

# RE: ISSUING \$15,300,000.00 IN SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING PROJECT.

Attached is the Pre-Sale Summary prepared by our Municipal Advisor with background and analysis information.

### Recommendation:

Staff recommends passage of this bill.

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NOT TO EXCEED \$15,300,000 CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025

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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$15,300,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025, OF THE CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS BY THE CITY.

**WHEREAS**, City of Nixa, Missouri (the "City"), is a charter city and political subdivision of the State of Missouri, duly created, organized and existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to finance the costs of certain capital improvements and equipment as described on Exhibit B to this Ordinance (the "Project"), and the City is authorized under the provisions of the Constitution of Missouri and its Charter to issue and sell special obligation bonds for the purpose of providing funds to finance the Project and to provide that the principal of and interest on such special obligations bonds shall be payable solely from amounts appropriated on an annual basis by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, it is hereby found and determined that it is necessary and advisable and in the best interest of the City and of its inhabitants that special obligation bonds be issued and secured in the form and manner as hereinafter provided to provide funds for such purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

### **ARTICLE I**

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Section 101. Definitions of Words and Terms.** In addition to words and terms defined elsewhere herein, the following words and terms as used in this Ordinance shall have the following meanings:

- "Arbitrage Instructions" means the arbitrage investment and rebate instructions contained in the City's Federal Tax Certificate, as the same may be amended or supplemented in accordance with the provisions thereof.
- **"Bond Counsel"** means Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Kansas City, Missouri, or other attorneys or firm of attorneys with a nationally recognized standing in the field of municipal bond financing selected by the City.
  - "Bond Payment Date" means any date on which principal of or interest on any Bond is payable.
- "Bond Register" means the books for the registration, transfer and exchange of Bonds kept at the office of the Paying Agent.
- **"Bondowner"** or **"Registered Owner"** means, when used with respect to any Bond, the Person in whose name such Bond is registered on the Bond Register.

- **"Bond"** or **"Bonds"** means the Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025, authorized and issued by the City pursuant to this Ordinance.
- "Business Day" means a day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, on which the Paying Agent is scheduled in the normal course of its operations to be open to the public for conduct of its banking operations.
- "Cede & Co." means Cede & Co., as nominee name of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York or any successor nominee of the Securities Depository with respect to the Bonds.
- "Certificate of Final Terms" means the document executed by the City and the Purchaser with respect to the Bonds evidencing agreement on the final terms for the Bonds.
  - "City" means City of Nixa, Missouri, and any successors or assigns.
  - "Closing Date" means the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds.
- "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable regulations of the Treasury Department proposed or promulgated thereunder.
  - "Debt Service Fund" means the fund by that name referred to in Section 501 hereof.
- "Defaulted Interest" means interest on any Bond that is payable but not paid on any Interest Payment Date.

### "Defeasance Obligations" means any of the following obligations:

- (a) United States Government Obligations that are not subject to redemption in advance of their maturity dates;
- (b) obligations of any state or political subdivision of any state, the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and that meet the following conditions:
  - (1) the obligations are (i) not subject to redemption prior to maturity or (ii) the trustee for such obligations has been given irrevocable instructions concerning their calling and redemption and the issuer of such obligations has covenanted not to redeem such obligations other than as set forth in such instructions;
  - (2) the obligations are secured by cash or United States Government Obligations that may be applied only to principal of, premium, if any, and interest payments on such obligations;
  - (3) such cash and the principal of and interest on such United States Government Obligations (plus any cash in the escrow fund) are sufficient to meet the liabilities of the obligations;
  - (4) such cash and United States Government Obligations serving as security for the obligations are held in an escrow fund by an escrow agent or a trustee irrevocably in trust; and

- (5) such cash and United States Government Obligations are not available to satisfy any other claims, including those against the trustee or escrow agent; or
- (c) cash.
- **"Federal Tax Certificate"** means the City's Federal Tax Certificate relating to the Bonds, as the same may be amended or supplemented in accordance with the provisions thereof.
- **"Fiscal Year"** means the fiscal year of the City, currently the twelve-month period beginning January 1 and ending December 31.
  - "Interest Payment Date" means the Stated Maturity of an installment of interest on any Bond.
- "Maturity" means, when used with respect to any Bond, the date on which the principal of such Bond becomes due and payable as therein and herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity thereof or call for redemption or otherwise.
- "Notice of Sale" means the Notice of Sale attached as Exhibit D related to the offering of the Bonds at public sale and requesting bids for the purchase of the Bonds.
- "Ordinance" means this Ordinance adopted by the governing body of the City, authorizing the issuance of the Bonds, as amended from time to time.
- "Outstanding" means, when used with reference to the Bonds, as of any particular date of determination, all Bonds theretofore authenticated and delivered hereunder, except the following Bonds:
  - (a) Bonds theretofore canceled by the Paying Agent or delivered to the Paying Agent for cancellation;
  - (b) Bonds deemed to be paid in accordance with the provisions of **Section 701** hereof: and
  - (c) Bonds in exchange for or in lieu of which other Bonds have been authenticated and delivered hereunder.
- "Participants" means those financial institutions for whom the Securities Depository effects book-entry transfers and pledges of securities deposited with the Securities Depository, as such listing of Participants exists at the time of such reference.
- "Paying Agent" means a bank or trust company, as designated in the closing certificate to be delivered by the City at the time of issuance of the Bonds.
- "Permitted Investments" means any of the following securities if and to the extent the same are at the time legal for investment of the City's funds:
  - (a) United States Government Obligations;
  - (b) bonds, notes or other obligations of the State of Missouri, or any political subdivision of the State of Missouri, that at the time of their purchase are rated in either of the two highest rating categories by a nationally recognized rating service;

- (c) repurchase agreements with any bank, bank holding company, savings and loan association, trust company, or other financial institution organized under the laws of the United States or any state, that are continuously and fully secured by any one or more of the securities described in clause (a), (b) or (d) and that have a market value at all times at least equal to the principal amount of such repurchase agreement and are held in a custodial or trust account for the benefit of the City;
- (d) obligations of Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal Financing Bank, the Federal Intermediate Credit Corporation, Federal Banks for Cooperatives, Federal Land Banks, Federal Home Loan Banks and Farm Service Agency;
- (e) certificates of deposit or time deposits, whether negotiable or nonnegotiable, issued by any bank or trust company organized under the laws of the United States or any state, provided that such certificates of deposit or time deposits shall be either (1) continuously and fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or (2) continuously and fully secured by such securities as are described above in clauses (a) through (d) above, inclusive, which shall have a market value at all times at least equal to the principal amount of such certificates of deposit or time deposits;
- (f) money market mutual funds (1) that invest in United States Government Obligations, and (2) that are rated in either of the two highest categories by a nationally recognized rating service; and
- (g) any other securities or investments that are lawful for the investment of moneys held in such funds or accounts under the laws of the State of Missouri.
- "Person" means any natural person, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, firm, joint-stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof or other public body.
  - "Project" means the projects described on Exhibit B to this Ordinance.
  - "Project Fund" means the fund by that name referred to in Section 501 hereof.
- "Purchase Price" means the principal amount of the Bonds plus any accrued interest to the delivery date and plus any premium or less any discount as set forth in the bid of the Purchaser.
- **"Purchaser"** means the original purchaser of the Bonds as determined in response to the public sale of the Bonds in compliance with the terms of the Notice of Sale and this Ordinance.
- "Record Date" means, for the interest payable on any Interest Payment Date, the 15th day (whether or not a Business Day) of the calendar month next preceding such Interest Payment Date.
- "Redemption Date" means, when used with respect to any Bond to be redeemed, the date fixed for the redemption of such Bond pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance.
- "Redemption Price" means, when used with respect to any Bond to be redeemed, the price at which such Bond is to be redeemed pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance, including the applicable redemption premium, if any, but excluding installments of interest whose Stated Maturity is on or before the Redemption Date.
- "Replacement Bonds" means Bonds issued to the beneficial owners of the Bonds in accordance with Section 210 hereof.

"Securities Depository" means, initially, The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, and its successors and assigns.

"Special Record Date" means the date fixed by the Paying Agent pursuant to Section 204 hereof for the payment of Defaulted Interest.

"Stated Maturity" means, when used with respect to any Bond or any installment of interest thereon, the date specified in such Bond and this Ordinance as the fixed date on which the principal of such Bond or such installment of interest is due and payable.

"United States Government Obligations" means bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, treasury bills or other securities constituting direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed as to full and timely payment by, the United States of America, including evidences of a direct ownership interest in future interest or principal payments on obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America (including the interest component of obligations of the Resolution Funding Corporation), or securities that represent an undivided interest in such obligations, and such obligations are held in a custodial or trust account for the benefit of the City.

### **ARTICLE II**

### **AUTHORIZATION OF THE BONDS**

**Section 201. Authorization of Bonds.** There shall be issued and hereby are authorized and directed to be issued the Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025, of the City in a principal amount not to exceed \$15,300,000 (the "Bonds"), for the purpose of (1) financing the costs of the Project, and (2) paying costs related to the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 202. **Description of Bonds.** The Bonds shall consist of fully registered bonds without coupons, numbered from R-1 upward in order of issuance, and shall be issued in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, and shall be subject to registration, transfer and exchange as provided in Section 205 hereof. All of the Bonds shall be dated their date of delivery, shall become due on August 1 in the years and in the amounts on the Stated Maturities, subject to redemption and payment prior to their Stated Maturities as provided in Article III herein, and shall bear interest at the respective rates per annum, as set forth in the Certificate of Final Terms; provided that (1) the principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$15,615,000, (2) the Bonds shall have a final maturity not later than 2045, (3) the Bonds shall have a weighted average maturity of not less than 11 years and not more than 13.5 years, (4) the Bonds shall bear interest at various interest rates not to exceed a true interest cost of 5.75% per annum, and (5) the Bonds shall be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity no later than 2033. The final terms of the Bonds shall be specified in the Certificate of Final Terms upon the execution thereof, and the signatures of the officers of the City executing the Certificate of Final Terms shall constitute conclusive evidence of their approval and the City's approval thereof.

The Bonds shall bear interest at the above-specified rates (computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) from the date thereof or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 in each year, beginning on August 1, 2025.

**Section 203. Designation of Paying Agent.** The Paying Agent is hereby designated as the paying agent for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds and bond registrar with respect to the registration, transfer and exchange of Bonds.

The City will at all times maintain a Paying Agent meeting the qualifications herein described for the performance of the duties hereunder. The City reserves the right to appoint a successor Paying Agent by (1) filing with the Paying Agent then performing such function a certified copy of the proceedings giving notice of the termination of such Paying Agent and appointing a successor, and (2) causing notice of the appointment of the successor Paying Agent to be given by first class mail to each Bondowner. The Paying Agent may resign upon giving written notice by first class mail to the City and the Registered Owners not less than 60 days prior to the date such resignation is to take effect. No resignation or removal of the Paying Agent shall become effective until a successor acceptable to the City has been appointed and has accepted the duties of Paying Agent.

Every Paying Agent appointed hereunder shall at all times be a commercial banking association or corporation or trust company authorized to do business in the State of Missouri organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of the State of Missouri, authorized under such laws to exercise trust powers and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state regulatory authority.

Section 204. Method and Place of Payment of Bonds. The principal or Redemption Price of each Bond shall be paid at Maturity by check or draft to the Person in whose name such Bond is registered on the Bond Register at the Maturity thereof, upon presentation and surrender of such Bond at the payment office of the Paying Agent.

The interest payable on each Bond on any Interest Payment Date shall be paid to the Registered Owner of such Bond as shown on the Bond Register at the close of business on the Record Date for such interest (a) by check or draft mailed by the Paying Agent to the address of such Registered Owner shown on the Bond Register or (b) in the case of an interest payment to any Registered Owner of \$500,000 or more in aggregate principal amount of Bonds, by electronic transfer to such Registered Owner upon written notice given to the Paying Agent signed by such Registered Owner, not less than 5 days prior to the Record Date for such interest, containing the electronic transfer instructions including the bank (which shall be in the continental United States), ABA routing number and account name and account number to which such Registered Owner wishes to have such transfer directed and an acknowledgment that an electronic transfer fee is payable.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, any Defaulted Interest with respect to any Bond shall cease to be payable to the Registered Owner of such Bond on the relevant Record Date and shall be payable to the Registered Owner in whose name such Bond is registered at the close of business on the Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest, which Special Record Date shall be fixed as hereinafter specified in this paragraph. The City shall notify the Paying Agent in writing of the amount of Defaulted Interest proposed to be paid on each Bond and the date of the proposed payment (which date shall be at least 30 days after receipt of such notice by the Paying Agent) and shall deposit with the Paying Agent at the time of such notice an amount of money equal to the aggregate amount proposed to be paid in respect of such Defaulted Interest or shall make arrangements satisfactory to the Paying Agent for such deposit prior to the date of the proposed payment. Following receipt of such funds the Paying Agent shall fix a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest that shall be not more than 15 nor less than 10 days prior to the date of the proposed payment. The Paying Agent shall promptly notify the City of such Special Record Date and, in the name and at the expense of the City, shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, by first class mail, postage prepaid, to each Registered Owner of a

Bond entitled to such notice at the address of such Registered Owner as it appears on the Bond Register not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date.

**Section 205. Registration, Transfer and Exchange of Bonds.** The City covenants that, as long as any of the Bonds remain Outstanding, it will cause the Bond Register to be kept at the office of the Paying Agent as herein provided. Each Bond when issued shall be registered in the name of the owner thereof on the Bond Register.

Bonds may be transferred and exchanged only on the Bond Register as provided in this Section. Upon surrender of any Bond at the payment office of the Paying Agent, the Paying Agent shall transfer or exchange such Bond for a new Bond or Bonds in any authorized denomination of the same series and Stated Maturity and in the same aggregate principal amount as the Bond that was presented for transfer or exchange. Bonds presented for transfer or exchange shall be accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer or authorization for exchange, in a form and with guarantee of signature satisfactory to the Paying Agent, duly executed by the Registered Owner thereof or by the Registered Owner's duly authorized agent.

In all cases in which the privilege of transferring or exchanging Bonds is exercised, the Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance. The City shall pay the fees and expenses of the Paying Agent for the registration, transfer and exchange of Bonds provided for by this Ordinance and the cost of printing a reasonable supply of registered bond blanks. Any additional costs or fees that might be incurred in the secondary market, other than fees of the Paying Agent, are the responsibility of the Registered Owners of the Bonds. In the event any Registered Owner fails to provide a correct taxpayer identification number to the Paying Agent, the Paying Agent may make a charge against such Registered Owner sufficient to pay any governmental charge required to be paid as a result of such failure. In compliance with Section 3406 of the Code, such amount may be deducted by the Paying Agent from amounts otherwise payable to such Registered Owner hereunder or under the Bonds.

The City and the Paying Agent shall not be required (a) to register the transfer or exchange of any Bond that has been called for redemption after notice of such redemption has been mailed by the Paying Agent pursuant to **Section 303** hereof and during the period of 15 days next preceding the date of mailing of such notice of redemption, or (b) to register the transfer or exchange of any Bond during a period beginning at the opening of business on the day after receiving written notice from the City of its intent to pay Defaulted Interest and ending at the close of business on the date fixed for the payment of Defaulted Interest pursuant to **Section 204** hereof.

Section 206. Execution, Registration, Authentication and Delivery of Bonds. Each of the Bonds, including any Bonds issued in exchange or as substitutions for the Bonds initially delivered, shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Clerk and shall have the official seal of the City affixed or imprinted thereon. In case any officer whose signature appears on any Bond ceases to be such officer before the delivery of such Bond, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, as if such person had remained in office until delivery. Any Bond may be signed by such persons who at the actual time of the execution of such Bond are the proper officers to sign such Bond although at the date of such Bond such persons may not have been such officers.

The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to prepare and execute the Bonds in the manner herein specified, and, when duly executed and registered, to deliver the Bonds to the Paying Agent for authentication.

The Bonds shall have endorsed thereon a certificate of authentication substantially in the form set forth in **Exhibit A** attached hereto, which shall be manually executed by an authorized officer or employee of the Paying Agent, but it shall not be necessary that the same officer or employee sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds that may be issued hereunder at any one time. No Bond shall be entitled to any security or benefit under this Ordinance or be valid or obligatory for any purpose unless and until such certificate of authentication has been duly executed by the Paying Agent. Such executed certificate of authentication upon any Bond shall be conclusive evidence that such Bond has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Ordinance. Upon authentication, the Paying Agent shall deliver the Bonds to the Purchaser upon payment of the Purchase Price of the Bonds plus accrued interest thereon to the date of their delivery.

Section 207. Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost and Stolen Bonds. If (a) any mutilated Bond is surrendered to the Paying Agent or the Paying Agent receives evidence to its satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Bond, and (b) there is delivered to the Paying Agent such security or indemnity as may be required by the Paying Agent, then, in the absence of notice to the Paying Agent that such Bond has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the City shall execute and the Paying Agent shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange for or in lieu of any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Bond, a new Bond of the same series and Stated Maturity and of like tenor and principal amount.

If any such mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Bond has become or is about to become due and payable, the Paying Agent, in its discretion, may pay such Bond instead of issuing a new Bond.

Upon the issuance of any new Bond under this Section, the City may require the payment by the Registered Owner of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Paying Agent) connected therewith.

Every new Bond issued pursuant to this Section shall constitute a replacement of the prior obligation of the City, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Ordinance equally and ratably with all other Outstanding Bonds.

Section 208. Cancellation and Destruction of Bonds Upon Payment. All Bonds that have been paid or redeemed or that otherwise have been surrendered to the Paying Agent, either at or before Maturity, shall be canceled by the Paying Agent immediately upon the payment, redemption and surrender thereof to the Paying Agent and subsequently destroyed in accordance with the customary practices of the Paying Agent. The Paying Agent shall execute a certificate describing the Bonds so canceled and shall file an executed counterpart of such certificate with the City.

**Section 209. Preliminary and Final Official Statement.** The Preliminary Official Statement, in the form attached as **Exhibit C** to this Ordinance, is hereby ratified and approved, and the final Official Statement is hereby authorized and approved by supplementing, amending and completing the Preliminary Official Statement, with such changes and additions thereto as are necessary to conform to and describe the transaction. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the final Official Statement as so supplemented, amended and completed, and the use and public distribution of the final Official Statement by the Purchaser in connection with the reoffering of the Bonds is hereby authorized. The proper officials of the City are hereby authorized to execute and deliver a certificate pertaining to such Official Statement as prescribed therein, dated as of the date of payment for and delivery of the Bonds.

For the purpose of enabling the Purchaser to comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12(b)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the City hereby deems the information regarding the City contained in the Preliminary Official Statement to be "final" as of its date, except for the omission of such information as is permitted by Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), and the appropriate officers of the City are hereby

authorized, if requested, to provide the Purchaser a letter or certification to such effect and to take such other actions or execute such other documents as such officers in their reasonable judgment deem necessary to enable the Purchaser to comply with the requirements of such Rule.

The City agrees to provide to the Purchaser within seven business days of the date of the sale of Bonds sufficient copies of the final Official Statement to enable the Purchaser to comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12(b)(4) of the Securities and Exchange Commission and with the requirements of Rule G-32 of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

### Section 210. Book-Entry Bonds; Securities Depository.

- (a) The Bonds shall initially be registered to Cede & Co., the nominee for the Securities Depository, and no beneficial owner will receive certificates representing their respective interest in the Bonds, except in the event the Paying Agent issues Replacement Bonds as provided in subsection (b) hereof. It is anticipated that during the term of the Bonds, the Securities Depository will make book-entry transfers among its Participants and receive and transmit payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the Bonds to the Participants until and unless the Paying Agent authenticates and delivers Replacement Bonds to the beneficial owners as described in subsection (b).
- (1) If the City determines (A) that the Securities Depository is unable to properly discharge its responsibilities, or (B) that the Securities Depository is no longer qualified to act as a securities depository and registered clearing agency under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or (C) that the continuation of a book-entry system to the exclusion of any Bonds being issued to any Bondowner other than Cede & Co. is no longer in the best interests of the beneficial owners of the Bonds, or (2) if the Paying Agent receives written notice from Participants having interests in not less than 50% of the Bonds Outstanding, as shown on the records of the Securities Depository (and certified to such effect by the Securities Depository), that the continuation of a book-entry system to the exclusion of any Bonds being issued to any Bondowner other than Cede & Co. is no longer in the best interests of the beneficial owners of the Bonds, then the Paying Agent, in accordance with the operational arrangements of the Securities Depository, shall notify the Bondowners of such determination or such notice and of the availability of certificates to Owners requesting the same, and the Paying Agent shall register in the name of and authenticate and deliver Replacement Bonds to the beneficial owners or their nominees in principal amounts representing the interest of each, making such adjustments as it may find necessary or appropriate as to accrued interest and previous calls for redemption; provided, that in the case of a determination under (1)(A) or (1)(B) of this subsection (b), the City, with the consent of the Paying Agent, may select a successor securities depository in accordance with Section 210(c) hereof to effect book-entry transfers. In such event, all references to the Securities Depository herein shall relate to the period of time when the Securities Depository or its nominee is the registered owner of at least one Bond. Upon the issuance of Replacement Bonds, all references herein to obligations imposed upon or to be performed by the Securities Depository shall be deemed to be imposed upon and performed by the Paying Agent, to the extent applicable with respect to such Replacement Bonds. If the Securities Depository resigns and the City, the Paying Agent or Bondowners are unable to locate a qualified successor of the Securities Depository in accordance with Section 210(c) hereof, then the Paying Agent shall authenticate and cause delivery of Replacement Bonds to Bondowners, as provided herein. The Paying Agent may rely on information from the Securities Depository and its Participants as to the names of, addresses for and principal amounts held by the beneficial owners of the Bonds. The cost of mailing notices, printing, registration, authentication, and delivery of Replacement Bonds shall be paid for by the City.
- (c) In the event the Securities Depository resigns, is unable to properly discharge its responsibilities, or is no longer qualified to act as a securities depository and registered clearing agency under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the City may appoint a successor Securities Depository provided the Paying Agent receives written evidence satisfactory to the Paying Agent with

respect to the ability of the successor Securities Depository to discharge its responsibilities. Any such successor Securities Depository shall be a securities depository that is a registered clearing agency under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or other applicable statute or regulation that operates a securities depository upon reasonable and customary terms. The Paying Agent upon its receipt of a Bond or Bonds for cancellation shall cause the delivery of Bonds to the successor Securities Depository in appropriate denominations and form as provided herein.

