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Weekly Review-November 10, 2022

Although mid-term elections have at times caused increased market volatility, October's inflation data released earlier today sparked this week's firestorm. The weaker-than-expected Consumer Price Index (CPI) may have marked – based on the bond market's knee-jerk reaction – the beginning of the end of the Fed's tightening cycle. Fed funds futures adjusted downward its expected terminal rate from 5.10% to 4.85% while the two-year treasury yield fell 28bps from its pre-announcement morning high. Thus, the short-end of the curve has now priced in a 50-bps tightening at the Fed's December policy meeting vs. a fifth 75bp move. Although the 75bp move hasn't been completely priced out, the market hopes that policy makers will see October's softer inflation print as an opportunity to begin the process of easing up on the skinny pedal.

One report does not make a trend! Meaning, October's CPI should not be viewed in isolation. At this month's post FOMC meeting press conference, Chairman Powell made it clear that "economic data may change the near-term pace of rate hikes but not the terminal rate" as policy makers are looking for a string of good reports on inflation. Assuming today's rally in bond prices holds, the market's expectation of lower interest rates could actually weigh on the Fed's ability to slow economic growth as a means to reduce inflation. Going forward, the Fed will get another look at inflation as well as the jobs situation via November's CPI & employment reports prior to their December 13 policy meeting.

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NEW ISSUE MUNICIPAL CALENDAR				
Date Amount (\$) Description Maturity				
11/14/2022	\$4,550,000	ELLIS CO KS UNIF SD #388 UT GO BQ A	2023-2037	
11/15/2022	\$11,700,000	SHAWNEE KS- A UT GO AAA	2023-2052	

ECONOMIC CALENDAR				
Monday 11/14	Tuesday 11/15	Wednesday 11/16	Thursday 11/17	Friday 11/18
	PPI Final Demand MoM/YoY	MBA Mortgage Applications	Housing Starts	Leading Index
	Empire Manufacturing	Retail Sales Advance MoM	Initial Jobless Claims	Existing Home Sales
		Industrial Production	Building Permits	

KEY INDICES				
	Current	Last Month	One Year Ago	
Prime Rate	7.00	6.25	3.25	
Discount Rate	4.00	3.25	0.25	
Fed Funds Rate	3.83	3.08	0.08	
IOER	3.90	3.15	0.15	
1-Month Libor	3.87	3.31	0.09	
11th Dist COFI (ECOFC)	1.35	1.11	0.23	
1-Yr. CMT	4.59	4.24	0.14	
Dow	33,715.37	29,202.88	36,079.94	
NASDAQ	11,114.15	10,542.10	15,622.71	
S&P 500	3,956.37	3,612.39	4,646.71	
Bond Buyer	4.06	4.02	2.10	

MUNI AA-BQ		
3 Mo.	2.45	
6 Mo.	2.60	
1-Year	3.08	
2-Year	3.11	
3-Year	3.15	
5-Year	3.19	
7-Year	3.27	
10-Year	3.38	
30-Year	4.30	

Treasuries & New Issue Agencies (Spread to Treasuries)					
	Treasuries	Bullets	NC-6 Mo.	NC-1 Year	NC-2 Year
3 Mo. Bill	4.36				
6 Mo. Bill	4.50				
1-Year Bill	4.53				
2-Year Note	4.30	15	81	80	
3-Year Note	4.17	5	85	82	81
5-Year Note	3.93	10	98	94	86
7-Year Note	3.89	35	105	98	88
10-Year Note	3.85	68	120	111	100
20-Year Bond	4.28				
30-Year Bond	4.11				

CMO Spreads to Treasuries				
	PAC	Vanilla		
1-Year	N/A	+40		
2-Year	45	55		
3-Year	85	90		
5-Year	90	115		

MBS Current Coupon Yields			
GNMA 30 Yr.	5.62%		
FNMA 30 Yr.	5.83%		
FNMA 15 Yr.	5.03%		

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Prior to joining Commerce, he was employed for nearly 26 years at one of the largest privately-held banks in Kansas. In addition to managing a \$775 million bond portfolio, his Asset/Liability Chairman responsibilities included managing margin, interest rate risk, liquidity and capital. Prior to becoming the bank's Finance Treasury Officer, he was a Registered Investment Representative and Supervising Principal in the bank's Capital Markets division.

As a seasoned professional, Mr. Zimmerman offers a comprehensive understanding of bank finance treasury, fixed income, complex financial analysis as well as regulatory and operational awareness. As a banker, he understands the challenge of balancing shareholder expectations within appropriate levels of risk.

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