# ORDINANCE NO. -09-2025

AN ORDINANCE CONSIDERING ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF \$6,500,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF "CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND SURPLUS REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, TAXABLE SERIES 2025;" AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CERTIFICATES; AWARDING THE SALE OF SUCH CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD; APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES RELATING TO SAID CERTIFICATES; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF TARRANT, DENTON, PARKER, WISE AND JOHNSON

CITY OF FORT WORTH

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fort Worth, Texas (the "City"), deems it advisable to issue Certificates of Obligation in the amount and for the purposes hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Certificates of Obligation hereinafter authorized and designated are to be issued and delivered for cash pursuant to Subchapter C of Chapter 271, Local Government Code and Subchapter B, Chapter 1502, Government Code; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2025, the City Council of the City passed an ordinance authorizing and directing notice of its intention to issue the Certificates of Obligation herein authorized to be issued, to be published in a newspaper as required by Section 271.049 of the Texas Local Government Code, in an amount not to exceed \$7,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the City caused said notice of intention to be published in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on June 29, 2025 and July 6, 2025, and said notice of intention was continuously posted on the City's Internet website beginning on June 24, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City received no petition from the qualified electors of the City protesting the issuance of such Certificates of Obligation; and

WHEREAS, no bond proposition to authorize the issuance of bonds for the same purpose as any of the projects being financed with the proceeds of the Certificates of Obligation was submitted to the voters of the City during the preceding three years and failed to be approved; and

WHEREAS, it is considered to be in the best interest of the City that said Certificates of Obligation be issued on the terms described herein; and

WHEREAS, it is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Ordinance has been adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place and subject matter of the public business to be considered and acted upon at said meeting, including this Ordinance, was given, all as required by the applicable provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended; Now, Therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS:

Section 1. RECITALS, AMOUNT AND PURPOSE OF THE CERTIFICATES. The recitals set forth in the preamble hereof are incorporated herein and shall have the same force and effect as if set forth in this Section. The Certificates are hereby authorized to be issued and delivered in the aggregate principal amount of \$6,500,000, for the public purpose of paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred for use in connection with (i) designing, constructing, acquiring, installing and equipping additions, extensions and improvements to the City's combined waterworks and sanitary sewer system, including water service lines, and (ii) the payment of fiscal, engineering and legal fees incurred in connection therewith (collectively, the "Project"), including payment of the costs of issuance of the Certificates.

Section 2. DESIGNATION, DATE, DENOMINATIONS, NUMBERS, AND MATURITIES OF CERTIFICATES. Each certificate issued pursuant to this Ordinance shall be designated: "CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND SURPLUS REVENUE CERTIFICATE OF OBLIGATION, TAXABLE SERIES 2025," and initially there shall be issued, sold, and delivered hereunder one fully registered certificate, without interest coupons, dated October 1, 2025, in the principal amount stated above and in the denominations hereinafter stated, numbered T-1, with certificates issued in replacement thereof being in the denominations and principal amounts hereinafter stated and numbered consecutively from R-1 upward, payable to the respective registered owners thereof (with the initial certificate being made payable to the initial purchaser as described in Section 10 hereof), or to the registered assignee or assignees of said certificates or any portion or portions thereof (in each case, the "Registered Owner"), and said certificates shall bear interest from their date of delivery in the manner described in the FORM OF CERTIFICATE at the rates per annum, payable on February 15, 2026, and on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption, and shall mature on February 15 in each of the years and in the amounts, respectively, as set forth in the following schedule:

	Principal	Interest		Principal	Interest
Years	Amount	Rates	Years	Amount	Rates
2026	\$ 120,000		2041	\$ 195,000	
2027	85,000		2042	205,000	
2028	90,000		2043	220,000	
2029	95,000		2044	235,000	
2030	100,000		2045	245,000	
2031	105,000		2046	260,000	
2032	115,000		2047	280,000	
2033	120,000		2048	295,000	
2034	130,000		2049	315,000	
2035	135,000		2050	335,000	
2036	145,000		2051	355,000	
2037	155,000		2052	375,000	
2038	160,000		2053	400,000	
2039	170,000		2054	425,000	
2040	185,000		2055	450,000	

Interest on the Certificates shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The principal of and interest on the Certificates shall be payable to the registered owner of any

such Certificate in the manner provided and on the dates stated in the FORM OF CERTIFICATE. The Certificates shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity as set forth in the FORM OF CERTIFICATE.

The term "Certificates" as used in this Ordinance shall mean and include collectively the certificates of obligation initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Ordinance and all substitute certificates of obligation exchanged therefor, as well as all other substitute certificates of obligation and replacement certificates of obligation issued pursuant hereto, and the term "Certificate" shall mean any of the Certificates.

#### Section 3. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CERTIFICATES.

- (a) <u>Appointment of Paying Agent/Registrar</u>. The City hereby appoints BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas, to serve as paying agent and registrar for the Certificates (the "Paying Agent/Registrar").
- (b) Registration, Transfer, Conversion and Exchange. The City shall keep or cause to be kept at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar books or records for the registration of the transfer, conversion and exchange of the Certificates (the "Registration Books"), and the City hereby appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar as its registrar and transfer agent to keep such books or records and make such registrations of transfers, conversions and exchanges under such reasonable regulations as the City and Paying Agent/Registrar may prescribe; and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall make such registrations, transfers, conversions and exchanges as herein provided within three days of presentation in due and proper form. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall obtain and record in the Registration Books the address of the Registered Owner of each Certificate to which payments with respect to the Certificates shall be mailed, as herein provided; but it shall be the duty of each Registered Owner to notify the Paying Agent/Registrar in writing of the address to which payments shall be mailed, and such payments shall not be mailed unless such notice has been given. The City shall have the right to inspect the Registration Books during regular business hours of the Paying Agent/Registrar, but otherwise the Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep the Registration Books confidential and, unless otherwise required by law, shall not permit their inspection by any other entity. The City shall pay the Paying Agent/Registrar's standard or customary fees and charges for making such registration, transfer, conversion, exchange and delivery of a substitute Certificate or Certificates. Registration of assignments, transfers, conversions and exchanges of Certificates shall be made in the manner provided and with the effect stated in the FORM OF CERTIFICATE set forth in this Ordinance. Each substitute Certificate shall bear a letter and/or number to distinguish it from each other Certificate.
- (c) <u>Authentication</u>. Except as provided in subsection (m) of this Section, an authorized representative of the Paying Agent/Registrar shall, before the delivery of any such Certificate, date and manually sign said Certificate, and no such Certificate shall be deemed to be issued or outstanding unless such Certificate is so executed. The Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall cancel all paid Certificates and Certificates surrendered for conversion and exchange. No additional ordinances, orders or resolutions need be passed or adopted by the governing body of the City or any other body or person so as to accomplish the foregoing conversion and exchange of any Certificate or portion thereof, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the printing, execution and delivery of the substitute Certificates in the manner prescribed herein. Pursuant to Subchapter D, Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code, the duty of conversion and exchange of Certificates as aforesaid is hereby imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and, upon the execution of said Certificate, the converted and exchanged Certificate shall be valid, incontestable, and enforceable in the same manner and with the same effect as the Certificates which initially were issued and delivered pursuant to this Ordinance, approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

