the terms of which are incorporated by reference herein. If approved, the Bonds may be issued as utility systems revenue bonds pursuant to A.R.S. Title 9, Chapter 5, Article 3, payable solely from the revenues of the City’s utility systems, bear maximum rate of interest of 10% per annum, and pay principal over not more than 30 years from the date issued. The maximum amount of Bonds authorized to be issued shall be \$580,000,000 as described in the attached Exhibit A. The Bonds shall be issued to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City’s utility systems.

**Section 2.** **Notice.** This resolution ordering and calling the election shall be published in full at least once, not less than 15 nor more than 30 days prior to the date of the election, in a newspaper published in the county and of general circulation in the City. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the sample ballots to be prepared and mailed as required by law and in accordance with the provisions of this resolution.

**Section 3.** **Conduct of Election.** The election will be conducted in the manner provided by law, and the poll lists kept, and the votes cast thereat shall be counted and tabulated and the returns thereof will be made in the manner provided by law and only persons will be allowed to vote at the election who are qualified electors of the City.

The City Clerk is hereby directed to cause ballots to be printed and delivered to the election boards to be furnished to the qualified electors offering to vote at the election. The Mayor, City Manager or the City Clerk is authorized and directed to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Maricopa County Recorder and/or the Maricopa County Elections Department to conduct the election for the City.

**Section 4.** **Deadline for Registration and Early Voting.** Early voting will be permitted at the election in accordance with the provisions of Title 16, Chapter 4, Article 8, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended. Maricopa County registration and voting lists will be used for the special

bond election. To be qualified to vote in the special bond election, a City resident must be registered to vote by Monday, October 6, 2014.

Requests for early ballots for the special bond election may be made by qualified City electors beginning Sunday, August 3, 2014. Official ballots for the special bond election will be mailed beginning Thursday, October 9, 2014.

**Section 5.** Voting Rights Act Submission. To comply with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the following proceedings pertaining to this election will be translated into Spanish and posted, published and/or recorded in each instance where posting, publication and recording of such proceedings are required such as this resolution, ballot, publicity pamphlet, all early voting material and all instructions at the polls.

**Section 6.** Establishing Polling Places. The polling places used in the City will be the polling places established by Maricopa County. The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on election day, November 4, 2014.

**Section 7.** Canvass. The City Council will meet at the Council Chambers to canvass the returns of the election and declare the results of the election. The City Council will be governed by the vote of the majority on the questions submitted.

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona, on July 1, 2014.

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Exhibit A: Official Ballot

**CERTIFICATION**

I, DeeAnn Mickelsen, the duly appointed and acting City Clerk of the City of Mesa, Arizona, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ was duly passed by the City Council of the City of Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona, at a regular meeting held on July 1, 2014, and the vote was \_\_\_\_ aye's and \_\_\_\_ nay's and that the Mayor and \_\_\_\_ Council Members were present thereat.

Dated: July 1, 2014

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

**EXHIBIT A**

**QUESTION NO. \_\_**

PURPOSE: WATER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS

AMOUNT: \$315,700,000

Shall Mesa, Arizona, be authorized to issue and sell utility systems revenue bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$315,700,000 to provide funds to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City's water system inside or outside the City including treatment, pumping, storage, recharge, reclaiming and transmission facilities, buildings, equipment and other water properties of any kind, and pay costs thereof? The bonds shall be payable solely from the revenues of the City's utility systems, bear interest not exceeding 10% per annum, and pay principal over not more than 30 years from the date issued.

FOR THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>
AGAINST THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>

“Tag Line” language:

Shall Mesa be authorized to issue and sell \$315,700,000 utility systems revenue bonds to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City's water system?

**QUESTION NO. \_\_**

PURPOSE: WASTEWATER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS  
AMOUNT: \$178,200,000

Shall Mesa, Arizona, be authorized to issue and sell utility systems revenue bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$178,200,000 to provide funds to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City's wastewater system inside or outside the City including treatment, pumping, storage, effluent reuse and transmission facilities, buildings, equipment, furnishings and any other property of any kind, and pay costs thereof? The bonds shall be payable solely from the revenues of the City's utility systems, bear interest not exceeding 10% per annum, and pay principal over not more than 30 years from the date issued.

FOR THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>
AGAINST THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>

“Tag Line” language:

Shall Mesa be authorized to issue and sell \$178,200,000 utility systems revenue bonds to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City's wastewater system?

**QUESTION NO. \_\_**

PURPOSE: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS  
AMOUNT: \$27,000,000

Shall Mesa, Arizona, be authorized to issue and sell utility systems revenue bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$27,000,000 to improve, extend and provide improvements and betterments for the City's electrical system, including the transmission facilities, buildings, furnishings and equipment and any other property of any kind, and pay costs thereof? The bonds shall be payable solely from the revenues of the City's utility systems, bear interest not exceeding 10% per annum, and pay principal over not more than 30 years from the date issued.

FOR THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>
AGAINST THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>

“Tag Line” language:

Shall Mesa be authorized to issue and sell \$27,000,000 utility systems revenue bonds to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City's electrical system?

**QUESTION NO. \_\_**

PURPOSE: GAS SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS  
AMOUNT: \$59,100,000

Shall Mesa, Arizona, be authorized to issue and sell utility systems revenue bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$59,100,000 to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City’s gas system inside or outside the City including pressure regulating, transmission and safety facilities, buildings, equipment and furnishings and any other property of any kind, and pay costs thereof? The bonds shall be payable solely from the revenues of the City’s utility systems, bear interest not exceeding 10% per annum, and pay principal over not more than 30 years from the date issued.

FOR THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>
AGAINST THE BONDS	<input type="checkbox"/>

“Tag Line” language:

Shall Mesa be authorized to issue and sell \$59,100,000 utility systems revenue bonds to improve, extend and provide improvements for the City’s gas system?