# **GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT**

# **Introduction**

The General Obligation Debt Service Fund provides for the payment of principal and interest on the City's outstanding general obligation bonds, certificates of obligation and equipment acquisition notes. Debt financing is used to pay for large capital projects. By using debt, the project costs are allocated over the life of the asset. Capital projects may include improvements to and/or construction of the City's street system; parks and recreational facilities; libraries; police and fire protection facilities; flood protection and storm drainage system. The Financial Management Performance Criteria (FMPC) addresses debt management, and among other requirements it necessitates voter approval prior to the issuance of general obligation bonds, restricts the maturities, and the amounts of and purposes for which bonded debt may be issued.

The primary source of revenue for the debt service fund is the ad valorem property tax. The proposed ad valorem tax rate of 74.79¢ per \$100 assessed value is split into two rates. Approximately one-third (22.49¢) of the tax revenue is used to pay principal and interest on the City's outstanding general obligation debt. The remaining two-thirds (52.30¢) of the revenue generated by the tax rate is used to pay for operating and maintenance costs incurred in the General Fund.

Due to the level principal structure of individual bond sales, the principal and interest payments of the existing general obligation debt decline annually. This repayment schedule creates more growth in the capacity to issue new debt within the existing debt service tax rate than a level payment schedule.

### **Credit Rating**

The City of Dallas' general obligation debt currently holds AA+/Aa1 ratings from Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service, respectively. These exceptionally high ratings reflect the sound management of the City of Dallas' financial resources and allow the City of Dallas to issue relatively low cost debt.

# **Legal Debt Margin**

Assessed Value

The City of Dallas Charter (Chapter XXI, Section 3) limits the maximum bonded indebtedness, payable from taxation, to 10% of assessed property value. However, the City's Financial Management Performance Criteria (FMPC) limits the net general obligation debt to 4% of the true market valuation of the taxable property of Dallas. Existing debt plus the planned issuance of \$257.71 million would constitute 2.2% of the assessed value of \$90.48 billion and 1.9% of the market value of \$105.64 billion. Thus, the City would continue to be in compliance with both requirements as of 9/30/2009.

\$90,477,932,550

10% Legal Debt Margin	\$9,047,793,255
Projected GO Debt 9/30/09 <sup>1</sup>	\$1,969,888,837
GO Debt as a percent of Assessed Property Value	2.2%
Market Value of Taxable Property	\$105,644,893,068
4% FMPC Limit	\$4,225,795,723
Projected GO Debt 9/30/09 <sup>1</sup>	\$1,969,888,837
GO Debt as a percent of Market Value	1.9%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Projected General Obligation debt assumes that the 2008 Certificates of Obligation issued for the Convention Center Hotel land acquisition will be refunded before February 2009.

# FY2008-09 Debt Service Budget

The FY2008-09 budget includes principal and interest payments on \$1.86 billion of existing general obligation debt. This amount includes \$356.49 million of outstanding pension obligation bonds. New debt to be issued includes \$214.67 million in general obligation bonds, \$35.54 million in equipment acquisition notes and \$7.50 million in certificates of obligation. Principal and interest expenses for existing debt and new debt are \$230.08 million and \$11.02 million, respectively, and are summarized in the table below.

	Principal	Interest	Total
Existing General Obligation Debt	132,220,000	68,398,796	200,618,796
Existing Pension Obligation Debt	12,382,696	17,078,828	29,461,524
\$214.67m General Obligation Bonds	-	8,467,539	8,467,539
\$35.54m Equipment Acquisition Notes	1,166,076	1,121,484	2,287,561
\$7.50m Certificates of Obligation	-	266,250	266,250
Total Debt Service	\$145,768,772	\$95,332,898	\$241,101,670

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The 2008-09 Debt Service Budget assumes that the 2008 Certificates of Obligation issued for the Convention Center Hotel land acquisition will be refunded before February 2009.

# Selected Financial Management Performance Criteria - Debt Management

These key criteria, established to ensure sound management of the City's financial resources, are listed below to detail the effects of the issuance of new debt.