- (d) Payment of Principal and Interest. The City hereby further appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar to act as the paying agent for paying the principal of and interest on the Certificates, all as provided in this Ordinance. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep proper records of all payments made by the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar with respect to the Certificates, and of all conversions and exchanges of Certificates, and all replacements of Certificates, as provided in this Ordinance. However, in the event of a nonpayment of interest on a scheduled payment date, and for thirty (30) days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the City. Notice of the past due interest shall be sent at least five (5) business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the address of each registered owner appearing on the Registration Books at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.
- (e) Payment to Registered Owner. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary, the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be entitled to treat and consider the person in whose name each Certificate is registered in the Registration Books as the absolute owner of such Certificate for the purpose of payment of principal with respect to such Certificate, for the purpose of registering transfers with respect to such Certificate, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall pay all principal of the Certificates only to or upon the order of the Registered Owners, as shown in the Registration Books as provided in this Ordinance, or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge the City's obligations with respect to payment of principal of the Certificates to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than a Registered Owner, as shown in the Registration Books, shall receive a Certificate evidencing the obligation of the City to make payments of principal pursuant to this Ordinance.
- (f) Paying Agent/Registrar. The City covenants with the Registered Owners of the Certificates that at all times while the Certificates are outstanding the City will provide a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution or other agency to act as and perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates under this Ordinance, and that the Paying Agent/Registrar will be one entity. By accepting the position and performing as such, each Paying Agent/Registrar shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions of this Ordinance, and a certified copy of this Ordinance shall be delivered to each Paying Agent/Registrar.
- (g) Substitute Paying Agent/Registrar. The City reserves the right to, and may, at its option, change the Paying Agent/Registrar upon not less than 60 days written notice to the Paying Agent/Registrar, to be effective not later than 60 days prior to the next principal payment date after such notice. In the event that the entity at any time acting as Paying Agent/Registrar (or its successor by merger, acquisition, or other method) should resign or otherwise cease to act as such, the City covenants that promptly it will appoint a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as Paying Agent/Registrar under this Ordinance. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the previous Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall transfer and deliver the Registration Books (or a copy thereof), along with all other pertinent books and records relating to the Certificates, to the new Paying Agent/Registrar designated and appointed by the City. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the City promptly will cause a written notice thereof to be sent by the new Paying Agent/Registrar to each Registered Owner of the Certificates, by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, which notice also shall give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.
- (h) <u>Book-Entry-Only System</u>. The Certificates issued in exchange for the Certificates initially issued to the purchaser or purchasers specified herein shall be initially issued in the form of a separate single fully registered Certificate for each of the maturities thereof and the ownership of each such

Certificate shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company of New York ("DTC"), and except as provided in subsections (j) and (k) of this Section, all of the outstanding Certificates shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

- (i) <u>Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations</u>. The execution and delivery by an authorized officer of the City of a Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations with respect to obligations of the City is hereby authorized and approved; and the provisions thereof shall be fully applicable to the Certificates. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, while the Certificates are subject to DTC's Book-Entry-Only System and to the extent permitted by law, the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations is hereby incorporated herein and its provisions shall prevail over any other provisions of this Ordinance in the event of conflict.
- (j) Certificates Registered in the Name of Cede & Co. With respect to Certificates registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations on whose behalf DTC was created ("DTC Participant") to hold securities to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among DTC Participants or to any person on behalf of whom such a DTC Participant holds an interest in the Certificates. Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede & Co. or any DTC Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Certificates, (ii) the delivery to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a Registered Owner of Certificates, as shown on the Registration Books, of any notice with respect to the Certificates, or (iii) the payment to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a Registered Owner of Certificates, as shown in the Registration Books of any amount with respect to principal of the Certificates. Upon delivery by DTC to the Paying Agent/Registrar of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede & Co., the words "Cede & Co." in this Ordinance shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.
- (k) Successor Securities Depository; Transfers Outside Book-Entry-Only System. In the event that the City determines that DTC is incapable of discharging its responsibilities described herein and in the representation letter of the City to DTC or that it is in the best interest of the beneficial owners of the Certificates that they be able to obtain certificated Certificates, the City shall (i) appoint a successor securities depository, qualified to act as such under Section 17A of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, notify DTC and DTC Participants of the appointment of such successor securities depository and transfer one or more separate Certificates to such successor securities depository or (ii) notify DTC and DTC Participants of the availability through DTC of Certificates and transfer one or more separate Certificates to DTC Participants having Certificates credited to their DTC accounts. In such event, the Certificates shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the Registration Books in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, but may be registered in the name of the successor securities depository, or its nominee, or in whatever name or names Registered Owners transferring or exchanging Certificates shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.
- (l) <u>Payments to Cede & Co.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary, so long as any Certificate is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of such Certificate and all notices with respect to such Certificate shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the representation letter of the City to DTC.
- (m) General Characteristics of the Certificates. The Certificates (i) shall be issued in fully registered form, without interest coupons, with the principal of and interest on such Certificates to be payable only to the registered owners thereof, (ii) may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities,

- (iii) may be transferred and assigned, (iv) may be converted and exchanged for other Certificates, (v) shall have the characteristics, (vi) shall be signed, sealed, executed and authenticated, (vii) shall be payable as to principal and interest, and (viii) shall be administered and the Paying Agent/Registrar and the City shall have certain duties and responsibilities with respect to the Certificates, all as provided, and in the manner and to the effect as required or indicated, in the FORM OF CERTIFICATE set forth in this Ordinance. The Certificates initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Ordinance is not required to be, and shall not be, authenticated by the Paying Agent/Registrar, but on each substitute Certificate issued in conversion of and exchange for any Certificate or Certificates issued under this Ordinance the Paying Agent/Registrar shall execute the Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, in the FORM OF CERTIFICATE set forth in this Ordinance.
- (n) Cancellation of Initial Certificate. On the closing date, one initial Certificate representing the entire principal amount of the Certificates, payable in stated installments to the order of the initial purchaser of the Certificates or its designee, executed by manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor, City Secretary and City Attorney, approved by the Attorney General of Texas, and registered and signed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas in the manner prescribed by law, will be delivered to such purchaser or its designee. Upon payment for the initial Certificate, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall insert the Issuance Date on Certificate No. T-1, cancel each of the initial Certificates and deliver to DTC on behalf of such purchaser one registered definitive Certificate for each year of maturity of the Certificates, in the aggregate principal amount of all of the Certificates for such maturity, registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. To the extent that the Paying Agent/Registrar is eligible to participate in DTC's FAST System, pursuant to an agreement between the Paying Agent/Registrar and DTC, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall hold the definitive Certificates in safekeeping for DTC.

Section 4. FORM OF CERTIFICATES. The form of the Certificates, including the form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the form of Assignment and the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas to be attached to the Certificates initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Ordinance, shall be, respectively, substantially as follows, with such appropriate variations, omissions or insertions as are permitted or required by this Ordinance.

(a) Form of Certificate.

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TAXABLE SERIES 2025					
Delivery Date	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	CUSIP No.		

February 15, 20

**REGISTERED OWNER:** 

October 28, 2025

# PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

ON THE MATURITY DATE specified above, the City of Fort Worth, in Tarrant, Denton, Parker, Wise and Johnson Counties, Texas (the "City"), being a political subdivision and municipal corporation of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above, or registered assigns (hereinafter called the "Registered Owner"), on the Maturity Date specified above, the

Principal Amount specified above, and to pay interest thereon from the delivery date specified above, on February 15, 2026 and semiannually on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter to the maturity date specified above, or to the date of redemption prior to maturity, at the interest rate per annum specified above; except that if the Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate appearing on the face of this Certificate is dated later than February 15, 2026, such interest is payable semiannually on each August 15 and February 15 following such date.

