

## CITY OF ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt two resolutions: 1) adopting the

amended Fiscal Year 2011-12 Investment Policy; and 2) authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents to join the Investment Trust of California, a Public Joint Powers Authority, otherwise

known as CalTRUST

MEETING DATE: May 23, 2012

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**Administrative Services, Treasurer** 

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The Treasurer<sup>1</sup> recommends the City Council of the City of Elk Grove:

- Adopt a resolution adopting the amended Fiscal Year 2011-12 Investment Policy; and
- Adopt a resolution authorizing the City of Elk Grove to join the Investment Trust of California, a Public Joint Powers Authority, otherwise known as CalTRUST.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Per California Government Code Section 53646 (a)(2) and the City's own investment policy, the City annually reviews and adopts its investment policy. This process has been previously accomplished through the City's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per Elk Grove Municipal Code Section 3.43.100, the Finance Director is authorized to serve as the City Treasurer. The Finance Director role is currently held by the Director of Finance and Administrative Services.

Annual Budget process, whereby a description of key components of the policy are reviewed and adopted by Council. The investment policy was last comprehensively reviewed and updated on June 11, 2008.

In reviewing the policy for the required annual update, the Treasurer has identified the following areas for clarification or improvement of the existing policy. All recommended changes to the policy are to provide clarification of language in the City's current policy, and align with California Government Code and the City's main objectives as stated in the investment policy to:

- (1) protect principal;
- (2) provide for liquidity needs; and
- (3) obtain the most reasonable rate of return possible within the first two objectives.

The following list highlights the Treasurer's proposed changes to the full language of the policy, as it was adopted by Council on June 11, 2008, and the reason for such. The actual changes are attached on the "red-line" version of the policy attached as Exhibit A to the resolution (Attachment 1).

#### Section X. Authorized Investments

- Section X. 2. Language is clarified to more closely reflect state law.
- Section X. 4. This new investment type category is added to permit investment in Shares of Beneficial Interest, such as mutual funds, issued by Joint Powers Authorities. Of particular interest is CalTRUST. More discussion of CalTRUST specifically occurs later in this report.
- Section X. 6. Language added to permit use of Fitch Ratings' published rating as criteria for investment analysis.
- Section X. 7. and X. 10. Language added limiting the City's exposure to Certificate of Deposit (CD) investments in one banking institution to 5%. There is no such limit in state law; however, in adhering to the City's prudent investment standard, diversification of investments is prudent.
- Section X. 11. Language added to clarify the actual minimum permitted rating as A/A2/A by Standard and Poor's, Moody's and Fitch, respectively and to allow the ability to use Fitch's published rating as criteria for investment analysis. Previously,

the policy noted only that securities shall be rated at least AA or better. State Law requires a minimum of "A" rating.<sup>2</sup>

- Previous Section XI. Deleted duplicative language requiring thorough investigation of these funds specifically, as per the Prudent Investment Standard. The Prudent Investment Standard is consistent with Government Code regulating investment of public funds. Added language highlighting the diversification benefits these types of investments can provide.
- ➤ Proposed Section XIII. Eliminated whenever possible as all securities in the City's portfolio should be held by a third party custodian.
- ➤ Proposed Section XV. Eliminated requirement of 3.5 years as a maximum weighted average maturity (WAM) to provide flexibility allowed under government code to extend the WAM. There is no maximum WAM under the government code.
- ➤ Proposed Section XXII. Limiting Market Value Erosion. Language was added requiring prompt reporting by the Treasurer to the City Council in the event of a security downgrade, including a plan to address the presence of the downgrade in the City's portfolio.

#### **CaITRUST**

The League of California Cities, the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Finance Corporation, and a number of California public agencies created a Joint Powers Authority (JPA), the Investment Trust of California, commonly known as CalTRUST, for the purpose of pooling local agency assets for investing. Membership in the CalTRUST program is open to any Public Agency in California. At the present time, there are over 75 CalTRUST participants.

CalTRUST invests in fixed income securities eligible for local agency investment pursuant to California Government Code Sections 53601 and 53635. A Board of Trustees supervises and administers the investment programs of the JPA. CalTRUST maintains and administers four pooled accounts within the program:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Cities of Sacramento, West Sacramento and Folsom all require an A category rating in alignment with state law as Staff is recommending for the City of Elk Grove's policy. Roseville requires the AA minimum, and the City of Rancho Cordova does not allow medium term corporate securities in its portfolio.

- ➤ A Money Market option, which invests in an existing SEC-registered money market fund, which is rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's Investor Services, and which maintains a dollar-weighted average maturity of less than 90 days;
- ➤ A Short-Term Account with a target duration of 0-2 years (approximately \$600 million market value);
- ➤ A Medium-Term Account with a target duration of 1.5-3.5 years (approximately \$400 million market value); and
- ➤ A Long-Term Account with a target duration of 5-7 years (although authorized by the CalTRUST Joint Powers Agreement, the CalTRUST Board of Trustees has elected to defer the opening of the Long-Term Account until the interest rate environment is more favorable for longer term securities).

The JPA is governed by a Board of Trustees, consisting of up to 15 members, all of whom are experienced investment officers or employees of the public agency members. The Trustees are responsible for setting the overall policies and procedures for the JPA, and for hiring and supervising the activities of the program professionals.

CalTRUST has entered into a Program Administration agreement with the CSAC Finance Corporation to provide administrative services. The CSAC Finance Corporation, formed in 1986, provides a broad range of financial services programs through the California Statewide Communities Development Authority, a joint powers authority, which currently has over 50 counties, more than 225 cities, and more than 50 special districts throughout the State as members.

CalTRUST has also entered into an Investment Advisory agreement with Wells Capital Management (WellsCap) to serve as investment advisor for the JPA. Subject to overall policy direction of the Board of Trustees, the investment advisor is responsible for the daily management of the investment affairs and research relating to the JPA's accounts. Wells Capital Management is an asset management and broker/dealer firm and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. WellsCap has a national and international client base consisting of major governmental and institutional funds and corporate portfolios. As of March 31, 2009, WellsCap had \$365 billion in assets under management, including \$315 billion in fixed-income assets and money market funds.

The Treasurer currently uses the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF), administered by the State Treasurer, as a vehicle for managing liquidity in the portfolio. LAIF has restrictions on the amount of funds that can be on deposit at any one time and its yield is currently limited. CalTRUST will give the Treasurer an additional vehicle to use in managing liquidity and idle bond proceeds, where appropriate; and, when used in conjunction with LAIF, will provide increased diversification in the portfolio. In addition, CalTRUST offers medium- and long-term options, which LAIF does not offer.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

With the exception of the CalTRUST addition as a permitted investment type, the changes to the investment policy further clarify the language within the permitted investments section, and give the Treasurer direction on how to proceed in the event of a ratings downgrade.

Advantages of CalTRUST include pooling of resources, monthly distributions of interest earnings, and lessening the Treasurer resources required for investment management. The larger pool creates a greater diversity of holdings, leading to more periodic interest payments. Monthly interest payments will help to provide more consistent cash flow to the City. Pooling also generally reduces credit risk as concentration in any one security is more limited. As previously noted, CalTRUST only invests in securities that the City would otherwise be permitted to invest per state law; however, the City's policy does place additional concentration restrictions on certain investments, such as Certificates of Deposit and Time Deposit with respect to investment in an institution within a particular investment class. CalTRUST is not held to these additional concentration restrictions, but to the more flexible state law. With CalTRUST, The Treasurer will not actively reinvest money invested in CalTRUST because the pool's investment managers will reinvest proceeds.

Based on the liquidity features, the pooling of resources in CalTRUST and the overall flexibility of the program, approval of the resolution to participate amending the Investment Policy to permit investment in CalTRUST is recommended. The Treasurer also recommends a grant of authority to the City Manager to execute the Joint Powers Agreement and all other

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documents required for participation in the CalTRUST Joint Powers Authority.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There are no costs to the City for making any of the proposed changes to the Investment Policy or in joining the CalTRUST JPA. With the additional flexibility provided to the Treasurer through CalTRUST, the City will have the ability to further diversify its investment portfolio and seek other safe and liquid investment opportunities.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**:

- 1. Resolution Adopting and Amending the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Investment Policy
  - A. Exhibit A Investment Policy
- 2. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Necessary Documents to Join the Investment Trust of California, a California Joint Powers Authority, otherwise known as CalTRUST
  - A. Exhibit A Joint Powers Agreement

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE ADOPTING THE AMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2011-12 INVESTMENT POLICY

**WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 53646 (a)(2) provides that cities may annually review their investment policies, and that any change to the policy shall be considered by the legislative body at a public meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Elk Grove wishes to update the City's investment policy by which the City Treasurer shall administer the City's investment program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Elk Grove wishes to continue to designate the Finance Director (currently titled Director of Finance and Administrative Services) as City Treasurer, and as the administrator for the City's investment program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby adopts the amended investment policy for the Fiscal Year 2011-12 attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2012.

	JAMES COOPER, MAYOR of the CITY OF ELK GROVE
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK	JONATHAN HOBBS, INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

#### **EXHIBIT A**

### **CITY OF ELK GROVE**



# **INVESTMENT POLICY**Fiscal Year 2011-2012

## CITY OF ELK GROVE INVESTMENT POLICY

#### I. PURPOSE

This statement is intended to provide guidelines for the prudent investment of the City's surplus money in its treasury (hereinafter "Investment Cash") and to outline policies for maximizing the efficiency of the City's Investment Cash management system. The ultimate goal is to enhance the economic status of the City while protecting its pooled Investment Cash.

#### II. POLICY

It is the policy of the City of Elk Grove to invest public funds in a manner which will provide a sound investment return with maximum security while meeting the daily cash flow demands of the entity and conforming to all state and local statutes governing the investment of public funds. The City of Elk Grove's investment policy has three objectives: (1) protect principal, (2) provide for liquidity needs, and (3) obtain the most reasonable rate of return possible within the first two objectives. The City operates its investment activities under the "prudent investor" standard (see discussion below). This affords a broad spectrum of investment opportunities so long as the investment is deemed prudent and is permissible under current state and local law.

#### III. SCOPE

This investment policy applies to all liquid financial assets of the City of Elk Grove.

#### IV. PRUDENT INVESTOR STANDARD

The City Council and all persons authorized to make investment decisions on behalf of the City are trustees and therefore fiduciaries subject to the prudent investor standard. When investing, reinvesting, purchasing, acquiring, exchanging, selling, or managing public funds, a trustee shall act with care, prudence, and diligence considering existing circumstances, general economic conditions and the anticipated needs of the City, to safeguard the principal and maintain the liquidity needs of the City. Within the limitations of this section and considering individual investments as part of an overall strategy, investments may be acquired as authorized by law.

It is the City's full intent, at the time of purchase, to hold all investments until maturity to ensure the return of all invested principal dollars. However, it is realized that market prices of securities will vary depending on economic and interest rate conditions at any point in time. It is further recognized, that in a well diversified investment portfolio, occasional measured losses are inevitable due to economic, bond market or individual security credit analysis. These occasional losses must be considered within the context of the overall investment program objectives and the resultant long term rate-of-return.

The City Treasurer and other individuals assigned to manage the investment portfolio, acting within the intent and scope of the investment policy and other written procedures and exercising due diligence, shall be relieved of personal responsibility and liability for an individual security's credit risk or market price changes, provided deviations from expectations are reported in a timely manner and appropriate action is taken to control adverse developments.

#### V. OBJECTIVES

The City's cash management system is designed to accurately monitor and forecast expenditures and revenues, thus enabling the City to invest Investment Cash to the fullest extent possible. The City strives to obtain the most reasonable yield possible as long as investments meet the criteria for safety and liquidity.

#### **Safety**

Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments of the City shall be undertaken in a manner which seeks to ensure the preservation of principal in the overall portfolio. To attain this objective, diversification is required in order that potential losses on individual securities do not exceed the income generated from the remainder of the portfolio. Risk associated with an investment refers to the potential loss of principal, interest or a combination of both. The City shall seek to preserve principal by mitigating the two types of risk - credit risk and market risk.

<u>Credit risk</u> - Defined as the risk of loss due to failure of the issuer of a security. Credit risk shall be mitigated by investing in investment grade securities and by diversifying the investment portfolio so that the failure of any one issuer does not unduly harm the City's cash flow.

<u>Market Risk</u> - Defined as market value fluctuations due to overall changes in the general level of interest rates. Market risk shall be mitigated by limiting the weighted average maturity of the City's investment portfolio to three and one-half years, the maximum maturity of any one security to five years, and structuring the portfolio based on historic and current cash flow analysis eliminating the need to sell securities prior to maturity.

#### **Liquidity**

The City's investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to enable the City to meet all operating requirements which might be reasonably anticipated. This goal shall be achieved by maintaining a prudent portion of the City's portfolio in liquid, short-term instruments which can readily be converted to cash if necessary.

#### **Return on Investment**

The City's investment portfolio shall be designed with the objective of attaining a sound rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles, commensurate with the City's investment risk constraints and the cash flow characteristics of the portfolio. The City will attempt to obtain the most reasonable yield possible when selecting an investment, provided the criteria for safety and liquidity are met.

