PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date:

July 2, 2019

[] Consent

[] Regular

[] Ordinance

[X] Public Hearing

Department:

Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to:

A) approve the application of E-Z Weld Group LLC (Borrower) for the issuance of the County's Industrial Development Revenue Bonds (E-Z Weld Group Project), Series 2019 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$3,250,000 (Bonds);

B) conduct a Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibilities Act (TEFRA) public hearing pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds; and

C) adopt a Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida (Issuer): (I) authorizing the issuance of the Industrial Development Revenue Bond (E-Z Weld Group Project), Series 2019, in a principal amount not exceeding \$3,250,000 for the purpose of making a loan of funds to E-Z Weld Group LLC (Borrower) in order to finance all or a portion of the acquisition and installation of certain manufacturing machinery and equipment and for other purposes described herein; (II) providing that such revenue bond shall not constitute a debt, liability or obligation of Palm Beach County, Florida or the State of Florida or any political subdivision thereof, but shall be payable solely from the revenues herein provided; (III) approving and authorizing the execution and delivery of a financing agreement among the Issuer, the Borrower and D.A. Davidson & Co. or its designee; (IV) approving and authorizing the execution and delivery of certain other documents required in connection with the foregoing; and (V) providing certain other details in connection therewith.

Summary: Staff recommends the Board of County Commissioners' (BCC) approve the E-Z Weld Industrial Development Revenue Bond application; conduct a public hearing; and adopt a Resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$3,250,000 in Bonds. The Borrower applied for the issuance of tax-exempt Private Activity Bonds, a form of Industrial Development Revenue Bonds, by the Issuer. Bond proceeds will be used to finance the acquisition of machinery and equipment to support the manufacturing of 5-gallon commercial buckets. The bucket manufacturing process will occur at the Borrower's existing, 45,000 square foot facility located at 1661 President Barack Obama Highway in Riviera Beach. The Borrower will expand its existing joining materials manufacturing line (i.e., cements and glues used in commercial plumbing pipes) to include the manufacturing of 5-gallon buckets. With this expansion, the Borrower will add 24 new jobs to its current base of 38 full time employees. Neither the taxing power nor the faith and credit of the County, nor any County funds, shall be pledged to pay the principal, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds. District 7 (DB)

Background and Policy Issues: The Internal Revenue Code requires certain tax-exempt debt be approved by an elected governmental agency after a public hearing. This approval does not in any way obligate the County on the Bonds.

Attachment(s):

- 1. Application
- 2. Memo to Assistant County Administrator
- 3. TEFRA Notice
- 4. Resolution

Recommended By: Department Director	6/10/19
Operation of the contract o	Date
Approved By: Assistant County Administrator	4/21/19 Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs					
External Revenues					
Program Income					
In-Kind Match (County)					
NET FISCAL IMPACT					
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)					
s Item Included In Curren Does this item include the	t Budget? use of Federal F	unds?	Yes Yes	No X No X	
Budget Account No.:					
Fund Dept l	Jnit Obje	ct	Program Cod	de/Period	
B. Recommended So	ources of Funds	s/Summa	ry of Fiscal I	mpact:	
No fiscal impact					
C. Departmental Fisc			id, Division M	lanager	
	III. <u>REVIE</u>	W COMN	<u>IENTS</u>		
A. OFMB Fiscal and/	or Contract Dev	elopmen	t and Contro	ol Comments	:
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3. Legal Sufficiency:					`
Assistant County A	6/20/19 ttorney				
C. Other Department	Review:				



INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. The Palm Beach County Industrial Development Revenue Bond Application Package consists of the following:
 - a. Application Form
 - b. Application Attachments
 - c. Application Acknowledgements
 - d. \$1,500 Application Fee payable to Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County
- 2. Send 1 hard copy and 1 electronic copy of the Application Package to:

Sherry Howard
Deputy Director
Palm Beach County Department of Housing & Economic Sustainability
100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500
West Palm Beach, FL 33405
showard@pbcgov.org

- 3. Where there is insufficient space on the Application Form, please provide additional information as an Application Attachment.
- 4. For questions regarding the Application Package, please contact:

Sherry Howard
Deputy Director
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ATTACHMENT 1

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APPLICATION FORM

1. Entity that will borrow the bond proceeds from the bond issuer.

Entity Name: E-Z Weld Group LLC

Address: 1661 President Barack Obama Highway, Riviera Beach Florida 33404

Telephone: 561-844-0241

Fax: 561-858-8958

This entity is referred to as the project's "principal user" for the remainder of this questionnaire.

2. Form of organization of principal user (check one):

corporation

partner

sole proprietorship

other: LLC

 Is the principal user related to any other organization by more than 50% common ownership?