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON this Certificate are payable in lawful money of the United States of America, without exchange or collection charges. The principal of this Certificate shall be paid to the registered owner hereof upon presentation and surrender of this Certificate at maturity, or at redemption prior to maturity, at the designated corporate trust office in Dallas, Texas (the "Designated Trust Office"), of BOKF, NA, which is the "Paying Agent/Registrar" for this Certificate. The payment of interest on this Certificate shall be made by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the registered owner hereof on each interest payment date by check or draft, dated as of such interest payment date, drawn by the Paying Agent/Registrar on, and payable solely from, funds of the City required by the ordinance authorizing the issuance of this Certificate (the "Certificate Ordinance") to be on deposit with the Paying Agent/Registrar for such purpose as hereinafter provided; and such check or draft shall be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, on each such interest payment date, to the registered owner hereof, at its address as it appeared on the last business day of the month next preceding each such date (the "Record Date") on the Registration Books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar, as hereinafter described. Any accrued interest due at maturity or upon the redemption of this Certificate prior to maturity as provided herein shall be paid to the registered owner upon presentation and surrender of this Certificate for redemption and payment at the Designated Trust Office of the Paying Agent/Registrar. The foregoing notwithstanding, so long as the Texas Water Development Board ("TWDB") is the registered owner or beneficial owner of 100% in aggregate principal amount of the Certificates then Outstanding, payment of principal of the Certificates shall be made thereto by wire transfer, at no expense to the TWDB. The City has covenanted in the Certificate Ordinance that on or before each principal payment date, interest payment date, and accrued interest payment date for this Certificate it will make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar, from the "Interest and Redemption Fund" created by the Certificate Ordinance, the amounts required to provide for the payment, in immediately available funds, of all principal of and interest on the Certificates, when due.

IN THE EVENT of a non-payment of interest on a scheduled payment date, and for 30 days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the City. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest ("Special Payment Date", which shall be 15 days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, to the address of each registered owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

IF THE DATE for the payment of the principal of or interest on this Certificate shall be a Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday, or a day on which banking institutions in the city where the Designated Trust Office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are authorized to close; and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during any period in which ownership of the Certificates is determined only by a book entry at a securities depository for the Certificates, any payment to the securities depository, or its nominee or registered assigns, shall be made in accordance with existing arrangements between the City and the securities depository.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION, term, condition or requirement of this Certificate or the ordinance authorizing the issuance of this Certificate (the "Certificate Ordinance") to the contrary, payments to the initial purchaser of the Certificates of principal of the Certificates shall be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds at no cost to such purchaser.

THIS CERTIFICATE is one of a series of Certificates dated October 1, 2025, authorized in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas in the principal amount of \$6,500,000, for the public purpose of paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred for use in connection with (i) designing, constructing, acquiring, installing and equipping additions, extensions and improvements to the City's combined waterworks and sanitary sewer system, including water service lines, and (ii) the payment of fiscal, engineering and legal fees incurred in connection therewith, including payment of the costs of issuance of the Certificates.

ON FEBRUARY 15, 2036, or on any date thereafter, the Certificates of this series may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, at the option of the City, with funds derived from any available and lawful source, as a whole, or in part, and, if in part, the particular Certificates, or portions thereof, to be redeemed shall be redeemed in inverse order of maturity and the City shall direct the Paying Agent/Registrar to call by lot or other customary method, portions thereof within such maturities and in such principal amounts, for redemption (provided that a portion of a Certificate may be redeemed only in an integral multiple of \$5,000), at a redemption price equal to the principal amount to be redeemed plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

AT LEAST THIRTY days prior to the date fixed for any redemption of Certificates or portions thereof prior to maturity a written notice of such redemption shall be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid to the registered owner of each Certificate to be redeemed at its address as it appeared on the 45th day prior to such redemption date; provided, however, that the failure of the registered owner to receive such notice, or any defect therein or in the sending or mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the proceedings for the redemption of any Certificate. By the date fixed for any such redemption due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for the Certificates or portions thereof that are to be so redeemed. If such written notice of redemption is sent and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, the Certificates or portions thereof that are to be so redeemed thereby automatically shall be treated as redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, and they shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, and they shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the registered owner to receive the redemption price from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment. If a portion of any Certificate shall be redeemed, a substitute Certificate or Certificates having the same maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, in any denomination or denominations in any integral multiple of \$5,000, at the written request of the registered owner, and in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the registered owner upon the surrender thereof for cancellation, at the expense of the City, all as provided in the Certificate Ordinance.

WITH RESPECT TO ANY OPTIONAL REDEMPTION OF THE CERTIFICATES, unless certain prerequisites to such redemption required by the Certificate Ordinance have been met and money sufficient to pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates to be redeemed will have been received by the Paying Agent/Registrar prior to the giving of such notice of redemption, such notice may state that said redemption may, at the option of the City, be conditional upon the satisfaction of such prerequisites and receipt of such money by the Paying Agent/Registrar on or prior to the date fixed for such redemption or upon any prerequisites set forth in such notice of redemption. If a conditional notice of redemption is given and such prerequisites to the redemption are not fulfilled, such notice will be of no force and effect, the City will not redeem such Certificates, and the Paying Agent/Registrar will

give notice in the manner in which the notice of redemption was given, to the effect that such Certificates have not been redeemed.

ALL CERTIFICATES OF THIS SERIES are issuable solely as fully registered certificates, without interest coupons, in the denomination of any integral multiple of \$5,000. As provided in the Certificate Ordinance, this Certificate may, at the request of the Registered Owner or the assignee or assignees hereof, be assigned, transferred, converted into and exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of fully registered certificates, without interest coupons, payable to the appropriate Registered Owner, assignee or assignees, as the case may be, having the same denomination or denominations in any integral multiple of \$5,000 as requested in writing by the appropriate Registered Owner, assignee or assignees, as the case may be, upon surrender of this Certificate to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, all in accordance with the form and procedures set forth in the Certificate Ordinance. Among other requirements for such assignment and transfer, this Certificate must be presented and surrendered to the Paying Agent/Registrar, together with proper instruments of assignment, in form and with guarantee of signatures satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar, evidencing assignment of this Certificate or any portion or portions hereof in any integral multiple of \$5,000 to the assignee or assignees in whose name or names this Certificate or any such portion or portions hereof is or are to be registered. The form of Assignment printed or endorsed on this Certificate may be executed by the Registered Owner to evidence the assignment hereof, but such method is not exclusive, and other instruments of assignment satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar may be used to evidence the assignment of this Certificate or any portion or portions hereof from time to time by the Registered Owner. The Paying Agent/Registrar's reasonable standard or customary fees and charges for assigning, transferring, converting and exchanging any Certificate or portion thereof will be paid by the City. In any circumstance, any taxes or governmental charges required to be paid with respect thereto shall be paid by the one requesting such assignment, transfer, conversion or exchange, as a condition precedent to the exercise of such privilege. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required to make any such transfer, conversion or exchange of any Certificates during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the opening of business on the next following principal or interest payment date or, with respect to any Certificate or any portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to its redemption date; provided, however, such limitation on transfer shall not be applicable to an exchange by the registered owner of the uncalled balance of a Certificate called for redemption in part.

IN THE EVENT any Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates is changed by the City, resigns, or otherwise ceases to act as such, the City has covenanted in the Certificate Ordinance that it promptly will appoint a competent and legally qualified substitute therefor, and cause written notice thereof to be mailed to the Registered Owners of the Certificates.