Section 211. Notice of Sale and the Sale of the Bonds. The Notice of Sale, in substantially the form on file in the records of the City and attached to the Ordinance as Exhibit D is hereby ratified and approved. The Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Notice of Sale and the use and public distribution of the Notice of Sale in connection with the offering for public sale of the Bonds is hereby authorized. The Bonds shall be sold at public sale to the Purchaser whose bid is in compliance with Section 202 hereof and the Notice of Sale circulated for the sale of the Bonds, is not otherwise rejected by the City in accordance with the provisions of the Notice of Sale, and will result in the lowest "true interest cost" as provided in the Notice of Sale. The Bonds shall be sold to the Purchaser at the Purchase Price set forth in the winning bid, as such Purchase Price may be adjusted in connection with issue sizing adjustments made in accordance with the terms of the Notice of Sale. The Mayor is authorized to accept the Purchaser's winning bid and to execute a Certificate of Final Terms for and on behalf of and as the act and deed of the City, such officer's signature thereon being conclusive evidence of such official's and the City's approval thereof. Delivery of the Bonds shall be made to the Purchaser as soon as practicable after the adoption of this Ordinance and the acceptance of the Purchaser's bid, upon payment therefor in accordance with the terms of sale.

### **ARTICLE III**

### REDEMPTION OF BONDS

### Section 301. Redemption of the Bonds.

- (a) Optional Redemption by City. At the option of the City, Bonds or portions thereof may be called for redemption and payment prior to their Stated Maturity in whole or in part at any time upon the terms provided in a bid by the Purchaser in response to the Notice of Sale and set forth in the Certificate of Final Terms.
- (b) The Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption upon the terms, if any, provided in a bid by the Purchaser in response to the Notice of Sale and set forth in the Certificate of Final Terms.

### Section 302. Selection of Bonds to Be Redeemed.

(a) The Paying Agent shall call Bonds for redemption and payment and shall give notice of such redemption as herein provided upon receipt by the Paying Agent at least 35 days prior to the Redemption Date of written instructions of the City specifying the principal amount, Stated Maturities, Redemption Date and Redemption Prices of the Bonds to be called for redemption. If the Bonds are refunded more than 90 days in advance of such Redemption Date, any escrow agreement entered into by the City in connection with such refunding shall provide that such written instructions to the Paying Agent shall be given by or on behalf of the City not more than 90 days prior to the Redemption Date. The Paying Agent may in its discretion waive such notice period so long as the notice requirements set forth in **Section 303** hereof are met. The foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to the mandatory redemption of Bonds hereunder, and Bonds shall be called by the Paying Agent for redemption pursuant to such mandatory redemption requirements without the necessity of any action by

the City and whether or not the Paying Agent shall hold moneys available and sufficient to effect the required redemption.

- (b) Bonds shall be redeemed only in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof and in a manner so that the Bonds remain outstanding in authorized denominations. When less than all of the Outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed, such Bonds shall be selected by the Paying Agent in \$5,000 units of principal amount by lot or in such other equitable manner as the Paying Agent may determine and in a manner so that the Bonds remain outstanding in authorized denominations.
- In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then Outstanding, then for all purposes in connection with such redemption each \$5,000 of face value shall be treated as though it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If it is determined that one or more, but not all, of the \$5,000 units of face value represented by any Bond are selected for redemption, then upon notice of intention to redeem such \$5,000 unit or units, the Registered Owner of such Bond or the Registered Owner's duly authorized agent shall present and surrender such Bond to the Paying Agent (1) for payment of the Redemption Price and interest to the Redemption Date of such \$5,000 unit or units of face value called for redemption, and (2) for exchange, without charge to the Registered Owner thereof, for a new Bond or Bonds of the aggregate principal amount of the unredeemed portion of the principal amount of such Bond; provided, however, that the Bonds shall remain Outstanding in authorized denominations. If the Registered Owner of any such Bond fails to present such Bond to the Paying Agent for payment and exchange as aforesaid, such Bond shall, nevertheless, become due and payable on the redemption date to the extent of the \$5,000 unit or units of face value called for redemption (and to that extent only). Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, this Section 302(c) shall not apply to a mandatory redemption of the Bonds, and the Bonds shall only need to be presented for payment upon final Maturity or redemption in full.

Section 303. Notice and Effect of Call for Redemption. Unless waived by any Registered Owner of Bonds to be redeemed, official notice of any redemption shall be given by the Paying Agent on behalf of the City by mailing a copy of an official redemption notice by first class mail at least 20 days prior to the Redemption Date to each Registered Owner of the Bond or Bonds to be redeemed at the address shown on the Bond Register.

All official notices of redemption shall be dated and shall contain (i) the date of issue of the Bonds as originally issued; (ii) the rate of interest borne by each Bond being redeemed; (iii) the maturity date of each Bond being redeemed; and the following information:

- (a) the Redemption Date;
- (b) the Redemption Price;
- (c) if less than all Outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed, the identification of the Bonds to be redeemed (such identification to include interest rates, maturities, CUSIP numbers and such additional information as the Paying Agent may reasonably determine);
- (d) a statement that on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price will become due and payable upon each such Bond or portion thereof called for redemption and that interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after the Redemption Date; and
- (e) the place where such Bonds are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price, which shall be the payment office of the Paying Agent.

The failure of any Registered Owner to receive notice given as heretofore provided or a defect therein shall not invalidate any redemption.

With respect to optional redemptions, such notice may be conditioned upon moneys being on deposit with the Paying Agent on or prior to the redemption date in an amount sufficient to pay the Redemption Price on the Redemption Date. If such notice is conditional and either the Paying Agent receives written notice from the City that moneys sufficient to pay the Redemption Price will not be on deposit on the Redemption Date, or such moneys are not received on the Redemption Date, then such notice shall be of no force and effect, the Paying Agent shall not redeem such Bonds and the Paying Agent shall give notice, in the same manner in which the notice of redemption was given, that such moneys were not or will not be so received and that such Bonds will not be redeemed.

On or prior to any Redemption Date, the City shall deposit with the Paying Agent an amount of money sufficient to pay the Redemption Price of all the Bonds or portions of Bonds that are to be redeemed on that date.

Official notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Bonds or portions of Bonds to be redeemed shall become due and payable on the Redemption Date, at the Redemption Price therein specified, and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the City defaults in the payment of the Redemption Price) such Bonds or portion of Bonds shall cease to bear interest. Upon surrender of such Bonds for redemption in accordance with such notice, the Redemption Price of such Bonds shall be paid by the Paying Agent. Installments of interest due on or prior to the Redemption Date shall be payable as herein provided for payment of interest. Upon surrender for any partial redemption of any Bond, there shall be prepared for the Registered Owner a new Bond or Bonds of the same series and Stated Maturity in the amount of the unpaid principal as provided herein. All Bonds that have been surrendered for redemption shall be canceled and destroyed by the Paying Agent as provided herein and shall not be reissued.

The Paying Agent is also directed to comply with any mandatory standards then in effect for processing redemptions of municipal securities established by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Failure to comply with such standards shall not affect or invalidate the redemption of any Bond.

For so long as the Securities Depository is effecting book-entry transfers of the Bonds, the Paying Agent shall provide the notices specified in this Section to the Securities Depository. It is expected that the Securities Depository shall, in turn, notify its Participants and that the Participants, in turn, will notify or cause to be notified the beneficial owners. Any failure on the part of the Securities Depository or a Participant, or failure on the part of a nominee of a beneficial owner of a Bond (having been mailed notice from the Paying Agent, the Securities Depository, a Participant or otherwise) to notify the beneficial owner of the Bond so affected, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of such Bond.

### ARTICLE IV

### SECURITY FOR AND PAYMENT OF BONDS

Section 401. Security for the Bonds. The Bonds shall be special obligations of the City payable as to both principal and interest solely from annual appropriations of funds by the City for such purpose to be deposited in the Debt Service Fund. The obligation of the City to make payments into the Debt Service Fund and for any other obligations of the City under this Ordinance do not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of the City for which the City is obligated to levy or pledge any form of taxation, or for which the City has levied or pledged any form of taxation and shall not be construed to be a debt of the City in contravention of any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter limitation or restriction but in each Fiscal Year shall be payable solely from the amounts pledged or appropriated

therefor (i) out of the income and revenues provided for such year, plus (ii) any unencumbered balances for previous years. Subject to the preceding sentence, the obligations of the City to make payments hereunder and to perform and observe any other covenant and agreement contained herein shall be absolute and unconditional.

The Bonds do not constitute a debt of the City, the State of Missouri or any political subdivision thereof, and do not constitute an indebtedness, within the meaning of any constitutional, statutory or charter debt limitation or restriction.

No recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Bonds or for any claim based thereon or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement in this Ordinance contained, against any past, present or future elected official of the City or any trustee, officer, official, employee or agent of the City, as such, either directly or through the City or any successor to the City, under any rule of law or equity, statute or constitution or by the enforcement of any assessment or penalty or otherwise.

The covenants and agreements of the City contained herein and in the Bonds shall be for the equal benefit, protection and security of the legal owners of any or all of the Bonds, all of which Bonds shall be of equal rank and without preference or priority of one Bond over any other Bond in the application of the funds to the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds, or otherwise, except as to the rate of interest and Stated Maturity as provided in this Ordinance.

Section 402. Covenant to Request Appropriations. The City Council hereby directs that from and after delivery of the Bonds and so long as any of the Bonds remain Outstanding, subject to Section 401 hereof, the Mayor, the City Administrator or any other officer of the City at any time charged with the responsibility of formulating budget proposals to include in each annual budget an appropriation of the amount necessary (after taking into account any moneys legally available for such purpose) to pay debt service on the Bonds and to make other payments required pursuant to this Ordinance. The City is not required or obligated to make any such annual appropriation, and the decision whether or not to appropriate such funds will be solely within the discretion of the then current City Council.

### **ARTICLE V**

### ESTABLISHMENT OF FUNDS; DEPOSIT AND APPLICATION OF MONEYS

**Section 501. Establishment of Funds.** There have been or shall be established with the Paying Agent and shall be held and administered by the Paying Agent the following funds for the Bonds:

- (a) Project Fund.
- (b) Debt Service Fund.

Each fund shall be maintained as a separate and distinct fund and the moneys therein shall be held, managed, invested, disbursed and administered as provided in this Ordinance. All moneys deposited in the funds shall be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Ordinance. The Paying Agent shall keep and maintain adequate records pertaining to each fund and all disbursements therefrom.

**Section 502. Deposit of Bond Proceeds.** The net proceeds received from the sale of the Bonds shall be deposited simultaneously with the delivery of the Bonds in the Project Fund and shall be applied in accordance with **Section 503** hereof.

Section 503. Application of Moneys in the Project Fund. Moneys in the Project Fund shall be used by the City solely for the purpose of (a) paying the costs associated with the Project in accordance

with any plans and specifications therefor prepared by the City and on file in the office of the City Clerk, including any alterations in or amendments to said plans and specifications deemed advisable and approved by the City Council and (b) paying the costs and expenses of issuing the Bonds. Moneys in the Project Fund shall be disbursed from time to time to pay, or reimburse the City for payment of, the costs of the Project. Any moneys remaining in the Project Fund when the Project is completed and purchased shall be transferred to the Debt Service Fund.

Section 504. Application of Moneys in Debt Service Fund. All amounts paid and credited to the Debt Service Fund shall be expended and used by the City for the purpose of paying the Bonds as and when the same become due and the usual and customary fees and expenses of the Paying Agent. The Paying Agent shall notify the City on or before the 10<sup>th</sup> day prior to each Payment Date of the amounts necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. All amounts paid and credited to the Debt Service Fund shall be expended and used by the City for the sole purpose of paying the Bonds and the fees and expenses of the Paying Agent as and when the same become due. All moneys deposited with the Paying Agent shall be deemed to be deposited in accordance with and subject to all of the provisions contained in this Ordinance and shall be held in trust by the Paying Agent for the benefit of the Registered Owners of the Bonds entitled to payment from such moneys.

Any moneys or investments remaining in the Debt Service Fund after the retirement of the Bonds shall be transferred and paid into the appropriate fund(s) of the City as permitted by law.

Section 505. Deposits and Investment of Moneys. Moneys in each of the funds created by and referred to in this Ordinance shall be deposited in a bank or banks or other legally permitted financial institutions authorized to do business in the State of Missouri that are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. All such deposits shall be continuously and adequately secured by the financial institutions holding such deposits as provided by the laws of the State of Missouri. All moneys held in the funds created by this Ordinance shall be accounted for separate and apart from all other funds of the City.

Moneys held in any fund referred to in this Ordinance may be invested in accordance with the investment policy of the City, as such policy may be amended from time to time, in accordance with this Ordinance and the Arbitrage Instructions, in Permitted Investments; provided, however, that no such investment shall be made for a period extending longer than to the date when the moneys invested may be needed for the purpose for which such fund was created. All earnings on any investments held in any fund shall accrue to and become a part of such fund.

Section 506. Nonpresentment of Bonds. If any Bond is not presented for payment when the principal thereof becomes due at Maturity, if funds sufficient to pay such Bond have been made available to the Paying Agent all liability of the City to the Registered Owner thereof for the payment of such Bond shall forthwith cease, determine and be completely discharged, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Paying Agent to hold such funds, without liability for interest thereon, for the benefit of the Registered Owner of such Bond, who shall thereafter be restricted exclusively to such funds for any claim of whatever nature on his part under this Ordinance or on, or with respect to, said Bond. If any Bond is not presented for payment within one year following the date when such Bond becomes due at Maturity, the Paying Agent shall repay without liability for interest thereon, to the City the funds theretofore held by it for payment of such Bond, and such Bond shall, subject to the defense of any applicable statute of limitation, thereafter be an unsecured obligation of the City, and the Registered Owner thereof shall be entitled to look only to the City for payment, and then only to the extent of the amount so repaid to it by the Paying Agent, and the City shall not be liable for any interest thereon and shall not be regarded as a trustee of such money.

Section 507. Payments Due on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. In any case where a Bond Payment Date is not a Business Day, then payment of principal, Redemption Price or interest need not be made on such Bond Payment Date but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on such Bond Payment Date, and no interest shall accrue for the period after such Bond Payment Date.

### **ARTICLE VI**

### **DEFAULT AND REMEDIES**

Section 601. Default and Remedies. The City covenants and agrees that if it defaults in the payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Bonds as the same become due on any Bond Payment Date, or if the City or its governing body or any of the officers, agents or employees thereof fail or refuse to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance or of the constitution or statutes of the State of Missouri, and such default continues for a period of 30 days after written notice specifying such default has been given to the City by any Registered Owner of any Bond then Outstanding, or if the City declares bankruptcy, then, at any time thereafter and while such default continues, the Registered Owners of a majority in principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding may, by written notice to the City filed in the office of the City Clerk or delivered in person to said City Clerk, exercise any of the remedies specified below.

The provisions of this Ordinance, including the covenants and agreements herein contained, shall constitute a contract among the City and the Registered Owners of the Bonds, and the Registered Owner or Owners of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Bonds at the time Outstanding shall have the right for the equal benefit and protection of all Registered Owners of Bonds similarly situated:

- (a) by mandamus or other suit, action or proceedings at law or in equity to enforce the rights of such Registered Owner or Owners against the City and its officers, agents and employees, and to require and compel duties and obligations required by the provisions of this Ordinance or by the constitution and laws of the State of Missouri;
- (b) by suit, action or other proceedings in equity or at law to require the City, its officers, agents and employees to account as if they were the trustees of an express trust; and
- (c) by suit, action or other proceedings in equity or at law to enjoin any acts or things that may be unlawful or in violation of the rights of the Registered Owners of the Bonds.

Section 602. Limitation on Rights of Bondowners. The covenants and agreements of the City contained herein and in the Bonds shall be for the equal benefit, protection and security of the legal owners of any or all of the Bonds. All of the Bonds shall be of equal rank and without preference or priority of one Bond over any other Bond in the application of the funds herein pledged to the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds, or otherwise, except as to rate of interest, or date of Maturity or right of prior redemption as provided in this Ordinance. No one or more Bondowners secured hereby shall have any right in any manner whatever by their action to affect, disturb or prejudice the security granted and provided for herein, or to enforce any right hereunder, except in the manner herein provided, and all proceedings at law or in equity shall be instituted, had and maintained for the equal benefit of all Registered Owners of such Outstanding Bonds.

**Section 603. Remedies Cumulative.** No remedy conferred herein upon the Bondowners is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, but each such remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other remedy and may be exercised without exhausting and without regard to any other remedy conferred herein. No waiver of any default or breach of duty or contract by the Registered Owner of any

Bond shall extend to or affect any subsequent default or breach of duty or contract or shall impair any rights or remedies consequent thereon. No delay or omission of any Bondowner to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or acquiescence therein. Every substantive right and every remedy conferred upon the Registered Owners of the Bonds by this Ordinance may be enforced and exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. If any suit, action or proceedings taken by any Bondowner on account of any default or to enforce any right or exercise any remedy has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to such Bondowner, then, and in every such case, the City and the Registered Owners of the Bonds shall be restored to their former positions and rights hereunder, respectively, and all rights, remedies, powers and duties of the Bondowners shall continue as if no such suit, action or other proceedings had been brought or taken.

**Section 604. No Acceleration.** Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Bonds are not subject to acceleration upon the occurrence of an event of default hereunder.

### **ARTICLE VII**

### **DEFEASANCE**

Section 701. Defeasance. When any or all of the Bonds or scheduled interest payments thereon have been paid and discharged, then the requirements contained in this Ordinance and all other rights granted hereby shall terminate with respect to the Bonds or scheduled interest payments thereon so paid and discharged. Bonds or scheduled interest payments thereon shall be deemed to have been paid and discharged within the meaning of this Ordinance if there has been deposited with the Paying Agent, or other commercial bank or trust company having full trust powers, at or prior to the Stated Maturity or Redemption Date of said Bonds or the interest payments thereon, in trust for and irrevocably appropriated thereto, moneys and Defeasance Obligations that, together with the interest to be earned on any such Defeasance Obligations, will be sufficient for the payment of the principal of said Bonds and interest accrued to the Stated Maturity or Redemption Date, or if default in such payment has occurred on such date, then to the date of the tender of such payments; provided, however, that if any such Bonds are to be redeemed prior to their Stated Maturity, (1) the City has elected to redeem such Bonds, and (2) either notice of such redemption shall have been given, or the City shall have given irrevocable instructions, or shall have provided for an escrow agent to give irrevocable instructions, to the Paying Agent to give such notice of redemption in compliance with Section 303 hereof. Any money and Defeasance Obligations that at any time shall be deposited with the Paying Agent or other commercial bank or trust company by or on behalf of the City, for the purpose of paying and discharging any of the Bonds, shall be and are hereby assigned, transferred and set over to the Paying Agent or other bank or trust company in trust for the respective Registered Owners of the Bonds, and such moneys shall be and are hereby irrevocably appropriated to the payment and discharge thereof. All money and Defeasance Obligations deposited with the Paying Agent or other bank or trust company shall be deemed to be deposited in accordance with and subject to all of the provisions of this Ordinance.

In the event of an advance refunding, the City shall cause to be delivered a verification report of an independent recognized public accountant verifying the sufficiency of the amounts on deposit with the Paying Agent or other escrow agent to provide for payment in full of the Bonds as provided herein.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

### Section 801. Tax Covenants.

- (a) The City covenants and agrees that (1) it will comply with all applicable provisions of the Code, including Sections 103 and 141 through 150, necessary to maintain the exclusion from federal gross income of the interest on the Bonds, and (2) it will not use or permit the use of any proceeds of Bonds or any other funds of the City, nor take or permit any other action, or fail to take any action, that would adversely affect the exclusion from federal gross income of the interest on the Bonds. The City will also adopt such other ordinances and take such other actions as may be necessary to comply with the Code and with other applicable future laws, regulations, published rulings and judicial decisions, to the extent any such actions can be taken by the City, in order to ensure that the interest on the Bonds will remain excluded from federal gross income. The City covenants and agrees that it will not take any action or permit any action to be taken or omit to take any action or permit the omission of any action reasonably within its control that will cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code, or that will cause the Bonds to be subject to treatment under Section 141 of the Code as "private activity bonds."
- (b) The City covenants and agrees that (1) it will use the proceeds of the Bonds as soon as practicable and with all reasonable dispatch for the purposes for which the Bonds are issued, and (2) it will not invest or directly or indirectly use or permit the use of any proceeds of the Bonds or any other funds of the City in any manner, or take or omit to take any action, that would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148(a) of the Code. The City covenants and agrees that it will pay or provide for the payment from time to time of all rebatable arbitrage to the United States pursuant to Section 148(f) of the Code and the Arbitrage Instructions. This covenant shall survive payment in full or defeasance of the Bonds. The Arbitrage Instructions may be amended or replaced if, in the opinion of Bond Counsel nationally recognized on the subject of municipal bonds, such amendment or replacement will not adversely affect the federal income tax status of the Bonds.
- (c) The covenants contained in this Section and in the Federal Tax Certificate shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the defeasance of the Bonds pursuant to **Article VII** hereof or any other provision of this Ordinance until the final maturity date of all Bonds Outstanding.

**Section 802. Annual Audit.** Annually, promptly after the end of the Fiscal Year, the City will cause an audit to be made of its funds and accounts for the preceding Fiscal Year by an independent public accountant or firm of independent public accountants.

Within 30 days after the completion of each such audit, a copy thereof shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk. Such audits shall at all times during the usual business hours be open to the examination and inspection by any Registered Owner of any of the Bonds, or by anyone acting for or on behalf of such Registered Owner. A duplicate copy of the audit shall be submitted electronically to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board through the Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system in accordance with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the City in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

As soon as possible after the completion of the annual audit, the City Council shall review such audit, and if the audit discloses that proper provision has not been made for all of the requirements of this Ordinance, the City shall, subject to **Section 401** hereof, promptly cure such deficiency.