#### **VI. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

In accordance with California Government Code Section 53607, the Elk Grove City Council has authorized the City Treasurer to invest on behalf of the City, to manage the City's investment program consistent with this investment policy, and to maintain a system of internal controls to regulate the activities of subordinate officials.

#### **VII. PUBLIC TRUST**

All participants in the investment process shall act as custodians of public funds. Investment officials shall recognize that the investment portfolio is subject to public review and evaluation.

The overall program shall be designed and managed with a degree of professionalism that is worthy of the public trust. In a diversified portfolio it must be recognized that occasional measured losses are inevitable, and must be considered within the context of the overall portfolio's investment return, provided that adequate diversification has been implemented.

#### VIII. ETHICS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Officers and employees involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that conflicts with proper execution of the investment program, or impairs their ability to make impartial investment decisions. Additionally the City Treasurer (Finance Director) and other key finance personnel are required to annually file applicable financial disclosures as required by the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC).

#### IX. QUALIFIED BROKER/DEALERS

The City shall transact business only with qualified banks, savings and loans, and broker/dealers. Investment staff shall investigate dealers who wish to do business with the City to determine that they are adequately capitalized, have no pending legal action against the firm or the individual broker and that they participate in markets appropriate to the City's needs.

The City shall send a copy of the current investment policy to all broker/dealers approved to do business with the City. Confirmation of receipt of this policy shall be considered evidence that the dealer understands the City's investment policies and intends to sell the City only appropriate investments authorized by this investment policy.

#### X. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS

Investment of City funds is governed by the California Government Code Sections 53600 et. seq. Within the context of code limitations, the following investments and their respective additional limitations are authorized:

- 1. <u>United States Treasury Bills, Bonds, and Notes</u> are those for which the full faith and credit of the United States are pledged for payment of principal and interest. There is no percentage limitation of the portfolio which can be invested in this category.
- 2. Federal Agency or United States government-sponsored enterprise obligations, participations or other instruments issued by the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA), the Federal Farm Credit System (FFCB), the Federal Home Loan Bank Board (FHLB), the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association (FHLMC) whose principal and interest is fully guaranteed by federal agencies or United States government-sponsored enterprises. There is no percentage limitation of the portfolio which can be invested in this category.
- 3. <u>Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)</u> which is a State of California managed investment pool may be used up to the maximum permitted by California State Government Code, Title 2, Division 4, Part 2, Chapter 2, Article 11, commencing with section 16429.1.

Investments detailed in items 4 through 11 are further restricted to a maximum of 15 percent of the City's Investment Cash in any one issuer name. A five year maximum maturity limitation is applicable unless further restricted by this policy.

- 4. Shares of Beneficial Interest issued by a Joint Powers Authority, including the Investment Trust of California, CalTRUST which is a Joint Powers Authority managed investment pool permitted as an investment type by Calfornia State Government Code, Section 6500 and 6509.7. The city can invest in this category, provided the City is a member of the Joint Powers Authority and therefore a voting member. Each of the Short Term, Medium Term or Long Term Account managed by CalTRUST is an eligible investment. Investments in any one fund or in the aggregate of this investment type, shall not exceed 30% of the City's investment portfolio.
- <u>5.</u> Bills of exchange or time drafts drawn on and accepted by commercial banks, otherwise known as bankers' acceptances. <u>Bankers' acceptances</u> purchased may not exceed 180 days to maturity or 40% of the City's Investment Cash.
- 6. Commercial paper of "prime" quality of the highest ranking or of the highest letter and numerical rating as provided for by Moody's Investors Service, Inc., Standard and Poor's Corporation, or Fitch Ratings. Purchases of eligible commercial paper may not exceed 270 days to maturity nor represent more than 10% of the outstanding paper of the issuing corporation.
- <u>7</u>. <u>Negotiable certificates of deposit</u> issued by nationally or state chartered banks or state or federal savings institutions. Purchases of negotiable certificates of deposit may not exceed 30% of the City's Investment Cash. <u>Investment in any one institution may not exceed more than 5% of the City's Investment Cash.</u>
- 8. Repurchase agreements which specify terms and conditions may be transacted with banks and broker/dealers. The maturity of the repurchase agreements shall not exceed 90 days. The market value of the securities used as collateral for the repurchase agreements shall be monitored by the investment staff and shall not be allowed to fall below 102% of the value of the repurchase agreement. A Master Repurchase Agreement must be executed with the bank or dealer prior to investing in a Repurchase Agreement.
- <u>9</u>. <u>Reverse repurchase agreements</u> which specify terms and conditions may be transacted with broker/dealers and financial institutions but can not exceed 20% of the portfolio value on the date entered into.
- <u>10</u>. <u>Time deposits</u>, non negotiable and collateralized in accordance with the California Government Code, may be purchased through banks or savings and loan associations. Since time deposits are not liquid, no more than 25% of the investment portfolio may be invested in this investment type. <u>Investment in any one institution may not exceed more than 5% of the City's Investment Cash.</u>
- 11. Medium Term Corporation Notes, with a maximum maturity of five years may be purchased. Securities eligible for investment shall be rated A/A2/A or better by at least one of either Moody's, Standard & Poor's or Fitch Ratings, respectively. Purchase of medium term notes may not exceed 30% of the City's Investment Cash and no more than 15% of the City's Investment Cash may be invested in notes issued by one corporation. Commercial paper holdings, as identified by item 6 in this section, should also be included when calculating the 15% limitation.
- 12. Shares of beneficial interest issued by diversified management companies (Money market and mutual funds) may have no more than 10% of total assets in any one mutual fund

investing in instruments as authorized above. Various daily cash funds administered for or by trustees, paying agents and custodial banks contracted by the City of Elk Grove may be purchased as allowed under State of California Government Code. Only funds holding U.S. Treasury or government agency obligations can be utilized.

Ineligible investments, those that are not described herein, including but not limited to, common stocks or long term (over five years in maturity) notes and bonds, are prohibited from use in this portfolio.

#### XI. INVESTMENT POOLS/MUTUAL FUNDS

Government sponsored pools and money market mutual funds are excellent short-term cash management facilities. These pools/funds can provide safety, liquidity and yield in a single investment instrument. In addition, these funds provided additional diversity in that each share of the fund is a composite of the funds entire portfolio of various maturity lengths, asset classes and specific investments.

#### XII. COLLATERALIZATION

Collateralization shall be required on two types of investments:

- 1. Certificates of Deposit in excess of the amount federally insured, and
- 2. Repurchase agreements.

For Certificates of Deposit in excess of the amount federally insured, the general collateralization level shall be 110% of the amount invested. If the security used for collateral is a mortgage backed security, the collateralization level shall be 150% of the amount invested (government code sec. 53652).

For repurchase agreements, the collateralization level shall be at least 102% of the market value of the agreement.

The collateral shall be held by an independent third party with whom the entity has a current custodial agreement and the right of collateral substitution is granted. In order to conform with the provisions of the Federal bankruptcy code which provides for liquidation of securities held as collateral, the only securities acceptable as collateral shall be certificates of deposit, commercial paper, eligible bankers' acceptances, medium term notes or securities that are the direct obligations of, or are fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States or any agency of the United States.

#### XIII. SAFEKEEPING AND CUSTODY

All security transactions, including collateral for repurchase agreements, entered into by the City shall be conducted on a delivery versus payment (DVP) basis, and shall be delivered to the City or the City's designated custodian upon receipt of payment by the City.

All securities that may be purchased, including collateral for repurchase agreements, shall be held by a third party custodian designated by the Treasurer. These securities shall be held in the City's name and control and third party custody shall be evidenced by safekeeping receipts. The third party custodian shall send the City, on a monthly basis, a statement of what is safe-kept and this statement shall be reconciled to the City's record on a monthly basis. Securities held in

custody for the City shall be independently audited on an annual basis to verify investment holdings.

#### XIV. DIVERSIFICATION INVESTMENT

The City's investment portfolio shall be diversified to avoid incurring unreasonable and avoidable risks with regard to specific investment types. Within investment types, the City shall also maintain a mix of securities to avoid concentrations within individual financial institutions, geographic areas, industry types and maturity dates.

#### XV. MAXIMUM MATURITIES

To the extent possible, the City of Elk Grove shall attempt to match its investments with anticipated cash flow requirements. Unless matched to a specific cash flow, the City shall not directly invest in securities maturing more than 5 years from the date of purchase.

#### XVI. INTERNAL CONTROL

The City Treasurer shall conduct an annual review of the investment program. This process may include testing of the investment program by the City's external auditor to determine the extent of compliance with the Investment Policy.

All wire transfers initiated by the Finance Department will be confirmed to the appropriate financial institution. Proper documentation obtained from confirmations and cash disbursement wire transfers is required for each investment transaction. Timely bank reconciliations are conducted to ensure proper handling of all transactions.

#### XVII. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

The City's investment portfolio shall be designed with the objective of attaining a sound rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles, taking into account the City's investment risk constraints and the cash flow characteristics of the portfolio.

#### XVIII. PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY

The investment program shall seek to attain returns consistent with the intent of this policy, identified risk limitations and prudent investment principals. These objectives shall be achieved by use of the following strategies:

#### **Active Portfolio Management**

Through active fund and cash-flow management taking advantage of current economic and interest rate trends, the portfolio yield may be enhanced with limited and measurable increases in risk by extending the weighted maturity of the City's Investment Cash.

#### Portfolio Maturity Management

When structuring the maturity composition of the portfolio, the city shall evaluate current and expected interest rate yields and necessary cash flow requirements. It is recognized that in normal market conditions longer maturities produce higher yields. However, the securities with longer maturities also experience greater price fluctuations when the level of interest rates change.

#### **Security Swaps**

The City may take advantage of security swap opportunities to improve the overall portfolio yield. A swap which improves the portfolio yield may be selected even if the transactions result in an accounting loss. Documentation for swaps shall be included in the City's permanent investment file documents.

#### XIX. PERIODIC TREASURY REPORTS

The City Treasurer shall review and render monthly reports to the City Manager and City Council which shall include the par value and cost of the investment, the type of investment, the name of the issuer, the coupon rate of interest, the maturity date, and the current market value.

#### XX. LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

Any State of California legislative action, that further restricts allowable maturities, investment type or percentage allocations, shall be incorporated into the City of Elk Grove's Investment Policy and shall supersede any and all previous applicable language.

#### XXI. INTEREST EARNINGS

All interest earned and collected from investments authorized in this policy shall be allocated monthly to all pooled cash funds based on the cash balance in each fund as a percentage of the entire pooled portfolio.

#### XXII. LIMITING MARKET VALUE EROSION

It is the general policy of the City to limit the potential effects from erosion in market values by adhering to the following guidelines:

- All immediate and anticipated liquidity requirements shall be addressed prior to purchasing investments.
- Maturity dates for investments shall coincide with significant cash flow requirements, where
  possible, to assist with cash requirements at maturity.
- All securities shall be purchased with the intent to hold all investments to maturity. However, economic or market conditions may change, making it in the City's best interest to sell or trade a security prior to maturity.

#### XXIII. STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY

The City of Elk Grove's Investment Policy shall be adopted by Resolution of the City Council. This investment policy shall be reviewed at least annually to ensure its consistency with the overall objectives of preservation of principal, liquidity and yield, and its relevance to current law and financial and economic trends. Any amendments to the policy shall be forwarded to the City Council for approval.

#### XXIV. GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Bankers' Acceptance (BA)** - A draft or bill or exchange accepted by a bank or trust company. The accepting institution guarantees payment of the bill, as well as the issuer.

**Broker** - A broker brings buyers and sellers together for a commission.

**Certificate of Deposit** – A time deposit with a specific maturity evidenced by a certificate. Large-denomination CD's are typically negotiable. CD's may be eligible for FDIC insurance.

**Collateral** - Securities, evidence of deposit or pledges to secure repayment of a loan. Also refers to securities pledged by a bank to secure deposit of public moneys.

**Custody** - A banking service that provides safekeeping for the individual securities in a customer's investment portfolio under a written agreement which also calls for the bank to collect and pay out income, to buy, sell, receive and deliver securities when ordered to do so by the principal.

**Delivery vs. Payment (DVP)** - Delivery of securities with a simultaneous exchange of money for the securities.

**Diversification** - Dividing investment funds among a variety of securities offering independent returns and risk profiles.

**Federal Home Loan Banks (FHLB)** - Government sponsored wholesale banks which lend funds and provide correspondent banking services to member commercial banks, thrifty institutions, credit unions and insurance companies. The mission of the FHLBs is to liquefy the housing related assets of its members who must purchase stock in their district Bank.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) – The FHLMC was created under the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Act, Title III of the Emergency Home Finance Act of 1970 as a stockholder owned government-sponsored enterprise. Freddie Mac, as the corporation is called, is charged with providing stability and assistance to the secondary home mortgage market by buying first mortgages and participation interests and reselling these securities in the form of guaranteed mortgage securities. Although agency obligations are not explicitly guaranteed by the federal government, the rating agencies believe that in the unlikely event of financial difficulties, the federal government will support the agency to the extent necessary to provide for full and timely payment on their securities.

Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) - FNMA, like GNMA was chartered under the Federal National Mortgage Association Act in 1938. FNMA is a federal corporation working under the auspices of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It is the largest single provider of residential mortgage funds in the United States. Fannie Mae, as the corporation is called, is a private stockholder-owned corporation. The corporation's purchases include a variety of adjustable mortgages and second loans, in addition to fixed-rate mortgages. FNMA's securities are also highly liquid and are widely accepted. FNMA assumes and guarantees that all security holders will receive timely payment of principal and interest.

**Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA)** – Securities influencing the volume of bank credit guaranteed by GNMA and issued by mortgage bankers, commercial banks, savings and loan associations and other institutions. Security holder is protected by the full faith and credit of the U.S. Government. Ginnie Mae securities, are backed by the FHA, VA, or FmHA mortgages. The term "pass-throughs" is often used to describe Ginnie Maes.

**Interest Rate** - The annual yield earned on an investment, expressed as a percentage.

**Liquidity** - Refers to the ability to rapidly convert an investment into cash with minimal risk of losing some portion of principal and/or interest.

**Master Repurchase Agreement** - A written contract covering all future transactions between the parties to repurchase and/or reverse repurchase agreements that establish each party's rights in the transactions. A master agreement will offer specify, among other things, the right of the buyer-lender to liquidate the underlying securities in the event of default by the seller-borrower.

**Maturity** - The date upon which the principal or stated value of an investment becomes due and payable.

**Money Market** - The market in which short-term debt instruments (bills, commercial paper, banker's acceptances, etc.) are issued and traded.

**Prudent Investor** - An investment standard. In some states the law requires that a fiduciary, such as a trustee, may invest money only a list of securities selected by the custody state - the so-called legal list. In other states the trustee may invest in a security if it is one which would be brought by a prudent person of discretion and intelligence who is seeking a reasonable income and preservation of capital.

**Rate of Return** - The yield obtainable on a security based on its purchase price or its current market price. This may be the amortized yield to maturity on a bond or the current income return.

**Repurchase Agreement (RP or REPO)** - A holder of securities sells these securities to an investor with an agreement to repurchase them at a fixed price on a fixed date. The security "buyer" in effect lends the "seller" money for the period of the agreement, and the terms of the agreement are structured to compensate him for this. Dealers use RP extensively to finance their positions. Exception: When the Fed is said to be doing RP, it is lending money, that is, increasing bank reserves.

**Reverse Repurchase Agreement (Reverse REPO)** - A transaction where the seller (City) agrees to buy back from the buyer (bank) the securities at an agreed upon price after a stated period of time.

**Risk** - Degree of uncertainty of return on an asset.

**Treasury Bills** – A non-interest bearing discount security issued by the U.S. Treasury to finance the national debt. Most bills are issued to mature in three months, six months, or one year.

**Treasury Bonds** - Long-term coupon-bearing U. S. Treasury securities issued as direct obligations of the U. S. Government and having initial maturities of more than ten years.

**Treasury Notes** - Medium-term coupon-bearing U. S. Treasury securities issued as direct obligations of the U. S. Government and having initial maturities from two to ten years.

**Yield** - The rate of annual income return on an investment, expressed as a percentage. It is obtained by dividing the current dollar income by the current market price of the security.

**Yield to Maturity** - The rate of income return on an investment, minus any premium or plus any discount, with the adjustment spread over the period from the date of purchase to the date of maturity of the bond, expressed as a percentage.

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#### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO JOIN THE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY KNOWN AS INVESTMENT TRUST OF CALIFORNIA, CARRYING ON BUSINESS AS CALTRUST

**WHEREAS**, Section 6502 of Title 1, Division 7, Chapter 5 of the Government Code (the "Joint Exercise of Powers Act") provides that, if authorized by their legislative or other governing bodies, two or more public agencies by agreement may jointly exercise any power common to the contracting parties; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6509.7 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act provides that, if authorized by their legislative or other governing bodies, two or more public agencies by agreement may jointly exercise their common authority to invest funds in their treasuries as authorized by subdivision (p) of Section 53601 of Title 5, Division 2, Part 1, Chapter 4, Article 2 of the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, under Section 6500 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, a "public agency" includes but is not limited to the federal government or any federal department or agency, the state of California, another State or any State department or agency, a county, county board of education, county superintendent of schools, city, public corporation, public district, or regional transportation commission of the State of California or another State, or any joint powers authority formed pursuant to the California Joint Exercise of Powers Act; and

**WHEREAS**, public agencies which constitute local agencies, as that term is defined in Section 53630 of the Government Code, are authorized pursuant to Section 53601 and 53635 thereof to invest all money belonging to, or in the custody of the local agency in certain specified investments; and

WHEREAS, the Investment Trust of California, carrying on business as CalTRUST ("CalTRUST") was established, pursuant to and in accordance with the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, by a Joint Exercise of Power Agreement, made as of February 24, 2005, as a vehicle for public agencies to jointly exercise their common power to invest funds in accordance with applicable California law governing the investment of funds by public agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to and in accordance with the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, the City of Elk Grove desires to join the other public agencies which are or will be Participants of CalTRUST by adopting and executing the Joint Powers Agreement, a form of which is attached to this document as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the City of Elk Grove is a city as that term is defined in the Joint Exercise of Powers Act and a local agency as that term is defined in Section 53630 of the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City of Elk Grove is otherwise permitted to be a Participant of the CalTRUST and to invest funds in CalTRUST to be managed by the Investment Advisor to CalTRUST, notwithstanding other investments held by the City or current investment

policies that otherwise may be in effect for the City so long as CalTRUST invests in securities and other instruments permitted for public investment by public agencies pursuant to applicable California law; and

- **WHEREAS**, there has been presented to this meeting an Information Statement describing CalTRUST (the "information statement").
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove as follows:
- **Section 1**. All of the above recitals are true and correct, and the City Council so finds and determines.
- <u>Section 2</u>. The City of Elk Grove shall join CalTRUST in accordance with the Joint Exercise of Powers Act by executing the Joint Powers Agreement (Exhibit A), which is hereby approved and adopted, notwithstanding other investments held by the City or current investment policies that otherwise may be in effect for the City so long as CalTRUST invests in securities and other instruments permitted for investment by public agencies pursuant to applicable California law. A copy of the Joint Powers Agreement shall be filed with the minutes of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest and deliver, the Joint Powers Agreement, in substantially the form presented at this meeting.
- <u>Section 3</u>. The City Treasurer is hereby authorized to purchase shares of beneficial interest issued by CalTRUST on behalf of the City from time to time with available funds of the City Treasury, as permitted by the City's Investment Policy.
- <u>Section 4</u>. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed in the name of and on behalf of the City of Elk Grove to take all actions and to make and execute all certificates, requisitions, agreements, notices, consents, warrants and other documents, which she might deem necessary or appropriate in order to accomplish the purpose of this Resolution to join CalTRUST.
- <u>Section 5</u>. The City Treasurer is hereby authorized to take all actions and to make and execute any and all instruments, which he or she might deem necessary or appropriate in order to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, to join CalTRUST.
- <u>Section 6</u>. Nothing contained in this Resolution shall be deemed to infringe upon the right of the City Council, City Manager, City Treasurer, or any other officer of the City of Elk Grove to make other investments outside of the mandate of this Resolution in accordance with applicable California law to the fullest extent permitted thereunder.
  - **Section 7**. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the day of May 2012.	e City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 23rd
	JAMES COOPER, MAYOR of the CITY OF ELK GROVE
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK	JONATHAN HOBBS, INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

#### **EXHIBIT A**

# JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT DATED AS OF FEBRUARY 24, 2005

(Amended April 16, 2008)

(Amended August 4, 2009)

**CREATING THE** 

### INVESTMENT TRUST OF CALIFORNIA,

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#### A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

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#### JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT

This JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT, dated as of February 24, 2005 (this "Agreement"), amending and restating that certain declaration of trust, dated as of January 9, 2003 and amended and restated as of June 3, 2003, is entered into by each Public Agency (as defined below) set forth on Schedule A hereto (the "Initial Members"). Capitalized terms used in this Agreement shall have the meanings given such terms in Section 1.3 of this Agreement, unless otherwise defined.

#### WITNESSETH

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Act, two or more Public Agencies may by agreement jointly exercise any power common to the contracting parties; and

WHEREAS, each Member is a "Public Agency" as that term is defined in Section 6509.7 of the Act, which, as of the date of this Agreement, is defined as "the federal government or any federal department or agency, this state, another state or any state department or agency, a county, county board of education, county superintendent of schools, city, public corporation, public district, or regional transportation commission of this state or another state, or any joint powers authority formed pursuant to this [Article 1] by any of these agencies," and includes "a nonprofit corporation whose membership is confined to public agencies or public officials;" and

**WHEREAS**, each Member is also either a political subdivision of a state, or an agency, authority, or instrumentality of the United States, a state or any political subdivision of a state, as those terms are used in the Investment Company Act of 1940; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act authorizes the Members to create a joint exercise of powers entity separate from the Members to exercise the common powers of the Members, as specified in this Agreement, and to act as administrator of this Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, by this Agreement, each Member desires to create and establish the Investment Trust of California, doing business as *Cal*TRUST, for the purposes set forth herein to exercise the powers provided herein and to act as administrator of this Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act authorizes a joint powers authority, such as *Cal*TRUST, to issue shares of beneficial interest to participating Public Agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, by this Agreement, *Cal*TRUST will establish and administer an investment program for the benefit of its Participants, such program to be known as the Shares Program; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Law, Public Agencies may purchase shares of beneficial interest issued by a joint powers authority organized pursuant to Section 6509.7 of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Shares Program involves the investment by Public Agencies in shares of beneficial interest issued by *Cal*TRUST in accounts containing authorized investments that are owned by *Cal*TRUST.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Members, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements herein contained, do agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I. CREATION; PURPOSE, DEFINITIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

- **Section 1.1** Creation of *Cal*TRUST. There is hereby created pursuant to the Act a public agency and entity to be known as the "<u>Investment Trust of California</u>," doing business as "<u>CalTRUST</u>." As provided in the Act, *Cal*TRUST shall be a public agency and entity separate and apart from the Members. The debts, liabilities and obligations of *Cal*TRUST shall not constitute debts, liabilities or obligations of the Members.
- **Section 1.2 Purpose**. This Agreement is made pursuant to the Act to provide for the exercise by *Cal*TRUST of those powers referred to in the recitals hereof and for *Cal*TRUST to administer the exercise of those powers. The purpose of *Cal*TRUST is to consolidate investment activities of the Participants and thereby reduce duplication, achieve economies of scale and carry out coherent and consolidated investment strategies through the Shares Program (as described in <u>Articles VI and VII</u> hereof). The Public Agencies that purchase Shares from *Cal*TRUST through the Shares Program are collectively referred to herein as "<u>Participants</u>", and individually, as a "<u>Participant</u>".
- **Section 1.3 Definitions**. As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings unless the context otherwise requires:
- "Act" shall mean Title 1, Division 7, Chapter 5 of the California Government Code (commencing with § 6500), the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, as it may be amended from time to time.
- "Affiliate" shall mean, as to any person, any other person who owns beneficially, directly or indirectly, at least 5% of the outstanding capital stock or equity interest of such person or of any other person who controls, is controlled by or is under common control with such person, or is an officer, retired officer, director, employee, partner or trustee of such person or of any other person who controls, is controlled by or is under common control with such person.
- "Agreement" shall mean this Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement as it may from time to time be amended in accordance with the provisions hereof.
  - "Bad Faith" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.3 hereof.
  - "Board of Trustees" or "Board" shall mean the governing board of CalTRUST.
- "<u>CalTRUST</u>" shall mean the Investment Trust of California, doing business as CalTRUST, created by this Agreement.
- "Custodian" shall mean the entity engaged by CalTRUST to serve as the custodian for the Shares Program pursuant to the terms of the Custody Agreement.

"Custody Agreement" shall mean a custody agreement pursuant to which *Cal*TRUST shall engage a custodian to provide certain services to *Cal*TRUST for the Shares Program, including but not limited to maintaining a securities custody account for all cash, securities and other property that may be delivered to the Custodian from time to time upon the terms and conditions set forth therein.

"<u>Disqualification</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in <u>Section 2.3(b)</u> hereof.

"<u>Information Statement</u>" shall mean the information statement or other disclosure document relating to the Shares Program as such Information Statement may be revised from time to time.

"Initial Members" shall have the meaning set forth in the preamble hereto.

"Investment Advisor" shall mean the entity engaged by *Cal*TRUST to serve as the investment advisor to the Shares Program pursuant to the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement.

"Investment Advisory Agreement" shall mean an investment advisory agreement pursuant to which *Cal*TRUST shall engage an investment advisor to provide certain services to *Cal*TRUST for the Shares Program.

"Investment Policy" shall mean the investment policies and objectives of *Cal*TRUST relating to the Shares Program, as such Investment Policy may be revised from time to time in accordance herewith.

"<u>Law</u>" means Title 5, Division 2, Part 1, Chapter 4 of the California Government Code (commencing with § 53600), as it may be amended from time to time.

"<u>Members</u>" shall mean the Initial Members and each Public Agency that becomes a Member pursuant to the terms of Section 1.4 hereof.

"Member Trustee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2 hereof.

"Non-Interested Trustees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.6 hereof.

