#### ORDINANCE NO.

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF "CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE OF REVENUE **CERTIFICATES OBLIGATION**, SERIES 2023A" FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES \$6,300,000, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED WITHIN SET PARAMETERS AND ACCORDING TO THE PLAN OF FINANCE SET BY THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ADVISORS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID CERTIFICATES BY THE LEVY OF AN AD VALOREM TAX UPON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY AND FURTHER SECURING SAID CERTIFICATES BY A LIEN ON AND PLEDGE OF THE PLEDGED REVENUES OF THE SOLID **DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY** WASTE SYSTEM: MANAGER, CHIEF FINANCIAL **OFFICER**, DIRECTOR OF **FINANCE** AND PROCUREMENT TO **EXECUTE CERTAIN** THE OF DOCUMENTS RELATING TO SALE THE **CERTIFICATES; ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** 

WHEREAS, the City Council (the City Council or the Governing Body) of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas (the City or the Issuer) has caused notice to be given of its intention to issue certificates of obligation in the maximum principal amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 for the purpose or purposes of paying contractual obligations of the City to be incurred for making permanent public improvements and for other public purposes to the extent of availability of funds, to-wit: (1) (a) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, and improving City solid waste facilities, including generators and municipal landfill waste disposal cells, (b) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, and improving City public safety facilities and signage, including a Police Academy, and (c) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, and improving City park facilities, including City golf courses; (2) the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, landscaping, land, and rights-of-way for authorized needs and purposes relating to the aforementioned projects; and (3) the payment of professional services related to the design, construction, management and financing of the aforementioned projects. This notice has been duly published in a newspaper hereby found and determined to be of general circulation in the City, once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks, the date of the first publication of such notice being not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the tentative date stated therein for the final passage of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of such certificates of obligation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 271.049, as amended, Texas Local Government Code, the City confirms that notice of the City's intention to issue certificates of obligation was approved by resolution at a public meeting and stated (1) the then-current principal of all outstanding debt of the City; (2) the then-current combined principal and interest required to pay all outstanding debt obligations of the City on time and in full, based on the City's expectations relative to the interest due on any variable rate debt obligations, as applicable (3) the

maximum principal amount of the certificates of obligation to be authorized; (4) the estimated combined principal and interest required to pay the certificates of obligation in full; (5) the estimated interest rate for the certificates of obligation or that the maximum interest rate for the certificates of obligation may not exceed the maximum legal interest rate; and (6) the maximum maturity date of the certificates of obligation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds and determines that the actions authorized hereby and the adoption of this Ordinance are in the best interest of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, no petition protesting the issuance of the certificates of obligation described in this notice, signed by at least 5% of the qualified electors of the City, has been presented to or filed with the City Secretary prior to the date tentatively set in such notice for the passage of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds and determines that the issuance of the certificates of obligation, under the terms herein specified, is in the best interests of the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds and determines that certificates of obligation in the principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ described in such notice should be issued and sold at this time; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1. Authorization - Designation - Principal Amount - Purpose. The certificates of obligation of the City shall be and are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$ , , ), to be principal amount of designated and bear the title of "CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION. SERIES 2023A" (the Certificates), for the purpose or purposes of paying contractual obligations of the City to be incurred for making permanent public improvements and for other public purposes to the extent of availability of funds, to-wit: (1) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, enlarging, and improving City public safety facilities and signage, including a Police Academy, (2) the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, landscaping, land, and rights-of-way for authorized needs and purposes relating to the aforementioned projects; and (3) the payment of professional services related to the design, construction, management and financing of the aforementioned projects, pursuant to the authority conferred by and in conformity with the laws of the State of Texas, particularly the Certificate of Obligation Act of 1971, as amended, Texas Local Government Code Section 271.041 through Section 271.064, Section 363.135, as amended, Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 1371, as amended, Texas Government Code (Chapter 1371), and the City's Home Rule Charter.

As authorized by Chapter 1371, each Pricing Officer (defined herein) is hereby authorized, appointed, and designated as the officers of the Issuer authorized to act on behalf of the Issuer in selling and delivering the certificates of obligation as authorized herein and carrying out the

procedures specified in this Ordinance, including approval of the following terms and provisions for the certificates of obligation:

A. the aggregate principal amount of the certificates of obligation, as well as the principal amount of each stated maturity;

B. the rate of interest to be borne on the principal amount of each stated maturity and the interest payment dates for such certificates of obligation;

C. the Certificate Date for the certificates of obligation;

D. whether the certificates of obligation are sold pursuant to a competitive, negotiated, or private placement sale based upon the advice of the Issuer's financial advisor;

E. the optional, extraordinary optional, and mandatory redemption provisions applicable, if at all, to the certificates of obligation;

F. whether or not to issue the certificates of obligation on a taxable or tax-exempt basis and, if on a tax-exempt basis, subject to market conditions at the time of pricing and sale of the certificates of obligation;

G. the pricing of each series of certificates of obligation, including use of premium, discount, underwriters' compensation, and costs of issuance; and

H. approval, replacement, or confirmation, as applicable, of the underwriting syndicate of the certificates of obligation, to consist of one (1) or more financial institutions included in the Issuer's approved underwriters pool, and the establishment or confirmation, as applicable, of the respective roles of the members of such syndicate, which approval, replacement, and establishment (if any) shall supersede prior action or actions of the Governing Body concerning the same.