Section 803. Amendments. The rights and duties of the City and the Bondowners, and the terms and provisions of the Bonds or of this Ordinance, may be amended or modified at any time in any respect by ordinance of the City with the written consent of the Registered Owners of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding, such consent to be evidenced by an instrument or instruments executed by such Registered Owners and duly acknowledged or proved in the

manner of a deed to be recorded, and such instrument or instruments shall be filed with the City Clerk, but no such modification or alteration shall:

- (a) extend the maturity of any payment of principal or interest due upon any Bond;
- (b) effect a reduction in the amount that the City is required to pay as principal of or interest on any Bond;
  - (c) permit preference or priority of any Bond over any other Bond; or
- (d) reduce the percentage in principal amount of Bonds required for the written consent to any modification or alteration of the provisions of this Ordinance.

Any provision of the Bonds or of this Ordinance may, however, be amended or modified by ordinance duly adopted by the City Council at any time in any legal respect with the written consent of the Registered Owners of all of the Bonds at the time Outstanding.

Without notice to or the consent of any Bondowners, the City may amend or supplement this Ordinance for the purpose of curing any formal defect, omission, inconsistency or ambiguity therein, or in connection with any other change therein that is not materially adverse to the security of the Bondowners.

Every amendment or modification of the provisions of the Bonds or of this Ordinance to which the written consent of the Bondowners is given, as above provided, shall be expressed in an ordinance adopted by the City Council amending or supplementing the provisions of this Ordinance and shall be deemed to be a part of this Ordinance. A certified copy of every such amendatory or supplemental Ordinance, if any, and a certified copy of this Ordinance shall always be kept on file in the office of the City Clerk, shall be made available for inspection by the Registered Owner of any Bond or a prospective purchaser or owner of any Bond authorized by this Ordinance, and upon payment of the reasonable cost of preparing the same, a certified copy of any such amendatory or supplemental Ordinance or of this Ordinance will be sent by the City Clerk to any such Bondowner or prospective Bondowner.

Any and all modifications made in the manner hereinabove provided shall not become effective until there has been filed with the City Clerk a copy of the ordinance of the City hereinabove provided for, duly certified, as well as proof of any required consent to such modification by the Registered Owners of the Bonds then Outstanding. It shall not be necessary to note on any of the Outstanding Bonds any reference to such amendment or modification.

The City shall furnish to the Paying Agent a copy of any amendment to the Bonds or this Ordinance that affects the duties or obligations of the Paying Agent under this Ordinance.

Section 804. Notices, Consents and Other Instruments by Bondowners. Any notice, consent, request, direction, approval or other instrument to be signed and executed by the Bondowners may be in any number of concurrent writings of similar tenor and may be signed or executed by such Bondowners in person or by agent appointed in writing. Proof of the execution of any such instrument or of the writing appointing any such agent and of the ownership of Bonds, other than the assignment of the ownership of a Bond, if made in the following manner, shall be sufficient for any of the purposes of this Ordinance, and shall be conclusive in favor of the City and the Paying Agent with regard to any action taken, suffered or omitted under any such instrument, namely:

(a) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any such instrument may be proved by a certificate of any officer in any jurisdiction who by law has power to take

acknowledgments within such jurisdiction that the person signing such instrument acknowledged before such officer the execution thereof, or by affidavit of any witness to such execution.

(b) The fact of ownership of Bonds, the amount or amounts, numbers and other identification of Bonds, and the date of holding the same shall be proved by the Bond Register.

In determining whether the Registered Owners of the requisite principal amount of Bonds Outstanding have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver under this Ordinance, Bonds owned by the City shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding under this Ordinance, except that, in determining whether the Bondowners shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Bonds that the Bondowners know to be so owned shall be so disregarded. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Bonds so owned that have been pledged in good faith shall not be disregarded as aforesaid if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Bondowners the pledgee's right so to act with respect to such Bonds and that the pledgee is not the City.

**Section 805. Further Authority.** The officers of the City, including the Mayor, the City Administrator and City Clerk, are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents and take such actions as they may deem necessary or advisable in order to carry out and perform the purposes of this Ordinance and to make ministerial alterations, changes or additions in the foregoing agreements, statements, instruments and other documents herein approved, authorized and confirmed that they may approve, and the execution or taking of such action shall be conclusive evidence of such necessity or advisability.

**Section 806. Severability.** If any section or other part of this Ordinance, whether large or small, is for any reason held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the validity of the other provisions of this Ordinance.

**Section 807. Governing Law.** This Ordinance shall be governed exclusively by and construed in accordance with the applicable laws of the State of Missouri.

**Section 808. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

**Section 809. Electronic Transaction.** The transaction described herein may be conducted and related documents may be received, delivered or stored by electronic means. Copies, telecopies, facsimiles, electronic files and other reproductions of original executed documents shall be deemed to be authentic and valid counterparts of such original documents for all purposes, including the filing of any claim, action or suit in the appropriate court of law.

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# ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL THIS 14th DAY OF January 2025.

	ATTEST:		
PRESIDING OFFICER	CITY CLERK		
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS	DAY OF	2025.	
	ATTEST:		
MAYOR	CITY C	CLERK	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
CITY ATTORNEY			

Ordinance Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025

# EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE

(FORM OF BONDS)

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE ORDINANCE (DESCRIBED HEREIN), THIS GLOBAL BOND MAY BE TRANSFERRED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART, ONLY TO ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE SECURITIES DEPOSITORY (DESCRIBED HEREIN) OR TO A SUCCESSOR SECURITIES DEPOSITORY OR TO A NOMINEE OF A SUCCESSOR SECURITIES DEPOSITORY.

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF MISSOURI

lo			Registered \$
	SPECIAL OBLIC	CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025	
<u>Interest Rate</u>	Maturity Date	<b>Dated Date</b>	CUSIP Number
REGISTERED	OWNER:		
PRINCIPAL A	MOUNT:		DOLLARS

CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI, a charter city and political subdivision of the State of Missouri (the "City"), for value received, hereby acknowledges itself to be indebted and promises to pay to the registered owner shown above, or registered assigns, the principal amount shown above on the maturity date shown above unless called for redemption prior to said maturity date, and to pay interest thereon at the interest rate per annum shown above (computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) from the Dated Date shown above or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 in each year, beginning on August 1, 2025, until said principal amount has been paid.

The principal of and interest on this Bond payable on any Bond Payment Date shall be paid to the person in whose name this Bond is registered on the Bond Register at the close of business on the Record Date by check or draft mailed by the Paying Agent to such registered owner at the address shown on the Bond Register or at such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by such registered

owner or by electronic transfer to such registered owner upon written notice given to the Paying Agent signed by such registered owner not less than 5 days prior to the Record Date, and containing the electronic transfer instructions including the bank (which shall be in the continental United States), ABA routing number, address and account name and account number to which such Registered Owner wishes to have such transfer directed and an acknowledgment that an electronic transfer fee is payable. The principal or redemption price of and interest on the Bonds shall be payable in any coin or currency that, on the respective dates of payment thereof, is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

This Bond is one of an authorized series of bonds of the City designated "Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025," aggregating the principal amount of not to exceed \$15,300,000 (the "Bonds"), issued by the City for the purpose of paying the costs of the Project and the costs of issuance of the Bonds, under the authority of and in full compliance with the constitution and laws of the State of Missouri, and pursuant to an ordinance duly passed (the "Ordinance") and proceedings duly and legally had by the governing body of the City.

At the option of the City, Bonds may be called for redemption and payment prior to maturity in whole at any time on or after August 1, 2033 at the Redemption Price equal to 100% of the principal amount being redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the Redemption Date.

[ The Bonds maturing in the year 20[\_] will be subject to mandatory redemption and payment prior to maturity pursuant to the mandatory redemption requirements set forth in the Ordinance at a Redemption Price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the Redemption Date.]

Bonds shall be redeemed only in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. When less than all of the Outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed, such Bonds shall be redeemed from the Stated Maturities selected by the City, and Bonds of less than a full Stated Maturity shall be selected by the Paying Agent in \$5,000 units of principal amount by lot or in such other equitable manner as the Paying Agent may determine.

Notice of redemption, unless waived, is to be given by the Paying Agent by mailing an official redemption notice by first class mail at least 20 days prior to the redemption date to the Purchaser of the Bonds and each registered owner of the Bond or Bonds to be redeemed at the address shown on the Bond Register maintained by the Paying Agent. Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Bonds or portions of Bonds to be redeemed shall, on the redemption date, become due and payable at the redemption price therein specified, and from and after such date (unless the City defaults in the payment of the redemption price) such Bonds or portions of Bonds shall cease to bear interest.

With respect to optional redemptions, such notice may be conditioned upon moneys being on deposit with the Paying Agent on or prior to the redemption date in an amount sufficient to pay the Redemption Price on the Redemption Date. If such notice is conditional and either the Paying Agent receives written notice from the City that moneys sufficient to pay the Redemption Price will not be on deposit on the Redemption Date, or such moneys are not received on the Redemption Date, then such notice shall be of no force and effect, the Paying Agent shall not redeem such Bonds and the Paying Agent shall give notice, in the same manner in which the notice of redemption was given, that such moneys were not or will not be so received and that such Bonds will not be redeemed.

The Bonds shall be special obligations of the City payable as to both principal and interest solely from annual appropriations of funds by the City for such purpose and from moneys on deposit in the Debt Service Fund. The obligation of the City to make payments into the Debt Service Fund and for any other obligations of the City under the Ordinance do not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of the

City for which the City is obligated to levy or pledge any form of taxation, or for which the City has levied or pledged any form of taxation and shall not be construed to be a debt of the City in contravention of any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter debt limitation or restriction but in each Fiscal Year shall be payable solely from the amounts pledged or appropriated therefor (i) out of the income and revenues provided for such year plus (ii) any unencumbered balances for previous years.

The Bonds are issuable in the form of fully registered Bonds without coupons in the denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

The Bonds are being issued by means of a book-entry system with no physical distribution of bond certificates to be made except as provided in the Ordinance. One Bond certificate with respect to each date on which the Bonds are stated to mature, registered in the nominee name of the Securities Depository, is being issued. The book-entry system will evidence positions held in the Bonds by the Securities Depository's participants, beneficial ownership of the Bonds in authorized denominations being evidenced in the records of such participants. Transfers of ownership shall be effected on the records of the Securities Depository and its participants. The Paying Agent and the City will recognize the Securities Depository nominee, while the Registered Owner of this Bond, as the owner of this Bond for all purposes, including (i) payments of principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on, this Bond, (ii) notices and (iii) voting. Transfers of principal, interest and any redemption premium payments to participants of the Securities Depository will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of such beneficial owners. The Paying Agent and the City will not be responsible or liable for such transfers of payments or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing the records maintained by the Securities Depository, the Securities Depository nominee, its participants or persons acting through such participants. While the Securities Depository nominee is the owner of this Bond, notwithstanding the provision hereinabove contained, payments of principal of and interest on this Bond shall be made in accordance with existing arrangements between the Paying Agent and the City.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE ORDINANCE, THIS GLOBAL BOND MAY BE TRANSFERRED IN WHOLE BUT NOT IN PART, ONLY TO ANOTHER NOMINEE OF THE SECURITIES DEPOSITORY OR TO A SUCCESSOR SECURITIES DEPOSITORY OR TO A NOMINEE OF A SUCCESSOR SECURITIES DEPOSITORY.

This Bond may be transferred or exchanged, as provided in the Ordinance, only on the Bond Register kept for that purpose at the payment office of the Paying Agent, upon surrender of this Bond together with a written instrument of transfer or authorization for exchange satisfactory to the Paying Agent duly executed by the Registered Owner or the Registered Owner's duly authorized agent, and thereupon a new Bond or Bonds in any authorized denomination of the same maturity and in the same aggregate principal amount shall be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor as provided in the Ordinance and upon payment of the charges therein prescribed. The City and the Paying Agent may deem and treat the person in whose name this Bond is registered on the Bond Register as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal or redemption price hereof and interest due hereon and for all other purposes.

This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under the Ordinance until the Certificate of Authentication hereon has been executed by the Paying Agent.

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED AND CERTIFIED that all acts, conditions and things required to be done and to exist precedent to and in the issuance of the Bonds have been done and performed and do exist in due and regular form and manner as required by the constitution and laws of the State of Missouri.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI, has caused this Bond to be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of its Mayor and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of its City Clerk and its official seal to be affixed or imprinted hereon.

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION	CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI
This Bond is one of the Bonds	
of the issue described in the	
within-mentioned Ordinance.	By:
	Mayor
Registration Date:	
,	(Seal)
Paying Agent	
	ATTEST:
By:	
Authorized Officer or Signatory	City Clerk
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# ASSIGNMENT

# FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto

,	ddress and Social Security Number entification Number of Transferee
· ·	der, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints within Bond on the books kept by the Paying Agent for the tion in the premises.
Dated:	NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name of the Registered Owner as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular.
	Medallion Signature Guarantee:

## **LEGAL OPINION**

The following is a true and correct copy of the approving legal opinion of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, which was dated and issued as of the date of original issuance and delivery of the Bonds:

GILMORE & BELL A Professional Corporation 2405 Grand Blvd, Suite 1100 Kansas City, Missouri 64108

(LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL)

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# EXHIBIT B TO ORDINANCE

## **DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT**

The Project consists of acquiring, constructing, installing, improving, furnishing, and equipping a new police headquarters in the City.

# EXHIBIT C TO ORDINANCE

# PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT

# EXHIBIT D TO ORDINANCE

# NOTICE OF SALE

### PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED JANUARY , 2025

THIS COVER PAGE CONTAINS CERTAIN INFORMATION FOR QUICK REFERENCE ONLY. IT IS NOT A SUMMARY OF THIS ISSUE. INVESTORS MUST READ THE ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ESSENTIAL TO THE MAKING OF AN INFORMED INVESTMENT DECISION.

NEW ISSUE BOOK ENTRY ONLY MOODY'S RATING: "\_\_"
See "Rating" herein.

In the opinion of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, under existing law and assuming continued compliance with certain requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), (1) the interest on the Bonds (including any original issue discount properly allocable to an owner thereof) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax, (2) the interest on the Bonds is exempt from income taxation by the State of Missouri and (3) the Bonds are not "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. Bond Counsel notes that interest on the Bonds may be included in adjusted financial statement income of applicable corporations for purposes of determining the applicability and amount of the federal corporate alternative minimum tax. See "TAX MATTERS" in this Official Statement.

### \$15,300,000\* CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025

**Dated: Date of Delivery** 

the inside cover page

Due: August 1, as shown on

The Bonds are issuable only as fully registered bonds, without coupons, and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as registered owner and nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Purchases of the Bonds will be made in book-entry form, in authorized denominations. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interests in Bonds purchased. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the bonds, as nominee of DTC, references herein to the Bondowners or registered owners shall mean Cede & Co., as aforesaid, and shall not mean the Beneficial Owners (herein defined) of the Bonds.

The Bonds will be issued in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Semiannual interest will be payable on August 1 and February 1, beginning on August 1, 2025. Principal will be payable upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds by the registered owners thereof at the payment office of [PAYING AGENT], Kansas City, Missouri, Paying Agent. Interest will be payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed (or by electronic transfer in certain circumstances as described herein) to the persons who are the registered owners of the Bonds as of the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month preceding the interest payment date. So long as DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., is the Bondowner, such payments will be made directly to such Bondowner. DTC is expected, in turn, to remit such payments to the DTC Participants (herein defined) for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners.

The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as described herein.

The Bonds and the interest thereon will constitute special obligations of the City payable solely from amounts appropriated in each Fiscal Year (i) out of the income and revenues of the City provided for such Fiscal Year, plus (ii) any unencumbered balances from previous years. The City is not obligated to make any such annual appropriation. The Bonds do not constitute general obligations or indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional, charter or statutory debt limitation or restriction, and the City does not pledge its full faith and credit and is not obligated to levy taxes or resort to any other moneys or property of the City to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The fiscal year of the City begins on each January 1 and ends on December 31 (the "Fiscal Year").

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued by the City, subject to the approval of legality by Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Kansas City, Missouri, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters related to the Official Statement will be passed upon by Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Kansas City, Missouri. It is expected that the Bonds will be available for delivery at The Depository Trust Company in New York, New York on or about February \_\_, 2025.

Bids for the Bonds will be received electronically by e-mail or through PARITY® as described in the Notice of Sale until 10:00 A.M., Central Time, on January 21, 2025.

[UNDERWRITER LOGO]

The date of this Official Statement is January \_\_\_, 2025.

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

# \$15,300,000\* CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025

# MATURITY SCHEDULE\*

# **Serial Bonds**

Due <u>August 1</u>	Principal <u>Amount</u>	Interest <u>Rate</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Yield</u>
rugust 1	Illiount	<u>rtute</u>	<u> </u>	<u> 11ciu</u>
2026	\$540,000			
2027	560,000			
2028	580,000			
2029	595,000			
2030	615,000			
2031	635,000			
2032	660,000			
2033	680,000			
2034	705,000			
2035	730,000			
2036	755,000			
2037	780,000			
2038	810,000			
2039	845,000			
2040	875,000			
2041	910,000			
2042	945,000			
2043	985,000			
2044	1,025,000			
2045	1,070,000			
		Term Bone	del	
		LICITE DOIN	uo <u>i</u>	
Due	Principal	Interest		
August 1	<b>Amount</b>	<u>Rate</u>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Yield</b>
20	\$			

\* Preliminary, subject to change.

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# CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI 715 W Mt. Vernon Street Nixa, Missouri 65714 (417) 725-3785

### MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Jarad Giddens, Mayor
Aron Peterson, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Member
Matt Ogden, Council Member
Shawn Lucas, Council Member
Darlene Graham, Council Member
Zern Vess, Council Member
Kelly Morris, Council Member

### **CITY ADMINISTRATION**

Jimmy Liles, *City Administrator* Rebekka Coffey, *City Clerk* Jennifer Evans, *Finance Director* 

### **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC Overland Park, Kansas

### **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT**

**BOND COUNSEL** 

Decker & DeGood, PC Springfield, Missouri Gilmore & Bell, P.C. Kansas City, Missouri

#### REGARDING USE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

No dealer, broker, salesperson or other person has been authorized by the City or the Underwriter to give any information or to make any representations with respect to the Bonds other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by any of the foregoing. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale. The information set forth herein has been furnished by the City and other sources believed to be reliable, but such information is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness, and is not to be construed as a representation, by the Underwriter. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the City or others since the date hereof.

The Underwriter has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriter does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of that information.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITER MAY OVERALLOTT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS THAT STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, OR UNDER ANY STATE SECURITIES OR "BLUE SKY" LAWS. THE BONDS ARE OFFERED PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.

# CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Certain statements included or incorporated by reference in this Official Statement constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 21E of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27A of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Such statements are generally identifiable by the terminology used such as "plan," "expect," "estimate," "anticipate," "projected," "budget" or other similar words.

THE ACHIEVEMENT OF CERTAIN RESULTS OR OTHER EXPECTATIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE OR ACHIEVEMENTS DESCRIBED TO BE MATERIALLY DIFFERENT FROM ANY FUTURE RESULTS, PERFORMANCE OR ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. NEITHER THE CITY NOR ANY OTHER PARTY PLANS TO ISSUE ANY UPDATES OR REVISIONS TO THOSE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS IF OR WHEN THEIR EXPECTATIONS, OR EVENTS, CONDITIONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES UPON WHICH SUCH STATEMENTS ARE BASED OCCUR.

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#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

# \$15,300,000\* CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025

#### INTRODUCTION

This introduction is only a brief description and summary of certain information contained in this Official Statement and is qualified in its entirety by reference to more complete and detailed information contained in the entire Official Statement, including the cover page and appendices hereto, and the documents summarized or described herein. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement.

# **Purpose of the Official Statement**

The purpose of this Official Statement is to furnish information relating to (1) the City of Nixa, Missouri (the "City") and (2) the City's Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds"), to be issued in the principal amount of \$15,300,000\* to (a) fund the costs of a project for the City and (b) pay costs related to the issuance of the Bonds. The project consists of acquiring, constructing, installing, improving, furnishing, and equipping a new police headquarters in the City (the "Project").

#### The City

The City is a constitutionally chartered city and political subdivision organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri. See the caption "THE CITY" herein.

#### The Bonds

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to an ordinance (the "Bond Ordinance") adopted by the governing body of the City for the purpose of funding the Project and paying costs related to the issuance of the Bonds. See the caption "THE BONDS" herein.

# **Security and Source of Payment**

The payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds is subject to annual appropriation by the City. The City is not required or obligated to make any such appropriation. No property of the City is pledged or encumbered to secure payment of the Bonds.

The Bonds and the interest thereon will constitute special limited obligations of the City payable solely from amounts appropriated in each Fiscal Year (i) out of the income and revenues of the City provided for such Fiscal Year, plus (ii) any unencumbered balances from previous years. The City is not obligated to make any such annual appropriation. The Bonds do not constitute general obligations or indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional, charter or statutory debt limitation or restriction, and the City does not pledge its full faith and credit and is not obligated to levy taxes or resort to any other moneys or property of the City to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The fiscal year of the City begins on each January 1 and ends on December 31 (the "Fiscal Year"). See the caption "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS" herein.

The City anticipates that it will pay debt service on the Bonds primarily from the revenues generated by a 0.75% portion of its general sales tax dedicated to fund the police department (the "Public Safety Sales Tax"), which was approved by the voters of the City in an election held in April of 2023 and collections of which tax

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<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

began in October of 2023. The City's total general sales tax, including the 0.75% dedicated to the police department, is 2.25%. The application of such revenues to pay debt service on the Bonds is subject to annual appropriation by the City. No revenues generated by the Public Safety Sales Tax are or can be pledged to the payment of debt service on the Bonds. See below and also "FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CITY – Sales Tax Collections" in *Appendix A* of this Official Statement for historical collections of sales taxes within the City.