"Participants" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1.2 hereof.

"Public Agency" shall have the meaning given to such term from time to time in Section 6509.7 (or any successor or amended provision) of the Act. As of the date of this Agreement, "Public Agency" is defined in Section 6509.7 of the Act as "the federal government or any federal department or agency, this state, another state or any state department or agency, a county, county board of education, county superintendent of schools, city, public corporation, public district, or regional transportation commission of this state or another state, or any joint powers authority formed pursuant to this article by any of these agencies," and includes "a nonprofit corporation whose membership is confined to public agencies or public officials."

"Ralph M. Brown Act" shall mean Title 5, Division 2, Part 1, Chapter 9 of the California Government Code, as it may be amended from time to time.

"Series" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.1 hereof.

"Shares" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.1 hereof.

"Shares Program" shall mean the investment program provided to Participants by *Cal*TRUST whereby Public Agencies invest in Shares.

"Shares Register" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.4 hereof.

#### Section 1.4 Addition of Public Agencies as Members; Withdrawal of Members.

- (a) **Addition of Members**. A Public Agency may become a Member by taking appropriate action to authorize and approve the execution and delivery by such Member of this Agreement, signing a counterpart of this Agreement and furnishing *Cal*TRUST with satisfactory evidence that such actions have been taken.
- (b) **Withdrawal**. A Member may withdraw from this Agreement upon written notice to the Secretary of the Board. The Secretary of the Board shall forward a copy of such written notice of withdrawal to the Investment Advisor. Any such withdrawal shall be effective only upon receipt of the written notice of withdrawal by the Secretary of the Board who shall acknowledge receipt of such notice of withdrawal in writing to such withdrawing Member and shall file such notice as an amendment to this Agreement effective upon such filing.
- (c) **List of Members**. <u>Schedule B</u> sets forth a list of all Members and shall be amended from time to time upon additional Public Agencies becoming Members and upon Public Agencies withdrawing as Members.
- **Section 1.5** Representations, Warranties, Covenants and Agreements of the Members. Each Member represents, warrants, covenants and agrees to and with *Cal*TRUST and the other Members, but only as to itself, as follows:
- (a) **Organization as Public Agency.** The Member is duly organized and validly existing as a Public Agency with the common powers referred to in the recitals hereof, and each of the recitals hereof is true as it relates to such Member. The Member has full legal right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to observe and perform its obligations hereunder and to become a Member hereunder. By all necessary official actions the Member has duly authorized and approved the execution hereof and the observance and performance of its obligations hereunder.
- (b) **Binding and Enforceable.** This Agreement constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Member enforceable against the Member in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws or equitable principles relating to or limiting creditors rights generally, and by the application of equitable remedies in appropriate cases.

## ARTICLE II. GOVERNING BOARD; MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

#### **Section 2.1 Board of Trustees**. *CalTRUST* shall be governed by the Board of Trustees.

Section 2.2 Number, Qualification, Election and Term of Trustees. The number of Trustees shall be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board; *provided, however*, that the number of Trustees shall not be fewer than three (3) and not greater than fifteen (15). At least seventy-five percent (75%) of the Trustees shall be members of the governing body, officers or personnel of the Members (each, a "Member Trustee"). The Trustees shall be appointed by the Board and approved by a majority of the Members. Except in the event of resignations, Disqualifications or removals pursuant to Section 2.3, each Trustee shall hold office until his or her successor is appointed by the Board and approved by a majority of the Members.

#### **Section 2.3** Resignation and Removal.

- (a) **Resignation.** Any Trustee may resign by an instrument in writing signed by such Trustee and delivered to the other Trustees, and such resignation shall be effective upon such delivery, or at a later date according to the terms of the instrument.
- (b) **Disqualification.** A Trustee will cease to be qualified as a Trustee in the event, and as of the date, such Trustee dies, is judged incompetent, or, in the case of a Member Trustee, is no longer a member of the governing body, officer or personnel of a Member, or becomes incapable of performing the duties of the office of Trustee, a guardian or conservator is appointed for such Trustee, or such Trustee is otherwise disqualified from acting as a Trustee by reason of applicable law (each, a "<u>Disqualification</u>").
- (c) **Removal by Trustees.** Any Trustee may be removed, with or without cause, by the action of two-thirds (2/3) of the remaining Trustees.
- (d) **Removal by Court.** The Superior Court of the County of Sacramento, California, may at the suit of any Member or of any Participant holding at least 10% of the aggregate of the then outstanding Shares, remove from office any Trustee in case of fraudulent or dishonest acts or abuse of authority or discretion with reference to *Cal*TRUST and may bar from reelection as a Trustee of *Cal*TRUST any Trustee so removed for a period determined by the Court.
- **Section 2.4 Vacancies**. The term of office of a Trustee shall terminate and a vacancy shall occur in the event of the resignation, Disqualification or removal of a Trustee. No such vacancy shall operate to annul this Agreement. In the case of a vacancy, including a vacancy existing by reason of an increase in the number of Trustees by the Board, a majority of the remaining Trustees shall fill such vacancy by the appointment of such other person as they in their discretion shall see fit and as is qualified as provided herein. If there shall be no remaining Trustee, a majority of the Members may appoint a Trustee who is qualified as provided herein. An appointment of a Trustee may be made in anticipation of a vacancy to occur at a later date by reason of resignation, provided that such appointment shall not become effective prior to such resignation. Whenever a vacancy in the number of Trustees shall occur, until such vacancy is filled as provided in this Section 2.4, the Trustees in office, regardless of their number, shall

constitute the Board and shall have all the powers granted to the Board and shall discharge all the duties imposed upon the Board by this Agreement. No person appointed hereunder shall commence his or her term of office until such person has accepted such appointment in writing.

**Section 2.5 Quorum.** A majority of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except that less than a quorum may adjourn meetings from time to time.

**Section 2.6 Manner of Acting**. Subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act and except as otherwise provided herein, any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board may be taken by a majority of the Trustees present at a meeting of Board (a quorum being present), or by a teleconference during which at least a quorum of the members of the Board participate from locations within California and which meets all other requirements of Section 54953 of the California Government Code.

#### Section 2.7 Meetings of the Board.

- (a) All meetings of the Board, including, without limitation, regular, adjourned regular, special and adjourned special meetings shall be called, noticed, held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. In addition, the Secretary shall cause notice of each meeting of the Board to be sent to each Trustee, each Member and each Participant. The Board shall hold at least one regular meeting each year, and may provide for the holding of regular meetings at more frequent intervals. In addition, the Board or a committee of Trustees appointed in accordance with Section 2.8 shall hold regular meetings each month at which meetings the investment performance of the Shares Program and related items shall be presented. The date upon which, and the hour and place at which, each such regular meeting shall be held shall be fixed by the Board. The Secretary of CalTRUST shall cause minutes of all meetings of the Board to be kept and shall, as soon as possible after each meeting, cause a copy of the minutes to be forwarded to each Trustee and to any Member or Participant (if such Member or Participant so requests CalTRUST in writing).
- (b) If the Board receives, on behalf of one or more Members or Participants, a request to include an item of business on the agenda for a regular Board or committee meeting at least ninety six (96) hours prior to such meeting, such item of business shall be included on the agenda for that meeting. If the request to include an item of business on the agenda is received less than ninety six (96) hours prior to such meeting, such item of business shall not be included on the agenda for that meeting, but shall be included on the agenda for the following regular meeting of the Board, unless the Board otherwise determines to include such item of business on the agenda in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Any Board agenda that includes an item of business requested by any Member or Participant shall be distributed to all Members and Participants pursuant to Section 14.5 or as otherwise permitted by the Ralph M. Brown Act.
- (c) If the Secretary of *Cal*TRUST receives, on behalf of one or more Members or Participants, a request to call a special meeting of the Board or a particular committee to consider an urgent item of business raised by a Member or Participant, the Secretary shall promptly forward such request to each Trustee, and the Board may, in its sole discretion, determine whether or not to call a special meeting to consider such item of business. If the Board does determine to call a special meeting, the item of business raised by the Member or Participant

shall be included on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, include any other items of business raised by a Member or Participant so long as such items are raised not less than twenty four (24) hours prior to the time set for the meeting and in sufficient time for the item to be included on the agenda distributed with notice of such special meeting. If the Board does not call a special meeting to consider the item of business raised by a Member or Participant, such item of business shall be included on the agenda of the next regular Board meeting if the Board received the request from the Secretary in accordance with Section 2.7(b). Any Board agenda that includes an item of business requested by any Member or Participant shall be distributed to all Members and Participants pursuant to Section 14.5 or as otherwise permitted by the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Section 2.8 Committees. The Board may create one or more committees and appoint members of the Board to serve on such committees. Each committee shall consist of two or more Trustees who serve at the pleasure of the Board. The creation of a committee and appointment of members to it shall be approved by a majority of all of the Trustees serving on the Board when the action is taken. The provisions of this Agreement which govern meetings, notice and waiver of notice, and quorum and voting requirements of the Board shall apply to committees of the Board as well.

**Section 2.9 Fees and Compensation**. Trustees may receive such compensation, if any, for their services and such reimbursement of expenses as may be fixed or determined by the Board. This <u>Section 2.9</u> shall not be construed to preclude any Trustee from serving *Cal*TRUST in any other capacity as an officer, agent, employee, or otherwise and receiving compensation for those services.

#### ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

**Section 3.1 Officers**. The officers of *Cal*TRUST shall be the President, Secretary and Treasurer (as defined below) and such other officers as the Board may determine. Any number of offices may be held by the same person.

Treasurer. The Board shall appoint one or more of its officers or employees to Section 3.2 serve as treasurer, auditor and controller of CalTRUST (the "Treasurer") pursuant to Section 6505.6 of the Act. Except for moneys held by any custodian or depository in connection with the Shares Program and except as may otherwise be specified by resolution of the Board, the Treasurer of CalTRUST is designated as the depositary of CalTRUST to have custody of all of the money of CalTRUST, from whatever source, and, as such, shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities specified in Sections 6505, 6505.5 and 6509.5 of the Act. The Treasurer shall draw checks to pay demands against CalTRUST when the demands have been approved by the Board. The Treasurer is designated as the public officer or person who has charge of, handles, or has access to any property of CalTRUST, and such officer shall file an official bond with the Secretary of CalTRUST in the amount specified by resolution of the Board but in no event less than Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000). The Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to prepare or cause to be prepared an audit as required pursuant to Section 6505 of the Act every year (unless the Board, in accordance with the Act, elects otherwise) during the term of this Agreement. The Treasurer is hereby directed to report in writing on the first day of July,

October, January and April of each year to the Board, the Members and the Participants, which report shall describe the amount of money held by the Treasurer for *Cal*TRUST, the amount of receipts since the last such report, and the amount paid out since the last such report.

- **Section 3.3 Election of Officers**. The officers of *Cal*TRUST shall be elected by the Board to serve at the pleasure of the Board until such officer is re-elected or a successor to such office is elected by the Board. The officers shall have such authority and perform such duties as the Board may from time to time determine, subject to the rights, if any, of an officer under any contract of employment.
- **Section 3.4 Removal of Officers.** Subject to the rights, if any, of an officer under any contract of employment, any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by the Board.
- **Section 3.5 Resignation of Officers**. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board. Any resignation shall take effect as of the date of the receipt of that notice or at any later time specified in that notice, and unless otherwise specified in that notice, the acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective. Any resignation is without prejudice to the rights, if any, of *Cal*TRUST under any contract to which the officer is a party.
- **Section 3.6** Vacancies in Offices. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal or any other cause shall be filled in the manner prescribed herein for regular appointment to that office. The President may make temporary appointments to a vacant office pending action by the Board.
- **Section 3.7 Fees and Compensation**. Officers may receive such compensation, if any, for their services and such reimbursement of expenses as may be fixed or determined by the Board.

### ARTICLE IV. POWERS

- Section 4.1 General Powers. CalTRUST shall have the power, in its own name, to exercise the common powers of the Members referred to in the recitals hereof and to exercise all additional powers given to a joint powers entity under the Act and any other applicable law for any purpose authorized under this Agreement. Pursuant to Section 6508 of the Act, CalTRUST shall have the power, in its own name, to do any or all of the following: to make and enter into contracts, or to employ agents and employees, to acquire, construct, manage, maintain or operate any building, works or improvements, or to acquire, hold or dispose of property or to incur debts, liabilities or obligations and sue and be sued in its own name. Pursuant to Section 6509.7 of the Act, CalTRUST shall have the power, in its own name, to issue shares of beneficial interest in the securities and obligations authorized by the Law. CalTRUST is authorized, in its own name, to do all acts necessary for the exercise of said powers for said purposes. Such powers shall be exercised subject only to such restrictions upon the manner of exercising such powers as are imposed upon a county in the exercise of similar powers, as provided in Section 6509 of the Act.
- **Section 4.2 Specific Powers.** Consistent with, derived from and subject to the general powers of *Cal*TRUST granted in <u>Section 4.1</u>, *Cal*TRUST shall have the following specific powers:

(a) **Investments**. *Cal*TRUST shall have the power to subscribe for, invest in, reinvest in, purchase or otherwise acquire, own, hold, pledge for settlement purposes only, sell, assign, transfer, exchange, distribute, lend or otherwise deal in or dispose of investments of every nature and kind, provided such investment is (in the sole and absolute discretion of *Cal*TRUST) consistent with the applicable law and the Investment Policy, and to exercise any and all rights, powers and privileges of ownership or interest in respect of any and all such investments of every kind and description, including without limitation, the right to consent and otherwise act with respect thereto, with power to designate one or more persons, firms, associations or corporations to exercise any of such rights, powers and privileges in respect of any of such investments.