Yes

no X

- If "yes", indicate name of related organization and relationship:
- 3. Ownership: List all stockholders or partners having 10% or more ownership interest in the principal user:

See Attached E-Z Weld Membership Ledger

4. If any of the above persons own more than 50% of the principal user, list all other organizations which are related to the principal user by virtue of such persons having more than a 50% interest in such organizations:

- 5. Principal User Description: Provide a brief description of:
 - the principal user, its history, and operations:

E_Z Weld is a developer and manufacturer of industrial joining material and chemicals for uses with pipes. These include PVC cements, CPVC cements specifically formulated for hot water pipes, specialty cements, primers and cleaners for pipe joining, lubricants, thread sealants and tape. The company has been in business for 50 years and has been located in Riviera Beach since 1972, currently operating out of 45,000 square feet of manufacturing space. EZ Weld's customers are among the largest retailers and plumbing wholesalers in the United States, Europe, the Middle East, the Caribbean and Latin America.

any outstanding debts:

As set forth in 2018 financial statements.

earning history:

As set forth in 2018 financial statements.

- 6. Issuance Amount: Indicate the specific amount of U.S. dollars being requested by the issuance of Industrial Development Revenue Bonds: \$3,250,000
- 7. Proposed Security and Guarantors: Indicate the proposed security and guarantors of the bonds:
 - First lien mortgage on 1661 President Barack Obama Highway, Riviera Beach Florida;

b. First priority security interest in equipment acquired with proceeds of Bond;
c. Personal Guaranty of Raul Ignacio Alvarez Rosa.

8. Method of Sale: Describe the proposed method of sale of the bonds:

Private Placement with or through D.A. Davidson & Co.

9. Investment-Grade Quality Bonds: Are the prospective bond issues considered to be of investment-grade quality as defined in Palm Beach County Policies and Procedures Manual (PPM) CW-F-065, Section H?

> yes, <u>no</u>

If "no", please take note of the restrictions contained in PPM CW-F-065, Section H, including but not limited to, the requirement of an investor letter or representation of the underwriter that the initial purchasers of the bonds are qualified investors as therein defined.

Noted.

- 10. Other Parties: As available/appropriate, please provide contact information (name, title, company, email address, telephone, and address) of the following other parties to this application:
 - Commercial Bank: N/A

Financial Advisor: N/A

- Underwriter: D.A. Davidson & Co. (Placement Agent)
- General Counsel: Sanchez Vadillo LLP NW 41 St ste 202, Doral Florida 33178
- Other:

11. Bond Counsel:

- Provide name and contact information for Bond Counsel: James S. Lawlor, Reed Smith LLP
- Is Bond Counsel (or Bond Counsel Firm) listed in the latest edition of "The Bond Buyer's Municipal Market Place Director" (the "Red Book")?

Yes X no

- If "no", describe how the proposed Bond Counsel (or Bond Counsel Firm) is qualified to provide such services:
- 12. Use of Funds: Indicate the proposed use of the issuance:

Proceeds of the bonds will be used by the principal user to acquire machinery and equipment for the manufacture of commercial buckets at its facility located at 1661 President Barack Obama Highway, Riviera Beach Florida (the "Manufacturing Facility"); to refinance an existing mortgage on the Manufacturing Facility; and to pay costs of issuance.

13. Location of the Project:

- Street Address: 1661 President Barack Obama Highway, Riviera Beach Florida 33404
- Indicate if the location is within a municipality or unincorporated Palm Beach County.

Riviera Beach

14. Project Site:

• Indicate approximate size (in acres or square feet) of project site:

2.2 acres

• Are there buildings now on the project site?

Yes X

no

Indicate the present use of the project site:

Manufacturing

Indicate present owner of project site: Raul Ignacio Alvarez Rosas	
15. If the principal user now owns the project site, indicate:Date of Purchase: March 31, 2017	
Purchase Price: \$590,000	
Holder of Mortgage: Bank of Belle Glade	
Balance of Existing Mortgage: \$283,402	
16. If the principal user is not now the owner of the project site, does the principal user have an option to purchase the site and any buildings on the site? N/A	
yes <u>no</u>	
 If "yes", indicate: Date Option Agreement Signed with Owner: 	
o Purchase Price under Option:	
 Expiration Date of Option: 	
17. Has the principal user entered into a contract to purchase the site? Yes <u>no</u>	
If "yes", indicate:Date signed:	
o Purchase Price:	
o Settlement Date:	
18. If the principal user is not the owner of project site, does the principal user now lease the site or any buildings on the site? yes no	
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19. Is there a relationship legally or by virtue of common control or ownership between the
principal user and the seller / lessor of the project site? N/A
<u>yes</u> no
If "yes", describe this relationship:
Property owner is the guarantor of bonds and an owner of the principal user.

- 20. Does the project involve acquisition of an existing building or buildings? yes \underline{no}
 - If "yes", indicate number and size of buildings:
- 21. Does the project consist of the construction of a new building or buildings? yes \underline{no}
 - If "yes", indicate number and size of new buildings:
- 22. Does the project consist of additions and/or renovations to existing buildings? yes no
 - If "yes", indicate nature of expansion and/or renovations:

Only to the extent needed for installation of acquired machinery and equipment.