#### **Financial Statements**

Audited financial statements of the City, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, are included in *Appendix B* to this Official Statement. These financial statements have been audited by Decker & DeGood, PC, Springfield, Missouri, to the extent and for the periods indicated in their report which is also included in *Appendix B* hereto.

#### **Risk Factors**

Payment of the Bonds is subject to certain risks. See the caption "RISK FACTORS" herein.

#### **Continuing Disclosure Information**

The City has covenanted in its Continuing Disclosure Certificate to provide certain financial information and notices of material events to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, in compliance with Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission. See the caption "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" herein.

#### THE CITY

The City is a constitutional charter city and political subdivision organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri. The City was incorporated as a village in 1902, became a fourth-class city in 1946 and became a charter city on April 6, 2010. The City is approximately 9 square miles in area and is located in northern Christian County, Missouri and is approximately five miles south of Springfield, Missouri, in the southwestern portion of the State. The estimated population of the City in 2023 was 25,405, according to the United States Census Bureau. See "APPENDIX A: THE CITY" and "APPENDIX B: ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS."

#### PLAN OF FINANCING

#### The Project

The Project consists of acquiring, constructing, installing, imp police headquarters [Provide additional detail on building.] in the Capproximately \$, and is expected to be completed in	City. The Project is anticipated to cost
Sources and Uses of Funds*	
The following table summarizes the estimated sources of funds connection with the plan of financing:	s and the expected uses of such funds, in
Sources of Funds:	
Principal Amount of the Bonds	\$15,300,000*
Total	<u>\$</u>

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

Uses of Funds:	
Deposit for Project costs	\$
Costs of Issuance including Underwriters' Discount	
Total	\$15,300,000

#### THE BONDS

The following is a summary of certain terms and provisions of the Bonds. Reference is hereby made to the Bonds and the provisions with respect thereto in the Bond Ordinance for the detailed terms and provisions thereof.

# **General Description**

The Bonds will be issued in the principal amounts stated on the inside cover page of this Official Statement, will be dated their date of delivery, and will consist of fully registered bonds without coupons in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds will mature, subject to redemption as described below, on August 1 in the years and in the principal amounts set forth on the inside cover page of this Official Statement. Interest on the Bonds will be payable semiannually on August 1 and February 1 in each year, beginning on August 1, 2025. Principal will be payable upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds by the Registered Owners thereof at the payment office of [PAYING AGENT], Kansas City, [Missouri], the Paying Agent. Interest shall be paid to the Registered Owners of the Bonds as shown on the Bond Register at the close of business on the Record Date for such interest (a) by check or draft mailed by the Paying Agent to the address of such Registered Owners shown on the Bond Register, (b) at such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by any Registered Owner or (c) in the case of an interest payment to any Registered Owner of \$500,000 or more in aggregate principal amount of Bonds, by electronic transfer to such Registered Owner upon written notice given to the Paying Agent by such Registered Owner, not less than 5 days prior to the Record Date for such interest, containing the electronic transfer instructions including the bank (which shall be in the continental United States), ABA routing number and account name and account number to which such Registered Owner wishes to have such transfer directed.

## **Redemption Provisions**

Optional Redemption. At the option of the City, Bonds may be called for redemption and payment prior to maturity on August 1, 2033\* and thereafter, in whole or in part at any time at the redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest thereon to the redemption date.

[Mandatory Redemption. The Bonds maturing in the years 20\_ and 20\_ (the "Term Bonds") shall be subject to mandatory redemption by the City at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the redemption date, in the following principal amounts on August 1 of the following years:

<u>Year</u>	Principal Amount
20*	\$

**Term Bonds Maturing August 1, 20** 

Selection of Bonds to be Redeemed. Bonds shall be redeemed only in \$5,000 principal amounts or multiples thereof. When less than all of the Outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed and paid prior to maturity, such Bonds shall be redeemed from the maturities selected by the City, and Bonds of less than a full maturity shall be

<sup>\*</sup>Final Maturity Date]

selected by the Paying Agent in \$5,000 units of face value by lot or in such other equitable manner as the Paying Agent may determine.

Notice and Effect of Call for Redemption. In the event of any such redemption, the Paying Agent will give written notice of the City's intention to redeem and pay said Bonds by first-class mail to the original purchaser of the Bonds, and to the Registered Owner of each Bond, said notice to be mailed not less than 20 days prior to the redemption date. Notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, the Bonds or portions of Bonds to be redeemed shall become due and payable on the redemption date, at the redemption price therein specified, and from and after the redemption date (unless the City defaults in the payment of the redemption price) such Bonds or portion of Bonds shall cease to bear interest.

So long as DTC is effecting book-entry transfers of the Bonds, the Paying Agent shall provide the notices specified above to DTC. It is expected that DTC will, in turn, notify the DTC Participants and that the DTC Participants, in turn, will notify or cause to be notified the Beneficial Owners. Any failure on the part of DTC or a DTC Participant, or failure on the part of a nominee of a Beneficial Owner of a Bond (having been mailed notice from the Paying Agent, a DTC Participant or otherwise) to notify the Beneficial Owner of the Bond so affected, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of such Bond.

# Registration, Transfer and Exchange of Bonds

Each Bond when issued shall be registered by the Paying Agent in the name of the owner thereof on the Bond Register. Bonds are transferable only upon the Bond Register upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds, together with instructions for transfer. Bonds may be exchanged for Bonds in the same aggregate principal amount and maturity upon presentation to the Paying Agent, subject to the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in the Bond Ordinance and upon payment of any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to any such registration, transfer or exchange.

## SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS

The Bonds are special obligations of the City payable solely from amounts pledged or appropriated therefor in each Fiscal Year (i) out of the income and revenues provided for such Fiscal Year plus (ii) any unencumbered balances for previous years. The Bonds do not constitute general obligations or indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional, charter or statutory debt limitation or restriction, and the City does not pledge its full faith and credit and is not obligated to levy taxes or resort to any other moneys or property of the City to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

The payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds is subject to an annual appropriation by the City. The City Council has directed the City Administrator or any other officer of the City at any time charged with the responsibility of formulating budget proposals to include in each annual budget an appropriation of the amount necessary (after taking into account any moneys legally available for such purpose) to pay debt service on the Bonds. The City is not required or obligated to make any such annual appropriation, and the decision whether or not to appropriate such funds will be solely within the discretion of the then current City Council. No property of the City is pledged or encumbered as security for payment of the Bonds.

The City plans to use funds from its Public Safety Sales Tax and other revenues to provide for the payment of the debt service of the Bonds. None of such taxes or revenues are pledged or may be pledged to the payment of the Bonds and any decision to budget or appropriate any of such funds will be within the sole discretion of the then current City Council in each fiscal year.

All references herein to the Bond Ordinance are qualified in their entirety by reference to the Bond Ordinance. Copies of the Bond Ordinance and the Official Statement may be viewed at the office of Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC, 5440 West 110<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 300, Overland Park, Kansas 66211, (816) 333-7294, or will be provided to any prospective purchaser requesting the same, upon payment by such prospective purchaser of the cost of complying with such request.

#### RISK FACTORS

The following section describes certain risk factors affecting the payment of and security for the Bonds. The following discussion of risks is not meant to be an exhaustive list of the risks associated with the purchase of the Bonds and does not necessarily reflect the relative importance of the various risks. Potential investors are advised to consider the following factors along with all other information in this Official Statement in evaluating the Bonds. There can be no assurance that other risk factors will not become material in the future.

## Payment of Principal and Interest on the Bonds Subject to Annual Appropriation

Although the City is obligated to include in its annual budget request to the City Council an appropriation to cover principal and interest on the Bonds, the City Council is not obligated to approve such an appropriation and its failure to do so is not an event of default.

THE BONDS DO NOT GIVE RISE TO A GENERAL OBLIGATION OR OTHER INDEBTEDNESS OF THE CITY, THE STATE OF MISSOURI, OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF WITHIN THE MEANING OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL, CHARTER OR STATUTORY DEBT LIMITATION OR RESTRICTION.

THE BONDS SHALL BE SPECIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS BY THE CITY FOR THAT PURPOSE. IN EACH FISCAL YEAR, PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS SHALL BE MADE SOLELY FROM THE AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED THEREFOR (I) OUT OF THE INCOME AND REVENUES OF THE CITY PROVIDED FOR SUCH YEAR PLUS (II) ANY UNENCUMBERED BALANCES FOR PREVIOUS YEARS, AND THE DECISION WHETHER TO MAKE SUCH APPROPRIATION EACH YEAR SHALL BE WITHIN THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE THEN CURRENT CITY COUNCIL. SUBJECT TO THE PRECEDING SENTENCE, THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY TO MAKE PAYMENTS HEREUNDER AND TO PERFORM AND OBSERVE ANY OTHER COVENANT AND AGREEMENT CONTAINED IN THE BOND ORDINANCE SHALL BE ABSOLUTE AND UNCONDITIONAL.

NO OTHER PROPERTY OF THE CITY IS PLEDGED OR ENCUMBERED TO SECURE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS.

The City plans to use funds from its Public Safety Sales Tax and other revenues to provide for the payment of the debt service of the Bonds. NONE OF SUCH TAXES OR REVENUES ARE PLEDGED OR MAY BE PLEDGED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS AND ANY DECISION TO BUDGET OR APPROPRIATE ANY OF SUCH FUNDS WILL BE WITHIN THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE THEN CURRENT CITY COUNCIL IN EACH FISCAL YEAR.

#### No Credit Enhancement

No bond insurance policy, letter of credit, reserve fund or other credit enhancement will be issued or funded to insure payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds. Accordingly, any potential purchaser of the Bonds should consider the financial ability of the City to appropriate moneys sufficient to make the payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds.

#### **Potential Risks Relating to COVID-19**

In December 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus (which leads to the disease known as "COVID-19"), was discovered in Wuhan, China. Since that date, the virus spread throughout the world and was characterized as a pandemic. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the U.S. economy has been broad based and negatively impacted national, state and local economies, including the City.

Although no pandemic-related health orders are currently in effect within the City or State, the recurrence of wide spread outbreaks of COVID-19 or the occurrence of any other pandemic may negatively impact the ability of the City to pay debt service on the Bonds if the economic ramifications of any pandemic has a lasting impact on the economy in and around the City.

#### **Changes in Economic, Demographic and Market Conditions**

Changes in real estate market conditions in the area of the City, as well as changes in general or local demographic or economic conditions, could adversely affect the value of the property located within the City and the level of economic activity in the City and, consequently, the amounts of real estate taxes, sales taxes and other revenues generated by the City. Such changes could also have an adverse impact on the financial condition of the City and, thus, the City resources available for appropriation for the payment of the Bonds.

In particular, sales tax revenues historically have been sensitive to changes in local, regional and national economic conditions. For example, sales tax revenues have historically declined during economic recessions, when high unemployment adversely affects consumption. Demographic changes in the population of the City may adversely affect the level of sales tax revenues. A decline in the City's population, or reductions in the level of commercial and industrial activity in the City, could reduce the number and value of taxable transactions and thus reduce the amount of sales tax revenues. Internet and on-line sales have also caused local sales tax collections to decline. The City currently imposes a use tax. It is not possible to predict whether or to what extent any such changes in economic conditions, demographic characteristics, population or commercial and industrial activity will occur, and what impact any such changes would have on sales tax revenues.

#### **Investment Ratings and Secondary Market**

The lowering or withdrawal of the investment rating initially assigned to the Bonds could adversely affect the market price for and the marketability of the Bonds. There is no assurance that a secondary market will develop for the purchase and sale of the Bonds. Prices of municipal securities in the secondary market are subject to adjustment upward and downward in response to changes in the credit markets and changes in operating performance of the entities operating the facilities subject to the municipal securities. From time to time the secondary market trading in selected issues of municipal securities will fluctuate as a result of the financial condition or market position of the underwriters, prevailing market conditions, or a material adverse change in the operations of that entity, whether or not the subject securities are in default as to principal and interest payments, and other factors that may give rise to uncertainty concerning prudent secondary market practices. Municipal securities are generally viewed as long-term investments, subject to material unforeseen changes in the investor's circumstances, and may require commitment of the investor's funds for an indefinite period of time, perhaps until maturity.

# **Cybersecurity Risks**

The City relies on its information systems to provide security for processing, transmission and storage of confidential and other credit information. It is possible that the City's security measures will not prevent improper or unauthorized access or disclosure of personally identifiable information resulting from cyberattacks. Security breaches, including electronic break-ins, computer viruses, attacks by hackers and similar breaches can create disruptions or shutdowns of the City and the services it provides, or the unauthorized disclosure of confidential and other credit information. If personal or otherwise protected information is improperly accessed, tampered with or distributed, the City may incur significant costs to remediate possible injury to the affected persons, and the City may be subject to sanctions and civil penalties if it is found to be in violation of federal or state laws or regulations. Any failure to maintain proper functionality and security of information systems could interrupt the City's operations, delay receipt of revenues, damage its reputation, subject it to liability claims or regulatory penalties and could have a material adverse effect on its operations, financial condition and results of operations. [The City has security practices and assessments to monitor and prevent cyber-security risks. The City has not experienced any cyber-security incidents within the last 3 years.]

#### **Enforcement of Remedies**

The enforcement of the remedies under the Bond Ordinance may be limited or restricted by federal or state laws or by the application of judicial discretion, and may be delayed in the event of litigation to enforce the remedies. State laws concerning the use of assets of political subdivisions and federal and state laws relating to bankruptcy, fraudulent conveyances, and rights of creditors may affect the enforcement of remedies. Similarly, the application of general principles of equity and the exercise of judicial discretion may preclude or delay the enforcement of certain remedies. The legal opinions to be delivered with the issuance of the Bonds will be qualified as they relate to the enforceability of the various legal instruments by reference to the limitations on enforceability of those instruments under (1) applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights, (2) general principles of equity, and (3) the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

# Bankruptcy

In addition to the limitations on remedies contained in the Bond Ordinance, the rights and remedies provided by the Bonds may be limited by and are subject to (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium and other laws affecting creditors' rights, (ii) the application of equitable principles, and (iii) the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to limitations on legal remedies against political subdivisions in the State of Missouri. The City, like all other Missouri political subdivisions, is specifically authorized by Missouri law to institute proceedings under Chapter 9 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code. Such proceedings, if commenced, are likely to have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

#### **Pensions and Other Postemployment Benefits**

The City contributes to the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System ("LAGERS"), an agent multi-employer, statewide public employee retirement plan for entities of local government which is legally separate and fiscally independent of the State of Missouri. The City also provides other postemployment benefits ("OPEB") as part of the total compensation offered to attract and retain the services of qualified employees. Future required contribution increases beyond the current fiscal year may require the City to increase its revenues, reduce its expenditures, or some combination thereof, which may impact the City's operations or limit the City's ability to generate additional revenues in the future.

For more information specific to the City's participation, including the City's past contributions, net pension liability, and pension expense, see Note I to the City's financial statements included in *Appendix B* to this Official Statement.

#### **Amendment of the Bond Ordinance**

Certain amendments, effected by ordinance of the City, to the Bonds and the Bond Ordinance may be made with consent of the owners of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Bonds then outstanding. Such amendments may adversely affect the security of the owners of the Bonds.

# **Loss of Premium from Redemption**

Any person who purchases the Bonds at a price in excess of their principal amount or who holds such Bonds trading at a price in excess of par should consider the fact that the Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the redemption prices described herein in the event such Bonds are redeemed prior to maturity. See "THE BONDS – Redemption Provisions" in this Official Statement.

# Risk of Audit

The Internal Revenue Service has established an ongoing program to audit obligations such as the Bonds to determine the legitimacy of the tax status of such obligations. No assurance can be given that the Internal

Revenue Service will not commence an audit of the Bonds. Owners of the Bonds are advised that, if an audit of the Bonds were commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures, the Internal Revenue Service is likely to treat the City as the taxpayer, and the Owners of the Bonds may not have a right to participate in such audit. Public awareness of any audit could adversely affect the market value and liquidity of the Bonds during the pendency of the audit, regardless of the ultimate outcome of the audit.

# **Taxability**

The Bonds are not subject to prepayment nor is the interest rate subject to adjustment in the event of a determination by the Internal Revenue Service or a court of competent jurisdiction that the interest paid or to be paid on any Bonds is or was includible in the gross income of the Owners of the Bonds for federal income tax purposes. It may be that Owners of the Bonds would continue to hold their bonds, receiving principal and interest as and when due, but would be required to include such interest payments in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

#### **Other Factors Affecting the City**

One or more of the following factors or events could adversely affect the City's operations and financial performance to an extent that cannot be determined at this time:

- 1. Changes in Administration. Changes in key administrative personnel could affect the capability of management of the City.
- 2. Future Economic Conditions. Adverse economic conditions or changes in demographics in the City, including increased unemployment and inability to control expenses in periods of inflation, could adversely impact the City's financial condition.
- 3. *Insurance Claims*. Increases in the cost of general liability insurance coverage and the amounts paid in settlement of liability claims not covered by insurance could adversely impact the City's financial condition.
- 4. *Natural Disasters*. The occurrence of natural disasters, such as floods, droughts, tornadoes or earthquakes, or the impact of pandemics, could damage the facilities of the City, interrupt services or otherwise impair operations and the ability of the City to produce revenues or control expenditures.
- 5. Organized Labor Efforts. Efforts to organize employees of the City into collective bargaining units could result in adverse labor actions or increased labor costs.

#### The Hancock Amendment

The City's ability to raise property taxes is substantially constrained by Missouri law. An amendment to the Missouri Constitution limiting taxation and government spending was approved by Missouri voters on November 4, 1980. This amendment limits the ability of the City to impose new or increased taxes to provide funding for the payment of the Bonds, or other governmental purposes of the City, without voter approval. The amendment (commonly known as the Hancock Amendment) limits the rate of increase and the total amount of taxes which may be imposed in any fiscal year, and the limit may not be exceeded without voter approval. The tax rate ceiling, determined annually, is the rate of levy which, when charged against the newly assessed valuation of the City for the current year, excluding new construction and improvements, will produce an amount of tax revenues equal to tax revenues for the previous year increased by 5% or the Consumer Price Index, whichever is lower. The limitation on local governmental units does not apply to taxes imposed for the payment of principal of and interest on general obligation bonds approved by the requisite percentage of voters.

The Hancock Amendment also requires political subdivisions of the State to obtain voter approval in order to increase any "tax, license or fee." The precise meaning and application of the phrase "tax, license or fee" is unclear, but decisions of the Missouri Supreme Court have indicated that it does not apply to traditionally

set user fees. The limitations imposed by the Hancock Amendment restrict the City's ability to increase many but not all taxes, licenses and certain fees without obtaining voter approval.

In 2008, through the enactment of Senate Bill 711 ("SB 711"), the Missouri General Assembly approved further limitations on the amount of property taxes that can be imposed by a political subdivision such as the City. Prior to the enactment of SB 711, a Hancock rollback would not necessarily result in a reduction of the City's property tax levy if its current tax levy was less than its current tax levy ceiling, due to the City's voluntary rollback from the maximum authorized tax levy. The property tax levy is the levy actually imposed by a political subdivision while the tax rate ceiling is the maximum levy the political subdivision may impose under the provisions of the Hancock Amendment. Under SB 711, in reassessment years (odd-numbered years), the Hancock rollback is applied to a political subdivision's actual property tax levy, regardless of whether that levy is at the political subdivision's tax levy ceiling. This further reduction is sometimes referred to as an "SB 711 rollback." In non-reassessment years (even-numbered years), the property tax levy may be increased to the political subdivision's tax levy ceiling (as adjusted by the Hancock rollback), only after a public hearing and adoption of a resolution or policy statement justifying the action.

On March 2, 2021, the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern Division, held in Blankenship v. Franklin County Collector (619 S.W. 3d 491) that an increase in the operating levy by political subdivisions pursuant to the provisions of Section 137.073.5(2), which allows political subdivisions to increase the operating levy to account for inflation in certain situations, cannot result in a levy that exceeds the highest voter-approved levy in violation of the Hancock Amendment. Approximately 600 taxing authorities were notified by the Missouri State Auditor's Office that their 2020 tax rates did not comply with the Blankenship decision and would need to be recalculated to determine their 2021 tax rates. To the extent a taxing authority levied taxes in violation of the Blankenship decision, refunds of such taxes are permitted if (1) a taxpayer files for injunctive relief before such taxes become payable, which is December 31 of the tax year, or (2) a taxpayer pays such taxes under protest and files suit against the tax collector within ninety days. [The City did not receive a letter from the Missouri State Auditor's Office and will not need to adjust revenues because of the Blankenship decision.]

## **Senior Property Tax Credit Program**

In 2023, the Missouri General Assembly passed Senate Bill 190, which authorizes counties to grant property tax credits to residential property owners eligible to receive social security benefits equal to the difference between the real property tax liability on the homestead in the current year minus the real property tax liability on such homestead in the year in which the taxpayer became eligible to receive the tax credit (the "Senior Property Tax Credit Program"). Implementation of the Senior Property Tax Credit Program requires either adoption of an ordinance by the county or an initiative petition and voter approval process. Property tax bills within counties that participate in the Senior Property Tax Credit Program will reflect the tax credit on property tax bills for eligible taxpayers, thereby reducing the amount of property taxes that the eligible taxpayer would otherwise pay. The Christian County Commission approved the implementation of the Senior Property Tax Credit Program in Christian County, and it is expected to be effective for the 2024 property tax cycle. The potential financial impact of the Senior Property Tax Credit Program on the City is not yet ascertainable.