IT IS HEREBY certified, recited and covenanted that this Certificate has been duly and validly authorized, issued and delivered; that all acts, conditions and things required or proper to be performed, exist and be done precedent to or in the authorization, issuance and delivery of this Certificate have been performed, existed and been done in accordance with law; that annual ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of this Certificate, as such interest comes due and such principal matures, have been levied and ordered to be levied against all taxable property in said City, and have been pledged for such payment, within the limits prescribed by law, and that this Certificate is additionally secured by and payable from a pledge of the Surplus Revenues of the System remaining after payment of all operation and maintenance expenses thereof, and all debt service, reserve, and other requirements in connection with all of the City's revenue bonds or other obligations (now or hereafter outstanding) which are payable from all or any part of the net revenues of the System, all as provided in the Certificate Ordinance.

THE CITY HAS RESERVED THE RIGHT to amend the Certificate Ordinance as provided therein, and under some (but not all) circumstances amendments thereto must be approved by the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Certificates.

BY BECOMING the Registered Owner of this Certificate, the Registered Owner thereby acknowledges all of the terms and provisions of the Certificate Ordinance, agrees to be bound by such terms and provisions, acknowledges that the Certificate Ordinance is duly recorded and available for inspection in the official minutes and records of the governing body of the City, and agrees that the terms and provisions of this Certificate and the Certificate Ordinance constitute a contract between each Registered Owner hereof and the City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Certificate has been signed with the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor of the City, attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Secretary, and approved as to form and legality with the manual or facsimile signature of the City Attorney, and the official seal of the City has been duly affixed to, or impressed, or placed in facsimile, on this Certificate.

(signature)	(signature)		
City Secretary, City of Fort Worth, Texas	Mayor, City of Fort Worth, Texas		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
(signature)			
City Attorney, City of Fort Worth, Texas	(City Seal)		
(b) Form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Autl	nentication Certificate.		
(To be executed if this Certificate is not account	AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE ompanied by an executed Registration Certificate Accounts of the State of Texas)		
Ordinance described in the text of this Certificate; or replacement of, or in exchange for, a certificate	nas been issued under the provisions of the Certificate and that this Certificate has been issued in conversion, certificates, or a portion of a certificate or certificates torney General of the State of Texas and registered by Texas.		
Dated:	BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas Paying Agent/Registrar		
	By:Authorized Representative		

# (c) Form of Assignment.

# ASSIGNMENT

(Please type or print clearly)

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assi	gns and transfers unto:
Transferee's Social Security or Taxpayer Identification	on Number:
Transferee's name and address, including zip code: _	
the within Certificate and all rights thereunder, and h	ereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints
	, attorney, to register the transfer of the within
Certificate on the books kept for registration thereof,	
Dated:	
Signature Guaranteed:	
NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution participating in a securities transfer association recognized signature guarantee program.	NOTICE: The signature above must correspond with the name of the Registered Owner as it appears upon the front of this Certificate in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.
(d) Form of Registration Certificate of the C	omptroller of Public Accounts.
COMPTROLLER'S REGISTRATION CER	ΓΙFICATE: REGISTER NO
I hereby certify that this Certificate has been the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas	
Witness my signature and seal this	
$\overline{C}$	omptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas
	ompuloner of Fubile Accounts of the State of Texas
(COMPTROLLER'S SEAL)	
(e) <u>Initial Certificate Insertions</u> .	
(i) The initial Certificate shall be in except that:	n the form set forth is paragraph (a) of this Section,
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ame of the Certificate, the headings "Interest Rate" completed with the words "As shown below" and

# B. The first paragraph shall be deleted and the following will be inserted:

"THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, in Tarrant, Denton, Parker, Wise and Johnson Counties, Texas (the "City"), being a political subdivision and municipal corporation of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above, or registered assigns (hereinafter called the "Registered Owner"), on February 15 in each of the years, in the principal amounts and bearing interest at the per annum rates set forth in the following schedule:

Years	Principal Amount	Interest Rates	Years	Principal Amount	Interest Rates
2026	\$ 120,000		2041	\$ 195,000	
2027	85,000		2042	205,000	
2028	90,000		2043	220,000	
2029	95,000		2044	235,000	
2030	100,000		2045	245,000	
2031	105,000		2046	260,000	
2032	115,000		2047	280,000	
2033	120,000		2048	295,000	
2034	130,000		2049	315,000	
2035	135,000		2050	335,000	
2036	145,000		2051	355,000	
2037	155,000		2052	375,000	
2038	160,000		2053	400,000	
2039	170,000		2054	425,000	
2040	185,000		2055	450,000	

The City promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount hereof (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) from the Delivery Date above, at the respective Interest Rate per annum specified above. Interest is payable on February 15, 2026 and semiannually on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter to the date of payment of the principal installment specified above, or the date of redemption prior to maturity; except, that if this Certificate is required to be authenticated and the date of its authentication is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such Principal Amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date, in which case such principal amount shall bear interest from such next following interest payment date; provided, however, that if on the date of authentication hereof the interest on the Certificate or Certificates, if any, for which this Certificate is being exchanged is due but has not been paid, then this Certificate shall bear interest from the date to which such interest has been paid in full."

C. The Initial Certificate shall be numbered "T-1."

#### Section 5. INTEREST AND REDEMPTION FUND; SURPLUS REVENUES.

(a) A special "Interest and Redemption Fund" is hereby created and shall be established and maintained by the City at an official depository bank of said City. Said Interest and Redemption Fund shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of said City, and shall be used only for paying the interest on and principal of said Certificates. All amounts received from the sale of the Certificates as accrued interest shall be deposited upon receipt to the Interest and Redemption Fund, and

all ad valorem taxes levied and collected for and on account of said Certificates shall be deposited, as collected, to the credit of said Interest and Redemption Fund. During each year while any of said Certificates are outstanding and unpaid, the governing body of said City shall compute and ascertain a rate and amount of ad valorem tax that will be sufficient to raise and produce the money required to pay the interest on said Certificates as such interest comes due, and to provide and maintain a Redemption fund adequate to pay the principal of said Certificates as such principal matures (but never less than 2% of the original amount of said Certificates as a Redemption fund each year); and said tax shall be based on the latest approved tax rolls of said City, with full allowances being made for tax delinquencies and the cost of tax collection. Said rate and amount of ad valorem tax is hereby levied, and is hereby ordered to be levied, against all taxable property in said City, for each year while any of said Certificates are outstanding and unpaid, and said tax shall be assessed and collected each such year and deposited to the credit of the aforesaid Interest and Redemption Fund. Said ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of said Certificates, as such interest comes due and such principal matures, are hereby pledged for such payment, within the limits prescribed by law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the City deposits or budgets to be deposited in the Interest and Redemption Fund any other revenues, income or resources in advance of the time when ad valorem taxes are scheduled to be levied for any year, then the amount of taxes which otherwise would have been required to be levied may be reduced to the extent and by the amount then on deposit or budgeted to be deposited in the Interest and Redemption Fund.