The Certificates shall be issued within the following parameters:

A. the principal amount of the certificates of obligation issued hereunder shall not exceed \$6,300,000;

B. the maximum maturity of the certificates of obligation shall not occur later than March 1, 2043;

C. the true interest cost on the certificates of obligation shall not exceed a rate greater than 5.00% per annum; and

D. the certificates of obligation hereunder issued shall be sold on or before June 13, 2024 (though the initial delivery of the certificates of obligation may occur within a reasonable period of time occurring thereafter, as determined by a Pricing Officer).

Any Pricing Officer, acting for and on behalf of the Issuer, is authorized, with respect to the certificates of obligation, to complete and execute an Approval Certificate, in substantially the

form attached hereto as Schedule I. The execution of the Approval Certificate shall evidence the sale date of the certificates of obligation by the Issuer to the initial purchasers thereof in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1371 and as set forth in Schedule I. Upon execution of an Approval Certificate, Bond Counsel is authorized to complete a copy of this Ordinance as evidence of the issuance of the obligation pursuant to the delegated authority granted hereunder and to reflect such final terms for the certificates of obligation, which includes (A) completion of the preamble to this Ordinance, included deletion of those recitals that are not applicable to the certificates of obligation, (B) selection of the appropriate terms to reflect the final transaction structure and terms of sale evidenced in the Approval Certificate, and (C) such other necessary technical modifications to this Ordinance (including the renumbering of sections hereof) to accommodate all other terms and provisions of this Section 1. In addition to the foregoing, each Pricing Officer is authorized to execute, as the act and deed of the Issuer and on behalf of the Governing Body, any and all contracts, agreements, letters, and certificates, relative to the certificates of obligation that may be required by this Ordinance, as supplemented in the manner described above, or determined to be necessary or advisable in connection with an issuance of certificates of obligation hereunder. It is further provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the certificates of obligation shall not be delivered unless prior to delivery, the certificates of obligation have been rated by a nationally recognized rating agency for municipal securities in one (1) of the four (4) highest rating categories for long term obligations, as required by Chapter 1371.

SECTION 2. <u>Fully Registered Obligations - Authorized Denominations - Stated</u> <u>Maturities - Interest Rates - Certificate Date</u>. The Certificates are issuable in fully registered form only; shall be dated July 11, 2023 (the *Certificate Date*) and shall be issued in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple (within a Stated Maturity) thereof, and the Certificates shall become due and payable on March 1 in each of the years and in principal amounts (the *Stated Maturities*) in accordance with the following schedule:

> Years of Stated Maturity

Principal Amounts (\$) Interest <u>Rates (%)</u> Years of Stated Maturity Principal Amounts (\$) Interest Rates (%)

The Certificates shall bear interest on the unpaid principal amounts from the Closing Date (anticipated to occur on or about July 11, 2023), or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, to Stated Maturity or prior redemption while Outstanding, at the rates per annum shown in the above schedule (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months). Interest on the Certificates shall be payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 (each, an *Interest Payment Date*), commencing March 1, 2024, while the Certificates are Outstanding.

SECTION 3. <u>Payment of Certificates - Paying Agent/Registrar</u>. The principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates, due and payable by reason of Stated Maturity, redemption, or otherwise, shall be payable in any coin or currency of the United States of America which at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts, and such payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates shall be without exchange or collection charges to the Holder (as hereinafter defined) of the Certificates.

The selection and appointment of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas, to serve as the initial Paying Agent/Registrar (the *Paying Agent/Registrar*) for the Certificates is hereby approved and confirmed, and the City agrees and covenants to cause to be kept and maintained at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar books and records (the *Security Register*) for the registration, payment and transfer of the Certificates, all as provided herein, in accordance with the terms and provisions of a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, attached, in substantially final form, as Exhibit A hereto, and such reasonable rules and regulations as the Paying Agent/Registrar at all times while the Certificates are Outstanding, and any successor Paying Agent/Registrar shall be (i) a national or state banking institution or (ii) an association or a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state, authorized under such laws to exercise trust powers. Such Paying Agent/Registrar shall be subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority and authorized by law to serve as a Paying Agent/Registrar.

The City reserves the right to appoint a successor Paying Agent/Registrar upon providing the previous Paying Agent/Registrar with a certified copy of a resolution or ordinance terminating such agency. Additionally, the City agrees to promptly cause a written notice of this substitution to be sent to each Holder of the Certificates by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, which notice shall also give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.

Principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates, due and payable by reason of Stated Maturity, redemption, or otherwise, shall be payable only to the registered owner of the

Certificates appearing on the Security Register (the *Holder* or *Holders*) maintained on behalf of the City by the Paying Agent/Registrar as hereinafter provided (i) on the Record Date (hereinafter defined) for purposes of payment of interest thereon, (ii) on the date of surrender of the Certificates for purposes of receiving payment of principal thereof upon redemption of the Certificates or at the Certificates' Stated Maturity, and (iii) on any other date for any other purpose. The City and the Paying Agent/Registrar, and any agent of either, shall treat the Holder as the owner of a Certificate for purposes of receiving payment and all other purposes whatsoever, and neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar, or any agent of either, shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

Principal of and premium, if any, on the Certificates shall be payable only upon presentation and surrender of the Certificates to the Paying Agent/Registrar at its corporate trust office. Interest on the Certificates shall be paid to the Holder whose name appears in the Security Register at the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding an Interest Payment Date for the Certificates (the *Record Date*) and shall be paid (i) by check sent on or prior to the appropriate date of payment by United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, by the Paying Agent/Registrar, to the address of the Holder appearing in the Security Register or (ii) by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested in writing by the Holder at the Holder's risk and expense.