#### **Defeasance Risks**

When all of the Bonds are deemed paid as provided in the Bond Ordinance, the requirements contained in the Bond Ordinance and all other rights granted to bond owners thereby shall terminate. Bonds or scheduled interest payments thereon shall be deemed to have been paid and discharged within the meaning of the Bond Ordinance if there has been deposited with the Paying Agent, or other commercial bank or trust company and having full trust powers, at or prior to the stated maturity or redemption date of said Bonds or the interest payments thereon, in trust for and irrevocably appropriated thereto, moneys and Defeasance Obligations that, together with the interest to be earned on any such Defeasance Obligations, will be sufficient for the payment of the principal of said Bonds and interest accrued to the stated maturity or redemption date, or if default in such payment has occurred on such date, then to the date of the tender of such payments; provided, however, that if any such Bonds are to be redeemed prior to their stated maturity, (1) the City has elected to redeem such Bonds,

and (2) either notice of such redemption shall have been given, or the City shall have given irrevocable instructions, or shall have provided for an escrow agent to give irrevocable instructions, to the Paying Agent to give such notice of redemption in compliance with the Bond Ordinance. Defeasance Obligations include, in addition to cash and obligations pre-refunded with cash, bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, treasury bills and other securities constituting direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed as to full and timely payment by, the United States of America. Historically, such United States obligations have been rated in the highest rating category by the rating agencies. There is no legal requirement in the Bond Ordinance that Defeasance Obligations consisting of such United States obligations be or remain rated in the highest rating category by any rating agency. Prices of municipal securities in the secondary market are subject to adjustment upward and downward in response to changes in the credit markets and that could include the rating of Bonds defeased with Defeasance Obligations to the extent the Defeasance Obligations have a change or downgrade in rating.

## THE BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments from over 100 countries that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual

Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the City as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the City or Paying Agent, on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC (nor its nominee), the Paying Agent, or the City, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal or redemption price of and interest to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the City or the Paying Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants shall be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners shall be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the City or the Paying Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The City may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the City believes to be reliable, but the City takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

## **Transfer Outside Book-Entry Only System**

If the Book-Entry Only System is discontinued the following provisions would apply. The Bonds are transferable only upon the Register upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds, together with instructions for transfer. Bonds may be exchanged for other Bonds of any denomination authorized by the Bond Ordinance in the same aggregate principal amount, series, payment date and interest rate, upon presentation to the Paying

Agent, subject to the terms, conditions and limitations and upon payment of any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to any such registration, exchange or transfer.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

#### **Legal Proceedings**

As of the date hereof, there is no controversy, suit or other proceeding of any kind pending or threatened wherein or whereby any question is raised or may be raised, questioning, disputing or affecting in any way the legal organization of the City or its boundaries, or the right or title of any of its officers to their respective offices, or the legality of any official act in connection with the authorization, issuance and sale of the Bonds, or the constitutionality or validity of the Bonds or any of the proceedings had in relation to the authorization, issuance or sale thereof, or the levy and collection of a tax to pay the principal and interest thereof, or which might affect the City's ability to meet its obligations to pay the Bonds.

From time to time, claims and litigation against the City arises in the ordinary course of business. The City, after consultation with counsel, does not believe that the outcome of these matters will have a material impact on the financial condition of the City, and the City does not believe that such exposure would materially affect the City's ability to meet its obligations to pay the Bonds.

# **Approval of Legality**

All legal matters incident to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds are subject to the approval of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Kansas City, Missouri, Bond Counsel.

#### TAX MATTERS

The following is a summary of the material federal and State of Missouri income tax consequences of holding and disposing of the Bonds. This summary is based upon laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions now in effect, all of which are subject to change (possibly on a retroactive basis). This summary does not discuss all aspects of federal income taxation that may be relevant to investors in light of their personal investment circumstances or describe the tax consequences to certain types of owners subject to special treatment under the federal income tax laws (for example, dealers in securities or other persons who do not hold the Bonds as a capital asset, tax-exempt organizations, individual retirement accounts and other tax deferred accounts, and foreign taxpayers), and, except for the income tax laws of the State of Missouri, does not discuss the consequences to an owner under any state, local or foreign tax laws. The summary does not deal with the tax treatment of persons who purchase the Bonds in the secondary market. Prospective investors are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding federal, state, local and other tax considerations of holding and disposing of the Bonds.

#### **Opinion of Bond Counsel**

In the opinion of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel to the City, under the law existing as of the issue date of the Bonds:

**Federal and State of Missouri Tax Exemption.** The interest on the Bonds (including any original issue discount properly allocable to an owner thereof) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is exempt from income taxation by the State of Missouri.

*Alternative Minimum Tax.* The interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax.

**No Bank Qualification.** The Bonds are not "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

Bond Counsel's opinions are provided as of the date of the original issue of the Bonds, subject to the condition that the City comply with all requirements of the Code that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that interest thereon be, or continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The City has covenanted to comply with all such requirements. Failure to comply with certain of such requirements may cause the inclusion of interest on the Bonds in gross income for federal and State of Missouri income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. Bond Counsel is expressing no opinion regarding other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds, but has reviewed the discussion under the heading "TAX MATTERS."

# **Other Tax Consequences**

Original Issue Discount. For federal income tax purposes, original issue discount is the excess of the stated redemption price at maturity of a Bond over its issue price. The issue price of a Bond is generally the first price at which a substantial amount of the Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public. Under Section 1288 of the Code, original issue discount on tax-exempt bonds accrues on a compound basis. The amount of original issue discount that accrues to an owner of a Bond during any accrual period generally equals (1) the issue price of that Bond, plus the amount of original issue discount accrued in all prior accrual periods, multiplied by (2) the yield to maturity on that Bond (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period), minus (3) any interest payable on that Bond during that accrual period. The amount of original issue discount accrued in a particular accrual period will be considered to be received ratably on each day of the accrual period, will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and will increase the owner's tax basis in that Bond. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the calculation and accrual of original issue discount.

Original Issue Premium. For federal income tax purposes, premium is the excess of the issue price of a Bond over its stated redemption price at maturity. The issue price of a Bond is generally the first price at which a substantial amount of the Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public. Under Section 171 of the Code, premium on tax-exempt bonds amortizes over the term of the Bond using constant yield principles, based on the purchaser's yield to maturity. As premium is amortized, the owner's basis in the Bond and the amount of tax-exempt interest received will be reduced by the amount of amortizable premium properly allocable to the owner, which will result in an increase in the gain (or decrease in the loss) to be recognized for federal income tax purposes on sale or disposition of the Bond prior to its maturity. Even though the owner's basis is reduced, no federal income tax deduction is allowed. Prospective investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the calculation and accrual of bond premium.

Sale, Exchange or Retirement of Bonds. Upon the sale, exchange or retirement (including redemption) of a Bond, an owner of the Bond generally will recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the amount of cash and the fair market value of any property received on the sale, exchange or retirement of the Bond (other than in respect of accrued and unpaid interest) and such owner's adjusted tax basis in the Bond. To the extent a Bond is held as a capital asset, such gain or loss will be capital gain or loss and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Bond has been held for more than 12 months at the time of sale, exchange or retirement.

**Reporting Requirements.** In general, information reporting requirements will apply to certain payments of principal, interest and premium paid on the Bonds, and to the proceeds paid on the sale of the Bonds, other than certain exempt recipients (such as corporations and foreign entities). A backup withholding tax will apply to such payments if the owner fails to provide a taxpayer identification number or certification of foreign or other exempt status or fails to report in full dividend and interest income. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment to an owner will be allowed as a credit against the owner's federal income tax liability.

Collateral Federal Income Tax Consequences. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that ownership of the Bonds may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers,

including, without limitation, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, certain S corporations with "excess net passive income," foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax, life insurance companies, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry or have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to the Bonds. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding these tax consequences. Purchasers of Bonds should consult their tax advisors as to the applicability of these tax consequences and other federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Bonds, including the possible application of state, local, foreign and other tax laws.

Bond Counsel notes that the interest on the Bonds may be included in adjusted financial statement income of applicable corporations for purposes of determining the applicability and amount of the federal corporate alternative minimum tax.

#### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

#### General

The City is executing a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, in substantially the form provided in *Appendix D* to this Official Statement, for the benefit of the owners and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds in order to comply with Rule 15c2 12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule"). The City is the only "obligated person" with responsibility for continuing disclosure.

The City has engaged in undertakings similar to the Continuing Disclosure Certificate with respect to several series of bonds previously issued by the City to provide to the national information repositories (presently, only the MSRB) the audited financial statements of the City and updates of certain operating data of the City. Over the last five years (i.e., for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2019 through December 31, 2023), the City timely filed its audited financial statements and operating data.

## **Electronic Municipal Market Access System (EMMA)**

All Annual Reports and notices of Material Events required to be filed by the City or the Dissemination Agent pursuant to the Continuing Disclosure Certificate must be submitted to the MSRB through the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access system ("EMMA"). EMMA is an internet-based, online portal for free investor access to municipal bond information, including offering documents, material event notices, real-time municipal securities trade prices and MSRB education resources, available at <a href="https://www.emma.msrb.org">www.emma.msrb.org</a>. Nothing contained on EMMA relating to the City or the Bonds is incorporated by reference in this Official Statement.

#### **RATINGS**

Moody's Investors Services has assigned the Bonds a rating of "\_\_\_\_" which reflects its evaluation of the investment quality of the Bonds. Such rating reflects only the view of such rating agency, and an explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained therefrom. There is no assurance that the rating will remain in effect for any given period of time or that it will not be revised, either downward or upward, or withdrawn entirely, by said rating agency if, in its judgment, circumstances warrant. Any such downward revisions or withdrawal of the rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

The City has furnished the rating agency with certain information and materials relating to the Bonds and the City that have not been included in this Official Statement. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings on the information and materials so furnished and on investigations, studies and assumptions made by the rating agencies. There is no assurance that a particular rating will be maintained for any given period of time or that it will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely if, in the judgment of the rating agency originally establishing such rating, circumstances so warrant. The Underwriter has not undertaken any responsibility to bring to the attention of the holders of the Bonds any proposed revision or withdrawal of the ratings of the Bonds or to oppose any such proposed revision or withdrawal. Pursuant to the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, the City is required to bring

to the attention of the holders of the Bonds any revision or withdrawal of the ratings of the Bonds but has not undertaken any responsibility to oppose any such revision or withdrawal. See the section herein captioned "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE." Any such revision or withdrawal of the ratings could have an adverse effect on the market price and marketability of the Bonds.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Municipal Advisor**

The City has retained Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC (the "Municipal Advisor" or "BTMA") as municipal advisor in connection with certain aspects of the sale of the Bonds. BTMA is a municipal advisor registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. BTMA is a subsidiary of Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP ("BTAG") which is indirectly owned by (a) H&F Waterloo Holdings, L.P., an affiliate of Hellman & Friedman LLC ("H&F"), an investment adviser registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), (b) Valeas Capital Partners Fund I Waterloo Aggregator LP, an affiliate of Valeas Capital Partners Management LP ("Valeas"), an investment adviser registered with the SEC, and (c) individuals who are principals of BTAG. None of these parties own a majority interest in BTAG, or indirectly, BTMA. Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP and Baker Tilly US, LLP, trading as Baker Tilly, operate under an alternative practice structure and are members of the global network of Baker Tilly International, Ltd. Baker Tilly US, LLP ("BTUS") is a licensed CPA firm providing assurance services to its clients. BTAG and its subsidiary entities provide tax and consulting services to their clients and are not licensed CPA firms.

BTMA has been retained by the City to provide certain municipal advisory services to City and, in that capacity, has assisted the City in preparing this Official Statement. The information contained in the Official Statement has been compiled from the sources stated or, if not otherwise sourced, from records and other materials provided by the City. The Municipal Advisor makes no representation, warranty or guarantee regarding the accuracy or completeness of the information in this Official Statement, and its assistance in preparing this Official Statement should not be construed as a representation that it has independently verified such information.

The Municipal Advisor's duties, responsibilities and fees arise solely as Municipal Advisor to the City, and it has no secondary obligations or other responsibility.

Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations:

Baker Tilly Wealth Management, LLC ("BTWM"), an SEC registered investment adviser, and Baker Tilly Capital, LLC ("BTC"), a broker/dealer registered with the SEC and member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"), are controlled subsidiaries of BTAG. Both H&F and Valeas, are registered with the SEC as investment advisers and serve as managers of, or advisers to, certain private investment funds, some of which indirectly own BTAG.

BTWM and other subsidiaries of BTAG may provide advisory services to the clients of BTMA. BTMA has no other activities or arrangements that are material to its municipal advisory business or its clients with a related person who is a broker-dealer, investment company, other investment adviser or financial planner, bank, law firm or other financial entity.

## Underwriting

Based upon bids received by the	City on	025, the Bonds were awarded to
(the "Underwriter"). The Bonds are being	purchased for reoffering	g by the Underwriter. The Underwriter has agreed
to purchase the Bonds from the City at a j	price equal to \$	(representing the par amount of the Bonds less
an underwriters' discount of \$a	nd [plus a net original is	ssue premium] [less a net original issue discount
of \$). The Underwriter is pu	rchasing the Bonds fror	n the City for resale in the normal course of the

Underwriter's business activities. The Underwriter reserves the right to offer any of the Bonds to one or more purchasers on such terms and conditions and at such price or prices as the Underwriter, in its discretion, shall determine. The Underwriter reserves the right to join with dealers and other purchasers in offering the Bonds to the public. The Underwriter may offer and sell Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing Bonds into investment trusts) at prices lower than the public offering prices.

The Underwriter has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriter does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of that information.

## **Certification and Other Matters Regarding Official Statement**

Information set forth in this Official Statement has been furnished or reviewed by certain officials of the City, certified public accountants, and other sources, as referred to herein, which are believed to be reliable. Any statements made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion, estimates or projections, whether or not so expressly stated, are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of the estimates or projections will be realized.

The Preliminary Official Statement has been "deemed final" by the City except for the omission of certain information as provided by Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12. Simultaneously with the delivery of the Bonds, the Mayor of the City, acting on behalf of the City, will furnish to the Underwriter a certificate that shall state, among other things, that to the best knowledge and belief of such officer, this Official Statement (and any amendment or supplement hereto) as of the date of sale and as of the date of delivery of the Bonds does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements herein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in any material respect.

The form of this Official Statement, and its distribution and use by the Underwriter, has been approved by the City. Neither the City nor any of its officers, directors or employees, in either their official or personal capacities, has made any warranties, representations or guarantees regarding the financial condition of the City or the City's ability to make payments required of it; and further, neither the City nor its officers, directors or employees assumes any duties, responsibilities or obligations in relation to the issuance of the Bonds other than those either expressly or by fair implication imposed on the City by the Bond Ordinance.

## **CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI**

By: _			
	Mayor		

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# THE CITY

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## GENERAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

#### General

The City is a constitutionally chartered city and political subdivision, duly created and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri. Additional information regarding the City may be obtained from Jimmy Liles, City Administrator, City of Nixa, 715 W. Mt. Vernon Street, Nixa, Missouri 65714, (417) 725-3785.

The City is approximately 9 square miles in area and located in Christian County, Missouri. The City is in the southwestern part of the State, six miles south of Springfield, Missouri. The estimated population of the City is 25,405 (U.S. Census Bureau, 2023).

The City is governed by a Mayor/Council form of government and exercises powers of municipal government specifically granted by the State of Missouri and its Charter. The City is governed by a City Council composed of six members who are elected from three districts to serve staggered three-year terms. The Mayor is elected at large for a term of three years. The Mayor presides over all meetings, but votes only in the case of a tie in the City Council. The City Council establishes utility and tax rates and authorizes all municipal indebtedness. The City Council appoints a City Administrator who assists the Mayor and City Council in the conduct of City business. The appointment is indefinite. The City Administrator is the budget officer of the City and works directly with the management team in preparing the budget for each year. The proposed annual budget is presented to and approved by the City Council. The City Administrator has continuing responsibility throughout the year in proper implementation and administration of the City budget. Tax rates are established by the City Council to support the budget adopted. As required by state law, the aggregate City budget may not include any expenditures in excess of anticipated revenues plus any unencumbered balances. The City's fiscal year ends on December 31.

# **Municipal Services and Utilities**

The City owns and operates its own electric, water and sewer systems. Energy transmission is provided by Southwest Power Pool, and the City purchases solar, wind and hydropower for a total renewable energy supply of approximately 54%. Natural gas service is provided by Spire and phone service by AT&T. Fire protection is provided by the Nixa Fire Protection District and ambulance service is provided by the Christian County Ambulance District. The City contracts with a third party to provide trash and recycling service to City residents. The City provides its citizens with typical services such as street maintenance and construction, police protection, code enforcement, engineering and planning, building inspections, economic development and parks and recreation.

# **Transportation and Communication Facilities**

The City is located along Missouri State Highway 60 and U.S. Highway 65. The Springfield-Branson National Airport is approximately 20 miles north of the City.

The City is served by television and radio stations and telecable systems operating in the Springfield metropolitan area. Local news coverage is provided by *The Springfield News-Leader*, published six days a week, and *The Christian County Headliner News*, published weekly.

# **Educational Institutions and Facilities**

The Nixa Public School District (the "School District") serves the City and currently holds an "accredited" rating from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, which is the highest rating attainable. The School District encompasses two early learning centers, five elementary schools, two intermediate schools, one junior high school, one high school and an alternative school with a total enrollment of approximately 6,456 students in the 2022-23 school year. In addition, the City's residents have access to the Springfield metropolitan area's colleges and universities, community colleges and technical schools.

#### **Recreational Facilities**

The City provides several parks for its residents including the 10-acre Rotary Park and the 40-acre McCauley Park that provide walking trails, picnic areas and playgrounds. The City also owns and maintains a 6-acre botanical garden with walking trail, a 4-acre dog park, and a 30,000 square foot community center with a multipurpose gymnasium, track, café and outdoor aquatic center.

# **Economy**

The City's population more than tripled from 4,076 in 1990 to 19,022 in 2010. The estimated population as of 2023 is 25,405, an increase from 2010 of 33%. The City's convenient location in the Springfield metropolitan area provides a continuous source of products and services in banking, education, agricultural enterprise and industry, as well as recreational and historical facilities for its residents.

#### ECONOMIC INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CITY

## **Commerce and Industry**

Some major employers in the City include:

1. Nixa School District	Education	832
2. Wal-Mart	Retail	388
3. Diversified Plastic	Engineering/Manufacturing	190
4. City of Nixa	Government	158
5. Nixa Nursing & Rehab	Senior Care/Living	77
6. The Castlewoods Senior Living	Senior Care/Living	76
7. Total Highspeed	Internet Provider	73
8. Nixa Hardware	Retail	72
9. Springfield Marine	Manufacturing/Fabrication	71
10. Alliance Bus Company	Transportation	70

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

## **General and Demographic Information**

The following table sets forth certain population information.

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
City of Nixa	2,662	4,707	12,124	19,022	23,257
Christian County	22,402	33,644	54,285	77,422	88,842
State of Missouri	4,916,776	5,117,073	5,595,211	5,988,927	6,154,913

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census 1980-2020.

# Population Distribution by Age

<u>Age</u>	City of Nixa	<b>Christian County</b>	State of Missouri
II 1 6	1.016	5 429	260 177
Under 5	1,816	5,438	360,175
5-14 years	3,593	13,140	773,941
15-19 years	1,345	5,798	406,068
20-44 years	8,023	27,795	1,998,131
45-54 years	2,558	11,134	730,378
55-64 years	2,735	11,337	823,246
65 years and older	<u>3,453</u>	<u>14,386</u>	1,062,483
Total	<u>23,523</u>	<u>89,568</u>	<u>6,154,422</u>
Median Age	36.1	39.1	38.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau – American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (2018-2022).

#### **Labor Statistics**

The following table sets forth unemployment figures for the last five years for Christian County and the State of Missouri.

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024*</u>
Christian County					
Civilian labor force	45,426	46,230	47,079	48,147	48,857
Unemployed	2,246	1,422	995	1,212	1,541
Unemployment rate (%)	4.9	3.1	2.1	2.5	3.2
State of Missouri					
Civilian labor force	3,037,880	3,050,028	3,036,611	3,087,759	3,140,039
Unemployed	185,933	124,810	79,259	94,172	119,724
Unemployment rate (%)	6.1	4.1	2.6	3.0	3.8

<sup>\*</sup> Average January-September

Source: Missouri Economic Research and Information Center, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

# **Income Statistics**

The following table sets forth income statistics for 2022 for the City, Christian County and the State of Missouri:

	Per Capita	Median Family
City of Nixa	\$31,335	\$81,740
Christian County	35,587	87,975
State of Missouri	36,754	84,745

Source: U.S. Census Bureau – American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (2018-2022).

# **Housing Structures**

The following table sets forth statistics regarding housing structures by type in the City for the year 2022:

<b>Housing Type</b>	Number of Units	Percentage of Units
Single-Family	7,508	83.6%
Mobile Home	12	0.1
Multi-Family	1,458	16.3

Source: U.S. Census Bureau – American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (2018-2022).

The median value of owner-occupied housing units in the area of the City and related areas in 2022 was as follows:

	Median Value
City of Nixa	\$222,600
Christian County	229,200
State of Missouri	199,400

Source: U.S. Census Bureau – American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (2018-2022).

#### Construction

The following chart summarizes construction activity during the past five calendar years by the number of permits issued and the estimated value for new construction, additions, renovations and repairs.

Calendar Year	<b>Building Permits Issued</b>	<b>Estimated Value</b>
2023	224	\$85,094,665
2022	214	80,284,921
2021	301	79,942,435
2020	252	76,433,913
2019	270	69,052,184

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

The following chart summarizes construction activity during the past five calendar years by the number and type of new units constructed.

<u>Year</u>	<u>New</u> <u>Residential</u>	New Commercial and Industrial	Alterations and Additions	<u>Total</u>
2023	207	2	15	224
2022	190	7	17	214
2021	277	14	20	301
2020	222	10	16	252
2019	247	18	13	270

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

#### DEBT STRUCTURE OF THE CITY

## **Current Indebtedness of the City**

The City does not have any general obligation indebtedness outstanding.

# **History of General Obligation Indebtedness**

The following table sets forth debt information pertaining to the City as of the end of each of the last five fiscal years:

Fiscal Year Ending December 31	Outstanding <u>Debt</u>	Debt as % of Assessed Valuation
2023	\$-	0.0%
2022	-	0.0
2021	-	0.0
2020	165,300	0.1
2019	454,500	0.1

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year 2023; Christian County Clerk.

The City has never defaulted on the payment of any of its debt obligations.