23. What will be the use of the buildings or buildings to be acquired, constructed or expanded by the principal user for this project?

Manufacturing of 5 gallon Industrial Pails

24. If any space in the project is to be leased to third parties, indicate total square footage of the project, amount to be leased to each tenant, and proposed use by each tenant: N/A

Project Total Sq. Ft.	Third Parties Leased Sq. Ft.	Tenant / Proposed Use

25. Has construction work on this project begun? yes • no

• If "yes", complete the following:

Yes		
1 63	No	% Complete
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		%
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26. List principal items or categories of equipment to be acquired as part of the project:

See attachment

27. Has any of the above equipment been ordered or purchased? yes \underline{no}

• If "yes", complete the following:

Equipment Item	Date Ordered	Delivery Date	Price
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28. List the face amount of all tax-exempt financing previously arranged by or for the benefit of the principal user in Palm Beach County: None

Date of Issue	Original Face	Current Outstanding

29. Allocation of bond proceeds: Complete the following to detail the allocation of bond proceeds:

Description of Cost	Amount
Land	***************************************
Buildings	\$ 250,000
Equipment	\$ 2,876,750
Engineering	
Architecture	
Interest During Construction	
Bond Discount	
Cost of Financing	\$ 132,250
Other (please explain)	
Total	\$ 3,250,000

- 30. Have any of the above expenditures already been made by the applicant? yes no
 - If "yes", provide details:
- 31. Have any of the above expenditures been incurred but not paid by the principal user?

yes <u>no</u>

- If "yes", provide details:
- 32. Are costs of working capital, moving expenses, work in process, or stock in trade included in the proposed uses of bond proceeds?

yes <u>no</u>

- If "yes", provide details:
- 33. Will any of the funds to be borrowed through the County be used to repay or refinance an existing mortgage or outstanding loan?

Yes no

- If "yes", provide details: Balance is \$283,402; proceed of \$250,000 to be used toward refinance.
- 34. List capital expenditures with respect to this project: See Project Summary

Expenditure	Past 3-Years Amount	Next 3-Years Amount

Land	\$ 40,000	
Buildings	\$ 550,000	
Equipment		\$ 2,876,750
Engineering		
Architecture		
Research & Development		
Interest During Construction		
Other (please explain below)		
TOTAL	\$ 590,000	\$2,876,750

Research and development expenses with respect to a facility must be treated as capital expenditures with respect to it. This would include research and development with respect to products to be produced at the facility and with respect to equipment to be used there. Research and development expenses allocable to the project under the foregoing rule must be treated as capital expenditures with respect to it even though the research and development work takes place in a different county or state.

Costs of molds, etc., to be used at a facility are capital expenditures even if paid by the customer.

Costs of equipment to be moved to a facility are capital expenditures even if the purchase and initial use of the equipment occurred outside the County.

35. List capital expenditures with respect to **other facilities** of the principal user or any related person, if the facilities are located in Palm Beach County: None

Expenditure	Past 3-Years Amount	Next 3-Years Amount
Land		
Buildings		
Equipment		
Engineering		
Architecture		
Research & Development		
Interest During		
Other (please explain		
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- 36. Contribution to the Local Economy: In accordance with Florida State 159.29(1), describe the nature an extent on the impact of the proposed project in Palm Beach County:
 - Impact economic growth in the County:

Creation of jobs

Number of new jobs to created and estimated annual payroll:

27 jobs; \$500,000 estimated aggregate annual payroll

•	Number of existing jobs retained and estimated annual payroll:
	N/A

- Estimated value of property to be added to tax rolls:
- Other ways in which the project will affect the economic prosperity and general welfare
 of the County and residents:
- Extent to which local resources, manpower, and businesses will be used in the construction, operation, and maintenance of the project:
- 37. Do any new or existing project jobs require specialized training or skills?

 Yes no
 - If "yes", please indicate whether or not training programs will be instituted or whether or not local technical and vocational education can provide such training:

In house training / Outsourced (equipment manufacturer) training where needed

38. Impact of the Project: In accordance with Florida Statute 159.29(3) describe how the County will be able to cope satisfactorily with the impact of the project and will be able to provide, or cause to be provided when needed, the public facilities (including utilities and public services) that will be necessary for the construction, operation, repair and maintenance of the project or that will be needed due to any increases in population or other circumstances resulting from the project.

Existing utilities are sufficient for the project and impact on roads, traffic and municipal services will be negligible.