If the date for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Certificates shall be a Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday, or a day on which banking institutions in the city where the corporate 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 day. The payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date any such payment on the Certificates was due.

In the event of a non-payment 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 Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest (the *Special Payment Date* - which shall be fifteen (15) days after the Special Record Date) 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 Holder appearing on the Security Register at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

# SECTION 4. <u>Redemption</u>.

A. <u>Mandatory Redemption of Term Certificates</u>. The Certificate stated to mature on March 1, 20\_\_\_\_\_ is referred to herein as the "Term Certificates". The Term Certificates are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to their stated maturities from money required to be deposited in the Certificate Fund for such purpose and shall be redeemed in part, by lot or other customary method, at the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption in the following principal amounts on March 1 in each of the years as set forth below:

TermCertificatesStatedtoMatureon March 1, 20\_\_\_

Principal Year <u>Amount (\$)</u>

\*Payable at Stated Maturity.

The principal amount of a Term Certificate required to be redeemed pursuant to the operation of such mandatory redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the Issuer, by the principal amount of any Term Certificates of such Stated Maturity which, at least 50 days prior to the mandatory redemption date (1) shall have been defeased or acquired by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation (2) shall have been purchased and canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the request of the Issuer with money in the Certificate Fund, or (3) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions set forth below and not theretofore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

B. <u>Optional Redemption</u>. The Certificates having Stated Maturities on and after March 1, 20\_\_\_\_\_ shall be subject to redemption prior to Stated Maturity, at the option of the City, on March 1, 20\_\_\_\_, or on any date thereafter, as a whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (and if within a Stated Maturity selected at random and by lot by the Paying Agent/Registrar), at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

C. <u>Exercise of Redemption Option</u>. At least forty-five (45) days prior to a date set for the redemption of Certificates (unless a shorter notification period shall be satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar), the City shall notify the Paying Agent/Registrar of its decision to exercise the right to redeem Certificates, the principal amount of each Stated Maturity to be redeemed, and the date set for the redemption thereof. The decision of the City to exercise the right to redeem Certificates of the minutes of the City Council.

D. <u>Selection of Certificates for Redemption</u>. If less than all Outstanding Certificates of the same Stated Maturity are to be redeemed on a redemption date, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall select at random and by lot the Certificates to be redeemed, provided that if less than the entire principal amount of a Certificate is to be redeemed, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall treat such Certificate then subject to redemption as representing the number of Certificates Outstanding which is obtained by dividing the principal amount of such Certificate by \$5,000.

E. <u>Notice of Redemption</u>. Not less than thirty (30) days prior to a redemption date for the Certificates, a notice of redemption shall be sent by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, in the name of the City and at the City's expense, by the Paying Agent/Registrar to each Holder of a Certificate to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the address of the Holder appearing

on the Security Register at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing such notice, and any notice of redemption so mailed shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given irrespective of whether received by the Holder. This notice may also be published once in a financial publication, journal, or reporter of general circulation among securities dealers in the City of New York, New York (including, but not limited to, *The Bond Buyer* and *The Wall Street Journal*), or in the State of Texas (including, but not limited to, *The Texas Bond Reporter*).

All notices of redemption shall (i) specify the date of redemption for the Certificates, (ii) identify the Certificates to be redeemed and, in the case of a portion of the principal amount to be redeemed, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, (iii) state the redemption price, (iv) state that the Certificates, or the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, shall become due and payable on the redemption date specified, and the interest thereon, or on the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date, and (v) specify that payment of the redemption price for the Certificates, or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, shall be made at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar only upon presentation and surrender thereof by the Holder.

If a Certificate is subject by its terms to redemption and has been called for redemption and notice of redemption thereof has been duly given or waived as herein provided, such Certificate (or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed) so called for redemption shall become due and payable, and if money sufficient for the payment of such Certificates (or of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed) at the then applicable redemption price is held for the purpose of such payment by the Paying Agent/Registrar, then on the redemption date designated in such notice, interest on the Certificates (or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed) called for redemption shall cease to accrue and such Certificates shall not be deemed to be Outstanding in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

F. <u>Transfer/Exchange of Certificates</u>. Neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required (1) to transfer or exchange any Certificate during a period beginning forty-five (45) days prior to the date fixed for redemption of the Certificates or (2) to transfer or exchange any Certificate selected for redemption, provided, however, such limitation of transfer shall not be applicable to an exchange by the Holder of the unredeemed balance of a Certificate which is subject to redemption in part.

