

No. 11-17-RE

A RESOLUTION

A Resolution approving a project for the benefit of Carnegie Mellon University (the "*Borrower*") to be financed by the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority (the "*Authority*") by the issuance of the Authority's tax-exempt revenue bonds, in one or more series, to be designated "Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority, Carnegie Mellon University Revenue Bonds, Series of 2017" or such other designation as may be determined by the Authority and the University, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$85,000,000 (the "*Bonds*"), provided that the taxing power of the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania (the "*County*") shall not be obligated in any way with respect to the Bonds, and declaring the financing of such project as desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in the County.

Whereas, the Borrower operates a higher educational institution and has requested that the Authority undertake a project consisting of the financing of all or a portion of the costs of (i) refunding of a portion of the outstanding Pennsylvania Higher Educational Facilities Authority outstanding Carnegie Mellon University Revenue Bonds, Series 2009, and certain taxable indebtedness of the University (together, the "*Prior Debt*"), and (ii) paying all or a portion of the related financing costs, all of which are collectively hereinafter referred to as the "*Project*"; and

Whereas, the Authority was created by the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania (the "*County*") under the Municipality Authorities Act, as amended (the "*Act*"), and is authorized under the Act to issue its bonds or other obligations for the purposes aforesaid, and the Authority has determined that the public interest will be served and that the purposes of the Act can be furthered by the Authority's issuance of obligations in order to obtain funds to loan to the Borrower for the foregoing purposes; and

Whereas, Section 5607(b)(2)(iv) of the Act provides that the Authority may provide financing for projects to be leased to or financed with loans to private, nonprofit, nonsectarian colleges and universities if the municipality organizing the Authority declares by resolution or ordinance that it is desirable for the health, safety, and welfare of the people in the area served by such facilities to have such facilities financed through an authority; and

Whereas, the following resolution is also adopted to give effect to the provisions of the Municipality Authorities Act, Act No. 22 of 2001, as amended by Act No. 110 of 2001, 53 Pa.C.S. Section 5601 *et seq.*, including without limitation Section 5607(a)(15) thereof; and

Whereas, neither the Bonds nor the approval granted hereby shall obligate the taxing power of the County of Allegheny in any way, and shall be limited obligations of the Authority, payable solely from the revenues from the Borrower pledged for such payment.

The Council of the County of Allegheny hereby resolves as follows:

SECTION 1. Incorporation of Preamble.

The provisions set forth in the preamble to this Resolution are incorporated by reference in their entirety herein.

SECTION 2. Terms Defined.

Terms used in the Recitals to these Resolutions are herein used as therein defined.

SECTION 3. Declaration Regarding Financing of the Projects.

For the purposes set forth in the Recitals, and subject to the limitations set forth in the last Recital stated above, the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, acting by and through its County Council, hereby declares that it is desirable for the health, safety and welfare of the people of the County of Allegheny to have the Project, including the facilities related thereto, financed through the Authority. The Project, including the buildings and facilities related thereto, are hereby approved and such approval shall not in any way obligate the taxing power of the County.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any provision of this Resolution shall be determined to be unlawful, invalid, void or unenforceable, then that provision shall be considered severable from the remaining provisions of this Resolution which shall be in full force and effect.


SECTION 5. Repealer. Any Resolution or Ordinance or part thereof conflicting with the provisions of this Resolution is hereby repealed so far as the same affects this Resolution.

Enacted in Council, this 23rd day of May, 2017

Council Agenda No. 10170-17



John DeFazio
President of Council

Attest: 

Jared Barker
Chief Clerk of Council

Chief Executive Office May 25, 2017

Approved: 

Rich Fitzgerald
County Executive

Attest: 

Sonya Dietz
Executive's Secretary

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION
CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY
SUBMITTED FOR COUNCIL MEETING MAY 9, 2017

On behalf of Carnegie Mellon University (the “University”), a non-profit corporation, the Allegheny County Higher Education Building Authority (the “Authority”) intends to issue up to \$85,000,000 of tax-exempt bonds (the “Bonds”), to finance all or a portion of the following:

1. Refunding of a portion of the outstanding Pennsylvania Higher Educational Facilities Authority outstanding Carnegie Mellon University Revenue Bonds, Series 2009, and certain taxable indebtedness of the University; and
2. Paying all or a portion of the related financing costs.

M E M O R A N D U M

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

TO: Jared E. Barker
Allegheny County Council

FROM: William D. McKain CPA
County Manager

DATE: May 4, 2017

RE: Proposed Resolution

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The Allegheny County Law Department has reviewed this legislation prior to submitting it to Council.

I am requesting that this item be placed on the agenda at the next Regular Meeting of Council.

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