ORDINANCE NO. 2011-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROJECTS AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2006-29 BOND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, MAY 16, 2006 SPECIAL ELECTION (AS AMENDED OCTOBER 6, 2009 BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2009-93) FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE SCOPE AND IMPLEMENTATION PERIODS FOR CERTAIN PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors adopted Chapter 3.06 of the Pima County Code titled “Bonding Disclosure, Accountability and Implementation”; and,

WHEREAS, in compliance with Chapter 3.06, the Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance Number 2006-29, the “Bond Implementation Plan, May 16, 2006 Special Election”; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, on October 6, 2009 enacted Ordinance No. 2009-93 amending Ordinance No. 2006-29 in compliance with provisions of Chapter 3.06; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to amend Ordinance Number 2006-29 (as previously amended) in compliance with provisions of Chapter 3.06:

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Pima County, Arizona:

Ordinance Number 2006-29 (as previously amended) is hereby amended as follows:
A. Question 3 – Psychiatric Urgent Care Facilities

For the purpose of acquiring, developing, improving and equipping psychiatric urgent care facilities for the County, including the acquisition and construction of real and personal property or interests or rights in property for such purpose and paying all expenses properly incidental thereto and to the issuance of such bonds, shall Pima County, Arizona be authorized to issue and sell general obligation bonds of the County in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding $18,000,000?

Location: Kino Health Campus, 2800 East Ajo Way, Tucson, Arizona 85713

Scope: To construct a psychiatric urgent care center to complement existing and proposed psychiatric facilities on the Kino health campus. The urgent care center will be located in close proximity to University Physicians Hospital at Kino Campus, including the proposed psychiatric inpatient hospital facility. The psychiatric urgent care center will be leased to and operated by the regional behavioral health authority designated in statute by the State to provide publicly funded urgent care and crisis services for Pima County. Surplus funds from the construction of the psychiatric urgent care center will be used to design, construct, and equip needed health clinics and associated labs to be build at the Kino Campus.

Benefits: Development of a psychiatric urgent care center will fill a significant gap in the mental health delivery system in Southern Arizona. It will substantially reduce the number of mental health and/or substance abuse patients currently being seen in local emergency rooms, freeing the emergency rooms to provide emergency medical care. The psychiatric urgent care center would coordinate services with all hospitals in Pima County, not only University Physicians Hospital at Kino Campus. The advantage of being located on the Kino health campus is the proximity to medical services in the event a patient requires more intensive medical evaluation or stabilization of medical emergencies. The development of a psychiatric urgent care center will also benefit law enforcement personnel and other first responders who now often respond to these individuals in crisis, by providing a location to take these individuals and a plan for streamlining the process. Newly constructed health clinics and associated labs will supplement existing inpatient and outpatient services for the betterment of patient care at the Kino Campus.

Cost: $18,000,000 – including costs to plan, design, bid, construct and equip the new facility.

2006 Bond Funding: $18,000,000

Other Funding: None identified at this time

Implementation Period: Fiscal Year 2005/06 to Fiscal Year 2014/2012/2013

Project Management: Pima County Facilities Management

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: Approximately $1,000,000 per year following occupancy in 2011. O&M costs include utilities, building and site maintenance, housekeeping, and security. O&M cost estimate is based on projected facility size. Responsibility for O&M costs is to be determined by separate agreement with the agency leasing the new facility.
B. Question 4 – Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Facilities

For the purpose of acquiring, developing, improving and equipping psychiatric inpatient hospital facilities for the County, including the acquisition and construction of real and personal property or interests or rights in property for such purpose and paying all expenses properly incidental thereto and to the issuance of such bonds, shall Pima County, Arizona be authorized to issue and sell general obligation bonds of the County in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding $36,000,000?

Location: Kino Health Campus, 2800 East Ajo Way, Tucson, Arizona 85713

Scope: To construct an 80 to 100-bed psychiatric inpatient facility and expanded psychiatric emergency department on the Kino health campus. The proposed facility will be part of University Physicians Hospital at Kino Campus and will be constructed adjacent to the existing hospital and within close proximity to the proposed psychiatric urgent care center. The proposed $36 million in bond funds would be combined with the $12 million of bond funds authorized in May 2004 for a total of $48 million.

Because the project will involve the area currently used to land emergency helicopters on the campus, a new Helistop will be designed, constructed and equipped to serve the remodeled Emergency Department (ED) currently designed into the ground floor of this new Psychiatric Hospital. The Helistop will be located in the north soccer field on the Kino campus near the new ED ambulance entrance and will consist of two helicopter landing pads and associated improvements. Surplus funds from the construction of the psychiatric inpatient hospital facilities will be used to design, construct, and equip needed health clinics and associated labs to be built at the Kino Campus.

Benefits: The majority of psychiatric inpatient beds in the University Physicians Hospital at Kino Campus are currently located in areas originally designed as medical/surgical units and are inefficient from an operations and safety standpoint. Medical patients as well as patients with behavioral and substance abuse issues are treated in an emergency department that is too small, causing delays and disruptions in treatment for all patients and jeopardizing patient safety. The proposed psychiatric inpatient hospital and expanded emergency department with space specifically designed for psychiatric patients, will improve security, operational efficiency and treatment opportunities.

A new Helistop will replace the existing helicopter landing site, which is impacted by the project, ensuring safe, essential and convenient air ambulance service to an expanded and enhanced Level 3 Trauma Center. Newly constructed health clinics and associated labs will supplement existing inpatient and outpatient services for the betterment of patient care at the Kino Campus.

Cost: $48,000,000– including costs to plan, design, bid, construct and equip the new facility.

2006 Bond Funding: $36,000,000

Other Funding: $12,000,000 in 2004 General Obligation Bond Authorization

Implementation Period: Fiscal Year 2005/06 to Fiscal Year 2010/2011/2012/2013

Project Management: Pima County Facilities Management

Future Operating and Maintenance Costs: Approximately $2,500,000 per year following occupancy in 2011. O&M costs include utilities, building and site maintenance, housekeeping, and security. O&M cost estimate is based on projected facility size. Responsibility for O&M costs is to be determined by separate agreement with the agency leasing the new facility.
AS AMENDED by the Board of Supervisors of Pima County, Arizona, this 5th day of April, 2011.

Chairman, Pima County Board of Supervisors
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Reviewed by:

C. Deuel
Pima County Administrator
3/23/11

Attest:

Clerk, Pima County Board of Supervisors

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