SECTION 5. <u>Execution - Registration</u>. The Certificates shall be executed on behalf of the City by its Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem under its seal reproduced or impressed thereon and attested by its City Secretary or designee. The signature of either of said officers on the Certificates may be manual or facsimile. Certificates bearing the manual or facsimile signatures of individuals who were, at the time of the Certificate Date, the proper officers of the City shall bind the City, notwithstanding that such individuals or either of them shall cease to hold such offices prior to the delivery of the Certificates to the Purchasers, all as authorized and provided in Chapter 1201, as amended, Texas Government Code.

No Certificate shall be entitled to any right or benefit under this Ordinance, or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on such Certificate either a certificate of registration substantially in the form provided in Section 8C, executed by the Comptroller of Public

Accounts of the State of Texas or his duly authorized agent by manual signature, or a certificate of registration substantially in the form provided in Section 8D, executed by the Paying Agent/Registrar by manual signature, and either such certificate upon any Certificate shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Certificate has been duly certified or registered and delivered.

SECTION 6. <u>Registration - Transfer - Exchange of Certificates - Predecessor</u> <u>Certificates</u>. A Security Register relating to the registration, payment, transfer, or exchange of the Certificates shall at all times be kept and maintained by the City at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall obtain, record, and maintain in the Security Register the name and address of every owner of the Certificates, or if appropriate, the nominee thereof. Any Certificate may, in accordance with its terms and the terms hereof, be transferred or exchanged for Certificates of other authorized denominations upon the Security Register by the Holder, in person or by his duly authorized agent, upon surrender of such Certificate to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, accompanied by a written instrument of transfer or request for exchange duly executed by the Holder or by his duly authorized agent, in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar.

Upon surrender for transfer of any Certificate at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, the City shall execute and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall register and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Certificates executed on behalf of, and furnished by, the City of authorized denominations and having the same Stated Maturity and of a like interest rate and aggregate principal amount as the Certificate or Certificates surrendered for transfer.

At the option of the Holder, Certificates may be exchanged for other Certificates of authorized denominations and having the same Stated Maturity, bearing the same rate of interest and of like aggregate principal amount as the Certificates surrendered for exchange upon surrender of the Certificates to be exchanged at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar. Whenever any Certificates are so surrendered for exchange, the City shall execute, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall register and deliver new, the Certificates executed on behalf of, and furnished by, the City to the Holder requesting the exchange.

All Certificates issued upon any transfer or exchange of Certificates shall be delivered at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, or be sent by United States registered mail to the Holder at his request, risk, and expense, and upon the delivery thereof, the same shall be the valid and binding obligations of the City, evidencing the same obligation to pay, and entitled to the same benefits under this Ordinance, as the Certificates surrendered upon such transfer or exchange.

All transfers or exchanges of Certificates pursuant to this Section shall be made without expense or service charge to the Holder, except as otherwise herein provided, and except that the Paying Agent/Registrar shall require payment by the Holder requesting such transfer or exchange of any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such transfer or exchange.

Certificates canceled by reason of an exchange or transfer pursuant to the provisions hereof are hereby defined to be Predecessor Certificates, evidencing all or a portion, as the case may be, of the same debt evidenced by the new Certificate or Certificates registered and delivered in the exchange or transfer therefor. Additionally, the term Predecessor Certificates shall include any Certificate registered and delivered pursuant to Section 25 in lieu of a mutilated, lost, destroyed, or stolen Certificate which shall be deemed to evidence the same obligation as the mutilated, lost, destroyed, or stolen Certificate.

SECTION 7. Initial Certificate. The Certificates herein authorized shall be issued initially either (i) as a single fully registered Certificate in the total principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ with principal installments to become due and payable as provided in Section 2 and numbered T-1, or (ii) as one (1) fully registered Certificate for each year of Stated Maturity in the applicable principal amount, interest rate, and denomination and to be numbered consecutively from T-1 and upward (the Initial Certificate) and, in either case, the Initial Certificate shall be registered in the name of the Purchasers or the designee thereof. The Initial Certificate shall be the Certificates submitted to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas for approval, certified and registered by the Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas and delivered to the Purchasers. Any time after the delivery of the Initial Certificate to the Purchasers, the Paying Agent/Registrar, pursuant to written instructions from the Purchasers or their designee, shall cancel the Initial Certificate delivered hereunder and exchange therefor definitive Certificates of authorized denominations, Stated Maturities, principal amounts and bearing applicable interest rates on the unpaid principal amounts from the Certificate Date, or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, to Stated Maturity, and shall be lettered "R" and numbered consecutively from one (1) upward for transfer and delivery to the Holders named at the addresses identified therefor; all pursuant to and in accordance with such written instructions from the Purchasers, or the designee thereof, and such other information and documentation as the Paying Agent/Registrar may reasonably require.

# SECTION 8. Forms.

A. <u>Forms Generally</u>. The Certificates, the Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, the Registration Certificate of Paying Agent/Registrar, and the form of Assignment to be printed on each of the Certificates shall be substantially in the forms set forth in this Section with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations as are permitted or required by this Ordinance and may have such letters, numbers, or other marks of identification (including insurance legends in the event the Certificates, or any Stated Maturities thereof, are insured and identifying numbers and letters of the Committee on Uniform Securities Identification Procedures of the American Bankers Association) and such legends and endorsements (including any reproduction of an opinion of Bond Counsel) thereon as may, consistent herewith, be established by the City or determined by the officers executing the Certificates as evidenced by their execution thereof. Any portion of the text of any Certificate may be set forth on the reverse thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Certificate.