Criteria	09/30/07	09/30/08	09/30/09
	Actual	Estimate	Adopted <sup>1</sup>
Total direct plus overlapping debt not to exceed 8% of the market value of taxable property	4.2 %	3.7 %	3.8 %
	In compliance	In compliance	In compliance
Weighted average general obligation bond maturities (exclusive of pension obligation bonds) not to exceed 10 years	7.6 years	7.7 years	7.6 years
	In compliance	In compliance	In compliance
Certificate of obligation debt not to exceed 15% of total authorized and issued general obligation debt	1.8 %	3.6 %	3.4 %
	In compliance	In compliance	In compliance
Per capita general obligation debt not to exceed 10% of latest authoritative computation of per capita annual income	3.3 %	3.5 %	3.7 %
	In compliance	In compliance	In compliance

# Statement of General Obligation Bonded Indebtedness As of 09/30/2008

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Series			Term		Outstanding
Number	Issue Name	Issue Date	Years	Interest Rate(s)	Principal
<b>E60</b>	Conoral Obligation Improvement Penda	11/01/1006	19	4 OO/ E OO/	E 940 000
560 563	General Obligation Improvement Bonds General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/1996 11/01/1997	19	4.0%-6.0% 4.3%-5.5%	6,840,000 2,880,000
503 574	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/1997	19	5.1%-5.5%	6,935,000
574 578	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/1999	19	5.0%-5.8%	16,260,000
576 583	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/2001		4.0%-5.0%	
589	General Obligation Refunding Bonds	01/15/2003	19 8	4.0%-5.0% 2.5%-5.0%	37,425,000 9,995,000
592	General Obligation Refunding Bonds  General Obligation Refunding Bonds	10/29/2003	0 10	4.0%-5.0%	
					34,305,000
593	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/2003	19	3.5%-4.5%	136,870,000
597	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/2004	19	4.0%-5.0%	136,900,000
604	General Obligation Refunding Bonds	04/13/2005	15	5.0%	156,850,000
606	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/2005	19	3.3%-5.0%	160,880,000
611	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	11/01/2006	19	4.5%-5.0%	210,150,000
614	General Obligation Improvement Bonds	06/01/2007	20	5.0%-5.1%	124,235,000
615	General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds	11/15/2007	19	4.0%-5.0%	363,240,000
	Total General C	bligation Bonds			\$ 1,403,765,000
598	Equipment Acquisition Notes	11/01/2004	5	3.0%	4,710,000
608	Equipment Acquisition Notes	11/01/2005	5	3.5%-4.0%	14,315,000
612	Equipment Acquisition Notes	11/01/2006	5	3.8%-4.0%	8,865,000
616	Equipment Acquisition Notes	11/15/2007	5	3.5%-4.0%	29,870,000
010	Total Equipment A		Ü	0.070 1.070	\$ 57,760,000
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580	Certificates of Obligation	11/01/2000	10	4.8%	4,970,000
591	Certificates of Obligation	06/01/2003	10	2.0%-3.3%	18,000,000
599	Certificates of Obligation	11/01/2004	10	3.0%-3.6%	3,790,000
605	Certificates of Obligation (Taxable)	04/13/2005	10	4.0%-4.5%	3,000,000
607	Certificates of Obligation	11/01/2005	10	3.8%-4.1%	4,670,000
617	Certificates of Obligation	11/15/2007	10	3.5%-4.0%	5,500,000
618	Certificates of Obligation	05/15/2008	10	2.0%-5.0%	40,280,000
	Total Certificat	es of Obligation			\$ 80,210,000
	Total General Obligation Bonds, Equipmen	t Acquisition No	tes, and Ce	rtificates of Obligation	\$ 1,541,735,000
000		04/46/2027	0.0	0.00/ - 00/	4.46.700.000
600	Pension Obligation Bonds (Current Interest Bonds - Taxable)	01/19/2005	30	3.2%-5.0%	143,720,000
601	Pension Obligation Bonds (Capital Appreciation Bonds - Taxable)	01/19/2005	30	4.1%-5.5%	137,772,609
602	Pension Obligation Bonds (Step-up Coupon Bonds - Taxable)	01/19/2005	19	5.5%-8.0%	75,000,000
	Total Pension C	bligation Bonds		-	\$ 356,492,609
			Total G	eneral Obligation Debt	\$ 1,898,227,609
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# General Obligation Debt Service Requirements As of 09/30/2008