- (b) The Certificates are additionally secured by revenues of the System that remain after the payment of all maintenance and operation expenses thereof, and all debt service, reserve and other requirements in connection with all of the City's revenue obligations (now or hereafter outstanding) that are secured by a lien on all or any part of the net revenues of the System, such revenues constituting "Surplus Revenues." The City shall deposit such Surplus Revenues to the credit of the Interest and Redemption Fund created pursuant to subsection (a) of this Section, to the extent necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the Certificates. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection (a) of this Section, if Surplus Revenues or other lawfully available moneys of the City are actually on deposit, or budgeted for deposit as hereinafter provided, in the Interest and Redemption Fund in advance of the time when ad valorem taxes are scheduled to be levied for any year, then the amount of taxes that otherwise would have been required to be levied pursuant to Section 5(a) may be reduced to the extent and by the amount of the revenues then on deposit, or budgeted for deposit as hereinafter provided, in the Interest and Redemption Fund. However, if the Surplus Revenues are budgeted for deposit into the Interest and Redemption Fund, the City:
  - (i) shall transfer and deposit in the Interest and Redemption Fund each month an amount of not less than 1/12th of the annual debt service on the Certificates until the amount on deposit in the Interest and Redemption Fund equals the amount required for annual debt service on the Certificates; further, that the City shall not transfer any Surplus Revenues to any fund other than the Interest and Redemption Fund until such time as an amount equal to the annual debt service on the Certificates for the then current fiscal year has been deposited in the Interest and Redemption Fund;
  - (ii) shall establish, adopt and maintain an annual budget that provides for either the monthly deposit of sufficient Surplus Revenues and/or tax revenues, the monthly deposit of any other legally available funds on hand at the time of the adoption of the annual budget, or a combination thereof, into the Interest and Redemption Fund for the repayment of the Certificates; and
  - (iii) shall at all times maintain and collect sufficient System rates and charges in conjunction with any other legally available funds that, after payment of the costs of operating

and maintaining the System, produce revenues in an amount not less than 1.10 times debt service requirements of all outstanding System revenue bonds of the City and other obligations of the City which are secured in whole or in part by a pledge of revenues of the System, for which the City is budgeting the repayment of such obligations from the revenues of the System, or the City shall provide documentation which evidences the levy of an ad valorem tax rate dedicated to the Interest and Redemption Fund, in conjunction with any other legally available funds, sufficient for the repayment of System debt service requirements.

(c) Chapter 1208, Texas Government Code, applies to the issuance of the Certificates and the pledge of the ad valorem taxes and Surplus Revenues granted by the City under this Section, and is therefore valid, effective, and perfected. Should Texas law be amended at any time while the Certificates are outstanding and unpaid, the result of such amendment being that the pledge of the taxes and Surplus Revenues granted by the City under this Section, is to be subject to the filing requirements of Chapter 9, Texas Business and Commerce Code, in order to preserve to the Registered Owners of the Certificates a security interest in said pledge, the City agrees to take such measures as it determines are reasonable and necessary under Texas law to comply with the applicable provisions of Chapter 9, Texas Business and Commerce Code and enable a filing of a security interest in said pledge to occur.

# Section 6. DEFEASANCE OF CERTIFICATES.

- (a) Any Certificate and the interest thereon shall be deemed to be paid, retired and no longer outstanding (a "Defeased Certificate") within the meaning of this Ordinance, except to the extent provided in subsection (d) of this Section, when payment of the principal of such Certificate, plus interest thereon to the due date (whether such due date be by reason of maturity or otherwise) either (i) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof, or (ii) shall have been provided for on or before such due date by irrevocably depositing with or making available to the Paying Agent/Registrar in accordance with an escrow agreement or other instrument (the "Future Escrow Agreement") for such payment (1) lawful money of the United States of America sufficient to make such payment or (2) Defeasance Securities that mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will insure the availability, without reinvestment, of sufficient money to provide for such payment, and when proper arrangements have been made by the City with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of its services until all Defeased Certificates shall have become due and payable. At such time as a Certificate shall be deemed to be a Defeased Certificate hereunder, as aforesaid, such Certificate and the interest thereon shall no longer be secured by, payable from, or entitled to the benefits of, the ad valorem taxes herein levied and pledged or the pledge of Surplus Revenues as provided in this Ordinance, and such principal and interest shall be payable solely from such money or Defeasance Securities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary, it is hereby provided that any determination not to redeem Defeased Certificates that is made in conjunction with the payment arrangements specified in subsection 6(a)(i) or (ii) shall not be irrevocable, provided that: (1) in the proceedings providing for such payment arrangements, the City expressly reserves the right to call the Defeased Certificates for redemption; (2) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Defeased Certificates immediately following the making of the payment arrangements; and (3) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes.
- (b) Any moneys so deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar may at the written direction of the City be invested in Defeasance Securities, maturing in the amounts and times as hereinbefore set forth, and all income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent/Registrar that is not required for the payment of the Certificates and the interest thereon, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be turned over to the City, or deposited as directed in writing by the City. Any Future Escrow Agreement pursuant to which the money and/or Defeasance Securities are held for the payment of Defeased Certificates may contain provisions permitting the investment or reinvestment of

such moneys in Defeasance Securities or the substitution of other Defeasance Securities upon the satisfaction of the requirements specified in subsection 6(a)(i) or (ii). All income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent/Registrar which is not required for the payment of the Defeased Certificates, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be remitted to the City or deposited as directed in writing by the City.

- (c) The term "Defeasance Securities" means any securities and obligations now or hereafter authorized by State law that are eligible to discharges obligations such as the Certificates, which under current law is limited to the following types of securities: (i) direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, including obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date of the purchase thereof are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and (iii) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the governing body of the City adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the financial arrangements are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent.
- (d) Until all Defeased Certificates shall have become due and payable, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for such Defeased Certificates the same as if they had not been defeased, and the City shall make proper arrangements to provide and pay for such services as required by this Ordinance.
- (e) In the event that the City elects to defease less than all of the principal amount of Certificates of a maturity, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall select, or cause to be selected, such amount of Certificates by such random method as it deems fair and appropriate.
- (f) So long as the Texas Water Development Board is the Registered Owner of any of the Certificates, the City shall provide written notice to the Texas Water Development Board of a defeasance of the Certificates pursuant to subsection (a)(ii) of this Section.

#### Section 7. DAMAGED, MUTILATED, LOST, STOLEN, OR DESTROYED CERTIFICATES.

- (a) <u>Replacement Certificates</u>. In the event any outstanding Certificate is damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cause to be printed, executed and delivered, a new certificate of the same principal amount, maturity and interest rate, as the damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed Certificate, in replacement for such Certificate in the manner hereinafter provided.
- (b) Application for Replacement Certificates. Application for replacement of damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed Certificates shall be made by the Registered Owner thereof to the Paying Agent/Registrar. In every case of loss, theft or destruction of a Certificate, the Registered Owner applying for a replacement certificate shall furnish to the City and to the Paying Agent/Registrar such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless from any loss or damage with respect thereto. Also, in every case of loss, theft or destruction of a Certificate, the Registered Owner shall furnish to the City and to the Paying Agent/Registrar evidence to their satisfaction of the loss, theft or destruction of such Certificate, as the case may be. In every case of damage or mutilation of a Certificate, the Registered Owner shall surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation the Certificate so damaged or mutilated.
- (c) No Default Occurred. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Ordinance, in the event any such Certificate shall have matured, and no default has occurred that is then continuing in the

payment of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, or interest on the Certificate, the City may authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a damaged or mutilated Certificate) instead of issuing a replacement Certificate, provided security or indemnity is furnished as above provided in this Section.