The definitive Certificates shall be printed, lithographed, or engraved, produced by any combination of these methods, or produced in any other similar manner, all as determined by the officers executing the Certificates as evidenced by their execution thereof, but the Initial

Certificate submitted to the Attorney General of Texas may be typewritten or photocopied or otherwise reproduced.

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#### B. Form of Definitive Certificate.

# REGISTERED NO. \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTERED PRINCIPAL AMOUNT \$\_\_\_\_\_

## United States of America State of Texas Counties of Nueces, Aransas, Kleberg, and San Patricio CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATE OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2023A

Certificate Date: July 11, 2023	Interest Rate:	Stated Maturity:	CUSIP No.
REGISTERED OWNER: _			
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:			

The City of Corpus Christi, Texas (the *City*), a body corporate and municipal corporation in the Counties of Nueces, Aransas, Kleberg, and San Patricio, State of Texas, for value received, acknowledges itself indebted to and hereby promises to pay to the order of the Registered Owner specified above, or the registered assigns thereof, on the Stated Maturity date specified above, the Principal Amount specified above (or so much thereof as shall not have been paid upon prior redemption) and to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount hereof from the Closing Date (anticipated to occur on or about July 11, 2023), or from the most recent Interest Payment Date (defined below) to which interest has been paid or duly provided for until such principal sum has become due and payment thereof has been made or duly provided for, to the earlier of redemption or Stated Maturity, at the per annum rate of interest specified above computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months; such interest being payable on March 1 and September 1 of each year, commencing March 1, 2024 (each, an *Interest Payment Date*).

Principal and premium, if any, of this Certificate shall be payable to the Registered Owner hereof (the *Holder*), upon presentation and surrender, at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar executing the registration certificate appearing hereon or a successor thereof. Interest shall be payable to the Holder of this Certificate (or one or more Predecessor Certificates, as defined in the Ordinance hereinafter referenced) whose name appears on the Security Register maintained by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the Record Date, which is the fifteenth day of the month next preceding each Interest Payment Date. All payments of principal of and interest on this Certificate shall be in any coin or currency of the United States of America which at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts. Interest shall be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar by check sent on or prior to the appropriate date of payment by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the Holder hereof at the address appearing in the Security Register or by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by the Holder hereof at the Holder's risk and expense.

As specified in the Ordinance, the Certificate stated to mature on March 1, 20\_\_\_\_ is referred to herein as the "Term Certificates". The Term Certificates are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to their stated maturities from money required to be deposited in the Certificate Fund for such purpose and shall be redeemed in part, by lot or other customary method, at the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption in the following principal amounts on March 1 in each of the years as set forth below:

Term Certificates Stated to Mature on March 1, 20\_\_

Principal
<u>Year</u> <u>Amount (\$)</u>

\*Payable at Stated Maturity.

The principal amount of a Term Certificate required to be redeemed pursuant to the operation of such mandatory redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the Issuer, by the principal amount of any Term Certificates of such Stated Maturity which, at least 50 days prior to the mandatory redemption date (1) shall have been defeased or acquired by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation (2) shall have been purchased and canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the request of the Issuer with money in the Certificate Fund, or (3) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions set forth below and not theretofore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

The Certificates stated to mature on and after March 1, 20\_ may be redeemed prior to their Stated Maturities, at the option of the City, on March 1, 20\_, or on any date thereafter, in

whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (and if within a Stated Maturity selected at random and by lot by the Paying Agent/Registrar) at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption; provided, however, that at least thirty (30) days prior written notice shall be sent to the Holder of the Certificates to be redeemed by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, and subject to the terms and provisions relating thereto contained in the Ordinance. If this Certificate is subject to redemption prior to Stated Maturity and is in a denomination in excess of \$5,000, portions of the principal sum hereof in installments of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof may be redeemed, and, if less than all of the principal sum hereof is to be redeemed, there shall be issued, without charge therefor, to the Holder hereof, upon the surrender of this Certificate to the Paying Agent/Registrar at its corporate trust office, a new Certificate or Certificates of like Stated Maturity and interest rate in any authorized denominations provided in the Ordinance for the then unredeemed balance of the principal sum hereof.

If this Certificate (or any portion of the principal sum hereof) shall have been duly called for redemption and notice of such redemption has been duly given, then upon such redemption date this Certificate (or the portion of the principal sum hereof to be redeemed) shall become due and payable, and, if the money for the payment of the redemption price and the interest accrued on the principal amount to be redeemed to the date of redemption is held for the purpose of such payment by the Paying Agent/Registrar, interest shall cease to accrue and be payable hereon from and after the redemption date on the principal amount hereof to be redeemed. If this Certificate is called for redemption, in whole or in part, the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required to issue, transfer, or exchange this Certificate within forty-five (45) days of the date fixed for redemption; provided, however, such limitation of transfer shall not be applicable to an exchange by the Holder of the unredeemed balance hereof in the event of its redemption in part.