- 39. Does the project produce emissions through stacks or chimneys which would subject it to the jurisdiction of the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation?

 yes

 no
 - If "yes", provide details:
- 40. Does the project produce sewage, industrial effluent, or discharge of an unusual character requiring specialized treatment?

yes <u>no</u>

• If "yes", provide details:



INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS

Please provide the following Application Attachments:

- 1. Pro Forma Financial Statements
 - Preferably for 10 years
 - For a minimum of 5 years
 - Statements must
 - disclose the principal user's estimate of company operations resulting from i. the new investment
 - include management discussion and analysis summarize significant accounting policies summarize significant forecast assumptions ΪĬ.
 - iii.
- 2. Conventional Financing Statements:
 - Provided for principal user (including a parent or subsidiary)
 - Prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principals Audited by an independent Certified Public Accountant

 - For the immediate 3 preceding years
- 3. Annual Report for the Principal User
- 4. Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission
 - If applicable
- 5. Any additional information from Application Form questions.
 - Please indicate the number of the question(s) pertaining to the additional information.



INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

APPLICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

By initialing and signing, the following is acknowledged

Agreement with the provisions set forth in all of the following:

- U.S. Internal Revenue Code Sections 103, 146, and 148; and applicable U.S. Treasury Regulations
- o Chapter 159, Florida Statutes
- Chapter 19A-4, Florida Administrative Code
- Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners Resolution R2007-0927
- o Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners Resolution R2018-0606
- o Palm Beach County Policies and Procedures Manual (PPM) CW-F-065

Agreement to pay all fees costs payable to the Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability and the County Attorney's Office prior to and post- closing

At, or as soon as possible after, the Bond Closing the principal user will provide the County Attorney's Office with 1 complete bond transcript bound hard copy and 3 complete bond transcript electronic copy

Bond transcripts will be provided at the principal users' own expense

The principal user will submit Form BF2006-G (Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and Request for Written Confirmation) to the State of Florida Division of Bond Finance and provide a copy to the County Attorney's Office and the Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability

Authorized Company Officer Signature

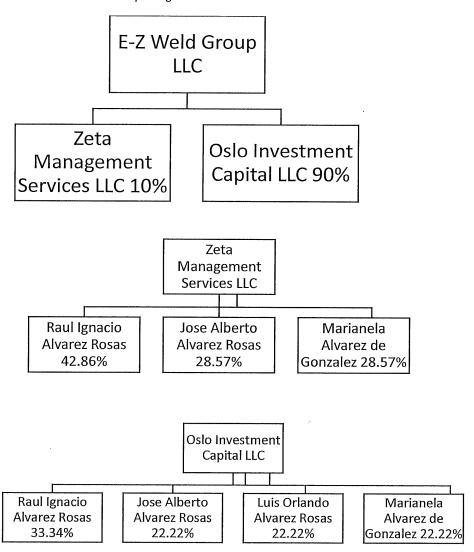
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(Revised 10-2018)

Question 3: Membership Ledger



Question – 26 List of Equipment

Norking capital break down:

Ken	Description	Monthly Use	UeM	Unit	t lantee	Tole	d Amount by th	Me	nths	Total /	Amount
1	HDPE Resin	357825.6	Lb	\$	0.75	\$	268,369.20	\$	2.50	\$	670,923
2	Master Batch	10734.768	Lb	\$	1.50	\$	16,102.15	\$	2.50	\$	40,255
4	Pallets for FG	1500		\$	8.50	\$	12,750.00	\$	2.50	\$	31,875
						\$	297,221.35			\$	743,053

nfrastructure and auxiliary equipment investment:

Remos	Description	Uall	t Price	Œty.	Tiel	al Price
1	Material handling and storage	\$	45,000.00	1	\$	45,000.00
2	Grinder	\$	47,050.00	1	\$	47,050.00
3	Injection Machine Feeders and mixers	\$	62,936.00	1	\$	62,936.00
4	Deco machinery	\$	149,000.00	1	\$	149,000.00
5	Chiller	\$	45,000.00	1	\$	45,000.00
6	Air compressor ·	\$	150,000.00	11_	\$	150,000.00
7	Fork Lift	\$	15,000.00	1	\$	15,000.00
8	Mold crane	\$	11,439.00	2	\$	22,878.00
9	Fire sprinkler system `	\$	100,000.00	1	\$	100,000.00
10	Process Hazard Analisys	\$	50,000.00	1_	\$	50,000.00
11	Electric Power	\$	130,000.00	1	\$	130,000.00
12	Ground level for container yard	\$	53,000.00	1	\$	53,000.00
- 13	Consultan fee (monthly)	\$	20,000.00	12	\$	240,000.00
14	Safety Lighting	\$	5,000.00	1	\$	5,000.00
15	Big Ass Fans	\$	8,800.00	3	\$	26,400.00
16	Metal plate for machine support	\$	20,000.00	2	\$	40,000.00
17	Water Services (tank, pipes, pumps)	\$	44,000.00	1	\$	44,000.00
18	Marketing (client appreciation, POP material, etc)	\$	100,000.00	1	\$	100,000.00
19	SAP	\$	15,000.00	1	\$	15,000.00
20	Floor testing by an engineer (load capacity)	\$	5,000.00	1	\$	5,000.00
- 21	Sales person (base salary)	\$	7,000.00	6	\$	42,000.00
					\$	4