Fiscal	Outsta	nding Debt (w/o l	РОВ)	Outstanding P	Outstanding Pension Obligation Bond Debt			
<u>Year</u>	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total	Outstanding <sup>1</sup>	
2009	133,030,000	70,646,358	203,676,358	12,382,696	17,078,828	29,461,524	233,137,882	
2010	130,060,000	64,299,490	194,359,490	18,875,000	10,874,562	29,749,562	224,109,052	
2011	117,080,000	58,426,452	175,506,453	11,097,826	19,311,023	30,408,849	205,915,302	
2012	113,650,000	52,956,245	166,606,245	10,419,750	20,689,099	31,108,849	197,715,094	
2013	105,055,000	47,652,056	152,707,057	9,707,602	22,148,747	31,856,349	184,563,406	
2014	96,345,000	42,830,850	139,175,850	12,616,830	20,023,720	32,640,550	171,816,400	
2015	90,645,000	38,360,804	129,005,804	8,636,841	24,855,408	33,492,249	162,498,053	
2016	87,220,000	34,125,405	121,345,405	8,050,977	26,357,522	34,408,499	155,753,904	
2017	83,780,000	30,001,431	113,781,431	8,214,089	27,166,370	35,380,459	149,161,890	
2018	107,105,000	25,323,369	132,428,369	8,933,560	27,471,259	36,404,819	168,833,188	
2019	72,700,000	20,907,306	93,607,306	8,635,322	28,821,172	37,456,494	131,063,800	
2020	69,170,000	17,459,525	86,629,525	8,261,699	30,388,970	38,650,669	125,280,194	
2021	64,155,000	14,247,400	78,402,400	28,800,000	10,930,587	39,730,587	118,132,987	
2022	60,755,000	11,294,900	72,049,900	31,545,000	9,398,428	40,943,428	112,993,328	
2023	60,745,000	8,476,888	69,221,888	35,350,000	7,183,500	42,533,500	111,755,388	
2024	51,625,000	5,854,688	57,479,688	39,650,000	4,183,500	43,833,500	101,313,188	
2025	43,070,000	3,617,719	46,687,719	8,036,834	36,784,235	44,821,069	91,508,788	
2026	33,610,000	1,806,907	35,416,907	8,040,114	38,163,093	46,203,207	81,620,114	
2027	21,935,000	509,875	22,444,875	8,037,694	39,593,689	47,631,383	70,076,258	
2028	-	-	-	8,034,062	41,073,353	49,107,415	49,107,415	
2029	-	-	-	8,038,642	42,583,831	50,622,473	50,622,473	
2030	-	-	-	8,040,730	44,141,866	52,182,596	52,182,596	
2031	-	-	-	8,035,840	45,728,242	53,764,082	53,764,082	
2032	-	-	-	8,038,960	47,358,879	55,397,839	55,397,839	
2033	-	-	-	8,037,046	49,022,603	57,059,649	57,059,649	
2034	-	-	-	8,039,198	50,731,091	58,770,289	58,770,289	
2035	-	-	-	14,936,297	45,590,144	60,526,441	60,526,441	
	\$1,541,735,000	\$548,797,668	\$2,090,532,670	\$ 356,492,609	\$ 787,653,721	\$ 1,144,146,330	\$3,234,679,000	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Total Outstanding includes the 2008 Certificates of Obligation issued for the Convention Center Hotel land acquisition, but the budget assumes that the Obligations will be refunded before February 2009.

# Statement of Revenues and Expenditures General Obligation Debt

	FY 2006-07 Actual		FY 2007-08 Budget		FY 2007-08 Estimate		FY 2008-09 Adopted <sup>2</sup>	
Beginning Cash Balance	\$	3,647,383	\$	4,277,155	\$	2,929,683	\$	6,385,169
Revenues								
Ad Valorem Taxes		139,906,354		190,365,230		190,512,101		200,490,225
Department Pension Bond Assessment <sup>1</sup>		28,342,199		11,411,149		10,811,149		11,628,380
Interest/Transfers/Other		20,782,289		21,608,259		24,202,280		30,230,333
Total		189,030,842		223,384,638		225,525,530		242,348,938
Total Available Resources	\$	192,678,225	\$	227,661,793	\$	228,455,213	\$	248,734,107
Expenses								
Principal Payments		118,175,000		136,210,000		136,005,000		145,768,772
Interest Payments		69,334,786		84,736,395		81,822,496		95,332,898
Other Expenses		2,238,756		4,502,387		4,242,548		5,103,842
Total		189,748,542		225,448,782		222,070,044		246,205,512
Ending Cash Balance	\$	2,929,683	\$	2,213,011	\$	6,385,169	\$	2,528,595

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Beginning in FY07-08, only those departments which are not part of the General Fund pay a separate pension bond debt service assessment. <sup>2</sup>The 2008-09 General Obligation Debt budget assumes that the 2008 Certificates of Obligation for the Convention Center Hotel will be refunded before February 2009.