The Certificates of this series are payable from the proceeds of an ad valorem tax levied upon all taxable property within the City, within the limitations prescribed by law, and are further payable from and secured by a lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues (identified and defined in the Ordinance), being a limited amount of the Net Revenues derived from the operation of the City's solid waste management system (the *System*), such lien on and pledge of the limited amount of Net Revenues being on parity with the lien thereon and pledge thereof securing the repayment of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations, but subordinate and inferior to the lien on and pledge of such Net Revenues securing payment of any outstanding Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations. In the Ordinance, the City reserves and retains the right to issue Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, Inferior Lien Obligations, and Additional Limited Pledge Obligations (all as identified and defined in the Ordinance), while the Certificates are Outstanding, without limitation as to principal amount but subject to any terms, conditions or restrictions as may be applicable thereto under law or otherwise.

Reference is hereby made to the Ordinance, a copy of which is on file in the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, and to all of the provisions of which the Holder by his acceptance hereof hereby assents, for definitions of terms; the description of and the nature and extent of the tax levied and the revenues pledged for the payment of the Certificates; the terms and conditions under which the City may issue Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, Inferior Lien Obligations, and Additional Limited Pledge Obligations; the terms and conditions relating to the transfer or exchange of the Certificates; the conditions upon which the Ordinance may be amended or supplemented with or without the consent of the Holder; the rights, duties, and obligations of the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar; the terms and provisions upon which this Certificate may be redeemed or discharged at or prior to the Stated Maturity thereof, and deemed to be no longer Outstanding thereunder; and for the other terms and provisions specified in the Ordinance. Capitalized terms used herein have the same meanings assigned in the Ordinance.

This Certificate, subject to certain limitations contained in the Ordinance, may be transferred on the Security Register upon presentation and surrender at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar duly executed by the Holder hereof, or his duly authorized agent, and thereupon one or more new fully registered Certificates of the same Stated Maturity, of authorized denominations, bearing the same rate of interest, and of the same aggregate principal amount will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees.

The City and the Paying Agent/Registrar, and any agent of either, shall treat the Holder hereof whose name appears on the Security Register (i) on the Record Date as the owner hereof for purposes of receiving payment of interest hereon, (ii) on the date of surrender of this Certificate as the owner hereof for purposes of receiving payment of principal hereof at its Stated Maturity or its redemption, in whole or in part, and (iii) on any other date as the owner hereof for all other purposes, and neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar, or any such agent of either, shall be affected by notice to the contrary. In the event of a non-payment 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 Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest (the *Special Payment Date* - which shall be fifteen (15) days after the Special Record Date) 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 Holder appearing on the Security Register at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

It is hereby certified, covenanted, and represented that all acts, conditions, and things required to be performed, exist, and be done precedent to the issuance of this Certificate in order to render the same a legal, valid, and binding obligation of the City have been performed, exist, and have been done, in regular and due time, form, and manner, as required by the laws of the State of Texas and the Ordinance, and that issuance of the Certificates does not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation; and that due provision has been made for the payment of the principal of, premium if any, and interest on the Certificates by the levy of a tax and collection of Pledged Revenues as aforestated. In case any provision in this Certificate or any application thereof shall be deemed invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions and applications shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby. The terms and provisions of this Certificate and the Ordinance shall be construed in accordance with and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City has caused this Certificate to be duly executed under its official seal.

# CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

By <u>Mayor</u>

ATTEST:

City Secretary

(CITY SEAL)

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\*Form of Registration Certificate of Comptroller of Public Accounts to Appear on С. Initial Certificate Only.

## **REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE OF** COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF	§	
PUBLIC ACCOUNTS	§	
	§	REGISTER NO
THE STATE OF TEXAS	§	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Certificate has been examined, certified as to validity and approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and duly registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

WITNESS my signature and seal of office this

Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas

(SEAL)

\*NOTE TO PRINTER: Not to appear on printed Certificates.

D. Form of Registration Certificate of Paying Agent/Registrar to Appear on Definitive Certificates Only.

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE OF PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR

This Certificate has been duly issued under the provisions of the within-mentioned Ordinance; the Certificate or Certificates of the above-entitled and designated series originally delivered having been approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts, as shown by the records of the Paying Agent/Registrar.

Registered this date:

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas, as Paying Agent/Registrar

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_Authorized Signature

\*NOTE TO PRINTER: Print on Definitive Certificates.

### E. Form of Assignment.

### ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned hereby sells, assigns, and transfers unto (Print or typewrite name, address, and zip code of transferee):

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE: The signature on this assignment must correspond with the name of the registered owner as it appears on the face of the within Certificate in every particular.

