

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN**

In re)
) Chapter 9
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CITY OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN,) Case No. 13-53846
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Debtor.) Hon. Steven W. Rhodes
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) Expedited Consideration
) Requested

***EX PARTE* MOTION FOR AN ORDER SHORTENING NOTICE AND
SCHEDULING AN EXPEDITED HEARING ON THE OBJECTORS'
MOTION TO ADMIT CERTAIN DEPOSITION TESTIMONY OF KEVYN
ORR AND KENNETH BUCKFIRE**

The Objectors¹ hereby move for the entry of an *ex parte* order pursuant to Rules 9006(c)(1) and 9007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”) and Rule 9006-1(b) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Michigan (the “Local Rules”) (a) shortening the notice period with respect to *The Objectors’ Motion to Admit Certain Deposition Testimony of Kevyn Orr and Kenneth Buckfire* (the “Motion”), and (b) scheduling a hearing on the

¹ This motion is joined by Syncora Capital Assurance Inc. and Syncora Guarantee Inc. (“Syncora”), Erste Europäische Pfandbrieffund Kommunalkreditbank Aktiengesellschaft in Luxemburg S.A., DEPFA Bank PLC, Ambac Assurance Corporation, National Public Finance Guarantee Corporation, Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp., Financial Guaranty Insurance Company, the Police and Fire Retirement System of the City of Detroit and the General Retirement System of the City of Detroit, and the Official Committee of Retirees.

Motion for September 24, 2013 immediately prior to the scheduled hearing on the *Motion of Debtor for Entry of an Order (I) Authorizing the Assumption of that Certain Forbearance and Optional Termination Agreement Pursuant to Section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, (II) Approving Such Agreement Pursuant to Rule 9019, and (III) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 17] (the “Assumption Motion”). In support of this *Ex Parte* Motion, the Objectors respectfully state as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2). Venue for this matter is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

RELIEF REQUESTED

2. The Objectors filed the Motion contemporaneously with the filing of the instant *Ex Parte* Motion. In the Motion, the Objectors seek entry of an order admitting certain deposition testimony of Kevyn Orr and Kenneth Buckfire pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 32(a) and Bankruptcy Rule 7032.

3. By this *Ex Parte* Motion, the Objectors seek an order (a) shortening the notice period with respect to the Motion, and (b) scheduling a hearing on the Motion on September 24, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

BASIS FOR RELIEF

4. Bankruptcy Rule 9006(c)(1) provides that “when an act is required or allowed to be done within a specified time by these rules or by a notice given thereunder or by order of court, the court for cause shown may in its discretion and without motion or notice order the period reduced.” Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9006)(c)(1). Local Rule 9006-1(b) further provides that a party may file a motion for an *ex parte* order reducing or enlarging the time for a party to take any action or file any paper.” E.D. Mich. LBR 9006-1(b).

5. In addition, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9007, “[w]hen notice is to be given under the [Bankruptcy Rules], the court shall designate, if not otherwise specified herein, the time within which, the entities to whom, and the form and manner in which the notice shall be given.” Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9007.

6. Together, these rules provide the Court with the authority to enter an *ex parte* order scheduling a hearing on shortened notice and approving the manner of notice of such hearing.

7. On August 29 and 30, 2013, the Objectors took the depositions of Kenneth Buckfire and Kenneth Orr, respectively, in connection with the upcoming evidentiary hearing on the Assumption Motion. As explained in their Motion, the Objectors believe that the deposition testimony should be admitted pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 32.

8. Because the hearing at which the Objectors will seek to use the deposition testimony of Messrs. Orr and Buckfire is scheduled for September 24, 2013, it is necessary to bring the Motion before the Court expeditiously. The Objectors will serve this *Ex Parte* Motion via the Court's ECF system to the parties in the above-captioned proceeding and will provide notice of the *ex parte* order promptly upon issuance.

9. For these reasons, the Objectors submit that cause exists to schedule a hearing on its Motion for September 24, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., on shortened notice.

WHEREFORE, the Objectors respectfully request that the Court enter an order, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit 1, granting the relief requested in this *Ex Parte* Motion and granting such further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

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Dated: September 19, 2013

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Exhibit 1
Proposed Order

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**ORDER GRANTING *EX PARTE* MOTION FOR AN ORDER
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TESTIMONY OF KEVYN ORR AND KENNETH BUCKFIRE**

This matter coming before the Court on the *Ex Parte Motion for An Order Shortening Notice and Scheduling an Expedited Hearing on The Objectors’ Motion to Admit Certain Deposition Testimony of Kevyn Orr and Kenneth Buckfire* (the “Motion”); the Court having reviewed the Motion; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Objectors’ Motion is GRANTED.
2. A hearing with respect to The Objectors’ Motion to Admit Certain Deposition Testimony of Kevyn Orr and Kenneth Buckfire shall be held on September 24, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) before the Hon. Steven

Rhodes in Courtroom 716, Theodore Levin United States Courthouse, 231 W. Lafayette Blvd., Detroit, Michigan.

3. The joining Objectors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the motion.

4. The terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

5. The Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.