Subject to <u>Section 9.8</u>, the Investment Policy may be revised from time to time by resolution of the Board, provided that the Investment Policy shall at no time permit investments not authorized for legal investment under the Law. Promptly upon the Board's approval of any amendment to the Investment Policy, the Board shall cause the amended Investment Policy to be delivered to each Participant.

- (b) **Issuance and Redemption of Shares**. *Cal*TRUST shall have the power to issue, sell, repurchase, redeem, retire, cancel, acquire, hold, resell, reissue, dispose of, transfer, and otherwise deal in Shares, or any Series of Shares by means of the Shares Program, and subject to the provisions hereof, to apply to any such repurchase, redemption, retirement, cancellation or acquisition of Shares, or any Series of Shares, any funds or property of *Cal*TRUST with respect to such Shares, or Series of Shares, whether capital or surplus or otherwise, to the full extent now or hereafter permitted by applicable law.
- (c) **Legal Title**. Legal title to all *Cal*TRUST property shall be vested in *Cal*TRUST, except that *Cal*TRUST shall have power to cause legal title to any *Cal*TRUST property to be held in the name of any other person as nominee, on such terms as *Cal*TRUST may determine, *provided*, *however*, that the interest of *Cal*TRUST therein is appropriately protected.
- (d) **Delegation**. CalTRUST shall have power to delegate from time to time to officers, employees or agents of CalTRUST the doing of such things and the execution of such instruments in the name of CalTRUST or otherwise as CalTRUST may deem expedient, to the same extent as such delegation is permitted by applicable law.
- (e) **Collection and Payment**. *Cal*TRUST shall have power to collect all property due to *Cal*TRUST; to pay all claims, including taxes, against *Cal*TRUST property; to prosecute, defend, compromise or abandon any claims relating to *Cal*TRUST property; to foreclose any security interest securing any obligation by virtue of which any property is owed to *Cal*TRUST; and to enter into releases, agreements and other instruments.
- (f) **Expenses and Limits Thereon**. *Cal*TRUST shall have the power to incur and pay any reasonable expenses that in the opinion of *Cal*TRUST are necessary or incidental to carry out any of the purposes of this Agreement.
- (g) **Litigation**. *Cal*TRUST shall have the power to engage in and to prosecute, defend, compromise, abandon, or adjust, by arbitration or otherwise, any actions, suits,

proceedings, disputes, claims, and demands relating to *Cal*TRUST or *Cal*TRUST property, and, out of *Cal*TRUST property, to pay or to satisfy any debts, claims or expenses incurred in connection therewith, including those of litigation, and such power shall include without limitation the power of *Cal*TRUST, in the exercise of its good faith business judgment, consenting to dismiss any action, suit, proceeding, dispute, claim, or demand, derivative or otherwise, brought by any person, including a Member or Participant, whether or not *Cal*TRUST or any of the Trustees may be named individually therein or the subject matter arises by reason of business for or on behalf of *Cal*TRUST.

- Miscellaneous Powers. CalTRUST shall have the power to: (i) employ or (h) contract with such persons as CalTRUST may deem desirable for the transaction of the affairs of CalTRUST, including such agents or employees as CalTRUST considers appropriate; (ii) to the extent permitted by applicable law, enter into joint ventures, partnerships and any other combinations or associations; (iii) purchase, and pay for out of CalTRUST property, insurance policies insuring the Trustees, officers, employees, agents, Members, investment advisers, distributors, or independent contractors of CalTRUST against all claims arising by reason of holding any such position or by reason of any action taken or omitted by any such person in such capacity, whether or not constituting negligence, or whether or not CalTRUST would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability; (iv) to the extent permitted by applicable law, indemnify any person with whom CalTRUST has dealings to such extent as CalTRUST shall determine, including, without limitation, any administrator of CalTRUST; (v) determine and change the fiscal year of CalTRUST and the method by which its accounts shall be kept; and (vi) adopt a seal for *Cal*TRUST, but the absence of such seal shall not impair the validity of any instrument executed on behalf of CalTRUST.
- (i) **Other Powers**. In addition to the specific powers set forth above, *Cal*TRUST shall also have all other powers consistent with the Act and reasonably necessary from time to time to carry out the purposes of *Cal*TRUST as set forth in Section 1.2 hereof.
- **Section 4.3 Approval Powers of Members.** The following matters alone shall require the approval of all or a certain percentage of the Members as provided herein: (a) termination of *Cal*TRUST as provided in Section 11.2, (b) merger, consolidation or sale of assets of *Cal*TRUST as provided in Section 11.4, and (c) such additional matters relating to *Cal*TRUST as may be required by this Agreement or as *Cal*TRUST may consider necessary or desirable. In addition, if a certain percentage approval is not specified herein, approval of at least a majority of the Members shall be required.

# ARTICLE V. ADMINISTRATIVE, INVESTMENT ADVISORY AND OTHER SERVICES FOR $\it CAL$ TRUST

#### Section 5.1 Administrative, Investment Advisor and Approval of Agreements.

(a) **Supervision of** *Cal***TRUST**. The Board is responsible for the general policies of *Cal*TRUST and for such general supervision of the business of *Cal*TRUST conducted by all officers, agents, employees, advisers, managers or independent contractors of *Cal*TRUST as may be necessary to insure that such business conforms to the provisions of this Agreement.

However, the Board shall not be required personally to conduct all the business of *Cal*TRUST, and consistent with the Board's ultimate responsibility as stated above, *Cal*TRUST shall have the power to appoint, employ or contract with any person (including one or more of the Trustees or any corporation, partnership or trust in which one or more of them may be directors, officers, stockholders, partners or trustees) as *Cal*TRUST may deem necessary or proper for the transaction of the business of *Cal*TRUST. *Cal*TRUST may in its discretion, from time to time, enter into an administrative, investment advisory, or other management contract on behalf of *Cal*TRUST whereby the other party to such contract shall undertake to furnish *Cal*TRUST such management, investment advisory or supervisory, administrative, accounting, legal, statistical, research, and promotional facilities and services, and such other facilities and services, if any, as the *Cal*TRUST may in its discretion determine.

- (b) **Investment Advisor Qualifications**. Any investment advisor retained by *Cal*TRUST shall meet all of the criteria set forth in Section 6509.7 of the Act, as such provision may be amended from time to time, which, as of the date hereof, requires that:
- (i) the investment advisor shall be registered or exempt from registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission;
- (ii) the investment advisor shall not have less than five (5) years of experience investing in the securities and obligations authorized by the Law; and
- (iii) the investment advisor shall have assets under management in excess of five hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000).

### **Section 5.2 Investment Advisor for the Shares Program.**

- (a) **Authority**. *Cal*TRUST may exercise broad discretion in allowing the Investment Advisor to administer and regulate the operations of the Shares Program, to act as agent for *Cal*TRUST, to execute documents on behalf of *Cal*TRUST, and to make decisions which conform to general policies and general principles established by *Cal*TRUST. In furtherance of the Shares Program, *Cal*TRUST may authorize the Investment Advisor to effect purchases, sales, loans or exchanges of securities of *Cal*TRUST on behalf of *Cal*TRUST or may authorize any officer, employee or Trustee to effect such purchases, sales, loans or exchanges pursuant to recommendations of the Investment Advisor, all without further action by *Cal*TRUST. Any such purchases, sales, pledges and exchanges shall be deemed to have been authorized by *Cal*TRUST.
- (b) **Best Efforts**. With respect to *Cal*TRUST's activities under the Shares Program, the Investment Advisor shall be required to use its best efforts to present a continuing and suitable investment program to *Cal*TRUST which is consistent with the applicable law and the Investment Policy, but neither the Investment Advisor nor any Affiliate of the Investment Advisor shall be obligated to present any particular investment opportunity to *Cal*TRUST even if such opportunity is of a character which, if presented to *Cal*TRUST, could be taken by *Cal*TRUST.
- (c) **Termination of Services**. *Cal*TRUST shall have the right to terminate the Investment Advisory Agreement (i) at any time and without penalty, upon at least sixty (60) days' prior written notice to the Investment Advisor, or (ii) immediately upon written notice to

the Investment Advisor, for cause in the event of breach of the Investment Advisory Agreement, negligence or willful misconduct by the Investment Advisor, which breach is not cured within ten (10) days after written notice of such breach has been provided. *Cal*TRUST may, at any time, solicit bids to enter into a new agreement with a different independent contractor to carry out the duties set forth in the Investment Advisory Agreement.

**Section 5.3** Compensation of Investment Advisor for Shares Program and Others. *Cal*TRUST shall have the power to determine the compensation and other terms of employment or contract of the Investment Advisor or any other person employed or contracted by *Cal*TRUST; *provided*, *however*, that any determination to employ or contract with any Trustee or any person of which a Trustee is an Affiliate, shall be valid only if made, approved or ratified by a majority of the Trustees who are not Affiliates of such person.

Section 5.4 Other Activities of Investment Advisor for Shares Program. The Investment Advisor shall not be required to administer the investment activities of the Shares Program as its sole and exclusive function and may have other business interests and may engage in other activities similar or in addition to those relating to the Shares Program, including the rendering of services and advice to other persons and the management of other investments (including investments of the Investment Advisor and its Affiliates); provided that such other business interests do not conflict with the best interests of *Cal*TRUST.

### Section 5.5 Custodian for the Shares Program.

- (a) CalTRUST shall have the power to determine the compensation and other terms of employment or contract of the Custodian; provided, however, that any determination to employ or contract with any Trustee or any person of which a Trustee is an Affiliate, shall be valid only if made, approved or ratified by a majority of the Trustees who are not Affiliates of such person. The scope and terms of the Custodian's engagement by CalTRUST will be defined and circumscribed in the Custody Agreement. CalTRUST shall have the right to terminate the Custody Agreement (i) at any time and without penalty, upon at least sixty (60) days' prior written notice to the Custodian, or (ii) immediately upon written notice to the Custodian, for cause in the event of breach of the Custody Agreement, negligence or willful misconduct by the Custodian. CalTRUST may, at any time, solicit bids to enter into a new agreement with a different independent contractor to carry out the duties set forth in the Custody Agreement.
- (b) **Custodian Qualifications**. Any custodian retained by *Cal*TRUST shall meet the following criteria:
- (i) the custodian shall be a bank or trust company, in good standing, duly authorized to exercise trust powers and subject to supervision or examination by a federal or state banking authority; and
- (ii) the custodian shall have combined capital and surplus in excess of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a custodian that does not meet the requirement of clause (ii) above may be retained as the custodian for CalTRUST if its obligations under the Custody

Agreement are guaranteed by an Affiliate which meets all of the qualifications set forth above, and such guaranty is acceptable in form and substance to *Cal*TRUST.

Section 5.6 Other Services to CalTRUST. CalTRUST may from time to time enter into contracts or agreements with independent contractors in the discretion of CalTRUST to carry out the following functions: (i) transfer agent, record keeper and dividend disbursing agent; (ii) administrator, to maintain the books and records of the Shares Program and to supervise all aspects of CalTRUST's operations, including periodically updating the Information Statement for the Shares Program, to prepare CalTRUST's tax returns and periodic reports to Members or Participants, including preparation of monthly, quarterly and annual reports of financial performance to be made available to Members or Participants, to compute the daily net asset value and yield for the Shares Program, to provide office space, equipment and facilities necessary for CalTRUST's operations and to provide such other administrative services as CalTRUST may require; (iii) distributor, to act as CalTRUST's sales agent for the distribution of the Shares; (iv) customer service agent, to provide information to Public Agencies which are Members or Participants or are interested in becoming Members or Participants; (v) custodian bank, to hold all money and securities constituting CalTRUST property; (vi) independent certified public accountants, to perform an annual audit and provide such other services as CalTRUST may require; and (vii) legal counsel. The foregoing specific list shall not prevent CalTRUST from employing other persons to provide such advice, assistance or services as CalTRUST may from time to time require to carry out the purposes of CalTRUST as set forth in Section 1.2 hereof.

**Section 5.7 Authorization to Execute**. By executing this Agreement, each Member hereby authorizes *Cal*TRUST to execute a Custody Agreement with a Custodian meeting the requirements hereof and an Investment Advisory Agreement with an Investment Advisor meeting the requirements hereof. *Cal*TRUST is duly authorized to enter into a Custody Agreement and an Investment Advisory Agreement.

### ARTICLE VI. SHARES PROGRAM

Section 6.1 Shares of Beneficial Interest. The interests of the Participants in the Shares Program established hereunder shall be divided into transferable units to be called Shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value (the "Shares"). The number of Shares authorized hereunder is unlimited. Subject to Section 6.2, the Board may establish and designate from time to time any number of series of Shares (each, a "Series"), the proceeds of which may be invested in separate, independently managed accounts. Each Share of any Series shall represent an equal proportionate share in CalTRUST assets with respect to such Series with each other Share in such Series. The Board may divide or combine the Shares of any Series into a greater or lesser number of Shares of such Series without thereby changing the proportionate interests in CalTRUST assets with respect to such Series.