# **Overlapping Indebtedness**

The following table sets forth the approximate overlapping general obligation indebtedness of political subdivisions with boundaries overlapping the City as of November 1, 2024, and the percent attributable (on the basis of current assessed valuation) to the City. The table was compiled from information furnished by the jurisdictions responsible for the debt, and the City has not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of such information. Furthermore, political subdivisions may have ongoing programs requiring the issuance of substantial additional bonds, the amounts of which cannot be determined at this time.

Taxing <u>Jurisdiction</u>	Outstanding General Obligation Indebtedness	Percent Applicable to City <sup>(1)</sup>	Amount Applicable to City
Nixa School District	\$92,150,000	65.9%	\$60,726,850
Nixa Fire Protection District	6,650,000	67.7	4,502,050
Total	\$98,800,000		\$65,228,900

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Missouri State Auditor, 2023 Assessed Valuations.

# Debt Summary (as of 11/1/2024)

2024 Assessed Valuation:	\$486,295,007
2024 Estimated Actual Valuation:	\$2,220,794,263
Population of City (2023 Estimated):	25,405
Total Direct Outstanding General Obligation Debt(1):	\$0
Overlapping General Obligation Debt <sup>(1)</sup> :	\$65,228,900
Direct and Overlapping General Obligation Debt:	\$65,228,900
Ratio of Direct General Obligation Debt to Assessed Valuation:	0.00%
Ratio of Direct General Obligation Debt to Estimated Actual Valuation:	0.00%
Per Capita Direct General Obligation Debt:	\$0.00
Ratio of Direct and Overlapping General Obligation Debt to Assessed Valuation:	13.41%
Ratio of Direct and Overlapping General Obligation Debt to Estimated Actual Valuation:	2.94%
Per Capita Direct and Overlapping General Obligation Debt:	\$2,567.56

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes general obligation debt of political subdivisions with boundaries overlapping the City. See "DEBT STRUCTURE OF THE CITY – Overlapping Indebtedness" above.

# Other Long-Term Obligations of the City

The following table sets forth the outstanding long-term obligations (other than general obligation indebtedness) of the City as of November 1, 2024:

Category of Obligation(1)	Principal Amount Outstanding
Ref. Certificates of Participation (Wastewater), Series 2013	\$55,000
Special Obligation Bonds (Waterworks), Series 2022A	2,540,000
Lease Purchase Agreement (Vehicles), 2022	28,667
Lease Purchase Agreement (Police Vehicles), 2023	529,189
	<u>\$3,152,856</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> See "Note E (Long-Term Debt) and Note F (Capitalized Lease Obligation)" in the City's financial statements included in *Appendix B*.

Source: City of Nixa, Missouri.

# **Legal Debt Capacity**

Article VI, Sections 26(b) and (c) of the Constitution of the State of Missouri limit the net outstanding amount of authorized general obligation indebtedness for a city to 10 percent of the assessed valuation of the city by a two-thirds (four-sevenths at certain elections) vote of the qualified voters. Article VI, Section 26(d) provides that a city may, by a two-thirds (four-sevenths at certain elections) vote of the qualified voters, incur indebtedness in an amount not to exceed an additional 10 percent for the purpose of acquiring rights-of-way, construction, extending and improving streets and avenues and sanitary or storm sewer systems, provided the total general obligation indebtedness of a city does not exceed 20 percent of the assessed valuation. Article VI, Section 26(e) provides that a city may, by a two-thirds (four-sevenths at certain elections) vote of the qualified voters, incur indebtedness in an amount not exceeding an additional 10 percent for the purpose of purchasing or

constructing waterworks, electric or other light plants to be owned exclusively by the city, provided that the total general obligation indebtedness of a city does not exceed 20 percent of the assessed valuation. The legal debt capacity of the City for an election to be held in 2025 is:

Constitutional Debt Limit
(20% of assessed valuation)

Bond Indebtedness Outstanding

\$97,259,001

0

REMAINING LEGAL DEBT CAPACITY \$97,259,001

#### **Future Financings**

The City does not have any additional financing plans in the next six months.

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CITY

## Accounting, Budgeting and Auditing Procedures

The City complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applied to governmental units, including all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. The accounts of the City are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The government-wide statement of net assets and statement of activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. In the fund financial statements, the proprietary and fiduciary funds are presented using the accrual basis of accounting while the governmental funds are presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures or expenses as appropriate.

An annual budget is prepared under the direction of the City Administrator and submitted to the City Council for consideration prior to the fiscal year commencing on January 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and revenue sources. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments. The budget is legally enacted through the adoption of an ordinance. The primary basis of budgetary control is at the fund level. The City Administrator and the Finance Director are authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between programs within any department; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any department must be approved by the City Council. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all funds. Budgets for all funds are adopted on a modified accrual basis.

The financial records of the City are audited annually by a firm of independent certified public accountants in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The annual audit for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023 was performed by Decker & DeGood, PC, Springfield, Missouri. Copies of the audit reports for the past 5 years are available from the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Electronic Municipal Market Access system (www.emma.msrb.org) or are available on the City's website (www.nixa.com).

## **Sources of Revenue**

The City finances its general operations through the following taxes and other miscellaneous sources as indicated below for the City's general fund for the 2023 fiscal year (the last available audited financial statements):

<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Taxes	\$7,273,183	62.0%
Licenses and Permits	68,358	0.6
Charges for Services	2,867,682	24.4
Fines and Forfeitures	101,873	0.9
Grants and Contributions	617,126	5.3
Impact Fees	209,140	1.8
Investment Income	571,980	4.8
Miscellaneous	24,720	0.2
	\$11,734,062	<u>100.0%</u>

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

## **Sales Tax Collections**

The following table sets forth the amounts collected by the City during each of the below fiscal years pursuant to the respective sales tax:

	Sales Taxes				
Fiscal <u>Year</u>	1.00% <u>General</u>	0.50% Transportation	0.75% General (Public Safety)*	2.25% <u>Use Tax</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023	\$3,731,590	\$1,865,795	\$441,611	\$1,246,885	\$7,285,881
2022	3,663,450	1,831,726	-	853,580	6,348,756
2021	3,419,120	1,709,560	-	685,078	5,813,758
2020	3,089,364	1,544,682	-	603,597	5,237,643
2019	2,767,935	1,383,968	-	414,994	4,566,897

<sup>\*</sup> Additional ¾-cent general sales tax for public safety was passed in April of 2023. Collection of this tax began in October, 2023. Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

# **Property Valuations**

Assessment Procedure:

All taxable real and personal property within the City is assessed annually by the County Assessor. Missouri law requires that real property be assessed at the following percentages of true value:

Residential real property	19%
Agricultural and horticultural real property	12%
Utility, industrial, commercial, railroad and all other real property	32%

A general reassessment of real property occurred statewide in 1985. In order to maintain equalized assessed valuations following this reassessment, the Missouri General Assembly adopted a maintenance law in 1986. Beginning January 1, 1987, and every odd-numbered year thereafter, each County Assessor must adjust the

assessed valuation of all real property located within his or her county in accordance with a two-year assessment and equalization maintenance plan approved by the State Tax Commission.

The assessment ratio for personal property is generally 33-1/3% of true value. However, subclasses of tangible personal property are assessed at the following assessment percentages: grain and other agricultural crops in an unmanufactured condition, 1/2%; livestock, 12%; farm machinery, 12%; historic motor vehicles, 5%; and poultry, 12%.

The County Assessor is responsible for preparing the tax roll each year and for submitting the tax roll to the Board of Equalization. The County Board of Equalization has the authority to adjust and equalize the values of individual properties appearing on the tax rolls.

The following table shows the total assessed valuation, by category, of all taxable tangible property situated in the City according to the assessment of **2024** (the last completed assessment).

	<b>Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>Assessment Rate</b>	<b>Estimated Actual Valuation</b>
Real Estate:			
Residential	\$332,984,280	19%	\$1,752,548,842
Commercial	64,771,567	32	202,411,147
Agricultural	35,670	12	297,250
Sub-Total	397,791,517		1,955,257,239
Personal Property	88,503,490	33 1/3*	265,537,024
Total	<u>\$486,295,007</u>		<u>\$2,220,794,263</u>

<sup>\*</sup> Assumes all personal property is assessed at 33 1/3%; because certain subclasses of tangible personal property are assessed at less than 33 1/3%, the estimated actual valuation for personal property would likely be greater than that shown above. See "Assessment Procedure" discussed above.

Source: Christian County Clerk.

*History of Property Valuation:* 

The total assessed valuation of all taxable tangible property situated in the City, including state assessed railroad and utility property, according to the assessments of January 1 in each of the following years, has been as follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Assessed Valuation</b>	Percent Change	
2024	\$486,295,007	3.9%	
2023	468,048,762	10.6	
2022	423,044,308	7.8	
2021	392,485,170	15.2	
2020	340,621,780	5.8	

Source: Christian County Clerk.

#### **Property Tax Levies and Collections**

Tax Collection Procedure: Property taxes are levied and collected by the County. The City is required by law to prepare an annual budget, which includes an estimate of the amount of revenues to be received from all sources for the budget year, including an estimate of the amount of money required to be raised from property taxes and the tax levy rates required to produce such amounts. The budget must also include proposed expenditures and

must state the amount required for the payment of interest, amortization and redemption charges on the City's debt for the ensuing budget year. Such estimates are based on the assessed valuation figures provided by the County Clerk. The City must fix its ad valorem property tax rates and certify them to the County Clerk not later than September first for entry in the tax books.

The County Clerk receives the county tax books from the County Assessor, which set forth the assessments of real and personal property. The County Clerk enters the tax rates certified to him by the local taxing bodies in the tax books and assesses such rates against all taxable property in the City as shown in such books. The County Clerk forwards the tax books by October 31 to the County Collector, who is charged with levying and collecting taxes as shown in the tax books. The County Collector extends the taxes on the tax rolls and issues the tax statements in early December. Taxes are due by December 31 and become delinquent if not paid to the County Collector by that time. All tracts of land and city lots on which delinquent taxes are due are charged with a penalty of eighteen percent of each year's delinquency. All lands and lots on which taxes are delinquent and unpaid are subject to sale at public auction in August of each year.

The County Collector is required to make disbursements of collected taxes to the City each month. Because of the tax collection procedure described above, the City receives the bulk of its moneys from local property taxes in the months of December, January and February.

# **Tax Rates**

Debt Service Levy. The City does not currently impose a debt service levy. Once indebtedness has been approved by the constitutionally required percentage of the voters voting therefor and bonds are issued, the City is required under Article VI, Section 26(f) of the Missouri Constitution to levy an annual tax on all taxable tangible property therein sufficient to pay the interest and principal of the indebtedness as they fall due and to retire the same within 20 years from the date of issue. The City Council may set the tax rate for debt service, without limitation as to rate or amount, at the level required to make such payments.

Operating Levy. The current operating levy of the City (including all property tax levies except for the debt service levy) is \$0.2981 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The operating levy (consisting of all ad valorem taxes except for the debt service levy) cannot exceed the "tax rate ceiling" for the current year without voter approval. The tax rate ceiling, determined annually, is the rate of levy which, when charged against the newly assessed valuation of the City for the current year, excluding new construction and improvements, will produce an amount of tax revenues equal to tax revenues for the previous year increased by 5% or the Consumer Price Index, whichever is lower. Without the required percentage of voter approval, the tax rate ceiling cannot at any time exceed the greater of the tax rate in effect in 1980 or the most recent voter-approved tax rate. The tax levy for debt service on the City's general obligation bonds is exempt from the calculations of and limitations upon the tax rate ceiling. Under Article X, Section 11(c) of the Missouri Constitution, any increase in the City's general fund levy above \$1.00 must be approved by two-thirds of the voters voting on the proposition. The current tax rate ceiling for the operating levy is \$0.2981 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

In 2008, through the enactment of Senate Bill 711 ("SB 711"), the Missouri General Assembly approved further limitations on the amount of property taxes that can be imposed by a local governmental unit. Prior to the enactment of SB 711, a "Hancock rollback" would not necessarily result in a reduction of a city's actual operating tax levy if its current tax levy was less than its current tax levy ceiling, due to the city's voluntary rollback from the maximum authorized tax levy. Under SB 711, in reassessment years (odd-numbered years), the Hancock rollback is applied to a city's actual operating tax levy, regardless of whether that levy is at the city's tax levy ceiling. This further reduction is sometimes referred to as an "SB 711 rollback." In non-reassessment years (even-numbered years), the operating levy may be increased to the city's tax levy ceiling (as adjusted by the Hancock rollback), only after a public hearing and adoption of a resolution or policy statement justifying the action.

The City does not levy a tax on personal property. The following table shows the City's tax levies (per \$100 of assessed valuation) for each of the following fiscal years:

Calendar Year Ended	Total Levy
2023	\$0.2981
2022	0.2990
2021	0.2990
2020	0.3246
2019	0.3246

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

#### **Tax Collection Record**

The City does not currently levy a tax on personal property. The following table sets forth tax collection information for the City for the following fiscal years.

			Current and Delinquent <u>Taxes Collected</u>	
<u>Calendar Year</u> <u>Ended</u>	<b>Total Levy</b>	Taxes Levied	<u>Amount</u>	<u>%</u>
2023	\$0.2981	\$1,133,970	\$1,097,723	96.8%
2022	0.2990	1,013,985	1,010,388	99.6
2021	0.2990	972,681	971,546	99.9
2020	0.3246	914,540	913,903	99.9
2019	0.3246	864,414	864,414	100.0

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

# **Major Taxpayers**

The following is a list of the tax payers located in the City with the greatest assessed valuation for the 2023 calendar year.

	<u>Business</u>	Business Type	Assessed <u>Valuation</u>	Percentage of Assessed Valuation
1.	Spire (Missouri Gas Energy)	Natural Gas	\$3,984,930	0.85%
2.	Wal-Mart	Retail	2,497,150	0.53
3.	Lester E Cox Medical Centers	Healthcare	2,015,040	0.43
4.	Nixa Senior Community LLC	Residential	1,640,590	0.35
5.	Associated Nixa LLC	Business	1,420,960	0.30
6.	Carnahan Investments Enterprise Inc.	Business	1,156,320	0.25
7.	St. John's Health Systems	Healthcare	1,114,080	0.24
8.	Southernwood Condominium LLC	Residential	1,022,310	0.22
9.	Fountain Plaza Group	Property Management	915,260	0.20
10.	Christian County Apartments LLC	Residential	881,300	0.19

Source: City's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2023.

# **Pension and Employee Retirement Plans**

The City participates in the Missouri Local Government Employees' Retirement System ("LAGERS"), an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for local government entities in Missouri. LAGERS was created and is governed by state statute and is a defined-benefit pension plan that provides retirement, disability and death benefits. The plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and is tax-exempt. LAGERS is governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees ("LAGERS' Board") consisting of three trustees elected by participating employees, three trustees elected by participating employers and one trustee appointed by the Missouri Governor.

LAGERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The LAGERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 (the "2023 LAGERS ACFR") is available at https://www.molagers.org/financial-reports/. The link to the 2023 LAGERS ACFR is provided for general background information only, and the information in the 2023 LAGERS ACFR is not incorporated by reference into this Official Statement. The 2023 LAGERS ACFR provides detailed information about LAGERS, including its financial position, investment policy and performance information, actuarial information and assumptions affecting plan design and policies, and certain statistical information about the plan.

For additional information regarding the City's participation in LAGERS relating to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, including the City's past contributions, net pension liability, and pension expense, see "Note I – Defined Benefit Pension Plan" in *Appendix B*, and for additional information regarding LAGERS, see the 2023 LAGERS ACFR.

# APPENDIX B

# ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

[To be attached.]

## APPENDIX C

#### PROPOSED FORM OF OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL

City of Nixa, Missouri Nixa, Missouri

[Underwriter] [Underwriter City, State]

Re: \$15,300,000\* City of Nixa, Missouri Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as bond counsel to the City of Nixa, Missouri (the "City") in connection with the issuance of the above-captioned bonds (the "Bonds"). In this capacity, we have examined the law and the certified proceedings, certifications and other documents that we deem necessary to render this opinion.

Regarding questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied on the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials and others furnished to us without undertaking to verify them by independent investigation.

Based on and subject to the foregoing, we are of the opinion, under existing law, as follows:

- 1. The Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the City and are valid and legally binding general obligations of the City.
- 2. The Bonds are special obligations of the City payable solely from amounts pledged or appropriated therefor in each Fiscal Year (i) out of the income and revenues provided for such Fiscal Year plus (ii) any unencumbered balances for previous years. The Bonds do not constitute general obligations or indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional, charter or statutory debt limitation or restriction, and the City does not pledge its full faith and credit and is not obligated to levy taxes or resort to any other moneys or property of the City to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds.
- 3. The interest on the Bonds (including any original issue discount properly allocable to an owner thereof) (i) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (ii) is exempt from income taxation by the State of Missouri, and (iii) is not an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax. The opinions set forth in this paragraph are subject to the condition that the City complies with all requirements of the Code that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that interest thereon be, or continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The City has covenanted to comply with all of these requirements. Failure to comply with certain of these requirements may cause the interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal and Missouri income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Bonds are not "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

We express no opinion regarding the accuracy, completeness or sufficiency of the Official Statement or other offering material relating to the Bonds (except to the extent, if any, stated in the Official Statement). Further, we express no opinion regarding tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds other than as

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

expressly set forth in this opinion.

The rights of the owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and by equitable principles, whether considered at law or in equity.

This opinion is given as of its date, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may come to our attention or any changes in law that may occur after the date of this opinion.

This opinion is limited to the laws of the State of Missouri and applicable laws of the United States.

Very truly yours,

# APPENDIX D

# FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE	
Dated as of February, 2025	
D.	
By	
CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI	
relating to	
\$15,300,000* CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI	
SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025	

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate dated as of February \_\_\_, 2025 (the "Continuing Disclosure Certificate"), is executed and delivered by the CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI (the "Issuer").

#### RECITALS

- 1. This Continuing Disclosure Certificate is executed and delivered by the Issuer in connection with the issuance by the Issuer of \$15,300,000\* original principal amount of Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds"), pursuant to an ordinance adopted by the governing body of the Issuer on January 21, 2025 (the "Ordinance").
- 2. The Issuer is entering into this Continuing Disclosure Certificate for the benefit of the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds and in order to assist the Participating Underwriter in complying with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule"). The Issuer is the only "obligated person" (as defined by the Rule) with responsibility for continuing disclosure hereunder.

In consideration of the covenants and agreements herein, the Issuer covenants and agrees as follows:

- **Section 1. Definitions.** In addition to the definitions set forth in the Ordinance, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Continuing Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:
- "Annual Report" means any Annual Report filed by the Issuer pursuant to, and as described in, Section 2 of this Continuing Disclosure Certificate.
- "Beneficial Owner" means any registered owner of any Bonds and any person who (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bonds (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds for federal income tax purposes.
- **"EMMA"** means the Electronic Municipal Market Access system for municipal securities disclosures established and maintained by the MSRB, which can be accessed at www.emma.msrb.org.
- "Financial Obligation" means a (a) debt obligation; (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) guarantee of (a) or (b) in this definition; *provided however*, the term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.
- **"Fiscal Year"** means the 12-month period beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31 or any other 12-month period selected by the Issuer as the Fiscal Year of the Issuer for financial reporting purposes.

"Material Events" means any of the events listed in Section 3 of this Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or any successor repository designated as such by the Securities and Exchange Commission in accordance with the Rule.

"Participating Underwriter" means any of the original underwriters of the Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with the offering of the Bonds.

"Rule" means Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

#### **Section 2. Provision of Annual Reports.**

- (a) The Issuer shall, not later than six months after the end of the Issuer's Fiscal Year, commencing with the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2024, provide to the MSRB, through EMMA, the following financial information and operating data (the "Annual Report"):
  - The audited financial statements of the Issuer for the prior Fiscal Year. If audited (1) financial statements are not available by the time the Annual Report is required to be filed pursuant to this Section, the Annual Report shall contain unaudited financial statements in a format similar to the financial statements contained in the final Official Statement relating to the Bonds, and the audited financial statements shall be filed in the same manner as the Annual Report promptly after they become available. The audited financial statements of the Issuer are currently prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to government units. If the Issuer changes the format of its financial statements, (1) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as for a Material Event, and (2) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.
  - (2) Updates as of the end of the Fiscal Year of certain financial information and operating data contained in the final Official Statement, as described in **Exhibit A**, in substantially the same format contained in the final Official Statement.

Any or all of the items listed above may be included by specific reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues with respect to which the Issuer is an "obligated person" (as defined by the Rule), which have been filed with the MSRB and are available through EMMA or to the Securities and Exchange Commission. If the document included by reference is a final official statement, it must be available from the MSRB on EMMA. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so included by reference.

In each case, the Annual Report may be filed as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in this

Section; <u>provided</u> that the audited financial statements of the Issuer may be filed separately from the balance of the Annual Report and later than the date required above for the filing of the Annual Report if they are not available by that date. If the Issuer's Fiscal Year changes, it shall give notice of such change in the same manner as for a Material Event under **Section 3**.

(b) The Annual Report shall be filed with the MSRB in such manner and format as is prescribed by the MSRB.

**Section 3. Reporting of Material Events.** No later than 10 business days after the occurrence of any of the following events, the Issuer shall give, or cause to be given to the MSRB, through EMMA, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds ("**Material Events**"):

- (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (6) adverse tax opinions; the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
- (7) modifications to rights of bondholders, if material;
- (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) defeasances;
- (10) release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- (11) rating changes;
- (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;
- (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of the trustee, if material;
- (15) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and:
- (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

If the Issuer has not filed the Annual Report to the MSRB by the date required in **Section 2(a)**, the Issuer shall send a notice to the MSRB of the failure of the Issuer to file on a timely basis the Annual Report, which notice shall be given by the Issuer in accordance with this **Section 3**.

**Section 4. Termination of Reporting Obligation.** The Issuer's obligations under this Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds. If the Issuer's obligations under this Continuing Disclosure Certificate are assumed in full by some other entity, such person shall be responsible for compliance with this Continuing Disclosure Certificate in the same manner as if it were the Issuer, and the Issuer shall have no further responsibility hereunder. If such termination or substitution occurs prior to the final maturity of the Bonds, the Issuer shall give notice of such termination or substitution in the same manner as for a Material Event under **Section 3**.