Signature guaranteed:

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F. <u>The Initial Certificate shall be in the form set forth in paragraph B of this Section</u>, except that the form of a single fully registered Initial Certificate shall be modified as follows:

(i) immediately under the name of the Certificate(s) the headings "Interest Rate" and "Stated Maturity" shall both be completed "as shown below";

(ii) first two paragraphs shall read as follows:

REGISTERED NO. T-1

#### REGISTERED PRINCIPAL AMOUNT \$

United States of America State of Texas Counties of Nueces, Aransas, Kleberg, and San Patricio CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATE OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2023A

Certificate Date:	Interest Rate:	Stated Maturity:	CUSIP No.
July 11, 2023	As Shown Below	As Shown Below	
REGISTERED OWNER:			
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:			

The City of Corpus Christi, Texas (the *City*), a body corporate and municipal corporation in the Counties of Nueces, Aransas, Kleberg, and San Patricio, State of Texas, for value received, acknowledges itself indebted to and hereby promises to pay to the order of the Registered Owner named above, or the registered assigns thereof, the Principal Amount specified above stated to mature on the first day of March in each of the years and in principal amounts and bearing interest at per annum rates in accordance with the following schedule:

Years of	Principal	Interest
Stated Maturity	Amounts (\$)	<u>Rates (%)</u>

(Information to be inserted from schedule in Section 2 hereof)

(or so much thereof as shall not have been paid upon prior redemption) and to pay interest on the unpaid Principal Amounts hereof from the Closing Date (anticipated to be on or about July 11, 2023), or from the most recent Interest Payment Date (defined below) to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, until the principal amounts have become due and payment thereof has been made or duly provided for, to the earlier of redemption or Stated Maturity, at the per annum rates of interest specified above, computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months; such interest being payable on March 1 and September 1 of each year, commencing March 1, 2024 (each, an *Interest Payment Date*).

Principal of this Certificate shall be payable to the Registered Owner hereof (the *Holder*), upon its presentation and surrender, to Stated Maturity or prior redemption, while Outstanding, at the corporate trust office of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas (the *Paying Agent/Registrar*). Interest shall be payable to the Holder of this Certificate whose name appears on the Security Register maintained by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the Record Date, which is the fifteenth day of the month next preceding each Interest Payment Date. All payments of principal of and interest on this Certificate shall be in any coin or currency of the United States of America which at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts. Interest shall be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar by check sent on or prior to the appropriate date of payment by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the Holder hereof at the address appearing in the Security Register or by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by, and at the risk and expense of, the Holder hereof.

G. <u>Form of Insurance Legend</u>. If bond insurance is obtained by the City or the Purchasers for the Certificates, the Definitive Certificates and the Initial Certificate shall bear an appropriate legend as provided by the insurer to appear under the following header:

# [BOND INSURANCE]

SECTION 9. <u>Definitions</u>. For all purposes of this Ordinance (as defined below), except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires: the terms defined in this Section have the meanings assigned to them in this Section, and certain terms used in Sections 27 and 44 of this Ordinance have the meanings assigned to them in Sections 27 and 44 of this Ordinance, and all such terms, include the plural as well as the singular; (ii) all references in this Ordinance to designated "Sections" and other subdivisions are to the designated Sections and other subdivisions of this Ordinance as originally adopted; and (iii) the words "herein", "hereof", and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Ordinance as a whole and not to any particular Section or other subdivision.

A. The term *Additional Limited Pledge Obligations* shall mean (i) any bonds, notes, warrants, certificates of obligation or other evidences of indebtedness hereafter issued by the City payable in part from a pledge of and lien on Pledged Revenues of the System which pledge of revenues is limited as further provided in Section 20 of this Ordinance, and (ii) any obligations hereafter issued to refund the foregoing as determined by the City Council in accordance with any applicable law.

B. The term *Authorized Representatives* shall mean the City Manager of the City, an Assistant City Manager, the Chief Financial Officer, the City's Director of Finance and Procurement, and the City Attorney (any of the foregoing whether serving in a permanent or interim capacity).

C. The term *Certificates* shall mean the \$\_\_,\_\_\_ "CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2023A" authorized by this Ordinance.

D. The term *Certificate Fund* shall mean the special Fund created and established by the provisions of Section 10 of this Ordinance.

E. The term *City* shall mean the City of Corpus Christi, located in Nueces, Aransas, Kleberg, and San Patricio Counties, Texas and, where appropriate, the City Council of the City.

F. The term *Closing Date* shall mean the date of physical delivery of the Initial Certificate in exchange for the payment of the agreed purchase price for the Certificates.

G. The term *Collection Date* shall mean, when reference is being made to the levy and collection of annual ad valorem taxes, the date the annual ad valorem taxes levied each year by the City become delinquent.

H. The term *Debt Service Requirements* shall mean, as of any particular date of computation, with respect to any obligations and with respect to any period, the aggregate of the amounts to be paid or set aside by the City as of such date or in such period for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest (to the extent not capitalized) on such obligations; assuming, in the case of obligations without a fixed numerical rate, that such obligations bear interest at the maximum rate permitted by the terms thereof and further assuming in the case of obligations required to be redeemed or prepaid as to principal prior to Stated Maturity, the principal amounts thereof will be redeemed prior to Stated Maturity in accordance with the mandatory redemption provisions applicable thereto.

I. The term *Depository* shall mean an official depository bank of the City.

J. The term *Fiscal Year* shall mean the annual financial accounting period for the System now ending on September 30th of each year; provided, however, the City Council may change such annual financial accounting period to end on another date if such change is found and determined to be necessary for accounting purposes or is required by applicable law.

K. The term *Government Securities*, as used herein, shall mean (i) direct noncallable obligations of the United States, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States of America; (ii) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the governing body of the issuer adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent; (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 issuer adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent; or (iv) any additional securities and obligations hereafter authorized by the laws of the State of Texas as eligible for use to accomplish the discharge of obligations such as the Certificates.