- (d) <u>Charge for Issuing Replacement Certificates</u>. Prior to the issuance of any replacement certificate, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall charge the Registered Owner of such Certificate with all legal, printing, and other expenses in connection therewith. Every replacement certificate issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section by virtue of the fact that any Certificate is lost, stolen or destroyed shall constitute a contractual obligation of the City whether or not the lost, stolen or destroyed Certificate shall be found at any time, or be enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Ordinance equally and proportionately with any and all other Certificates duly issued under this Ordinance.
- (e) <u>Authority for Issuing Replacement Certificates</u>. In accordance with Section 1206.022, Texas Government Code, this Section 7 of this Ordinance shall constitute authority for the issuance of any such replacement certificate without necessity of further action by the governing body of the City or any other body or person, and the duty of the replacement of such certificates is hereby authorized and imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver such Certificates in the form and manner and with the effect, as provided in Section 3(a) of this Ordinance for Certificates issued in conversion and exchange for other Certificates.

Section 8. CUSTODY, APPROVAL, AND REGISTRATION OF CERTIFICATES; CO-BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION; CUSIP NUMBERS AND CONTINGENT INSURANCE PROVISION, IF OBTAINED. The Mayor, the City Manager, any Assistant City Manager and the Chief Financial Officer/Director of Financial Management Services of the City are hereby authorized to have control of the Certificates initially issued and delivered hereunder and all necessary records and proceedings pertaining to the Certificates pending their delivery and their investigation, examination, and approval by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and their registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. Upon registration of the Certificates said Comptroller of Public Accounts (or a deputy designated in writing to act for said Comptroller) shall sign the Comptroller's Registration Certificate attached to such Certificates in the manner prescribed by law, and the seal of said Comptroller shall be impressed, or placed in facsimile, on such Certificate. The approving legal opinion of the City's co-bond counsel and the assigned CUSIP numbers may, at the option of the City, be printed on the Certificates issued and delivered under this Ordinance, but neither shall have any legal effect, and shall be solely for the convenience and information of the Registered Owners of the Certificates. In addition, if bond insurance is obtained, the Certificates may bear an appropriate legend as provided by the insurer.

Section 9. CERTIFICATES NOT TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS. It is the intention of the City that the Certificates not be obligations described in section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, interest on which is excludable from the gross income of the holders.

#### Section 10. SALE OF CERTIFICATES; FURTHER PROCEDURES.

- (a) The Certificates are hereby officially sold and awarded to the initial purchaser, the Texas Water Development Board (the "TWDB"), at a price equal to the par amount thereof, pursuant to Texas Water Development Board Resolution No. 24-095. It is hereby officially found, determined, and declared that the terms of this sale are the most advantageous reasonably obtainable. The Certificates shall initially be registered in the name of the Texas Water Development Board or its designee.
- (b) The Mayor, the City Manager, any Assistant City Manager, the Chief Financial Officer/Director of Financial Management Services, the City Secretary or any Assistant City Secretary of

the City, and each of them, shall be and they are hereby expressly authorized, empowered and directed from time to time and at any time to do and perform all such acts and things and to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and on behalf of the City all such documents, certificates and other instruments, whether or not herein mentioned, as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this Ordinance, the Certificates and the sale of the Certificates. In case any officer whose signature shall appear on any Certificate shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Certificate, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer had remained in office until such delivery.

Section 11. INTEREST EARNINGS ON CERTIFICATE PROCEEDS. Interest earnings derived from the investment of proceeds from the sale of the Certificates shall be used along with other certificate proceeds for the Project; provided that after completion of such purpose, if any of such interest earnings remain on hand, such interest earnings shall be used as described in Section 16(n).

# Section 12. CONSTRUCTION FUND; SECURITY FOR DEPOSITS.

- (a) The City hereby creates and establishes and shall maintain on the books of the City a separate fund to be entitled the "Series 2025 Certificate of Obligation Construction Fund" for use by the City for payment of all lawful costs associated with the acquisition and construction of the Project as hereinbefore provided, and to pay the costs of issuance of the Certificates. Upon payment of all such costs, any moneys remaining on deposit in said Fund shall be disbursed as provided in Section 16(n).
- (b) The City may place proceeds of the Certificates (including investment earnings thereon) and amounts deposited into the Interest and Redemption Fund in investments authorized by the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, as amended; provided, however, that the City hereby covenants that the proceeds of the sale of the Certificates will be used as soon as practicable for the purposes for which the Certificates are issued.
- (c) All deposits authorized or required by this Ordinance shall be secured to the fullest extent required by law for the security of public funds as provided in Chapters 2256 and 2257, Texas Government Code, as amended.

#### Section 13. COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 15c2-12.

(a) <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Section, the following terms have the meanings ascribed to such terms below:

"Financial Obligation" means a (i) debt obligation, (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (iii) a guarantee of (i) or (ii); provided however, that a "financial obligation" shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement (as defined in the Rule) has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Rule" means SEC Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

# (b) Annual Reports.

- (i) The City shall provide annually to the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, within twelve months after the end of each fiscal year, financial information and operating data with respect to the City of the general type described in Exhibit A hereto. Any financial statements so to be provided shall be (1) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Exhibit A hereto, or such other accounting principles as the City may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation, and (2) audited, if the City commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within such period, then the City shall provide unaudited financial information by the required time, and shall provide audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to the MSRB, when and if the audit report on such statements become available.
- (ii) If the City changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) prior to the next date by which the City otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section. The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this Section may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document that is available to the public on the MSRB's internet website or filed with the SEC. All documents provided to the MSRB pursuant to this Section shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB.

#### (c) Event Notices.

- (i) The City shall notify the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event) of any of the following events with respect to the Certificates, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws:
  - 1. Non-payment related defaults;
  - 2. Modifications to rights of Certificateholders;
  - 3. Certificate calls;
  - 4. Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Certificates;
  - 5. The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, 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;
  - 6. Appointment of a successor or additional paying agent or the change of name of a paying agent; and
  - 7. Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the City or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the City, any of which affect security holders.

- (ii) The City shall notify the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event) of any of the following events with respect to the Certificates, without regard to whether such event is considered material within the meaning of the federal securities laws:
  - 1. Principal payment delinquencies;
  - 2. Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - 3. Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - 4. Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - 5. [RESERVED];
  - 6. Tender offers:
  - 7. Defeasances:
  - 8. Rating changes;
  - 9. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of an obligated person; and
  - 10. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the City, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

For these purposes, any event described in clause (9) of the immediately preceding paragraph is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the City in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the City, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the City.

(iii) The City shall notify the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any failure by the City to provide financial information or operating data in accordance with subsection (b) of this Section by the time required by such subsection.

# (d) Limitations, Disclaimers, and Amendments.

- (i) The City shall be obligated to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Section for so long as, but only for so long as, the City remains an "obligated person" with respect to the Certificates within the meaning of the Rule, except that the City in any event will give notice of any deposit made in accordance with this Ordinance or applicable law that causes Certificates no longer to be outstanding.
- (ii) The provisions of this Section are for the sole benefit of the Registered Owners and beneficial owners of the Certificates, and nothing in this Section, express or implied, shall give

any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim hereunder to any other person. The City undertakes to provide only the financial information, operating data, financial statements, and notices which it has expressly agreed to provide pursuant to this Section and does not hereby undertake to provide any other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of the City's financial results, condition, or prospects or hereby undertake to update any information provided in accordance with this Section or otherwise, except as expressly provided herein. The City does not make any representation or warranty concerning such information or its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Certificates at any future date.