(a) **Initial Series of Shares.** There is hereby established and designated three (3) initial Series of Shares to be known as: (i) the "*CalTRUST Short-Term Fund*" Series, (ii) the "*CalTRUST Medium-Term Fund*" Series, and (iii) the "*CalTRUST Long-Term Fund*" Series.

All Shares issued hereunder, including without limitation, Shares issued in connection with a dividend in Shares or a division of Shares, shall be fully paid and nonassessable.

- **(b)** Money Market Fund Series of Shares. In addition, there is hereby established and designated the "CalTRUST Money Market Fund" Series. All shares issued hereunder, including without limitation, Shares issued in connection with a dividend in Shares or a division of Shares. shall be fully paid and nonassessable.
- **Section 6.2 Series of Shares**. The following provisions shall be applicable to each Series of Shares established and designated by the Board:
- (a) **Number and Classification.** The number of shares of each Series that may be issued shall be unlimited. The Board may classify or reclassify any unissued shares of any Series or any Shares previously issued and reacquired into one or more Series that may be established and designated from time to time. Shares reacquired by *Cal*TRUST shall be canceled and restored to the status of authorized and unissued Shares undesignated as to Series.
- Shares of a particular Series, together with all assets in which such consideration is invested or reinvested, all income, earnings, profits and proceeds thereof, including any proceeds derived from the sale, exchange or liquidation of such assets, and any funds or payments derived from reinvestment of such proceeds in whatever form the same may be, shall irrevocably belong to that Series for all purposes, subject only to the rights of creditors, and shall be so recorded upon the books of account of *CalTRUST*. In the event that there are any assets, income, earnings, profits, or proceeds thereof, or funds or payments which are not readily identifiable as belonging to any particular Series, the Board shall allocate them among any one or more of the Series established and designated from time to time in such manner and on such basis as they, in their sole discretion, deem fair and equitable. Each such allocation by the Board shall be conclusive and binding upon the Participants of the Shares Program in all Series for all purposes.
- (c) **Series Liabilities.** The assets belonging to each particular Series shall be charged with the liabilities of *Cal*TRUST in respect of that Series, as with all expenses, costs, charges and reserves attributable to that Series, and any general liabilities, expenses, costs, charges or reserves of *Cal*TRUST which are not readily identifiable as belonging to any particular Series shall be allocated and charged by the Board to and among any one or more of the Series established and designated from time to time in such manner and on such basis as the Board in its sole discretion deem fair and equitable. Each allocation of liabilities, expenses, costs, charges and reserves by the Board shall be conclusive and binding upon the Participants of the Shares Program in all Series for all purposes.
- (d) **Dividends and Distributions.** All dividends and distributions on Shares of a particular Series shall be distributed pro rata to the Participants in that Series in proportion to the number of Shares of that Series held by such Participants at the date and time of record established pursuant hereto for the payment of such dividends or distributions.
- (e) **Liquidation.** In the event of the liquidation of a particular Series, the Participants in that Series which is being liquidated shall be entitled to receive, when and as declared by the

Board, the excess of the assets belonging to that Series over the liabilities belonging to that Series. The Participants of the Shares Program in any Series shall not be entitled thereby to any distribution upon liquidation of any other Series. The assets so distributable to the Participants in any Series shall be distributed among such Participants in proportion to the number of Shares of that Series held by them and recorded on the books of *Cal*TRUST. The liquidation of any particular Series in which there are Shares then outstanding may be authorized by an instrument in writing approved by the Board, without the approval of the outstanding voting Shares of that Series.

- (f) **Conversion and Exchange.** The Board shall have the authority to provide that the Participants in any Series shall have the right to convert or exchange the Shares of such Series for or into Shares of one or more other Series in accordance with such requirements and procedures as may be established by the Board.
- (g) **Designations.** The Board shall have the power to determine the designations, preferences, privileges, limitations and rights, including approval and dividend rights, of each Series of Shares. Subject to the provisions of this <u>Section 6.2</u>, all Shares of all Series shall have identical rights and privileges, except insofar as variations thereof among Series shall have been determined and fixed by the Board.
- (h) Additional Series. The establishment and designation of any Series of Shares in addition to the three (3) initial Series established and designated in Section 6.1 shall be effective upon the execution by the Board of an instrument setting forth such establishment and designation and the relative rights, preferences, approval powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, and terms and conditions of redemption of such Series or as otherwise provided in such instrument. At any time that there are no Shares outstanding of any particular Series previously established and designated, the Board may by written instrument approved by the Board abolish that Series and the establishment and designation thereof. Each instrument referred to in this Section 6.2(h) shall constitute an amendment to this Agreement.
- **Section 6.3 Rights of Participants**. The ownership of *Cal*TRUST property of every description and the right to conduct the affairs of *Cal*TRUST herein before described are vested exclusively in *Cal*TRUST, and the Participants shall have no interest therein other than the beneficial interest conferred by their Shares, and they shall have no right to call for any partition, division, dividend or distribution of any property, profits, rights or interests of *Cal*TRUST nor can they be called upon to assume any losses of *Cal*TRUST or suffer an assessment of any kind by virtue of their ownership of Shares. The Shares shall be personal property giving only the rights specifically set forth in this Agreement. The Shares shall not entitle the holder to preference, preemptive, appraisal, conversion or exchange rights, except as the Board may determine.
- **Section 6.4 Register of Shares.** A register for the Shares Program (the "<u>Shares Register</u>") shall be kept at the principal executive office of *Cal*TRUST or at such place as the Board shall designate containing the names and addresses of all Participants of the Shares Program and the number and Series of Shares held by them respectively and a record of all transfers thereof. Such register shall be conclusive as to which Participants are the holders of the Shares and which Participants shall be entitled to receive distributions or otherwise to exercise or enjoy the rights

of Participants of the Shares Program. No Participant shall be entitled to receive payment of any distribution, nor to have rights given to it as herein provided, until its correct name and address has been given to the transfer agent, record keeper or such other officer or agent of *CalTRUST* as shall keep the Shares Register. The Board, in its discretion, may but need not authorize the issuance of Share certificates and promulgate appropriate rules and regulations as to their use.

**Section 6.5 Transfer of Shares**. Shares shall be transferable on the Shares Register only by the record holder thereof or by its agent thereunto duly authorized in writing, upon delivery to the transfer agent or record keeper of a duly executed instrument of transfer, together with such evidence of the genuineness of each such execution and authorization and of other matters as may reasonably be required. Upon such delivery, the transfer shall be recorded on the Shares Register. Until such record is made, the Participant of record shall be deemed to be the holder of such Shares for all purposes hereunder and neither *Cal*TRUST nor any transfer agent or record keeper nor any trustee, officer, employee or agent of *Cal*TRUST shall be affected by any notice of the proposed transfer. No Shares may be transferred to a transferee other than a Participant or *Cal*TRUST itself. Any attempted transfer to any other person shall be void and of no effect.

## ARTICLE VII. REDEMPTIONS OF SHARES WITHIN SHARES PROGRAM

**Section 7.1 Redemptions**. In case any Participant of the Shares Program at any time desires to dispose of its Shares, it may deposit a written request or other such form of request as the Board may from time to time authorize, at the office of the transfer agent or record keeper or at the office of any bank or trust company, either in or outside of California which is a member of the Federal Reserve System and which the transfer agent or record keeper has designated in writing for that purpose, to have the Shares redeemed by *Cal*TRUST at the net asset value thereof per Share next determined after such deposit as provided in <u>Article VIII</u>. Payment for redemption shall be made to the Participant within the number of business days specified in the Information Statement for the Shares Program, as most recently amended or supplemented, unless the date of payment is postponed pursuant to <u>Section 7.2</u>, in which event payment may be delayed beyond such period.

Section 7.2 Suspension of Right of Redemption. The Board may declare a suspension of the right of redemption or postpone the date of payment or redemption for the whole or any part of any period (i) during which the New York Stock Exchange is closed other than customary weekend and holiday closings, (ii) during which trading on the New York Stock Exchange is restricted, (iii) during which the Bond Market Association has declared the market closed when the New York Stock Exchange is open, or (iv) during which an emergency exists as a result of which disposal by CalTRUST of securities owned by it is not reasonably practicable or it is not reasonably practicable for the value of CalTRUST's net assets to be determined. suspension shall take effect at such time as the Board shall specify but not later than the close of business on the business day next following the declaration of suspension, and thereafter there shall be no right of redemption or payment on redemption until the Board shall declare the suspension at an end, except that the suspension shall terminate in any event on the first day on which the New York Stock Exchange shall have reopened or the period specified in (ii) or (iv) shall have expired (as to which the determination of the Board shall be conclusive). In the case of a suspension of the right of redemption, a Participant may either withdraw its request for

redemption or receive payment based on the net asset value existing after the termination of the suspension. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 14.5, notice of the suspension of the right of redemption shall be deemed duly given upon the posting of such notice in a prominent location on the homepage of the CalTRUST website.

**Section 7.3 Redemptions to Reimburse** *Cal***TRUST for Loss on Nonpayment for Shares or for Other Charges.** *Cal***TRUST** shall have the power to redeem Shares owned by any Participant (i) to the extent necessary to reimburse *Cal***TRUST** for any loss it has sustained by reason of the failure of such Participant to make full payment for Shares purchased by such Participant, (ii) to the extent necessary to collect any charge relating to a transaction effected for the benefit of such Participant which is applicable to Shares as provided in the Information Statement for the Shares Program, as most recently amended or supplemented, or (iii) as otherwise deemed necessary by the Board for *Cal***TRUST** to comply with applicable law in connection with the affairs of *Cal***TRUST**. Any such redemption shall be effected at the redemption price determined in accordance with Section 7.1. Cal**TRUST** shall notify the Participant whose Shares are being redeemed, in writing, prior to redeeming any Share pursuant to this Section.

**Section 7.4 Redemptions in Kind.** Payment for Shares redeemed pursuant to <u>Section 7.1</u> may, at the option of the Board, in its complete discretion be made in cash, or in kind, or partially in cash and partially in kind. In case of payment in kind, the Board, or its delegate, shall have absolute discretion as to what security or securities shall be distributed in kind and the amount of the same, and the securities shall be valued for purposes of distribution at the figure at which they were appraised in computing the net asset value of the Shares.

Section 7.5 Reporting. In accordance with the terms of the Investment Advisory Agreement, the Investment Advisor shall provide, or cause the Custodian and/or any agent of the Investment Advisor or the Custodian to provide, information to each Participant, at least monthly, describing such Participant's investments through the Shares Program, including but not limited to the type of investment, issuer, date of maturity, par and dollar amount invested on all securities, investments and moneys held by the Participant, and shall additionally include a description of any of the Participant's funds, investments, or programs that are under the management of any subcontractor to the Investment Advisor (but only if such subcontracting is permitted by this Agreement and the Investment Policy or consented to by the Members) or are part of any securities lending program, as well as a current market value of such Participant's Shares as of the date of the report and shall include the source of this same valuation.

**Section 7.6 Minimum Investment**. The Board shall have the power to fix the minimum investment for Participants of the Shares Program expressed in dollars or Shares, or both. Whenever a Participant's investment is less than the minimum established by the Board, *Cal*TRUST may redeem the Shares of such Participant, *provided, however*, that thirty (30) days prior notice is given to such Participant. If the Board changes the minimum investment to an amount greater than the investment of any Participant at the time that such change becomes effective, the investment of such Participant shall not be redeemed without such Participant's consent.

# ARTICLE VIII. DETERMINATION OF NET ASSET VALUE, NET INCOME, DISTRIBUTIONS AND ALLOCATIONS

**Section 8.1 Shares Program**. The Information Statement for the Shares Program, as most recently amended or supplemented, sets forth such bases and times for determining the per Share net asset value of the Shares, the net income, and the declaration and payment of distributions, as the Board, in its absolute discretion, may prescribe and deem necessary or desirable.

## ARTICLE IX. MEETINGS OF PARTICIPANTS; APPROVAL POWER OF PARTICIPANTS

**Section 9.1 Voting.** The Participants entitled to vote or take action at any meeting or without a meeting of Participants shall be determined in accordance with this <u>Article IX</u>. The Participants' vote may be by voice vote or by ballot. Shares of each Series shall be voted and shall be counted based on the relative net asset value of each Share, and all Shares of all Series shall be voted together as one class, except for matters that relate exclusively to a particular Series for which only holders of Shares of that Series shall vote. Any Participant may vote part of the Shares in favor of the proposal and refrain from voting the remaining Shares or, vote them against the proposal, but if the Participant fails to specify the number of Shares which the Participant is voting affirmatively, it will be conclusively presumed that the Participant's approving vote is with respect to the total Shares that the Participant is entitled to vote on such proposal.