Total Other Equip, \$ 1,387,264.00



Department of Housing & Economic Sustainability

Administration

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Interoffice Memorandum

Date: May 20, 2019

To: Faye W. Johnson, Assistant County Administrator

From: Sherry Howard

Deputy Director, Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability

Re: Industrial Development Revenue Bond Application

E-Z Weld Group LLC

In accordance with the Florida Industrial Development Act, 159.25 et. seq., Florida Statutes, the Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability (DHES) reviewed a 2019 Industrial Development Revenue Bond application ("2019 application") submitted by E-Z Weld Group LLC ("Borrower"). The 2019 application satisfactorily requests the issuance of bonds to cover costs associated with a project as defined in 159.27, Florida Statutes.

Requested Amount

The 2019 application requests the issuance of no more than \$3,250,000 in Industrial Development Revenue Bonds.

Use of Funds

Proceeds from the sale of bond approved via the 2019 application will be used to finance the acquisition and installation of machinery and equipment used to manufacture 5-gallon commercial buckets. Proceeds also will be used reimburse the Borrower for eligible outlays authorized by an Inducement Resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on May 7, 2019 (R2019-0684). The bonds will be payable from revenues and other funds available to the Borrower, and shall not be deemed to constitute a debt, liability, or obligation of the County or the State of Florida, or of any political subdivision thereof.

<u>Appropriateness, Economic Contribution, & Public Purpose – 159.29(1), Florida Statute</u>

The DHES-conducted Regional Economic Models Inc. (REMI) analysis of the \$4.27 million project indicates a positive economic impact of at least \$95,051,731 million over 5 years, and the creation of a minimum of 28 direct and indirect full-time equivalent jobs, including 9 temporary construction jobs, as well as the retention of 73 existing jobs.

The bucket manufacturing process will occur at the Borrower's existing 45,000 s.f. facility in Riviera Beach. The Borrower will expand its existing joining materials manufacturing line to include the manufacturing of 5-gallon commercial buckets.

ATTACHMENT 2

Financially Responsible - 159.29(2), Florida Statute

Financial documents provided by the Borrower and reviewed by DHES demonstrate fiscal ability to meet the financial obligations of the bond issuance.

Coping with the Impact of the Project – 159.29(3), Florida Statute

The Borrower indicates all necessary infrastructure is currently in place. Existing utilities are sufficient for the Project and the increased impact on roads, traffic, and municipal services will be negligible.

Recommendation

Based on review and analysis of the application and applicable statutes, as well as the 5-year economic impact of the project, the number of new jobs created, and the County's limited obligation, DHES supports the Borrower's application.

cc: Jonathan B. Brown, Director, Department of Housing and Economic Sustainability David Behar, Assistant County Attorney

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

The Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida (the "County") will hold a public hearing on July 2, 2019 at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Jane Thompson Memorial Chambers, 6th Floor of the Palm Beach County Governmental Center, 301 North Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401, to consider adoption of a motion recommending to the Board of County Commissioners a plan of finance involving the issuance by the County of not exceeding \$3,250,000 of its revenue bonds, all constituting qualified small issue bonds under Section 144(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in one or more series (collectively, the "Series 2019 Obligations"). The Series 2019 Obligations will be issued for the principal purpose of loaning the proceeds thereof to E-Z Weld Group, LLC., a Florida limited liability company (the "Borrower"), to finance the acquisition and installation of certain manufacturing machinery and equipment at its manufacturing facility located at 1661 President Barack Obama Highway, Riviera Beach, FL 33404 and refinancing prior debt on such manufacturing facility (the "Project"), and payment of costs of issuance of the Series 2019 Obligations. The Project is, or will be, owned and operated by the Borrower.

The aforementioned hearing shall be a public hearing and all persons who may be interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same. Written comments may also be submitted prior to the hearing to the County Administrator, 11th Floor, 301 North Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401.

The County prohibits discrimination in all services, programs or activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, marital status, familial status, religion, or genetic information. Persons with disabilities who require assistance or alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.), or who wish to file a complaint, should contact: Stacey Amodio at 561-233-3671 or samodio@pbcgov.org.

ALL PERSONS FOR OR AGAINST SAID APPROVAL CAN BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND PLACE. IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD WITH RESPECT TO SUCH HEARING OR MEETING, (S)HE WILL NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF SUCH HEARING OR MEETING IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS BASED.

This notice is given pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Code.