**Section 5. Dissemination Agents.** The Issuer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Continuing Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the content of any notice or report (including without limitation the Annual Report) prepared by the Issuer pursuant to this Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

**Section 6. Amendment; Waiver.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this Continuing Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer may amend this Continuing Disclosure Certificate and any provision of this Continuing Disclosure Certificate may be waived, provided that Bond Counsel or other counsel experienced in federal securities law matters provides the Issuer with its written opinion that the undertaking of the Issuer contained herein, as so amended or after giving effect to such waiver, is in compliance with the Rule and all current amendments thereto and interpretations thereof that are applicable to this Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of this Continuing Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall describe such amendment or waiver in the next Annual Report, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or, in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the Issuer. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, (1) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as for a Material Event under **Section 3**, and (2) the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made should present a comparison (in narrative form and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 7. Additional Information. Nothing in this Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Continuing Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Material Event, in addition to that which is required by this Continuing Disclosure Certificate. If the Issuer chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Material Event, in addition to that which is specifically required by this Continuing Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Continuing Disclosure Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Material Event.

**Section 8. Default.** If the Issuer fails to comply with any provision of this Continuing Disclosure Certificate, any Participating Underwriter or any Beneficial Owner of the Bonds may take such

actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer to comply with its obligations under this Continuing Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default under the Ordinance or the Bonds, and the sole remedy under this Continuing Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Issuer to comply with this Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

- **Section 9. Beneficiaries.** This Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Participating Underwriter, and Beneficial Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.
- **Section 10. Severability.** If any provision in this Continuing Disclosure Certificate, the Ordinance or the Bonds shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.
- **Section 11. Electronic Transactions.** The arrangement described herein may be conducted and related documents may be stored, received and delivered by electronic means. Copies, telecopies, facsimiles, electronic files and other reproductions of original documents shall be deemed to be authentic and valid counterparts of such original documents for all purposes, including the filing of any claim, action or suit in the appropriate court of law.
- **Section 12. Governing Law.** This Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Missouri.
- **Section 13. Counterparts.** This Continuing Disclosure Certificate may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

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## CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI

By: _			
Title:	Mayor		

#### **EXHIBIT A**

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND OPERATING DATA TO BE INCLUDED IN ANNUAL REPORT

The financial information and operating data contained in the following sections of the final Official Statement:

#### DEBT STRUCTURE OF THE CITY

Current Indebtedness of the City Other Long-Term Obligations of the City Legal Debt Capacity

FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CITY

Sources of Revenue
Sales Tax Collections
Property Valuations - History of Property Valuation
Tax Rates - Historical Tax Rates (the table showing the City's tax rates)
Tax Collection Record



## City of Nixa, Missouri

Pre-Sale Summary for Issuance of Bonds

\$15,300,000\* Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025

The City Council has under consideration the issuance of Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds") to fund (i) construction of a new police headquarters; and (ii) associated costs of issuance. This document provides information relative to the proposed issuance.

**KEY EVENTS:** The following summary schedule includes the timing of key events that will occur relative

to the bond issuance:

December 17, 2024 First reading of bond ordinance
January 2, 2025 Rating conference is conducted
January 14, 2025 Second reading of bond ordinance

January 21, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Competitive bids are received; award by the City

January 28, 2024 City Council reviews bond sale results

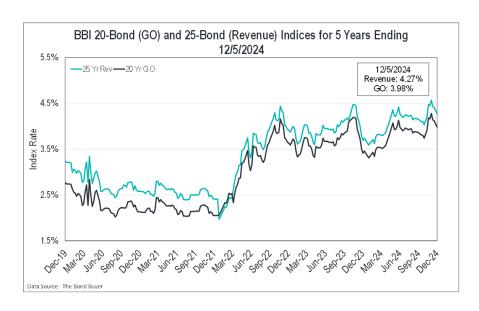
February 5, 2025 Proceeds are received

RATING:

An application will be made to Moody's Ratings (Moody's) for assignment of a credit rating to the Bonds. The City of Nixa's (the "City") outstanding annual appropriation debt is currently rated "Aa3" by Moody's. Moody's rates the City's annual appropriation debt one notch lower than the City's issuer rating of "Aa2" given that it is secured by a pledge to annually consider appropriation of debt service, rather than an unlimited tax pledge. The Bonds will constitute annual appropriation debt.

THE MARKET:

Performance of the tax-exempt market is often measured by the Bond Buyer's Index ("BBI") which measures the yield of high-grade municipal bonds in the 20<sup>th</sup> year for general obligation bonds rated Aa2 by Moody's or AA by S&P (the BBI 20-Bond GO Index) and the 30<sup>th</sup> year for revenue bonds rated A1 by Moody's or A+ by S&P (the BBI 25-Bond Revenue Index). The following chart illustrates these two indices over the past five years:



PURPOSE:

The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance (i) costs to acquire, construct, install, improve, furnish, and equip a new police headquarters and (ii) costs of issuing the Bonds.

**AUTHORITY:** 

<u>Statutory Authority</u>: The Bonds are being issued pursuant to and in full compliance with the City's Charter, the Constitution, and Statutes of the State of Missouri; and an ordinance to be adopted on January 14, 2025 authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Ordinance")

The Ordinance authorizes officers of the City, including the Mayor, the City Administrator and City Clerk to award the Bonds to the lowest bidder on the day of sale pursuant to the following parameters: (1) principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$15,615,000, (2) the Bonds shall have a final maturity not later than 2045, (3) the Bonds shall have a weighted average maturity of not less than 11 years and not more than 13.5 years, (4) the Bonds shall bear interest at various interest rates not to exceed a true interest cost of 5.75% per annum, and (5) the Bonds shall be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity no later than 2033.

SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT:

The Bonds will be special, limited obligations of the City. The City will pledge to consider annually through its budget process the appropriation of funds to pay the following fiscal year Bond debt service from legally available funds. It is the intent of the City to pay the Bond debt service from 0.75% portion of its general sales tax dedicated to fund the police department (the "Public Safety Sales Tax"). The Public Safety Sales Tax was approved by the voters of the City in an election held in April of 2023 and collections of which tax began in October of 2023. The City's total general sales tax, including the 0.75% dedicated to the police department, is 2.25%. The City does not have other outstanding parity bond issues payable from Public Safety Sales Tax revenues.

STRUCTURING SUMMARY:

In consultation with City Staff, the Bonds have been structured with a principal amortization over 20 years and approximately level debt service with principal beginning in 2026. Approximately \$1,100,000 in Public Safety Sales Tax revenue will be allocated each year for 20 years.

SCHEDULES ATTACHED:

- Sources & Uses of Funds; and
- Annual and Semi-Annual Debt Service Schedule, given the current interest rate environment.

RISKS/SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Any projections included herein are estimates at the time this document was prepared and are developed based on current conditions in the municipal market. Market conditions fluctuate daily and can result in significant changes in yields and prices. Future market fluctuations from now until the day of pricing could impact the projected debt service as reflected in this document and supporting schedules. Baker Tilly will continue to monitor the municipal bond market and its impact on this transaction and update the City with any significant changes as they may arise.

SALE TERMS AND MARKETING:

Method of Sale: The Bonds will be sold competitively. Bids from potential purchaser banks will be received on January 21, 2025 with award of the bonds to the bidder offering the lowest true interest cost.



<u>Variability of Issue Size</u>: A specific provision in the sale terms permits modifications to the issue size and/or maturity structure to customize the issue once the price and interest rates are set on the day of sale.

<u>Prepayment Provisions</u>: Bonds maturing on or after August 1, 2034 may be prepaid at a price of par plus accrued interest on or after August 1, 2033.

<u>Bank Qualification</u>: The City expects to issue more than \$10 million in tax-exempt obligations that count against the \$10 million limit for this calendar year; therefore, the Bonds are not designated as bank qualified.



#### **Post Issuance Compliance**

## POST ISSUANCE COMPLIANCE:

The issuance of the Bonds will result in post-issuance compliance responsibilities. The responsibilities are in two primary areas: (i) compliance with federal arbitrage requirements and (ii) compliance with secondary disclosure requirements.

<u>Federal arbitrage requirements</u> include a wide range of implications that have been taken into account as this issue has been structured. Post-issuance compliance responsibilities for this tax-exempt issue include both rebate and yield restriction provisions of the IRS Code. In general terms the arbitrage requirements control the earnings on unexpended bond proceeds, including investment earnings, moneys held for debt service payments (which are considered to be proceeds under the IRS regulations), and/or reserves. Under certain circumstances any "excess earnings" will need to be paid to the IRS to maintain the tax-exempt status of the Bonds. Any interest earnings on gross bond proceeds or debt service funds should not be spent until it has been determined based on actual facts that they are not "excess earnings" as defined by the IRS Code.

The arbitrage rules provide for spend-down exceptions for proceeds that are spent within either a 6-month, 18-month or, for certain construction issues, a 24-month period each in accordance with certain spending criteria. Proceeds that qualify for an exception will be exempt from rebate. These exceptions are based on actual expenditures and not based on reasonable expectations, and expenditures, including any investment proceeds will have to meet the spending criteria to qualify for the exclusion. The City expects to meet the 24-month spending exception.

Regardless of whether the issue qualifies for an exemption from the rebate provisions, yield restriction provisions will apply to Bond proceeds (including interest earnings) unspent after three years and the debt service fund throughout the term of the Bonds. These moneys should be monitored until the Bonds are retired.

<u>Secondary disclosure requirements</u> result from an SEC requirement that underwriters provide ongoing disclosure information to investors. To meet this requirement, any prospective underwriter will require the City to commit to providing the information needed to comply under a continuing disclosure agreement.

The City contracts with Baker Tilly to provide post issuance arbitrage compliance and continuing disclosure services.

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## \$15,300,000

## City of Nixa, Missouri

Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 Police Department Project - 20 Yr, \$15M

#### Sources & Uses

Dated 02/05/2025 | Delivered 02/05/2025

#### Sources Of Funds

Sources Of Funds	
Par Amount of Bonds	\$15,300,000.00
Total Sources	\$15,300,000.00
Uses Of Funds	
Deposit to Project Construction Fund	15,000,000.00
Total Underwriter's Discount (1.200%)	183,600.00
Costs of Issuance	116,250.00
Rounding Amount	150.00
Total Uses	\$15,300,000.00

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#### Preliminary

## \$15,300,000

#### City of Nixa, Missouri

Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 Police Department Project - 20 Yr, \$15M

#### **Debt Service Schedule**

Date	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total P+I
08/01/2025	-	-	279,942.67	279,942.67
08/01/2026	540,000.00	3.300%	572,610.00	1,112,610.00
08/01/2027	560,000.00	3.250%	554,790.00	1,114,790.00
08/01/2028	580,000.00	3.250%	536,590.00	1,116,590.00
08/01/2029	595,000.00	3.250%	517,740.00	1,112,740.00
08/01/2030	615,000.00	3.300%	498,402.50	1,113,402.50
08/01/2031	635,000.00	3.350%	478,107.50	1,113,107.50
08/01/2032	660,000.00	3.400%	456,835.00	1,116,835.00
08/01/2033	680,000.00	3.500%	434,395.00	1,114,395.00
08/01/2034	705,000.00	3.550%	410,595.00	1,115,595.00
08/01/2035	730,000.00	3.550%	385,567.50	1,115,567.50
08/01/2036	755,000.00	3.650%	359.652.50	1,114,652.50
08/01/2037	780,000.00	3.750%	332,095.00	1,112,095.00
08/01/2038	810,000.00	3.800%	302,845.00	1,112,845.00
08/01/2039	845,000.00	3.900%	272,065.00	1,117,065.00
08/01/2040	875,000.00	3.950%	239,110.00	1,114,110.00
08/01/2041	910,000.00	4.000%	204,547.50	1,114,547.50
08/01/2042	945,000.00	4.100%	168,147.50	1,113,147.50
08/01/2043	985,000.00	4.150%	129,402.50	1,114,402.50
08/01/2044	1,025,000.00	4.200%	88,525.00	1,113,525.00
08/01/2045	1,070,000.00	4.250%	45,475.00	1,115,475.00
Total	\$15,300,000.00	-	\$7,267,440.17	\$22,567,440.17
Yield Statistics				
Bond Year Dollars				\$186,230.00
Average Life				12.172 Years
Average Coupon				3.9024003%
Net Interest Cost (	NIC)			4.0009881%
True Interest Cost				4.0077843%
Bond Yield for Ark	· /			3.8774364%
All Inclusive Cost (				4.0914933%
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Net Interest Cost				3.9024003%
Weighted Average	• Maturity			12.172 Years
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#### Preliminary

#### \$15,300,000

#### City of Nixa, Missouri

Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 Police Department Project - 20 Yr, \$15M

#### **Debt Service Schedule**

Date	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total P+I
08/01/2025	-	-	279,942.67	279,942.67
02/01/2026	-	-	286,305.00	286,305.00
08/01/2026	540,000.00	3.300%	286,305.00	826,305.00
02/01/2027	-	-	277,395.00	277,395.00
08/01/2027	560,000.00	3.250%	277,395.00	837,395.00
02/01/2028	-	-	268,295.00	268,295.00
08/01/2028	580,000.00	3.250%	268,295.00	848,295.00
02/01/2029	-	-	258,870.00	258,870.00
08/01/2029	595,000.00	3.250%	258,870.00	853,870.00
02/01/2030	· -	-	249,201.25	249,201.25
08/01/2030	615,000.00	3.300%	249,201.25	864,201.25
02/01/2031	-	-	239,053.75	239,053.75
08/01/2031	635,000.00	3.350%	239,053.75	874,053.75
02/01/2032	-	-	228,417.50	228,417.50
08/01/2032	660,000.00	3.400%	228,417.50	888,417.50
02/01/2033	-	-	217,197.50	217,197.50
08/01/2033	680,000.00	3.500%	217,197.50	897,197.50
02/01/2034	-	-	205,297.50	205,297.50
08/01/2034	705,000.00	3.550%	205,297.50	910,297.50
02/01/2035	-	-	192,783.75	192,783.75
08/01/2035	730,000.00	3.550%	192,783.75	922,783.75
02/01/2036	-	-	179,826.25	179,826.25
08/01/2036	755,000.00	3.650%	179,826.25	934,826.25
02/01/2037	-	-	166,047.50	166,047.50
08/01/2037	780,000.00	3.750%	166,047.50	946,047.50
02/01/2038	-	-	151,422.50	151,422.50
08/01/2038	810,000.00	3.800%	151,422.50	961,422.50
02/01/2039	-	-	136,032.50	136,032.50
08/01/2039	845,000.00	3.900%	136,032.50	981,032.50
02/01/2040	· -	-	119,555.00	119,555.00
08/01/2040	875,000.00	3.950%	119,555.00	994,555.00
02/01/2041	-	-	102,273.75	102,273.75
08/01/2041	910,000.00	4.000%	102,273.75	1,012,273.75
02/01/2042	-	-	84,073.75	84,073.75
08/01/2042	945,000.00	4.100%	84,073.75	1,029,073.75
02/01/2043	-	-	64,701.25	64,701.25
08/01/2043	985,000.00	4.150%	64,701.25	1,049,701.25
02/01/2044	-	-	44,262.50	44,262.50
08/01/2044	1,025,000.00	4.200%	44,262.50	1,069,262.50
02/01/2045	<u>-</u>	-	22,737.50	22,737.50
08/01/2045	1,070,000.00	4.250%	22,737.50	1,092,737.50
Total				

#### Yield Statistics

Bond Year Dollars	\$186,230.00
Average Life	12.172 Years
Average Coupon	3.9024003%
Net Interest Cost (NIC)	4.0009881%
True Interest Cost (TIC)	4.0077843%
Bond Yield for Arbitrage Purposes	3.8774364%
All Inclusive Cost (AIC)	4.0914933%

#### IRS Form 8038

Net Interest Cost	3.9024003%
Weighted Average Maturity	12.172 Years
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#### NOTICE OF SALE

# \$15,300,000\* CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025

**Bids**. Electronic bids for the purchase of \$15,300,000\* principal amount of Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds") of the City of Nixa, Missouri (the "City"), herein described, will be received on **January 21, 2025** (the "Sale Date") **until 10:00 A.M., Central Time** (the "Sale Time") at the offices of Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC ("Baker Tilly MA" or the "Municipal Advisor"), 30 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3025, Saint Paul, MN 55101 after which time proposals will be opened and tabulated. Consideration for award of the Bonds will be acted upon consistent with the authorization provided by the City Council pursuant to an ordinance adopted on January 14, 2025.

Baker Tilly MA will assume no liability for the inability of a bidder or its bid to reach Baker Tilly MA prior to the Sale Time, and neither the City nor Baker Tilly MA shall be responsible for any failure, misdirection or error in the means of transmission selected by any bidder. All bidders are advised that each bid shall be deemed to constitute a contract between the bidder and the City to purchase the Bonds regardless of the manner by which the bid is submitted.

(a) <u>Sealed bidding.</u> Completed, signed bids may be submitted to Baker Tilly MA by email to <u>bids@bakertilly.com</u>, and must be received prior to the Sale Time. The Official Bid Form is attached as Exhibit A.

#### OR

(b) <u>Electronic bidding.</u> Bids may also be received via PARITY<sup>®</sup>. For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by PARITY<sup>®</sup> shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids submitted to PARITY<sup>®</sup>. Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access PARITY<sup>®</sup> for purposes of submitting its electronic bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the Notice of Sale. Neither the City, its agents nor PARITY<sup>®</sup> shall have any duty or obligation to undertake registration to bid for any prospective bidder or to provide or ensure electronic access to any qualified prospective bidder, and neither the City, its agents nor PARITY<sup>®</sup> shall be responsible for a bidder's failure to register to bid or for any failure in the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of or any damages caused by the services of PARITY<sup>®</sup>. The City is using the services of PARITY<sup>®</sup> solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the electronic bidding for the Bonds, and PARITY<sup>®</sup> is not an agent of the City.

If any provisions of this Notice of Sale conflict with information provided by PARITY<sup>®</sup>, this Notice of Sale shall control. Further information about PARITY<sup>®</sup>, including any fee charged, may be obtained from:

PARITY®, 1359 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10018 Customer Support: (212) 849-5000

**Pre-Bid Revisions**. The City reserves the right to issue a Supplemental Notice of Sale not later than 24 hours prior to the sale date through MuniPlatform ("Supplemental Notice"). If issued, the Supplemental Notice may modify such terms of this Notice of Sale as the City determines, including the date and time of the sale. Any such modifications will supersede the terms as set forth herein.

Adjustment of Issue Size. In order to properly structure the transaction with respect to the required size of the Project Fund for the project to be funded for the City, the City reserves the right, on the date of the award of the Bonds to the successful bidder, in the City's sole discretion, to increase or decrease the principal

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amount of any maturity by not more than 20% of the principal amount of such maturity, or to increase or decrease the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds by not more than 15%, depending on the interest rates bid and the bid premium, if any. After bids are received and the successful bidder is determined, the requirements for the Project Fund will be recalculated. Once the Project Fund requirements have been satisfied, the final sizing will be confirmed to the successful bidder. The successful bidder may not withdraw its bid or change the interest rates bid as a result of any changes made to the principal amount as described herein. In the event there is an increase or decrease in the final principal amount per maturity as described above, or in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, the successful bidder will be notified on the sale date by telephone or electronic mail of such increases or decreases promptly after the sale and prior to the award of the bid by the City. In the event that the maturity amounts of the Bonds are adjusted, the purchase price will be adjusted to ensure that the percentage net compensation (i.e., the percentage resulting from dividing (i) the aggregate difference between the offering price of the Bonds to the public and the price to be paid to the City by (ii) the principal amount of the Bonds) remains constant.

**Terms of the Bonds**. The Bonds will consist of fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds will be dated their date of delivery, and will become due in principal installments on August 1 in the years, subject to adjustment as provided herein, as follows:

#### Serial Bonds\*

Maturity Date August 1	Principal <u>Amount</u>
2026	\$540,000
2027	560,000
2028	580,000
2029	595,000
2030	615,000
2031	635,000
2032	660,000
2033	680,000
2034	705,000
2035	730,000
2036	755,000
2037	780,000
2038	810,000
2039	845,000
2040	875,000
2041	910,000
2042	945,000
2043	985,000
2044	1,025,000
2045	1,070,000

The Bonds will bear interest from the date thereof at rates to be determined when the Bonds are sold as hereinafter provided, which interest will be payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 in each year, beginning on August 1, 2025.

**Authority, Purpose and Security**. The Bonds are special obligations bonds of the City, being issued pursuant to the constitution and laws of the State of Missouri. The Bonds shall be special obligations of the City

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payable as to both principal and interest solely from annual appropriations of funds by the City. The obligation of the City to make payments on the Bonds under the Ordinance authorizing the Bonds (the "Ordinance") do not constitute a general obligation or indebtedness of the City for which the City is obligated to levy or pledge any form of taxation, or for which the City has levied or pledged any form of taxation and shall not be construed to be a debt of the City in contravention of any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter debt limitation or restriction but in each fiscal year shall be payable solely from the amounts pledged or appropriated therefor (i) out of the income and revenues provided for such year, plus (ii) any unencumbered balances for previous years. The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of providing funds to acquire, construct, install, improve, furnish, and equip a new police headquarters in the City (the "Project").

The Bonds are more particularly described in the Preliminary Official Statement dated the date hereof, available from the Municipal Advisor. This Notice of Sale contains certain information for quick reference only. It is not, and is not intended to be, a summary of the Bonds. Each bidder is required to read the entire Preliminary Official Statement to obtain information essential to making an informed investment decision.

**Place of Payment.** Principal will be payable upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds by the registered owners thereof at the payment office of the Paying Agent. Interest shall be paid to the registered owners of the Bonds as shown on the register at the close of business on the record date for such interest (a) by check or draft mailed by the Paying Agent to the address of such registered owners shown on the bond register, (b) at such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by any registered owner or (c) in the case of an interest payment to any registered owner of \$500,000 or more in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, by electronic transfer to such registered owner upon written notice given to the Paying Agent by such registered owner, not less than 5 days prior to the record date for such interest, containing the electronic transfer instructions including the name and address of the bank (which shall be in the continental United States), ABA routing number, account name and account number to which such registered owner wishes to have such transfer directed.