Section 9.2 Action Without Meeting. Any action which may be taken at any meeting of Participants may be taken without a meeting and without prior notice if a consent in writing setting forth the action so taken is signed as provided in this Section 9.2. Any action taken at any meeting or by signed consent, may be taken upon the vote or written consent of the holders of outstanding Shares having not less than the minimum number of votes necessary to authorize or take that action at a meeting at which all Shares entitled to vote on that action were present and voted. All such written consents shall be filed with the Secretary or such other designated officer of CalTRUST and shall be maintained in CalTRUST's records. A Participant's written consent may be revoked by a writing received by the Secretary or such other designated officer of CalTRUST before written consents of the value of Shares necessary to authorize the proposed action have been filed with the Secretary or such other designated officer of CalTRUST.

**Section 9.3 Notice of Action**. The Secretary or such other designated officer of *Cal*TRUST shall give prompt notice to all Participants of any action approved: (a) by the Participants without a meeting, (b) that amends or terminates the Custody Agreement or Investment Advisory Agreement, (c) that amends the Investment Policy or this Agreement or (d) pursuant to <u>Section</u> 9.8 hereof. This notice shall be given in the manner specified in Section 14.5.

**Section 9.4** Meetings. To the extent required by law, meetings of Participants shall be governed by and held in accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

**Section 9.5 Proxies**. Every person entitled to vote on any matter shall have the right to do so either in person or by one or more agents authorized by a written proxy signed by the person and

filed with the Secretary or such other designated officer of *Cal*TRUST. A proxy shall be deemed signed if the Participant's name is placed on the proxy (whether by manual signature, typewriting, telegraphic transmission or otherwise) by the Participant or the Participant's attorney-in-fact. A validly executed proxy which does not state that it is irrevocable shall continue in full force and effect unless (i) revoked by the person executing it before the vote pursuant to that proxy by a writing delivered to *Cal*TRUST stating that the proxy is revoked or by a subsequent proxy executed by, or attendance at the meeting and voting in person by the person executing that proxy; or (ii) written notice of the death or incapacity of the maker of that proxy is received by *Cal*TRUST before the vote pursuant to that proxy is counted; *provided*, *however*, that no proxy shall be valid after the expiration of eleven (11) months from the date of the proxy unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

### Section 9.6 Inspectors.

(a) **Appointment.** Before any meeting of Participants, the Board may appoint any persons, other than Trustees whose appointment is to be approved at such meeting, to act as inspectors at the meeting or its adjournment. If no inspectors are so appointed, the chair of the meeting may, and on the request of any Participant or a Participant's proxy shall, appoint inspectors at the meeting. The number of inspectors shall be either one (1) or three (3). If inspectors are appointed at a meeting on the request of one or more Participants or proxies, the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding Shares or their proxies present at the meeting shall determine whether one (1) or three (3) inspectors are to be appointed. If any person appointed as inspector fails to appear or fails or refuses to act, the chair of the meeting may, and on the request of any Participant or a Participant's proxy shall, appoint a person to fill the vacancy.

### (b) **Duties.** These inspectors shall:

- (i) Determine the number of Shares outstanding and the voting power of each, the Shares represented at the meeting, the existence of a quorum and the authenticity, validity and effect of proxies;
  - (ii) Receive votes, ballots or consents;
- (iii) Hear and determine all challenges and questions in any way arising in connection with the right to vote;
  - (iv) Count and tabulate all votes or consents;
  - (v) Determine when the polls shall close;
  - (vi) Determine the result; and
- (vii) Do any other acts that may be proper to conduct the election or vote with fairness to all Participants.

### Section 9.7 Record Date for Participant Notice, Voting and Giving Consents.

(a) **Fixed Record Date.** For purposes of determining the Participants entitled to notice of any meeting or to vote or entitled to give consent to action without a meeting, the Board may fix in advance a record date which shall not be more than fifteen (15) days nor fewer than seven (7) days before the date of any such meeting.

#### (b) **Deemed Record Date.** If the Board does not so fix a record date:

- (i) **For Meetings**. The record date for determining Participants entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of Participants shall be at the close of business on the business day next preceding the day on which notice is given or if notice is waived, at the close of business on the business day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held.
- (ii) **For Written Consent**. The record date for determining Participants entitled to give consent to action in writing without a meeting, when no prior action by the Board has been taken, shall be the day on which the first written consent is requested, or, when prior action of the Board has been taken, shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Board adopts the resolution relating to that action.

Section 9.8 Approval Powers of Participants. Any amendment to the Investment Policy shall require: (a) the approval of Participants or their proxies holding at least a majority of the outstanding Shares or (b) the negative consent of the Participants. To obtain the negative consent of the Participants, the following negative consent procedure shall be followed: (x) the Secretary shall provide each Participant with a notice in accordance with Section 14.5 at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of such proposed action explaining the nature of such proposed action and this negative consent procedure; (y) the Secretary shall provide each Participant who did not respond to the initial notice with a notice at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of such proposed action explaining the nature of such proposed action and this negative consent procedure; (z) if Participants owning at least fifty percent (50%) of the Shares do not object to the proposed action in writing within sixty (60) days after the initial notice, the proposed action shall become effective with respect to all Participants; provided, however, any Participant that objects in writing to the action within sixty (60) days after receiving the initial notice shall be permitted to redeem its Shares as set forth herein.

### **Section 9.9** Meeting Agendas.

- (a) **Regular Board Meetings**. If a Participant desires an item of business to be included on the agenda for the next scheduled regular Board meeting, the Participant may request that such item of business be included on the agenda in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.7(b) hereof.
- (b) **Participant Meetings**. A Participant may notify the Secretary if such Participant desires an item of business to be included on the agenda for the next scheduled regular Participant meeting. For such item of business to be included on the agenda, the Secretary must receive the request at least ninety six (96) hours prior to such regular meeting. If the request to include an item of business on the agenda is not received at least ninety six (96) hours prior to such meeting, such item of business shall not be included on the agenda for that meeting, but shall be included on the agenda for the following regular meeting of the Participants, unless the Board otherwise determines to include such item of business on the agenda in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.
- (c) **Special Board or Participant Meetings**. Any Participant may notify the Administrator if such Participant desires the Board to call a special meeting of the Board or of Participants to consider an urgent item of business raised by a Participant, provided that the Board is not required to call a special meeting to consider such item of business. Any such request shall be made in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 2.7(c)</u> hereof.

## ARTICLE X. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY OF MEMBERS, PARTICIPANTS, TRUSTEES AND OTHERS

Section 10.1 No Personal Liability of Members, Participants, Trustees and Others. Except in the case of fraud or willful misconduct, no Member, Participant and, subject to Section 10.3, no Trustee, officer, employee or agent of CalTRUST, acting in its capacity as a Member, Participant, Trustee, officer, employee or agent of CalTRUST, as applicable, shall be subject to any personal liability whatsoever to any person in connection with property or the acts, obligations or affairs of CalTRUST, and all such persons shall look solely to CalTRUST property for satisfaction of claims of any nature arising in connection with the affairs of CalTRUST. Except in the case of fraud or willful misconduct, no Member, Participant, Trustee, officer, employee, or agent, as such, of CalTRUST who is made a party to any suit or proceeding to enforce any such liability, shall be held to any personal liability. The debts, liabilities and obligations of CalTRUST shall not be the debts, liabilities and obligations of any Member, Participant, Trustee, officer, employee or agent of CalTRUST, unless otherwise provided in this Agreement; provided, however, that in such case, such debts, liabilities and obligations shall be limited to the value of CalTRUST's assets. Nothing contained in this Section 10.1 shall release the Investment Advisor, the Custodian or any of their respective officers, employees or agents from personal liability in connection with their engagement by or services to CalTRUST.

**Section 10.2 Indemnification of Participants in Shares Program**. *Cal*TRUST shall indemnify and hold each Participant harmless from and against all claims and liabilities to which such Participant may become subject by reason of its being or having been a Participant in the

Shares Program and shall reimburse such Participant for all legal and other expenses reasonably incurred by it in connection with any such claim or liability; *provided*, *however*, that: (a) such Participant was acting in accordance with all legal and policy requirements and investment objectives applicable to such Participant, including any limitations that the Participant has adopted or is subject to which are more restrictive than state law, (b) such indemnity or reimbursement shall be made from assets (or proceeds thereof or income therefrom) of the one or more Series of Shares of *Cal*TRUST in respect of which such claim or liability arose and not from the assets (or proceeds or income therefrom) of any other Series of Shares of *Cal*TRUST, and (c) no indemnification shall be made for any Participant's negligence or willful misconduct. The rights accruing to a Participant under this <u>Section 10.2</u> shall not exclude any other right to which such Participant may be lawfully entitled, nor shall anything herein contained restrict the right of *Cal*TRUST to indemnify or reimburse a Participant in any appropriate situation even though not specifically provided herein.

**Section 10.3 Bad Faith of Trustees and Others**. No Trustee, officer or employee of *Cal*TRUST shall be liable to *Cal*TRUST, or to any Member, Participant, Trustee, officer, employee or agent thereof for any action or failure to act, except for his or her own bad faith, willful misfeasance, gross negligence or reckless disregard of duty (collectively, "<u>Bad Faith</u>").

Section 10.4 Indemnification of Trustees and Others from Third-Party Actions. CalTRUST shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any proceeding (other than an action by or in the right of CalTRUST) by reason of the fact that such person is or was a Trustee, officer or employee of CalTRUST, against expenses, judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred in connection with such proceeding, if it is determined that such person acted in good faith and reasonably believed: (i) in the case of conduct in his or her official capacity as a Trustee of CalTRUST, that his or her conduct was in CalTRUST's best interests, (ii) in all other cases, that his or her conduct was at least not opposed to CalTRUST's best interests, and (iii) in the case of a criminal proceeding, that he or she had no reasonable cause to believe the conduct of such person was unlawful. The termination of any proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not of itself create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner that such person reasonably believed to be in the best interests of CalTRUST or that such person had reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful.

**Section 10.5 Indemnification of Trustees and Others for Successful Defense.** To the extent that a Trustee, officer or employee of *Cal*TRUST has been successful on the merits in defense of any proceeding referred to in <u>Section 10.4</u> or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, before the court or other body before which the proceeding was brought, such person shall be indemnified against expenses actually and reasonably incurred in connection therewith.

**Section 10.6** Advance of Expenses. Expenses incurred in defending any proceeding may be advanced by *Cal*TRUST before the final disposition of the proceeding upon a written undertaking by or on behalf of the Trustee, officer or employee of *Cal*TRUST, to repay the amount of the advance if it is ultimately determined that he or she is not entitled to indemnification, together with at least one of the following as a condition to the advance: (i) security for the undertaking; or (ii) the existence of insurance protecting *Cal*TRUST against

losses arising by reason of any lawful advances; or (iii) a determination by a majority of the Trustees who are not parties to the proceeding ("Non-Interested Trustees"), or by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, based on a review of readily available facts, that there is reason to believe that such person ultimately will be found entitled to indemnification.

Section 10.7 Exclusions and Limitations of Indemnification of Trustees and Others. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no indemnification or advance shall be made under Sections 10.4 to 10.6:

- (a) **Bad Faith.** For any liability arising by reason of Bad Faith of a Trustee, officer or employee of *Cal*TRUST.
- (b) **Improper Personal Benefit.** In respect of any claim, issue, or matter as to which a Trustee, officer or employee of *Cal*TRUST shall have been adjudged to be liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received by him or her, whether or not the benefit resulted from an action taken in such person's official capacity.
- (c) **Otherwise Prohibited.** In any circumstances where it appears that it would be inconsistent with any condition expressly imposed by a court, any provision of this Agreement, or any agreement in effect at the time of accrual of the alleged cause of action asserted in the proceeding in which the expenses were incurred or other amounts were paid which prohibits or otherwise limits indemnification or advance.
- (d) **Limited to** *CalTRUST*'s **Assets.** In any amount, individually or in the aggregate, that exceeds the value of *CalTRUST*'s assets. If there are concurrent indemnifications of multiple Participants under this <u>Article IX</u>, such indemnifications shall be made on a pro rata basis up to the value of *CalTRUST*'s assets.
- **Section 10.8 Obligations under Law**. Notwithstanding anything herein or in the Investment Advisory Agreement to the contrary, nothing herein or therein is intended to relieve any Member or Participant of any obligation it has under State or Federal law to monitor, review, evaluate or provide oversight with respect to the Shares Program, the Investment Advisor, or its participation in *Cal*TRUST.
- **Section 10.9 Required Approval**. No indemnification or advance shall be made under Sections 10.4 to 10.6 unless and until it is determined, by a majority of the Non-Interested Trustees, or by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, based on a review of readily available facts, that indemnification of a Trustee, officer, employee or agent of *Cal*TRUST is proper in the circumstances because such person has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Sections 10.4 to 10.6, as applicable, and such indemnification is not excluded by reason of Section 10.7.
- **Section 10.10 Insurance**. *Cal*TRUST shall purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of each Trustee, officer, employee or agent of *Cal*TRUST against any liability asserted against or incurred by such person in such capacity or arising out of such person's status as such, but only to the extent that *Cal*TRUST would have the power to indemnify such person against that liability hereunder, unless *Cal*TRUST determines that such insurance is not cost effective for *Cal*TRUST or is otherwise impracticable.