ATTACHMENT 3

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA ("ISSUER"): (I) AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BOND (E-Z WELD GROUP PROJECT), SERIES 2019, IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$3,250,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING A LOAN OF FUNDS TO E-Z WELD GROUP LLC ("BORROWER") IN ORDER TO FINANCE ALL OR A PORTION OF THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF CERTAIN MANUFACTURING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES DESCRIBED HEREIN; (II) PROVIDING THAT SUCH REVENUE BOND SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A DEBT, LIABILITY OR OBLIGATION OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA OR THE STATE OF FLORIDA OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF, BUT SHALL BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE REVENUES HEREIN PROVIDED; (III) APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FINANCING AGREEMENT AMONG THE ISSUER, THE BORROWER AND D.A. DAVIDSON & CO. OR ITS DESIGNEE; (IV) APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING; AND (V) PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Palm Beach County, Florida (the "Issuer") that:

SECTION 1. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Florida, Part II, Chapter 159, Florida Statutes, and other applicable provisions of law (collectively, the "Act").

SECTION 2. The term "Mayor" as used herein refers to the Mayor or the Vice Mayor (or any other member of the Board if the Mayor or Vice Mayor are unavailable) of the Issuer unless specifically indicated otherwise. Throughout this Resolution when reference is made to the "Mayor," the Mayor or the Vice Mayor (or any other member of the Board if the Mayor or Vice Mayor are unavailable) of the Issuer may act independently and interchangeably in performing the duties and functions resolved herein. The term "Clerk" as used herein refers to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit and Comptroller, in and for Palm Beach County, Florida, and the ex officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida or any Deputy Clerk unless specifically indicated otherwise. Throughout this Resolution when reference is made to the "Clerk," the Clerk or any Deputy Clerk may act independently and interchangeably in performing the duties and functions resolved herein.

SECTION 3. The Issuer hereby finds, determines and declares as follows:

- A. E-Z Weld Group LLC., a Florida limited liability company (the "Borrower"), has requested that the Issuer issue its Industrial Development Revenue Bond (E-Z Weld Group Project), Series 2019 (the "Series 2019 Bond"), under the Act in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,250,000, for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the cost of the acquisition and installation of certain manufacturing equipment and machinery at the Borrower's manufacturing facility located within Palm Beach County, Florida and to be owned and operated by the Borrower and to refinance existing debt on such manufacturing plant (the "Project"), and to fund certain costs of issuance related to the Series 2019 Bond.
- **B.** The Project constitutes a "project" within the meaning of Section 159.27(5), Florida Statutes consisting of machinery and equipment used at a manufacturing facility.
- **C.** The Issuer is authorized under the Act to finance the Project as herein contemplated and to fully perform the obligations of the Issuer in connection therewith.
- **D.** The financing of the Project is appropriate to the needs and circumstances of, and shall make a significant contribution to the economic growth and health of, Palm Beach County, Florida, and shall serve a public purpose by advancing the general welfare and health of the State of Florida and its people and by improving living

conditions and health within the State of Florida and by providing a stronger, more balanced and stable economy in the State of Florida.

- **E.** Palm Beach County, Florida is and will cope satisfactorily with the impact of the Project and is able to provide, or cause to be provided when needed, the public facilities, including utilities and public services, that are necessary for the operation, repair and maintenance of the Project and on account of any increases in population or other circumstances resulting therefrom.
- **F.** The availability of financing by means of revenue bonds was and is an important inducement to the Borrower to proceed with acquisition and construction of the Project.
- G. The Issuer has initially determined, based upon the expectation that counsel for the Borrower ("Bond Counsel") shall deliver an opinion to such effect, upon issuance of the Series 2019 Bond, that the interest on the Series 2019 Bond will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and applicable regulations thereunder (the "Code"), based in part on representations and covenants to be obtained in the Tax Regulatory Agreement (as hereinafter defined); and the Series 2019 Bond will not be issued unless the Issuer has received a satisfactory opinion of Bond Counsel regarding the fact that the interest on such Series 2019 Bond will be excludable from gross income at the time of the delivery of the Series 2019 Bond.
- **H.** Adequate provision shall be made for a loan (the "Loan") by the Issuer to the Borrower to finance the Project and thereafter for the operation, repair and maintenance of the facilities being financed with the proceeds of the Series 2019 Bond at the expense of the Borrower and for the repayment by the Borrower of the Loan in installments sufficient to pay the principal of and the interest on the Series 2019 Bond and all costs and expenses relating thereto in the amounts and at the times required.
- I. The Borrower is financially responsible based on the criteria established by the Act, the Borrower is fully capable and willing to fulfill its obligations under the Financing Agreement (the "Financing Agreement") among the Issuer, the Borrower and a bond purchaser (the "Lender") to be identified by D.A. Davidson & Co. (the "Placement Agent"), including the obligation to repay the Loan under the Financing Agreement in installments in the amounts and at the times required, the obligation to operate, repair and maintain the facilities financed with the Series 2019 Bond at the Borrower's own expense and such other obligations and responsibilities as are imposed under the Financing Agreement. The payments to be made by the Borrower under the Financing Agreement and the other security provided by the Financing Agreement and related documents, are adequate within the meaning of the Act for the security of the Series 2019 Bond.
- J. The Series 2019 Bond and the interest or premium, if any, thereon shall be payable only from the proceeds derived from the repayment of the Loan to the Borrower, or from the other security pledged therefor, as hereinafter defined, and neither the faith and credit of the Issuer nor the faith and credit or taxing power of Palm Beach County, Florida or the State of Florida or any other political subdivision thereof is pledged to the payment of the principal of or the interest on the Series 2019 Bond.
- **K.** The Issuer and the Borrower will concurrently with the issuance of the Series 2019 Bond execute the documentation required for the financing of the Project as contemplated hereby.
- L. A negotiated sale of the Series 2019 Bond is required and necessary and is in the best interest of the Issuer for the following reasons: the Series 2019 Bond will be special and limited obligations of the Issuer and none of the State of Florida, the County or any political subdivision thereof shall in any way be liable for the payment of the principal or interest on the Bond; the cost of issuance of the Series 2019 Bond, which must be borne directly or indirectly by the Borrower, would most likely be greater if the Series 2019 Bond were sold at public sale by competitive bid than if the Series 2019 Bond is sold at negotiated sale, and there is no basis, considering prevailing market conditions, for any expectation that the terms and conditions of a sale of the Series 2019 Bond at public sale by competitive bid would be any more