**Book-Entry Only System and Blue Sky**. The Bonds will initially be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, to which payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds will be made. Individual purchases of Bonds will be made in book-entry form only. Purchasers will not receive bonds representing their interest in Bonds purchased. It shall be the obligation of the successful bidder to furnish to DTC an underwriter's questionnaire. It shall be the obligation of the successful bidder to qualify the Bonds, if such qualification is necessary, in the jurisdictions in which it intends to reoffer the Bonds.

**Redemption of Bonds Prior to Maturity.** Optional Redemption. At the option of the City, the Bonds may be called for redemption and payment prior to maturity on August 1, 2033 and thereafter, in whole or in part at any time at the redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest thereon to the redemption date.

Bonds shall be prepaid only in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. When less than all of the Outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed, such Bonds shall be redeemed from the Stated Maturities selected by the City, and Bonds of less than a full Stated Maturity shall be selected by the Paying Agent in \$5,000 units of principal amount by lot or in such other equitable manner as the Paying Agent may determine.

**Election to Specify Term Bonds**. A bidder may elect to have all or a portion of the Bonds scheduled to mature consecutively issued as one or more term bonds scheduled to mature in the latest of said consecutive years and subject to mandatory redemption requirements consistent with the schedule of serial maturities set forth above, and subject to the bidder making such an election by including such information in the same electronic manner as the bid submitted (via email or PARITY®). Not less than all the Bonds of a single maturity may be converted to term bonds.

**Conditions of Bids.** Proposals will be received on all of the Bonds bearing such rate or rates of interest as may be specified by the bidders, subject to the following conditions: The same rate shall apply to all Bonds of the same maturity. Each interest rate specified shall be a multiple of 1/8 or 1/100 of 1%, with no zero coupons

allowed. The interest rate on each maturity shall not exceed 5.00%. No supplemental interest payments will be authorized. The Bonds shall be sold by the City for a price not less than 95% nor more than 108% of the total principal amount thereof. Each bid shall specify the total interest cost during the life of the Bonds on the basis of such bid, the premium or discount, if any, offered by the bidder, and the net interest cost and the true interest cost on the basis of such bid. Each bidder agrees that, if it is awarded the Bonds, it will provide to the City the certification as to initial offering prices described under the caption "Certification as to Offering Prices" in this Notice of Sale.

**Basis of Award.** The Bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid will result in the lowest "true interest cost" ("TIC"), determined as follows: the TIC is the discount rate (expressed as a per-annum percentage rate) that, when used in computing the present value of all payments of principal and interest to be paid on the Bonds, from the scheduled payment dates back to the dated date of the Bonds, produces an amount equal to the price bid, including premium or discount, if any, but excluding any interest accrued to the date of delivery. Payments of principal and interest on the Bonds shall be based on the principal amounts set forth in this Notice of Sale and the interest rates specified by each bidder. Present value shall be computed on the basis of semiannual compounding and a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. No bidder shall be awarded the Bonds unless its bid shall be in compliance with the other terms and conditions of this Notice of Sale. In the event that two or more bidders offer bids at the same lowest TIC, the City shall determine which bid, if any, shall be accepted, and its determination shall be final. In the event the TIC specified in the bid does not correspond to the interest rates specified, the interest rates specified will govern and the TIC will be adjusted accordingly. The City reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject any or all bids.

The winning bidder shall assist the City in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the City at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sales price or prices of the Bonds, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the City and Bond Counsel. All actions to be taken by the City under this Notice of Sale to establish the issue price of the Bonds may be taken on behalf of the City by the Municipal Advisor and any notice or report to be provided to the City may be provided to the Municipal Advisor.

The City intends that the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Bonds) will apply to the initial sale of the Bonds (the "competitive sale requirements") because:

- (1) the City shall disseminate this Notice of Sale to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
- (2) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;
- (3) the City may receive bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and
- (4) the City anticipates awarding the sale of the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Notice of Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this Notice of Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid.

In the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the City shall so advise the winning bidder. The City shall treat the first price at which 10% of a maturity of the Bonds (the "10% Test") is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity, applied on a maturity-by-maturity basis. The winning bidder shall

advise the City if any maturity of the Bonds satisfies the 10% Test as of the date and time of the award of the Bonds. The City will <u>not</u> require bidders to comply with the "Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule" and therefore does not intend to use the initial offering price to the public as of the sale date of any maturity of the Bonds as the issue price of that maturity. Bids will <u>not</u> be subject to cancellation in the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied. <u>Bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that all of the maturities of the Bonds will be subject to the 10% Test in order to establish the issue price of the Bonds.</u>

If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, then until the 10% Test has been satisfied as to each maturity of the Bonds, the winning bidder agrees to promptly report to the City the prices at which the unsold Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public. At or promptly after the award of the Bonds, the winning bidder shall report to the City the price at which it has sold to the public the Bonds of each maturity sufficient to satisfy the 10% Test. If as of the award of the Bonds the 10% Test has not been satisfied as to any maturity of the Bonds, the winning bidder agrees to promptly report to the City the prices at which it subsequently sells Bonds of that maturity to the public until the 10% Test is satisfied. In either case, if Bonds constituting the first 10% of a certain maturity are sold at different prices, the winning bidder shall report to the City the prices at which Bonds of such maturity are sold until the winning bidder sells 10% of the Bonds of such maturity at a single price. The winning bidder's reporting obligation shall continue as set forth above, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred.

Alternatively, the winning bidder may elect to comply with the "Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule" for the remaining maturities, and, if they chose to do so, the winning bidder shall notify the City which maturities will be subject to the "Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule." Bids will <u>not</u> be subject to cancellation in the event that the winning bidder determines to apply the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule to any maturity of the Bonds. By submitting a bid, the winning bidder shall (i) confirm that the underwriters have offered or will offer the Bonds to the public on or before the date of award at the offering price or prices (the "initial offering price"), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in the bid submitted by the winning bidder and (ii) agree, on behalf of the underwriters participating in the purchase of the Bonds, that the underwriters will neither offer nor sell unsold Bonds of any maturity to which the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule shall apply to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following:

the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date; or

the date on which the underwriters have sold at least 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

The winning bidder shall promptly advise the City when the underwriters have sold 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public, if that occurs prior to the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date. The City acknowledges that, in making the representation set forth above, the winning bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule, as set forth in an agreement among underwriters and the related pricing wires, (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (iii) in the event that an underwriter is a party to a retail distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule, as set forth in the retail distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The City further acknowledges that each underwriter shall be solely liable for its failure to comply with its agreement regarding the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule and that no underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement regarding the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule as applicable to the Bonds.

By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that: (i) it has an established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds, (ii) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement, as applicable, to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the winning bidder that either the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public and (B) comply with the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires, and (iii) any agreement among underwriters relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the winning bidder or such underwriter that either the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public and (B) comply with the Hold-The-Offering Price Rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder or such underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

Sales of any Bonds to any person that is a related party to an underwriter shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this Notice of Sale. Further, for purposes of this Notice of Sale:

- (1) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party,
- (2) "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the City (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public),
- (3) a purchaser of any of the Bonds is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (i) at least 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (ii) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (iii) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and
- (4) "sale date" means the date that the Bonds are awarded by the City to the winning bidder.

Prior to the delivery of the Bonds, the successful bidder will be required to execute and enter into with the City, a certificate setting out the final terms of the Bonds (the "Certificate of Final Terms"), including the principal amounts, interest rates and pricing per maturity and the redemption provisions.

At the request of the City, the successful bidder will provide information explaining the factual basis for the successful bidder's Issue Price Certificate. This agreement by the successful bidder to provide such information will continue to apply after the issue date of the Bonds if (1) the City requests the information in connection with an audit or inquiry by the Internal Revenue Service or the Securities and Exchange Commission or (2) the information is required to be retained by the City pursuant to future regulation or similar guidance

from the Internal Revenue Service, the Securities and Exchange Commission or other federal or state regulatory authority.

**Legal Opinion**. The Bonds will be sold subject to the approving legal opinion of Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, which opinion will be furnished and paid for by the City and printed on the Bonds and delivered to the successful bidder when the Bonds are delivered. Said opinions will also include the opinion of Bond Counsel relating to the exclusion of the interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal and Missouri income tax purposes. Reference is made to the Preliminary Official Statement for further discussion of federal and Missouri income tax matters relating to the interest on the Bonds.

**Delivery and Payment**. The City will deliver the Bonds, properly prepared, executed and registered, without cost to the successful bidder on or about February 5, 2025 in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company in New York, New York. The successful bidder will also be furnished with a certified transcript of the proceedings evidencing the authorization and delivery of the Bonds and the usual closing documents, including a certificate that there is no litigation pending or threatened at the time of delivery of the Bonds affecting their validity and a certificate regarding the completeness and accuracy of the Official Statement. Payment for the Bonds shall be made in federal reserve funds, immediately available for use by the City.

Good Faith Deposit. The successful bidder (the "Purchaser") is required to submit a good faith deposit in the amount of \$306,000 (the "Deposit") to the City in the form of an electronic transfer of federal reserve funds, immediately available for use by the City, as instructed by the City or its Municipal Advisor, no later than 2:00 P.M., Central Time, on the day the proposals are received. If the Deposit is not received by such time, the City may terminate its proposed award of the Bonds to such Purchaser, and the City may contact the bidder with the next lowest TIC and offer said bidder the opportunity to become the Purchaser. The Deposit of the Purchaser shall constitute a good faith deposit and shall be retained by the City to insure performance of the requirements of the sale by the Purchaser. In the event the Purchaser shall fail to comply with the terms of its bid, the Deposit will be forfeited as full and complete liquidated damages. Upon delivery of the Bonds, the Deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the Bonds or shall be returned to the Purchaser, but no interest shall be allowed thereon. If a bid is accepted but the City fails to deliver the Bonds to the bidder in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Notice of Sale, the Deposit shall be returned to the Purchaser.

**Rating**. Moody's Investors Services has assigned the Bonds a rating of ["\_\_\_,"] which reflects its evaluation of the investment quality of the Bonds. Any explanation as to the significance of the rating may be obtained only from the rating agency. The rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell, or hold the Bonds, and such rating may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the rating agency. Any downward revision or withdrawal of the rating may adversely affect the market price of the Bonds.

Submission of Bids through PARITY®. Electronic bids via PARITY® must be submitted in accordance with this Notice of Sale. During the electronic bidding, no bidder will see any other bidder's bid or the status of their bid relative to other bids (i.e., whether their bid is a leading bid). Bidders may modify or cancel their bid at any time up to the end of the bidding. If provisions of this Notice of Sale conflict with those of PARITY®, this Notice of Sale shall control. Bids for the Bonds must be received before 10:00 A.M. on TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025. The City and the Municipal Advisor shall not be responsible for any failure, misdirection, delay or error in the means of transmission selected by the bidder.

**PARITY**<sup>®</sup>. Except as described on the first page of this Notice of Sale under the heading "Sealed bidding," all proposals must be submitted electronically through PARITY<sup>®</sup>, and no other proposals will be considered. Information about the electronic bidding services of PARITY<sup>®</sup> may be obtained from i-Deal LLC at 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018, Phone No. (212) 849-5000 and from the following web site: www.newissuehome.i-deal.com. The City shall not be responsible for proper operation of, or have any liability for, any delays, interruptions, or damages caused by the use of the PARITY<sup>®</sup> system. The City is using the PARITY<sup>®</sup> system as a communication mechanism, and not as the City's agent, to conduct the electronic bidding for the Bonds. The use of the PARITY<sup>®</sup> system shall be at the bidder's risk and expense, and the City

and its agents shall have no liability with respect thereto. The bids must be received as provided herein and by the time specified. The City is not bound by any advice or determination of PARITY® to the effect that any particular bid complies with the terms of this Notice of Sale and the bid specifications. An electronic bid made through the facilities of PARITY® shall be deemed an irrevocable offer to purchase the Bonds on the terms provided in this Notice of Sale, and such bid shall be binding upon the bidder as if made by a signed and sealed bid delivered to the City or its Municipal Advisor. The City reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject any or all bids. Bids received late will be destroyed.

Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement. The City has prepared a Preliminary Official Statement dated January \_\_\_, 2025, "deemed final" by the City except for the omission of certain information as provided by Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, electronic copies of which may be obtained from the Municipal Advisor as provided herein. Upon the sale of the Bonds, the City will adopt the final Official Statement and will furnish the Purchaser with an electronic copy of the final Official Statement within seven business days of the acceptance of the Purchaser's proposal in order to comply with Rule 15c2-12(b)(4) of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Rule G-32 of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The City's acceptance of the successful bidder's proposal for the purchase of the Bonds shall constitute a contract between the City and the Purchaser for purposes of said Rules.

Continuing Disclosure. The City covenants and agrees to enter into a continuing disclosure undertaking to provide ongoing disclosure about the City, for the benefit of the certificate holders on or before the date of delivery of the Bonds as required by Section (b)(5)(i) of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, which continuing disclosure undertaking shall be in substantially the form set out in the Preliminary Official Statement, with such changes as may be agreed to in writing by the Purchaser. See the Preliminary Official Statement for statements about the City's compliance with undertakings previously entered into by the City pursuant to Rule 15c-2-12.

**CUSIP Numbers.** It is anticipated that CUSIP numbers will be printed on the Bonds at the expense of the City. In no event will the City, Bond Counsel or the Municipal Advisor be responsible for the review of or express any opinion that the CUSIP numbers are correct. Incorrect CUSIP numbers on the Bonds shall not be cause for the Purchaser to refuse to accept delivery of the Bonds.

Anti-discrimination Against Israel Act. The State of Missouri has adopted the "Anti-discrimination Against Israel Act," Section 34.600, Revised Statutes of Missouri (the "Act"), which provides that "[a] public entity shall not enter into a contract with a company to acquire or dispose of services, supplies, information technology, or construction unless the contract includes a written certification that the company is not currently engaged in and shall not, for the duration of the contract, engage in a boycott of goods or services from the State of Israel; companies doing business in or with Israel or authorized by, licensed by, or organized under the laws of the State of Israel; or persons or entities doing business in the State of Israel." The Act provides that any contract that fails to comply with the Act's provisions shall be void as against public policy.

The Purchaser by submitting a bid hereby certifies and agrees that, to the extent the Act is applicable to the underwriting of the Bonds, the Purchaser is not currently engaged in and shall not, for the duration of the underwriting period, engage in a boycott of goods or services from the State of Israel, companies doing business in or with Israel or authorized by, licensed by or organized under the laws of the State of Israel or persons or entities doing business with the State of Israel, in all respects within the meaning of the Act.

The foregoing certification shall not be deemed an admission or agreement that the Act is applicable to the underwriting of the Bonds, but the foregoing certification is provided if the Act is applicable. If the Act is initially deemed or treated as applicable to the underwriting of the Bonds, but it is subsequently determined not to apply to the underwriting of the Bonds for any reason including by reason of applicable federal law, including without limitation, 50 U.S.C. Section 4607, the repeal or amendment of the Act or any ruling of a court of competent jurisdiction as to the unenforceability or invalidity of the Act, then the foregoing certification shall cease and not exist.

Additional Information.	Additional	information	regarding	the Bonds	may be o	btained	from the
Municipal Advisor, Baker Tilly Mu	micipal Adv	risors, LLC,	5440 West	110 <sup>th</sup> Stree	t, Suite 300	), Overl	and Park,
Kansas, 66211, Attention: Tom Kal	eko, Office:	(816) 333-72	294, Email:	tom.kaleko	@bakertill	y.com.	

DATED this	day of January,	2025.

CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI

By: <u>/s/ Jarad Giddens</u> Mayor

## EXHIBIT A TO NOTICE OF BOND SALE

#### **OFFICIAL BID FORM**

### City of Nixa, Missouri \$15,300,000\* Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2025

For the Bonds of this Issue which shall mature and bear interest at the respective annual rates, as follow, we offer a price of \$ plus accrued interest, if any, to the date of delivery.

<u>Year</u>	Interest Rate (%)	<u>Yield (%)</u>	Dollar <u>Price</u>	<u>Year</u>	Interest Rate (%)	Yield (%)	Dollar <u>Price</u>
2025	%	%		2035	%		%
2026	%	%		2036	%		%
2027	%	%		2037	%		%
2028				2038	%		
2029	%	%		2039	%		%
2030	%	%		2040	%		%
2031	%	%		2041	%		
2032	%	%		2042	%		
2033	%	%		2043	%		%
2034	%		%	2044	%		%

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Years of Term Maturities	 	

In making this offer on the sale date of January 21, 2025, we accept all of the terms and conditions of the Notice of Sale published in the Preliminary Official Statement dated January \_\_\_\_, 2025, including the City's right to modify\* the principal amount of the Bonds. (See "Notice of Sale" herein.) In the event of failure to deliver these Bonds in accordance with said Notice of Sale, we reserve the right to withdraw our offer, whereupon the deposit accompanying it will be immediately returned. All blank spaces of this offer are intentional and are not to be construed as an omission.

**Designation of Term Maturities** 

By submitting this bid, we confirm that we have an established industry reputation for underwriting municipal bonds such as the Bonds.

NET INTEREST COST: \$			
TRUE INTEREST RATE:			
The Bidder □ will not □ will purchase mun	icipal bond insurance from		<del>.</del>
Account Members			
			Account Manage
		By:	
The foregoing p	roposal has been accepted	by the City.	

Not as a part of our offer, the above quoted prices being controlling, but only as an aid for the verification of the

offer, we have made the following computations:

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary; subject to change. The City reserves the right, after proposals are opened and prior to award, to reduce the principal amount of the Bonds or to adjust the amount of any maturity or maturities in multiples of \$5,000. In the event the amount of any maturity is modified, the aggregate purchase price will be adjusted to result in the same gross spread per \$1,000 of Bonds as that of the original proposal. Gross spread for this purpose is the differential between the price paid to the City for the new issue and the prices at which the proposal indicates the securities will be initially offered to the investing public.

#### **EXHIBIT B**

#### UNDERWRITER'S RECEIPT FOR BONDS AND CLOSING CERTIFICATE

# \$15,300,000\* CITY OF NIXA, MISSOURI SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2025

The undersigned, on behalf of [Name of Underwriter] (the "Original Purchaser"), as the Original Purchaser of the above-described bonds (the "Series 2025 Bonds"), being issued on the date of this Certificate by the City of Nixa, Missouri (the "City") certifies and represents as follows:

1. Receipt for Series 2025 Bonds. The Original Purchaser acknowledges receipt on the date hereof of all of the Series 2025 Bonds, consisting of fully registered Series 2025 Bonds in authorized denominations in a form acceptable to the Original Purchaser.

#### 2. Issue Price.

- (a) *Public Offering*. The Original Purchaser offered all of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Public (as defined below) in a *bona fide* initial offering.
- (b) *Initial Offering Prices*. As of the sale date of the Series 2025 Bonds (January 21, 2025), the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Public by the Original Purchaser are the prices listed in **Schedule A** hereto (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Series 2025 Bonds used by the Original Purchaser in formulating its bid to purchase the Series 2025 Bonds.

#### ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE IF COMPETITIVE SALES REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT MET:

[\*\*\*(a) *Public Offering*. The Original Purchaser has offered all the Series 2025 Bonds to the Public in a *bona fide* initial offering to the Public at the offering prices listed on **Attachment A** (the "Initial Offering Prices"). Included in **Attachment A** is a copy of the pricing wire or similar communication used to document the initial offering of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Public at the Initial Offering Prices.

(b) Sale Prices. As of the date of this Certificate, for each Maturity, the price or prices at which
the first 10% of such Maturity was sold to the Public is the respective price or prices listed in Attachment B and
all of the Series 2025 Bonds comprising the first 10% of sales for each Maturity were sold at the same price [**,
except for the Maturit[y][ies]. With respect to the Maturit[y][ies], (i) less than 10% of such
Maturit[y][ies] have been sold to the Public, and (ii) promptly following the date that the first 10% of such
Maturit[y][ies] is sold to the Public, the Original Purchaser will execute a supplemental certificate in
substantially the same form as this Certificate, including, a schedule substantially similar to Attachment B to
this Certificate showing the price or prices at which the first 10% of [**each**] such Maturity was sold to the
Public.**]***]

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<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change.

#### (c) Defined Terms.

- (i) The term "Maturity" means Series 2025 Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Series 2025 Bonds with different maturity dates, or Series 2025 Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
- (ii) The term "Public" means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" is defined in U.S. Treasury Regulation § 1.150-1(b) which generally provides that the term related party means any two or more persons who have a greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (iii) The term "Underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the City (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Public, and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Series 2025 Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this Certificate represents the Underwriter's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the certifications contained herein will be relied upon by the City in executing and delivering its federal tax certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Series 2025 Bonds, and by Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Bond Counsel, in rendering its opinion relating to the exclusion from federal gross income of the interest on the Series 2025 Bonds and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the City from time to time relating to the Series 2025 Bonds.

At the request of the City, we will provide information explaining the factual basis for this Certificate. This agreement to provide such information will continue to apply after the issue date of the Series 2025 Bonds if (1) the City requests the information in connection with an audit or inquiry by the Internal Revenue Service or the Securities and Exchange Commission, (2) related to any determination of the issue price for the Series 2025 Bonds, or (3) the information is required to be retained by the City pursuant to future regulation or similar guidance from the Internal Revenue Service, the Securities and Exchange Commission or other federal or state regulatory authority.

DATED: February , 2025.

[UNDE	RWRITER]
By:	
Title:	

## Attachment A

## **Expected Offering Prices**

[Attach Initial Offering Prices Used in Formulating Bid]

## SCHEDULE IF COMPETATIVE SALES REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT MET

#### Attachment A

## **Initial Offering Price Documentation**

[Attach Pricing Wire or Other Offering Price Documentation]

#### Attachment B

## **Sale Price Documentation**

[Attach Actual Sales Data Certification or Documentation]