**Section 10.11 Fiduciaries of Employee Benefit Plan**. This <u>Article X</u> does not provide indemnification or release from liability with respect to any proceeding against any trustee, investment advisor or other fiduciary of an employee benefit plan in such person's capacity as such, even though such person may also be a Trustee, officer, employee or agent of *Cal*TRUST. Nothing contained in this <u>Article X</u> shall limit any right to indemnification to which such a trustee, investment advisor, or other fiduciary may be entitled by contract or otherwise which shall be enforceable to the extent permitted by applicable law other than this <u>Article X</u>.

Section 10.12 No Duty of Investigation and Notice in CalTRUST Instruments. purchaser, lender, transfer agent, record keeper or other person dealing with any Trustee, officer, employee or agent of CalTRUST shall be bound to make any inquiry concerning the validity of any transaction purporting to be made by such Trustee, officer, employee or agent or be liable for the application of money or property paid, loaned, or delivered to or on the order of such Trustee, officer, employee or agent. Every obligation, contract, instrument, certificate, Share or other security of CalTRUST and undertaking, and every other document executed in connection with CalTRUST, shall be conclusively presumed to have been executed or done by the executors thereof only in their capacity as Trustees under this Agreement or in their capacity as officers, employees or agents of CalTRUST. Every written obligation, contract, instrument, certificate, Share or other security of CalTRUST or undertaking made or issued by any Trustee shall recite that it is executed by such Trustee not individually, but in the capacity as Trustee under this Agreement, and that the obligations of any such instruments are not binding upon any of the Trustees, Members or Participants individually, but bind only CalTRUST property, but the omission of such recital shall not operate to bind the Trustees, Members or Participants individually.

**Section 10.13 Reliance on Experts**. Each Trustee, officer, employee and agent of *Cal*TRUST shall, in the performance of his or her duties, be fully protected with regard to any act or any failure to act resulting from reliance in good faith upon the books of account or other records of *Cal*TRUST, upon an opinion of counsel, or upon reports made to *Cal*TRUST by any of its officers or employees or by the investment adviser, administrator, transfer agent, record keeper, custodian, distributor accountants, appraisers or other experts or consultants selected with reasonable care by the Trustees, officers, employees or agents of *Cal*TRUST.

**Section 10.14 Immunity from Liability**. All of the privileges and immunities from liability, all exemptions from laws, ordinances and rules, and all pension, relief, disability, workmen's compensation, and other benefits which apply to the activity of the trustees, officers, employees or agents of the Members when performing their functions within the territorial limits of their respective Public Agencies, shall apply to them to the same degree and extent while engaged in the performance of any of their functions and duties associated with *Cal*TRUST.

**Section 10.15 Further Restriction of Duties and Liabilities.** Without limiting the foregoing provisions of this <u>Article X</u>, the Trustees, officers, employees and Members of *Cal*TRUST shall in no event have any greater duties or liabilities than those imposed by applicable law as shall be in effect from time to time.

## ARTICLE XI. DURATION, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT

**Section 11.1 Duration**. *Cal*TRUST shall continue without limitation of time but subject to the provisions of this <u>Article XI</u>.

### **Section 11.2 Termination of CalTRUST.**

- (a) **By Vote.** *Cal*TRUST may be terminated by the vote of the majority of the Trustees, subject to approval of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the Members.
  - (b) **Winding Up Activities.** Upon the termination of *Cal*TRUST:
- (i) CalTRUST shall carry on no activities except for the purpose of winding up its affairs;
- (ii) The Board shall proceed to wind up the affairs of *CalTRUST* and all of the powers of *CalTRUST* and the Board under this Agreement shall continue until the affairs of *CalTRUST* shall have been wound up, including the power to fulfill or discharge the contracts of *CalTRUST*, collect its assets, sell, convey, assign, exchange, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or any part of *CalTRUST* property to one or more persons at public or private sale for consideration which may consist in whole or in part of cash, securities or other property of any kind, discharge or pay its liabilities, and do all other acts appropriate to liquidate its business; *provided*, *however*, that any sale, conveyance, assignment, exchange, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all *CalTRUST* property shall require approval in accordance with Section 11.4; and
- (iii) After paying or adequately providing for the payment of all liabilities, and upon receipt of such releases, indemnities and refunding agreements as they deem necessary for their protection, the Board may distribute the remaining *Cal*TRUST property, in cash or in kind or partly in cash and partly in kind, among the Participants according to their respective beneficial interests.
- (c) **Effect of Termination.** After termination of *Cal*TRUST and distribution to the Participants as herein provided, the Board shall approve the execution of and lodge among the records of *Cal*TRUST an instrument in writing setting forth the fact of such termination, and the Trustees shall thereupon be discharged from all further liabilities and duties hereunder, and the rights and interests of all Participants shall thereupon cease.

### **Section 11.3** Amendment Procedure.

(a) **By the Board; By Participants.** This Agreement may be amended by the Board, except to the extent an amendment would adversely affect (i) the Shares Program in which case the amendment shall be subject to approval by a majority of the Shares or (ii) one or more Series of Shares, in which case the amendment shall be subject to approval by a majority of the Shares of any Series affected by such amendment. Among other things, the Board may also amend this Agreement without such Participant approval to change the name of *Cal*TRUST or any Series, to establish and designate additional Series, to supply any omission herein or to correct or supplement any ambiguous defective or inconsistent provision hereof, or if they deem it necessary, to conform this Agreement to the requirements of applicable laws or regulations or to eliminate or reduce any taxes which may be payable by *Cal*TRUST, the Members or the

Participants, or as otherwise provided herein, but the Trustees shall not be liable for failing to do so.

- (b) **By the Board and Super Majority of Shares.** No amendment may be made under this Section 11.3 which would change any rights with respect to any Share by reducing the amount payable thereon upon liquidation of *Cal*TRUST or by diminishing or eliminating any approval rights pertaining thereto, except with the vote of a majority of the Trustees and the approval of the holders of two-thirds (2/3) of the Shares outstanding and the holders of two-thirds (2/3) of the Shares of any Series affected by such amendment. Nothing in this Agreement shall permit its amendment to impair the exemption from personal liability of the Members, Participants, Trustees, officers, employees and agents of *Cal*TRUST or to permit assessments upon Participants.
- (c) **Certificate of Amendment.** A certificate signed by the Secretary of *Cal*TRUST setting forth an amendment and reciting that it was duly approved by the Board and/or the Participants shall be conclusive evidence of such amendment when lodged among the records of *Cal*TRUST.
- **Section 11.4 Merger, Consolidation and Sale of Assets**. To the extent permitted by law, *Cal*TRUST may merge into or consolidate a Series of Shares with any other corporation, association, trust or other organization or may sell, lease or exchange all or substantially all of the Series' property, including its goodwill, upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration when and as authorized by the Board and approved by a majority of the Shares of any Series affected.

### ARTICLE XII. RECORDS AND REPORTS

- **Section 12.1 Maintenance and Inspection of Records**. The accounting books and records with respect to the Shares Program and the minutes of proceedings of the Board and the Participants shall be kept at such place or places designated by the Board or in the absence of such designation, at the principal executive office of *Cal*TRUST. The minutes shall be kept in written form and the accounting books and records shall be kept either in written form or in any other form capable of being converted into written form. The minutes and accounting books and records shall be open to inspection upon the written demand of any Member or Participant at any reasonable time during usual business hours for a purpose reasonably related to the Member or Participant's interests as a Member or Participant, as applicable. The inspection may be made in person or by an agent or attorney and shall include the right to copy and make extracts.
- **Section 12.2 Inspection by Trustees**. Every Trustee shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect all books, records, and documents of every kind and the physical properties of *Cal*TRUST. This inspection by a Trustee may be made in person or by an agent or attorney and the right of inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts of documents.
- **Section 12.3 Financial Statements and Audits**. A copy of any financial statements and any income statement of *Cal*TRUST for each quarterly period of each fiscal year and accompanying balance sheet of *Cal*TRUST as of the end of each such period that has been prepared by

CalTRUST shall be kept on file in the principal executive office of CalTRUST for at least twelve (12) months and each such statement shall be exhibited at all reasonable times to any Member or Participant demanding an examination of any such statement or a copy shall be mailed to any such Member or Participant. The quarterly income statements and balance sheets referred to in this Section shall be accompanied by the report, if any, of any independent accountants engaged by CalTRUST or the certificate of an authorized officer of CalTRUST that the financial statements were prepared without audit from the books and records of CalTRUST. An annual audit of the accounts and records of CalTRUST shall be made, and the report thereon filed and kept, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6505 of the Act.

### ARTICLE XIII. GENERAL MATTERS

**Section 13.1 Checks, Drafts, Evidence of Indebtedness**. All checks, drafts, or other orders for payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of or payable to *Cal*TRUST shall be signed or endorsed in such manner and by such person or persons as shall be designated from time to time by resolution of the Board.

**Section 13.2 Execution of Instruments**. The Board, except as otherwise provided herein, may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute any instrument in the name of and on behalf of *Cal*TRUST and this authority may be general or confined to specific instances; and unless so authorized or ratified by the Board or within the agency power of an officer, no officer, agent, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind *Cal*TRUST by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable for any purpose or for any amount.

**Section 13.3 Fiscal Year**. The fiscal year of *Cal*TRUST shall be fixed and refixed or changed from time to time by resolution of the Board. The fiscal year of *Cal*TRUST shall initially end on June 30 of each year.

**Section 13.4 Principal Office**. The Board shall fix and, from time to time, may change the location of the principal executive office of *Cal*TRUST at any place within the State of California.

**Section 13.5** Accountability. Pursuant to Section 6505 of the Act, *Cal*TRUST shall establish and maintain such funds and accounts as may be required by good accounting practice, and there shall be strict accountability of all funds and reports of all receipts and disbursements.

### ARTICLE XIV. MISCELLANEOUS

**Section 14.1 Governing Law**. This Agreement is executed and delivered in the State of California and with reference to the laws thereof, and the rights of all parties and the validity and construction of every provision hereof shall be subject to and construed according to the laws of the State of California.

**Section 14.2 Counterparts**. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts, together, shall be constituted one and the same instrument, which shall be sufficiently evidenced by any such original counterpart.

**Section 14.3 Certificates.** Any certificate executed by an individual who, according to the records of *Cal*TRUST, appears to be a Trustee hereunder, or Secretary or assistant secretary or such other designated officer of *Cal*TRUST, certifying to: (i) the number or identity of Trustees, Members or Participants, (ii) the due authorization of the execution of any instrument or writing, (iii) the form of any vote passed at a meeting of the Board, (iv) the number of Trustees present or voting at any meeting, (v) the identity of any officers appointed by the Board, or (vi) the existence of any fact or facts which in any manner relate to the affairs of *Cal*TRUST, shall be conclusive evidence as to the matters so certified in favor of any person dealing with the Trustees and their successors.

**Section 14.4 Provisions in Conflict with Law or Regulations**. The provisions of this Agreement are severable, and if the Board shall determine, with the advice of counsel, that any of such provisions is in conflict with applicable laws and regulations, including, without limitation, the Act, the Law or the Ralph M. Brown Act, the conflicting provisions shall be deemed superseded by such laws or regulations to the extent necessary to eliminate such conflict; *provided, however*, that such determination shall not affect or render invalid any of the remaining provisions of this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such invalidity or unenforceability shall pertain only to such provision in such jurisdiction and shall not in any manner affect such provision in any other jurisdiction or any other provision of this Agreement in any jurisdiction.

**Section 14.5 Notices**. Any and all notices and communications to which a Member or Participant may be entitled shall be deemed duly given or made if delivered by e-mail or facsimile or other electronic means providing a record of delivery, or, if so requested by such Member or Participant, in person or mailed, postage prepaid, addressed to the Member or Participant of record at its address as recorded in the account records for *Cal*TRUST or the Shares Program. In addition to any other notice or communication to which a Member or Participant may be entitled, each Member and Participant shall be entitled to notice of any amendment to this Agreement, the Investment Policy or of any matter which is approved by the Participants (whether by negative consent or otherwise).

**Section 14.6** Index and Headings for Reference Only. The index and headings preceding the text, articles and sections hereof have been inserted for convenience and reference only and shall not be construed to affect the meaning, construction or effect of this Agreement.

**Section 14.7 Successors in Interest**. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Members and their successors and assigns. Participants shall be third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned, a majority of Trustees, have executed this Agreement as of the date first herein above set forth.

### **COUNTY OF SONOMA**

By: /s/ Thomas G. Ford
Title: Treasurer/Tax Collector

**COUNTY OF SOLANO** 

By: /s/ Charles Lomeli

Title: Treasurer/Tax Collector/County Clerk

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT

By: /s/ Dave Ciapponi

Title: Assistant General Manager

## SCHEDULE A INITIAL MEMBERS

Solano County

Sonoma County

Westlands Water District

### SCHEDULE B LIST OF MEMBERS

Contra Costa County
Monterey County
Rio Alto Water District
Riverside County
San Mateo County Transit District
Solano County
Sonoma County
Westlands Water District
Yuba County
City of Pinole
Pinole Redevelopment Agency
City of National City
City of Chino
Chino Redevelopment Agency
Santa Barbara County
San Diego County
West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District
Water Facilities Authority
ALPHA Fund

Butte County