- (iii) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE CITY BE LIABLE TO THE REGISTERED OWNER OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OF ANY CERTIFICATE OR ANY OTHER PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR DAMAGES RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM ANY BREACH BY THE CITY, WHETHER NEGLIGENT OR WITHOUT FAULT ON ITS PART, OF ANY COVENANT SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION, BUT EVERY RIGHT AND REMEDY OF ANY SUCH PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF ANY SUCH BREACH SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN ACTION FOR MANDAMUS OR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.
- (iv) No default by the City in observing or performing its obligations under this Section shall comprise a breach of or default under this Ordinance for purposes of any other provision of this Ordinance. Nothing in this Section is intended or shall act to disclaim, waive, or otherwise limit the duties of the City under federal and state securities laws.
- (v) Should the Rule be amended to obligate the City to make filings with or provide notices to entities other than the MSRB, the City hereby agrees to undertake such obligation with respect to the Certificates in accordance with the Rule as amended. The provisions of this Section may be amended by the City from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the City, but only if (1) the provisions of this Section, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule since such offering as well as such changed circumstances and (2) either (a) the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provision of this Ordinance that authorizes such an amendment) of the outstanding Certificates consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the City (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determined that such amendment will not materially impair the interest of the Registered Owners and beneficial owners of the Certificates. The City may also amend or repeal the provisions of this continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provision of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates. If the City so amends the provisions of this Section, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with subsection (b) of this Section an explanation, in narrative form, of the reason for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided.

Section 14. METHOD OF AMENDMENT. The City hereby reserves the right to amend this Ordinance subject to the following terms and conditions, to wit:

- (a) The City may from time to time, without the consent of any holder, except as otherwise required by paragraph (b) below, amend or supplement this Ordinance in order to (i) cure any ambiguity, defect or omission in this Ordinance that does not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders, (ii) grant additional rights or security for the benefit of the holders, (iii) add events of default as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance and that shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders, (iv) qualify this Ordinance under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or corresponding provisions of federal laws from time to time in effect, or (v) make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under this Ordinance as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance and that shall not in the opinion of the City's co-bond counsel materially adversely affect the interests of the holders.
- (b) Except as provided in paragraph (a) above, the holders of Certificates aggregating in principal amount a majority of the aggregate principal amount of then outstanding Certificates that are the subject of a proposed amendment shall have the right from time to time to approve any amendment hereto that may be deemed necessary or desirable by the City; provided, however, that without the consent of 100% of the holders in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding Certificates, nothing herein contained shall permit or be construed to permit amendment of the terms and conditions of this Ordinance or in any of the Certificates so as to:
  - (1) Make any change in the maturity of any of the outstanding Certificates;
  - (2) Reduce the rate of interest borne by any of the outstanding Certificates;
  - (3) Reduce the amount of the principal of, or redemption premium, if any, payable on any outstanding Certificates;
  - (4) Modify the terms of payment of principal or of interest or redemption premium on outstanding Certificates or any of them or impose any condition with respect to such payment; or
  - (5) Change the minimum percentage of the principal amount of any series of Certificates necessary for consent to such amendment.
- (c) If at any time the City shall desire to amend this Ordinance under this Section, the City shall send by U.S. mail to each Registered Owner of the affected Certificates a copy of the proposed amendment. Such notice shall briefly set forth the nature of the proposed amendment.
- (d) Whenever at any time within one year from the date of the mailing of such notice the City shall receive an instrument or instruments executed by the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of all of the Certificates then outstanding that are required for the amendment, which instrument or instruments shall refer to the proposed amendment and that shall specifically consent to and approve such amendment, the City may adopt the amendment in substantially the same form.
- (e) Upon the adoption of any amendatory Ordinance pursuant to the provisions of this Section, this Ordinance shall be deemed to be modified and amended in accordance with such amendatory Ordinance, and the respective rights, duties, and obligations of the City and all holders of such affected Certificates shall thereafter be determined, exercised, and enforced, subject in all respects to such amendment.
- (f) Any consent given by the holder of a Certificate pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be irrevocable for a period of six months from the date of the mailing of notice as provided for in this Section, and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future holders of the same Certificate during

such period. Such consent may be revoked at any time after six months from the date of mailing of said notice by the holder who gave such consent, or by a successor in title, by filing notice with the City, but such revocation shall not be effective if the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the affected Certificates then outstanding, have, prior to the attempted revocation, consented to and approved the amendment.

For the purposes of establishing ownership of the Certificates, the City shall rely solely upon the registration of the ownership of such Certificates on the Registration Books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar.

#### Section 15. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES.

- (a) Events of Default. Each of the following occurrences or events for the purpose of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an Event of Default:
  - (i) the failure to make payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Certificates when the same becomes due and payable; or
  - (ii) default in the performance or observance of any other covenant, agreement or obligation of the City, the failure to perform which materially, adversely affects the rights of the registered owners of the Certificates, including, but not limited to, their prospect or ability to be repaid in accordance with this Ordinance, and the continuation thereof for a period of 60 days after notice of such default is given by any Registered Owner to the City.

#### (b) Remedies for Default.

- (i) Upon the happening of any Event of Default, then and in every case, any Registered Owner or an authorized representative thereof, including, but not limited to, a trustee or trustees therefor, may proceed against the City, or any official, officer or employee of the City in their official capacity, for the purpose of protecting and enforcing the rights of the Registered Owners under this Ordinance, by mandamus or other suit, action or special proceeding in equity or at law, in any court of competent jurisdiction, for any relief permitted by law, including the specific performance of any covenant or agreement contained herein, or thereby to enjoin any act or thing that may be unlawful or in violation of any right of the Registered Owners hereunder or any combination of such remedies.
- (ii) It is provided that all such proceedings shall be instituted and maintained for the equal benefit of all Registered Owners of Certificates then outstanding.

#### (c) Remedies Not Exclusive.

- (i) No remedy herein conferred or reserved is intended to be exclusive of any other available remedy or remedies, but each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or under the Certificates or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance, the right to accelerate the debt evidenced by the Certificates shall not be available as a remedy under this Ordinance.
- (ii) The exercise of any remedy herein conferred or reserved shall not be deemed a waiver of any other available remedy.

- (iii) By accepting the delivery of a Certificate authorized under this Ordinance, such Registered Owner agrees that the certifications required to effectuate any covenants or representations contained in this Ordinance do not and shall never constitute or give rise to a personal or pecuniary liability or charge against the officers, employees or trustees of the City or the City Council.
- (iv) None of the members of the City Council, nor any other official or officer, agent, or employee of the City, shall be charged personally by the Registered Owners with any liability, or be held personally liable to the Registered Owners under any term or provision of this Ordinance, or because of any Event of Default or alleged Event of Default under this Ordinance.
- Section 16. TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD. The provisions of this Section shall apply so long as the Certificates, or any of them, are owned by the TWDB. The City hereby agrees to comply with all conditions set forth in TWDB Resolution No. 24-095, which conditions are incorporated herein.
- (a) <u>Annual Audit Reporting</u>. The City shall provide the TWDB with an annual report prepared in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by a certified public accountant or licensed public accountant, to be submitted without charge within 180 days of the close of each fiscal year.
- (b) <u>Covenant to Abide with Rules</u>. The City will abide with all applicable laws of the State of Texas and Rules of the TWDB relating to the loan of funds evidenced by the Certificate and the Project for which the Certificate is issued, sold and delivered.
- (c) <u>Water Conservation Program</u>. The City has adopted and implemented or will adopt and implement an approved water conservation program in accordance with 31 TAC § 371.71.
- (d) <u>Records and Accounts</u>. The City agrees and covenants that it will maintain current, accurate and complete records and accounts regarding the System in accordance with 31 TAC § 371.71.
- (e) <u>Environmental Determinations</u>. The City agrees and covenants that it will comply with any special conditions of the environmental determination of the Executive Administrator of the TWDB (the "Executive Administrator") in accordance with 31 TAC § 371.71.
- (f) <u>Prohibition on Use of Proceeds</u>. The City covenants and agrees that none of the proceeds of the Certificate will be expended on costs incurred or to be incurred relating to the sampling, testing, removing or disposing of potentially contaminated soils and/or media at the project site, except for a lead service line replacement project or associated activity directly connected to the identification, planning, design, and replacement of lead service lines.
- (g) <u>Indemnification</u>. The City further agrees, to the extent permitted by law, to indemnify, hold harmless and protect the TWDB from any and all claims or causes of action or damages to the person or property of third parties arising from the sampling, analysis, transport, storage, treatment, disposition of any contaminated sewage sludge, contaminated sediments and/or contaminated media that may be generated by the City, its contractors, consultants, agents, officials and employees as a result of activities relating to the Project.
- (h) <u>Conveyance of Obligations</u>. Prior to any action by the City to convey its obligations under the Certificate to another entity, if permitted by law, the conveyance and the assumption of such obligations must be approved by the TWDB. The City shall notify the Executive Administrator prior to taking any actions to alter its legal status in any manner, such a sale-transfer-merger with another retail public utility.

