

**UNION COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**ACTION AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT**

Meeting Date: December 4, 2006

Action Agenda Item No. 11  
(Central Admin. use only)

**SUBJECT:** Certifying Results of Nov. 7, 2006 School Bond Referendum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Finance

**PUBLIC HEARING:** No

**ATTACHMENT(S):**  
a) Resolution Certifying and Declaring the Results of the Special Bond Referendum  
b) Copy of Statement of Results of Special Bond Referendum for Publication in Newspaper  
c) Copy of Certificate of Canvass of the Board of Elections

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**DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Adopt Resolution Certifying and Declaring the Results of the Special Bond Referendum

**BACKGROUND:** On August 28, 2006, the BOCC adopted a Bond Order authorizing the issuance of up to \$174.5 million in general obligation bonds for school construction; said Bond Order becoming effective upon the passage of a special bond referendum. The BOCC, also at the August 28, 2006, meeting adopted a resolution which provided for the ballot question to be submitted to qualified voters at special bond referendum to be held November 7, 2006.

On November 7, 2006, qualified voters approved the Bond Order authorizing \$174.5 million general obligation bonds with 18,859 voting in favor and 12,374 voting against.

The final action required by the BOCC in connection with the Bond Order and referendum is the adopting of a resolution certifying the results of the election. Following publication on December 6, 2006 of the resolution certifying and declaring the results of the elections, the public has 30 days to challenge the validity of the special bond referendum.

After the 30 day period and with no challenge, the County may issue bonds pursuant to the Bond Order.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Per the BOCC adopted financial and debt policies - 4.5 cents effective with the FY2008 budget followed by increases of 4.5 cents (FY2009) and 3.25 cents (FY2010) for a total of 12.25 cents. Additionally, the LGC application and bond literature distributed in connection with the referendum contained information on the anticipated impact on the tax rate.

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**Legal Dept. Comments if applicable:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Finance Dept. Comments if applicable:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Manager Recommendation:** \_\_\_\_\_

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RESOLUTION CERTIFYING AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL BOND REFERENDUM ON THE BOND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$174,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS HELD FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, NORTH CAROLINA ON NOVEMBER 7, 2006

*WHEREAS*, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, North Carolina has considered the Certificate of Canvass of the Union County Board of Elections canvassing the referendum held for the County of Union, North Carolina on November 7, 2006 and certifying the result thereof to the Board and has canvassed the result of said Referendum.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF UNION, NORTH CAROLINA* that it be and hereby is certified and declared that the number of voters registered and qualified to vote at said Referendum was 100,558.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that it be and hereby is certified and declared that the total number of voters who voted "Yes" in answer to the question

"SHALL the order authorizing \$174,500,000 of bonds secured by the pledge of the full faith and credit of the County of Union, North Carolina to pay the costs of providing for the construction, renovation, improvement, equipping and furnishing of public school facilities within the County, including the acquisition of land or rights-of-way, if necessary, and a tax to be levied for the payment thereof be approved?"

was 18,859. The total number of voters who voted "No" in answer to such question was 12,374. The question in the form submitted was *APPROVED* by the affirmative vote of a majority of those who voted thereon at said referendum.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that a statement substantially in the form hereinafter set forth declaring the result of said referendum shall be prepared, delivered to the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for filing and recordation and published in accordance with law.

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that this Resolution is effective on the date of its adoption.

*READ, APPROVED AND ADOPTED* this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006.

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Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

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Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

CERTIFICATE OF CANVASS OF THE  
UNION COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
FOR THE REFERENDUM OF THE  
COUNTY OF UNION ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2006

WE, the undersigned Chairman and Members of the Union County Board of Elections, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we met on November 17, 2006 at the hour of 11:00 o'clock, a.m., in the office of the Union County Board of Elections in Monroe, North Carolina to canvass the returns of the special bond referendum held in the County of Union, North Carolina on November 7, 2006.

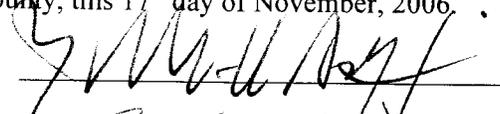
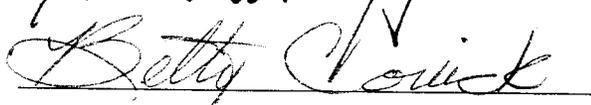
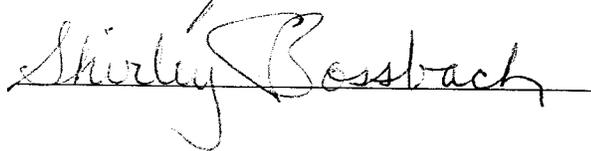
1. The total number of voters who voted "YES" in answer to the question, "SHALL the order authorizing \$174,500,000 of bonds secured by the pledge of the full faith and credit of the County of Union, North Carolina to pay the costs of providing for the construction, renovation, improvement, equipping and furnishing of public school facilities within the County, including the acquisition of land or rights-of-way, if necessary, and a tax to be levied for the payment thereof be approved?", was 18,859. The total number of voters who voted "NO" in answer to such question was 12,374. The question in the form submitted was *APPROVED* by the affirmative vote of a majority of those who voted thereon at said referendum.

2. All persons voting at said referendum were required to use ballots or ballot labels setting forth the questions to be voted upon in the form prescribed by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Union, North Carolina.

3. Only the persons who have been duly registered were permitted to vote at said referendum. The total number of voters who were registered and qualified to vote at said referendum was 100,558.

4. The polls for said referendum were opened at the polling places in the County of Union, North Carolina on November 7, 2006, at the hour of 6:30 a.m., and were closed at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on that day.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, we have set our hands for the purpose of certifying the result of the special bond referendum held for the County of Union, North Carolina on November 7, 2006 to the Board of Commissioners of said County, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006.

  
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