favorable than at negotiated sale; because prevailing market conditions are uncertain, it is desirable to sell the Series 2019 Bond at a predetermined price; and revenue bonds having the characteristics of the Series 2019 Bond are typically sold at negotiated sale under prevailing market conditions.

- **M.** The Placement Agent shall provide the Issuer with a disclosure statement containing the information required by Section 218.385(6), Florida Statutes, prior to the execution of the Financing Agreement, as hereinafter defined, and the Lender shall provide a truth-in-bonding statement. Disclosure containing such statutorily-required information shall be acceptable to the Issuer, and the Issuer does not require any further disclosure from the Lender.
- **N.** The costs of financing the Project will be paid from the proceeds of the Series 2019 Bond in accordance with the terms of the Financing Agreement, and these costs constitute permissible "costs" within the meaning of the Act.
- O. It is in the best interest of the Issuer to award the sale of the Series 2019 Bond to the Lender pursuant to the Financing Agreement.
- **P.** On the date hereof, a public hearing concerning the issuance of the Series 2019 Bond was held by the Board to finance the Project, at which comments and discussions from interested persons were solicited and, if received, heard, after, and pursuant to, appropriate publication of notice thereof in *The Palm Beach Post*, a newspaper of general circulation in Palm Beach County, Florida, at least fourteen (14) days in advance of said hearing.
- **Q.** The Board is the elected legislative body of the Issuer and has jurisdiction over the entire area in which the facilities being financed by the Series 2019 Bond are located.

SECTION 4. The financing of the Project is hereby authorized and approved.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of financing the cost of the Project, and paying certain costs of issuance related to the Series 2019 Bond, subject and pursuant to the provisions hereof, the issuance of revenue bonds of the Issuer under the authority of the Act designated "Palm Beach County Industrial Development Revenue Bond (E-Z Weld Group Project), Series 2019" in the original principal amount not exceeding \$3,250,000 (the "Maximum Authorized Amount"), is hereby authorized. Such Series 2019 Bond shall be issued and delivered to the order of the Lender at a price of par.

The Series 2019 Bond shall be dated such date, shall be in such principal amount (not exceeding the Maximum Authorized Amount), shall bear interest at such rates, shall be payable or shall mature on such date or dates, shall be issued in such denominations, shall be subject to optional, extraordinary and mandatory redemption and tender at such time or times, and upon such terms and conditions, shall be payable at the place or places and in the manner, shall be executed, authenticated and delivered and shall otherwise be in such form and subject to such terms and conditions, all as provided in the Financing Agreement and the form of the Series 2019 Bond.

None of the State of Florida, the County or any political subdivision thereof shall in any event be liable for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bond. The Bond issued hereunder shall never constitute an indebtedness of the State of Florida or of any political subdivision of the State of Florida or of the County within the meaning of any state constitutional provisions, statutory limitation, or any other applicable law and shall never constitute or give rise to the pecuniary liability of the State of Florida or any political subdivision thereof, or of the County or a charge against their general credit. The holder of the Bond shall not have the right to compel any exercise of any taxing power of the State of Florida or of any political subdivision thereof, including the County, to pay any sums in any way related to the Bond or its issuance.

SECTION 6. In order to provide for a loan of the proceeds of the Series 2019 Bond to the Borrower and to secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2019 Bond herein authorized, according to its tenor, purport and effect, and in order to secure the performance and observance of all of the covenants, agreements and conditions in said Series 2019 Bond, the execution and delivery of a Financing Agreement in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney is hereby authorized. The form of the Financing Agreement is hereby approved, subject to such changes, insertions and omissions and

such filling of blanks therein, including, without limitation, the determination of the principal amount of the Series 2019 Bond as may be approved and made in such forms by the Mayor, in a manner consistent with the provisions of this Resolution, and by the Borrower, execution by the Mayor to be conclusive evidence of such approval, provided, however, that in no event shall the principal amount of the Series 2019 Bond exceed the Maximum Authorized Amount.