# **AVIATION**

### **Introduction**

The Aviation Debt Service Fund provides for the payment of principal and interest on the Department of Aviation's outstanding revenue bonded indebtedness. In April 2001, the Department of Aviation issued \$59.385 million in Series 2001 Airport System Revenue Bonds for construction of an additional parking facility at Dallas Love Field. Construction of the new garage began in August of 2001 and was completed in April of 2003. Revenues from Aviation operations and interest earned on the cash balance in the debt service fund are pledged for repayment of the debt. Revenues are transferred from the Aviation operating fund to the debt service fund to meet annual principal and interest obligations.

### **Credit Rating**

The Department of Aviation currently holds BBB+/Baa2 underlying ratings from Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service, respectively. The bonds are rated AA/Aaa based on the bond insurance policy that AMBAC Assurance Corporation is providing.

### FY2008-09 Debt Service Budget

The FY2008-09 budget includes payments of \$6.5 million in principal repayments and \$1.0 million in interest payments. There are no plans to issue debt in the upcoming fiscal year.

### Statement of Revenue Bonded Indebtedness, as of 09/30/08

Series Number	Issue Name	Date of Issue	Term Years	Interest Rate	Outstanding Principal
581	Airport System Revenue Bonds	04/01/01	10	5.0%	\$ 20,315,000
		Tota	al Aviation Departm	nent Outstanding Debt	\$ 20,315,000

# Aviation Debt Service Requirements As of 09/30/2008

Fiscal	Outstanding Debt								
Year	Principal	Interest	Total						
2009	6,495,000	1,015,750	7,510,750						
2010	6,765,000	691,000	7,456,000						
2011	7,055,000	352,750	7,407,750						
	\$ 20,315,000	\$ 2,059,500	\$ 22,374,500						

# Statement of Debt Service Revenues and Expenditures Aviation

		FY 2006-07 Actual		FY 2007-08 Budget		FY 2007-08 Estimate		FY 2008-09 Adopted		
Beginning Cash Balance		\$	4,151,561	\$	4,306,220	\$	4,304,631	\$	4,481,392	
Revenues Transfers Interest/Other	Total		7,597,750 183,070 <b>7,780,820</b>		7,539,250 160,917 <b>7,700,167</b>		7,539,250 205,261 <b>7,744,511</b>		7,483,375 198,673 <b>7,682,048</b>	
Total Available Resources	TOtal	\$	11,932,381	\$	12,006,387	\$	12,049,142	\$	12,163,440	
Total Available Nesources		Ψ	11,332,301	Ψ	12,000,307	Ψ	12,043,142	Ψ	12,103,440	
Expenses Principal Payments Interest Payments			6,000,000 1,627,750		6,240,000 1,327,750		6,240,000 1,327,750		6,495,000 1,015,750	
	Total		7,627,750		7,567,750		7,567,750		7,510,750	
Ending Cash Balance		\$	4,304,631	\$	4,438,637	\$	4,481,392	\$	4,652,690	

# **CONVENTION CENTER**

### **Introduction**

The Convention Center Debt Service Fund provides for the payment of principal and interest on the Convention Center's outstanding revenue bonded indebtedness. In April 1998, the Convention Center Complex issued \$326.23 million in revenue bonds. This issue included the refunding of all of the Convention Center's \$236.60 million outstanding debt and a new money issuance of \$110.76 million. The new money issuance of \$110.76 million was invested to generate total funding for the \$125 million expansion and renovation of the complex which was put into service in 2002.

The 7% Hotel Occupancy Tax, operating revenues of the Convention Center Complex, and interest earned on cash balances in the bond reserve and debt service funds are pledged for repayment of the debt. Additionally, the City has covenanted to provide for the payment of operating and maintenance expenses of the Convention Center Complex, should a shortfall in Convention Center revenues occur. The General Fund will be providing financial assistance to the Convention Center during FY2008-09. Revenue from the Convention Center operating fund is transferred to the debt service fund to meet annual principal and interest payments.