- (i) <u>Davis-Bacon Act Compliance</u>. All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors for the Project who are paid from proceeds of the Certificates on deposit in the Series 2025 Certificate of Obligation Construction Fund shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a similar character in the locality of the City in accordance with the federal Davis-Bacon Act and the U.S. Department of Labor's implementing regulations pertaining thereto.
- (j) <u>Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act</u>. The City shall provide the TWDB with all information required by the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006, Pub. L. 109-282, as amended by Pub. L. 110-252.
- (k) <u>DUNS Number and CAGE Code</u>. The City shall obtain a Data Information Numbering System (DUNS) Number and shall register with the System for Award Management to obtain a Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Code, and maintain current registration at all times during which the Certificate is outstanding.
- (l) <u>Timely Expenditures</u>. All proceeds of the Certificate will be timely and expeditiously used, as required by applicable federal statutes and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations, and the City shall adhere to a project construction schedule acceptable to the Executive Administrator that facilitates timely use of funds and project completion.
- (m) <u>As-Built Plans</u>. The City shall provide to the TWDB a full and complete set of "as-built" plans relating to the Project, promptly upon completion of the Project.
- (n) <u>Final Accounting</u>. The City shall use any Certificate proceeds that are determined to be remaining unused funds, which are those funds unspent after the original approved Project is completed, for enhancements to the original Project explicitly approved by the Executive Administrator, or if no enhancements are authorized by the Executive Administrator, the City will submit a final accounting and disposition of the unused funds. The City shall render a final accounting of the cost of the Project to the TWDB within 60 days of the completion of the Project. If the total cost of the Project, as finally completed, is less than originally estimated, so that the proper share of the participation by the Texas Water Development Board in such project is reduced, any surplus proceeds from the Certificates remaining after completion of the Project shall be used in a manner approved by the Executive Administrator, including without limitation to redeem, on any date, the Certificates owned by the TWDB, at a price of par.
- (o) <u>Insurance</u>. The City agrees to maintain casualty and other insurance on the City's water system of a kind and in an amount customarily carried by municipal corporations owning and operating similar properties and in an amount sufficient to protect the interests of the TWDB in the Project.
- (p) <u>Remedies</u>. The TWDB may exercise all remedies available to it in law or equity, and any provision of the Certificate or this Ordinance that restricts or limits the TWDB's full exercise of such remedies shall be of no force and effect.
- (q) <u>American Iron and Steel Requirements</u>. The City will abide by all applicable construction contract requirements related to the use of iron and steel products in the United States, as required by the 2014 Federal Appropriations Act and related State Revolving Fund Policy Guidelines.
- (r) <u>Outlay Reports</u>. The City shall submit outlay reports with sufficient documentation on costs on a quarterly or monthly basis in accordance with TWDB outlay report guidelines.
- (s) <u>Disadvantage Business Enterprise</u>. The City hereby agrees that prior to the release of funds for professional consultants including, but not limited to, the engineer, financial advisor, and co-bond

counsel, as appropriate, the City must provide documentation that it has met all applicable state procurement requirements as well as all federal procurement requirements under the Disadvantaged Business Enterprises program.

- (t) <u>Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment</u>. The City hereby agrees to abide by the prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment as required by 2 CFR § 200.216.
- (u) <u>Build America</u>, <u>Buy America Act</u>. The City hereby agrees to abide by all applicable requirements related to the Build America, Buy America Act, Public Law 117-58.

# Section 17. ESCROW AGREEMENT AND ESCROW FUND.

- (a) The Escrow Agreement between the City and the escrow agent named therein (the "Escrow Agent") substantially in the form and content presented at this meeting, specifying the duties and responsibilities of the City and the Escrow Agent, and creating the escrow fund (the "Escrow Fund"), is hereby approved and the Mayor, the City Manager and the Chief Financial Officer/Director of Financial Management Services of the City, individually but not collectively, are each hereby authorized and directed to execute the Escrow Agreement on behalf of the City. The Escrow Agent named in the Escrow Agreement is hereby appointed as the Escrow Agent pursuant to such Escrow Agreement.
- (b) On the closing date, the City shall cause the proceeds from the sale of the Certificates to be deposited into the Escrow Fund or, if agreed to by the Texas Water Development Board, all or a portion of the proceeds of the Certificates may be deposited into the Construction Fund or as otherwise directed by the City and the Texas Water Development Board.
- (c) Funds shall not be released from the Escrow Fund without written approval by the Executive Administrator of the Texas Water Development Board. Except as provided in Section 16(n), moneys disbursed from the Escrow Fund shall be credit to the Construction Fund created by Section 12 hereof and shall be applied only for the payment of costs of the Project.
- (d) The security for, and the investment of, funds on deposit in the Escrow Fund shall be governed by the provisions of the Escrow Agreement.
- Section 18. APPROPRIATION. To pay the debt service coming due on the Certificates, if any, prior to receipt of the taxes levied to pay such debt service, there is hereby appropriated from current funds on hand, which are hereby certified to be on hand and available for such purpose, an amount sufficient to pay such debt service, and such amount shall be used for no other purpose.
- Section 19. SEVERABILITY. If any section, article, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or word in this Ordinance, or application thereof to any persons or circumstances is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance, despite such invalidity, which remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.
- Section 20. NO PERSONAL LIABILITY. No recourse shall be had for payment of the principal of any Certificates or for any claim based thereon, or on this Ordinance, against any official or employee of the City or any person executing any Certificate.
- Section 21. IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon and after its adoption by the City Council in accordance with the provisions of

Section 1201.028, Texas Government Code and the provisions of the City Charter of the City, and it is accordingly so ordained.

[Execution page follows]

# Mayor City of Fort Worth, Texas ATTEST: City Secretary City of Fort Worth, Texas (City Seal) APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

ADOPTED AND EFFECTIVE September 30, 2025.

City Attorney

City of Fort Worth, Texas

#### **EXHIBIT A**

# **Annual Financial Statements and Operating Data**

The following information is referred to in Section 13(b) of this Ordinance:

- 1. <u>Annual Financial Statements and Operating Data</u>. The financial information and operating data with respect to the City to be provided in accordance with such Section the following: the annual audit.
- 2. <u>Accounting Principles</u>. The accounting principles referred to in such Section are the accounting principles described in the notes to the financial statements referred to in paragraph 1 above.