SECTION 7. The Issuer hereby approves the delivery of a Tax Regulatory Agreement and No Arbitrage Certificate for the Series 2019 Bond (the "Tax Regulatory Agreement") between the Issuer and the Borrower in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney.

SECTION 8. The financing of the Project, and the payment of the costs of issuance, in an amount not to exceed \$3,250,000 are hereby authorized and approved by the Board for purposes of Section 147(f) of the Code, and Section 125.01(1)(z), Florida Statutes. The Board is the elected legislative body of the Issuer, and the Project will be located wholly within the jurisdiction of the Board.

SECTION 9. The Mayor of the Issuer is hereby authorized and empowered, on behalf of the Issuer, to execute and deliver the Series 2019 Bond, the Financing Agreement, the Tax Regulatory Agreement (collectively, the "County Documents"), and all documents contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, filing appropriate financing statements, and, on behalf of the Issuer, to endorse any such documents, in each case, subject to such changes and modifications as the Mayor may approve, such execution to be conclusive evidence of any such approval. The Clerk is hereby authorized to attest the signature of the Mayor on any documents requiring the same, and to affix thereto or impress thereon, the seal of the Issuer (as referred to below), if required by such documents. It is not necessary for the seal of the Issuer to be impressed upon any County Document or any instrument contemplated thereby. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, no County Document shall be delivered unless and until the same shall have been approved as to form and legal sufficiency on behalf of the Issuer by the Office of the County Attorney. The Clerk is also authorized to certify copies of any instruments, resolutions and records of the Issuer. The Mayor, the Clerk, the County Attorney, or any other officer or employee of the Issuer is hereby authorized to accept and acknowledge receipt on behalf of the Issuer, for entry into the books and records of the Issuer, of a certificate of the Borrower setting forth the terms of any interest rate swap transaction or transactions entered into by the Borrower in connection with the Series 2019 Bond.

SECTION 10. The Issuer and the officers, employees and agents of the Issuer acting on behalf of the Issuer and the Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute such documents, instruments and contracts, whether or not expressly contemplated hereby, and to do all acts and things required by the provisions of this Resolution and by the provisions of the County Documents authorized herein, as may be necessary for the full, punctual and complete performance of all the terms, covenants, provisions and agreements herein and therein contained, or as otherwise may be necessary or desirable to effectuate the purpose and intent of this Resolution, or as may be requested by the Lender or the Borrower. The Mayor is hereby designated as the primary officer of the Issuer charged with the responsibility of issuing the Series 2019 Bond, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to delegate to any other person any of the duties or authorizations of the Mayor hereunder.

SECTION 11. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions of this Resolution, and this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein. This Resolution is adopted and the Financing Agreement shall be executed, and the Series 2019 Bond shall be issued, with the intent that the laws of the State of Florida shall govern their construction, except as shall otherwise be expressly provided by the terms thereof.

SECTION 12. No recourse under or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement contained in this Resolution, the Financing Agreement, the Bond, any other document or under any judgment, or by the enforcement of any assessment or by legal or equitable proceeding by virtue of any constitution or statute or otherwise or under any circumstances, under or independent of this Resolution, shall be had against any member, agent, employee or officer, as such, past, present or future, of the County, either directly or through the County, or otherwise, for the payment for or to the County or any receiver thereof, or for or to the holder of the Bond or otherwise of any sum that may be due and unpaid upon the Bond. Any and all personal liability of every nature, whether at common law or in equity, or by

statute or by constitution or otherwise, of any member or officer, as such, to respond by reason of any act or omission on his part or otherwise, for the payment for or to the County or any receiver thereof, or for or to the holder of the Bond or otherwise, of any sum that may remain due and unpaid upon the Bond is hereby expressly waived and released as a condition of and in consideration for the execution of this Resolution and the issuance of the Bond.

SECTION 13. Nothing in this Resolution or in any other documents, express or implied, is intended to, or shall be construed to create any third party beneficiary or to provide any rights to any person or entity not a party thereof.

SECTION 14. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 15. The approval given herein shall not be construed as (i) an endorsement of the creditworthiness of the Borrower or the Lender or the financial validity of the Project, (ii) a recommendation to any prospective purchaser of the Series 2019 Bond, (iii) an evaluation of the likelihood of the repayment of the debt service on the Series 2019 Bond, or (iv) any necessary governmental approval relating to the Project, and the Issuer shall not be construed by reason of its adoption of this resolution to have made any such endorsement, finding or recommendation or to have waived any of the Issuer's rights or estopping the Issuer from asserting any rights or responsibilities it may have in that regard.

SECTION 16. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption by the Board.

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The Mayor thereupon declary, 20	ared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this	day of
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