# **Credit Rating**

The Convention Center Complex currently holds A/A1 underlying ratings from Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service, respectively. The bonds are rated AA/Aaa based on the bond insurance policy that MBIA Insurance Corporation is providing.

# FY2008-09 Debt Service Budget

The FY2008-09 budget includes payments on existing debt of \$12.5 million in principal repayments and \$12.6 million in interest payments.

#### Statement of Revenue Bonded Indebtedness, as of 09/30/08

Series Number	Issue Name	Date of Issue	Term Years	Interest Rate	Outstanding Principal
567	Civic Center Convention Complex, Revenue Refunding Bonds	04/01/98	30	4.6%-6.0%	256,050,000
			Total Conve	ntion Center Outstanding Debt	\$256,050,000

# Convention Center Debt Service Requirements As of 09/30/2008

Fiscal		Outstanding Debt				
Year	<u>Principal</u>	Interest	Total			
2009	12,460,000	12,588,130	25,048,130			
2010	12,065,000	12,014,970	24,079,970			
2011	12,635,000	11,447,915	24,082,915			
2012	13,240,000	10,841,435	24,081,435			
2013	13,890,000	10,192,675	24,082,675			
2014	14,585,000	9,498,175	24,083,175			
2015	15,315,000	8,768,925	24,083,925			
2016	16,080,000	8,003,175	24,083,175			
2017	16,885,000	7,199,175	24,084,175			
2018	17,725,000	6,354,925	24,079,925			
2019	18,615,000	5,468,675	24,083,675			
2020	19,520,000	4,561,194	24,081,194			
2021	20,470,000	3,609,594	24,079,594			
2022	6,470,000	2,611,681	9,081,681			
2023	6,785,000	2,296,269	9,081,269			
2024	7,115,000	1,965,500	9,080,500			
2025	7,470,000	1,609,750	9,079,750			
2026	7,845,000	1,236,250	9,081,250			
2027	8,235,000	844,000	9,079,000			
2028	8,645,000	432,250	9,077,250			
	\$256,050,000	\$121,544,663	\$377,594,663			

# Statement of Debt Service Revenues and Expenditures Convention Center

		FY 2006-07 Actual		FY 2007-08 Budget		FY 2007-08 Estimate		FY 2008-09 Adopted	
Beginning Cash Balance		\$	4,089,060	\$	4,116,488	\$	4,538,817	\$	3,639,990
Revenues Transfers Interest/Other	Total		25,045,078 449,509 <b>25,494,587</b>		25,044,467 450,000 <b>25,494,467</b>		23,695,640 450,000 <b>24,145,640</b>		23,488,470 499,705 <b>23,988,175</b>
Total Available Resources		\$	29,583,647	\$	29,610,955	\$	28,684,457	\$	27,628,165
Expenses Principal Payments Interest Payments			11,245,000 13,799,830		11,835,000 13,209,467		11,835,000 13,209,467		12,460,000 12,588,130
	Total		25,044,830		25,044,467		25,044,467		25,048,130
Ending Cash Balance		\$	4,538,817	\$	4,566,488	\$	3,639,990	\$	2,580,035

# **SPORTS ARENA**

### Introduction

On January 17, 1998, the Dallas voters approved a proposition authorizing the City to impose an additional 2% Hotel Occupancy Tax and a 5% Motor Vehicle Rental Tax to be used solely to pay for a new sports arena. On June 24, 1998, \$140.38 million of revenue bonds were issued to fund the City's \$125 million contribution to build the new arena. Of the \$140.38 million issued, \$104.81 million of the bonds are tax-exempt and the other \$35.57 million of the bonds are taxable. The debt service fund provides for the payment of principal and interest on both series of bonds.

### **Credit Rating**

These bonds currently hold underlying ratings of A-/Baa1/A from Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investors Service and Fitch IBCA, respectively. These bonds are rated AAA/Aaa/AAA reflecting the assessment of the likelihood of repayment of principal and interest based on the bond insurance policy that Ambac Assurance Corporation is providing.

# FY2008-09 Debt Service Budget

The FY2008-09 budget includes payments on existing debt of \$3.4 million in principal repayments and \$6.0 million in interest payments. These payments are funded with transfers of the 2% Hotel Occupancy Tax, the 5% Motor Vehicle Rental Tax, and interest earnings on the cash balance. Tax revenues in excess of the required debt service payments are retained in the Surplus Debt Redemption Fund until required for the payment of debt service. The Statement of Expenditures and Revenues shown on the next page reflects both of the Sports Arena Debt Service Funds and the Sports Arena Surplus Debt Redemption Fund. There are no plans to issue additional debt in FY2008-09.

#### Statement of Revenue Bonded Indebtedness as of 09/30/08

Series		Date of			Outstanding
Number	Issue Name	Issue	Term Years	Interest Rate	Principal
568	Special Tax Revenue Bonds (Tax Exempt)	06/15/98	30	4.2%-5.4%	78,720,000
569	Special Tax and Lease Revenue Bonds (Taxable)	06/15/98	30	6.0%-6.7%	29,865,000
			<b>Total Sports Aren</b>	a Revenue Bonds	\$108,585,000

# Sports Arena Debt Service Requirements As of 09/30/2008

Fiscal	Outstanding Debt						
Year	Principal	Interest	Total				
2009	3,360,000	5,955,389	9,315,389				
2010	3,550,000	5,767,369	9,317,369				
2011	3,750,000	5,568,604	9,318,604				
2012	3,960,000	5,358,499	9,318,499				
2013	4,180,000	5,136,529	9,316,529				
2014	4,415,000	4,902,029	9,317,029				
2015	4,665,000	4,650,124	9,315,124				
2016	4,935,000	4,383,825	9,318,825				
2017	5,210,000	4,106,863	9,316,863				
2018	5,495,000	3,823,856	9,318,856				
2019	5,795,000	3,525,056	9,320,056				
2020	6,110,000	3,209,713	9,319,713				
2021	6,440,000	2,876,913	9,316,913				
2022	6,790,000	2,525,744	9,315,744				
2023	7,160,000	2,155,206	9,315,206				
2024	7,555,000	1,764,056	9,319,056				
2025	7,965,000	1,350,963	9,315,963				
2026	8,400,000	915,094	9,315,094				
2027	8,850,000	469,781	9,319,781				
	\$108,585,000	\$68,445,613	\$177,030,613				

# Statement of Debt Service Revenues and Expenditures Sports Arena

		FY 2006-07 Actual	 Y 2007-08 Budget	 FY 2007-08 Estimate	 Y 2008-09 Adopted
Beginning Cash Balance	\$	50,779,995	\$ 57,687,630	\$ 58,421,490	\$ 66,334,515
Revenues 2% Hotel Occupancy Tax 5% Motor Vehicle Rental Tax Interest/Transfers/Other		10,599,575 3,973,262 2,384,895	10,609,032 3,966,592 2,239,876	10,799,765 4,210,209 2,218,608	11,123,813 4,294,413 2,355,550
Total		16,957,732	16,815,500	17,228,582	17,773,776
Total Available Resources	\$	67,737,727	\$ 74,503,130	\$ 75,650,072	\$ 84,108,291
Expenses Principal Interest/Other		3,020,000 6,296,237	3,185,000 6,130,557	3,185,000 6,130,557	3,360,000 5,955,389
Total		9,316,237	9,315,557	9,315,557	9,315,389
Ending Cash Balance	\$	58,421,490	\$ 65,187,573	\$ 66,334,515	\$ 74,792,902

# **WATER UTILITIES**

### Introduction

The debt service component of the Operating Budget for Dallas Water Utilities (DWU) provides for payment of principal and interest on DWU's indebtedness. The budget for these payments is prescribed by the following standards:

- ◆ The Dallas City Charter provides in Chapter XI, Section 14 that all water and wastewater costs (including debt requirements) shall be paid for from customer service revenues.
- Revenue bond ordinances provide that customer service revenues solely secure water and wastewater bonds.
- Financial criteria for DWU provide for financing of capital improvements (effectively defined as capital projects with useful lives of 20 years or longer) either from debt or directly from revenues, to maintain system equity levels.

In addition to revenue bonds, debt sources include tax-exempt commercial paper notes (CP), which are utilized for interim financing of capital construction projects. On an annual basis, commercial paper is refinanced and retired with revenue bonds. This process lowers overall interest costs and provides greater financing flexibility. Debt sources also include certain contractual obligations whereby DWU reimburses other agencies for debt incurred to construct joint-use facilities. Under these contractual agreements DWU makes payments in proportion to its allocated share of the joint use facilities.

#### **Credit Ratings**

The City of Dallas Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds are judged to be of high quality by all standards. These credit ratings reflect the sound management of DWU financial resources and allow issuance of bonds with relatively low interest costs. The City of Dallas Waterworks and Sewer System Commercial Paper Notes hold similarly high credit ratings. Current ratings of the City's debt instruments are shown in the table below.

Credit Rating Service	Revenue Bonds	Commercial Paper Notes		
Moody's	Aa2	P-1		
Standard & Poor's	AAA	A-1+		

# Revenue Bond and Commercial Paper Note Coverage

The following are established standards for DWU net revenue in relation to future debt service payments.

- Revenue bond ordinances require net revenues equal to at least 1.25 times bond principal and interest requirements of the future year when those requirements are highest.
- ◆ DWU financial criteria state that net revenues should be 1.5 times maximum annual bond requirements at the end of each fiscal year.
- ♦ Commercial Paper coverage requirements state that net revenues should be 1.10 times the maximum annual principal and interest payments required on all debt outstanding in the future year when those requirements are highest.

For fiscal year 2007, coverage at September 30, 2007 is summarized in the table below.

# Debt Service Coverage Requirements FY 2006-07

(000 omitted)

Coverage Net Revenue (CNR) = \$223,666

Authority	Ratio	Requirement	Denominator \$	Actual
Bond Ordinance	CNR/Max YR	1.25	159,815	1.40
DWU Criteria	CNR/Max YR	1.50	159,815	1.40
DWU Criteria	CNR/Max CP	1.10	171,504	1.30
Rating Agencies	CNR/AVG	N/A	81,656	2.74

- Max Yr = Maximum amount of debt service required in a single fiscal year for Principal and Interest payments on Outstanding Revenue Bond indebtedness.
- Max CP = Maximum amount of debt service required in a single fiscal year for Principal and Interest payments on all Outstanding Debt.

# FY 2008-09 Debt Service Budget

The FY 2008-09 budget provides principal and interest on existing debt of \$91.2 million and \$77.6 million, respectively. Commercial paper issues in FY 2008-09 are forecast at \$172 million with an estimated interest cost and fees of \$6.1 million, which is paid from the Water Utilities Operating Fund.

# Water Utilities Financial Criteria for Debt Management

Financial criteria have been established to ensure sound management of DWU's financial resources. Financial criteria that apply to DWU indebtedness are listed below. Compliance with each of the criteria is projected for FY 2008-09 unless otherwise noted (in italics).

- (1) Current revenues will be sufficient to support current expenditures including debt service and other obligations of the system.
- (2) Long-term debt will be used only for capital expansion, replacement and improvement of plant, not for current expenses.
- (3) Short-term debt, including tax-exempt commercial paper, will be used as authorized for interim financing of projects that will result in capital improvements.
- (4) Capital projects financed through the issuance of debt will be financed for a period not to exceed the expected useful lives of the projects.
- (5) An equity target will be maintained for each fiscal year-end of at least 20% of the total capital structure, excluding current liabilities. *Proposed budget maintains a 20% equity for fiscal year-end.*
- (6) Net revenues available for debt service should be at least 1.5 times the maximum annual principal and interest requirements of relevant outstanding revenue bonds at the end of the same fiscal year, and at least 1.3 times maximum-year requirements at all times, measured during a fiscal year using the previous year net revenues available for debt service.
- (7) Capital financing will be provided through revenue bonds, current revenues, contributed capital, and short-term debt.
- (8) Revenue bonds will be issued with serial maturities not to exceed thirty (30) years.
- (9) Debt refinancing will only be considered when the overall net present value savings is at least 3% of the principal amount to be refunded.
- (10) Fully funded debt service reserves shall be maintained. A surety bond (or other type of credit facility such as a letter of credit) may be used in lieu of funding the reserve if the former is economically advantageous.

# DEBT SERVICE Statement of Indebtedness As of 09/30/08

Series Number	Issue Name	Interest Rate(s)	Date of Issue	Term Years		outstanding Principal
Revenue	Bonds					
550	Refunding & Improvement	4.0%	09/01/93	20		4,715,000
570	Refunding*	4.3-5.0%	09/01/98	31		108,175,000
573	Refunding & Improvement	4.8-5.5%	09/01/99	20		5,415,000
576	Refunding & Improvement	5.3-5.8%	09/01/00	20		9,915,000
582	Refunding & Improvement	5.0-5.3%	09/01/01	20		16,025,000
586	Refunding	3.0-5.5%	02/01/02	20		7,765,000
587	Refunding	3.0-5.0%	09/01/02	8		65,150,000
590	Refunding & Improvement	3.0-5.4%	01/01/03	20		133,750,000
B595	Refunding & Improvement	3.5-5.0%	09/01/03	20		139,530,000
603	Refunding	5.0%	02/01/05	20		108,165,000
610	Refunding & Improvement	4.3-5.5%	04/01/06	30		243,895,000
613	Refunding & Improvement	4.0-5.0%	03/15/07	30		675,730,000
619	Refunding	4.0-5.0%	05/15/08	30		158,655,000
Total Dallas Water Utilities Revenue Bonds						,676,885,000
*Longer term authorized to prepay previous 50 year contractual obligation						
Commercial Paper Notes (projected)					\$	67,240,000
Equipment Notes					\$	1,100,000

# Dallas Water Utilities Debt Service Requirements As of 09/30/2008

Fiscal	Outstanding Debt					
Year	Principal	Interest	Total			
2009	91,215,000	77,606,452	168,821,452			
2010	94,680,000	74,018,769	168,698,769			
2011	77,430,000	69,789,423	147,219,423			
2012	78,805,000	65,919,701	144,724,701			
2013	86,210,000	61,812,373	148,022,373			
2014	82,765,000	57,615,726	140,380,726			
2015	78,755,000	53,658,344	132,413,344			
2016	77,175,000	49,793,594	126,968,594			
2017	75,040,000	46,081,447	121,121,447			
2018	68,835,000	42,582,016	111,417,016			
2019	73,475,000	39,150,704	112,625,704			
2020	77,075,000	35,580,301	112,655,301			
2021	75,620,000	32,029,670	107,649,670			
2022	73,365,000	28,570,410	101,935,410			
2023	67,060,000	25,338,578	92,398,578			
2024	55,415,000	22,512,556	77,927,556			
2025	45,540,000	20,135,513	65,675,513			
2026	33,280,000	18,272,184	51,552,184			
2027	34,880,000	16,655,131	51,535,131			
2028	36,565,000	14,949,981	51,514,981			
2029	38,340,000	13,162,006	51,502,006			
2030	40,180,000	11,298,769	51,478,769			
2031	27,145,000	9,700,222	36,845,222			
2032	28,480,000	8,367,019	36,847,019			
2033	29,880,000	6,968,019	36,848,019			
2034	31,350,000	5,495,006	36,845,006			
2035	32,905,000	3,944,053	36,849,053			
2036	34,535,000	2,316,028	36,851,028			
2037	21,065,000	986,644	22,051,644			
2038	9,820,000	245,500	10,065,500			
	\$1,676,885,000	\$914,556,139	\$2,591,441,139			

# Statement of Debt Service Revenues and Expenditures Dallas Water Utilities

	FY 2006-07 Actual	FY 2007-08 Budget	FY 2007-08 Estimate	FY 2008-09 Adopted
Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 112,272,024	\$ 108,814,193	\$ 126,148,247	\$ 131,809,633
Revenues Operating Fund Transfers General Fund Sanitation Storm Water Utility Transfers	160,830,720 262,075 332,101 976,362	162,157,124 257,213 325,940 970,062	163,923,126 257,213 325,940 970,062	168,449,778 252,888 320,459 964,744
То	tal 162,401,258	163,710,339	165,476,341	169,987,869
Total Available Resources	\$ 274,673,282	\$ 272,524,532	\$ 291,624,588	\$ 301,797,502
Expenses Principal Payments Interest Payments	76,825,000 71,700,035	83,265,000 76,549,955	83,265,000 76,549,955	91,215,000 77,606,452
То	tal 148,525,035	159,814,955	159,814,955	168,821,452
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 126,148,247	\$ 112,709,577	\$ 131,809,633	\$ 132,976,050

Note: Commercial paper costs, debt fees, and smaller debt expenses are paid directly from Water Utilities Operating Funds. These payments are to bond holders and reservoir debt holders and do not include any additional fees or commercial paper interest.