L. The term *Gross Revenues* for any period shall mean all income and revenues received by the City by virtue of its ownership and operation of the System, including, but not limited to, its rentals, fees, and other revenues resulting from the ownership of the System, including rentals received from leasing all or part of the System. However, it is expressly recognized that any such lease must comply with the requirements of the Code and existing regulations, published rulings, and court decisions.

M. The term *Holder* or *Holders* shall mean the registered owner, whose name appears in the Security Register, for any Certificate.

N. The term *Inferior Lien Obligations* shall mean (i) any bonds, notes, warrants, certificates of obligation, or any similar obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City that are payable, in whole or in part, from and equally and ratably secured by a lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System, such pledge being subordinate and inferior to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System that may be pledged to the payment of any Senior Lien Obligations or Subordinate Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City, but prior and superior to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues securing the payment of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations (including the Certificates and the Taxable Certificates), or any Additional Limited Pledge Obligations hereafter issued by the City, all as further provided in Section 20 of this Ordinance, and (ii) obligations hereafter issued to refund any of the foregoing that are payable from and equally and ratably secured by a subordinate and inferior lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues as determined by the City Council in accordance with any applicable law.

O. The term *Interest Payment Date* shall mean the date semiannual interest is payable on the Certificates, being March 1 and September 1 of each year, commencing March 1, 2024, while any of the Certificates remain Outstanding.

P. The term *Limited Pledge Obligations* shall mean (i) the outstanding and unpaid obligations of the City that are payable, in part, from and secured by a pledge of and lien on the Pledged Revenues of the System and designated as follows:

(1) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2010", dated July 1, 2010, in the original principal amount of \$3,000,000; and

(2) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2015", dated October 1, 2015, in the original amount of \$10,020,000; and

(3) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2016", dated December 1, 2015, in the original amount of \$2,000,000; and

(4) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2016A", dated July 1, 2016, in the original amount of \$16,430,000; and

(5) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2017", dated May 1, 2017, in the original amount of \$2,500,000; and

(6) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2018A", dated June 1, 2018, in the original amount of \$14,315,000; and

(7) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2018B", dated June 1, 2018, in the original amount of \$7,490,000; and

(8) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2021A", dated September 1, 2021, in the original amount of \$8,485,000; and

(9) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2021B", dated September 1, 2021, in the original amount of \$8,940,000;

(10) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2022A", dated July 15, 2022, in the original amount of \$10,205,000;

(11) "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2022B", dated July 15, 2022, in the original amount of \$9,160,000; and

(12) Upon issuance, the Certificates and the Taxable Certificates;

and (ii) obligations hereafter issued to refund any of the foregoing as determined by the City Council in accordance with any applicable law.

Q. The term *Maintenance and Operating Expenses* shall mean the expenses of operation and maintenance, including all salaries, labor, materials, repairs and extensions necessary to maintain and operate the System; provided, however, that only such repairs and extensions as in the judgment of the City Council, reasonably and fairly exercised, are necessary to keep the System in operation and render adequate service to the City and the inhabitants thereof, or such as might be necessary to meet some physical action or condition which would otherwise impair the security of any bonds or other obligations payable from and secured, in whole or in part, by a lien on the Net Revenues derived from the ownership and operation of the System shall be deducted in determining Net Revenues.

R. The term *Net Revenues* for any period shall mean the Gross Revenues of the System less the Maintenance and Operating Expenses of the System.

S. The term *Ordinance* shall mean this ordinance as finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City.

T. The term *Outstanding* when used in this Ordinance with respect to Certificates shall mean, as of the date of determination, all Certificates issued and delivered under this Ordinance, except:

(1) those Certificates canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar or delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation;

(2) those Certificates for which payment has been duly provided by the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of this Ordinance; and

(3) those Certificates that have been mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen and replacement Certificates have been registered and delivered in lieu thereof as provided in Section 25 of this Ordinance.

U. The term *Pledged Revenues* shall mean, while the Certificates remain Outstanding, an amount of Net Revenues not in excess of \$1,000. The Pledged Revenues shall be deposited, allocated, and expended in accordance with Section 10 of this Ordinance.

V. The term *Pledged Revenue Amount* shall mean the total amount, not to exceed \$1,000 while the Certificates are Outstanding, of Net Revenues that may be transferred in whole or in part by the City in any given Fiscal Year (however, any amounts transferred prior to the final maturity date of the Certificates may not exceed the total amount of \$1,000) to the Certificate Fund.

W. The term *Pricing Officer* shall mean either of the City Manager, the Chief Financial Officer, or the Director of Finance and Procurement of the City (which shall include any person serving in the foregoing capacity on an interim or non-permanent basis).

X. The term *Senior Lien Obligations* shall mean (i) any bonds, notes, warrants, certificates of obligation or any similar obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City that are payable wholly or in part from and equally and ratably secured by a prior and first lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System, all as further provided in Section 20 of this Ordinance, and (ii) any obligations hereafter issued to refund the foregoing if issued in a manner so as to be payable from and equally and ratably secured by a prior and first lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System as determined by the City Council in accordance with any applicable law.

Y. The term *Purchasers* shall mean the initial purchaser or purchasers of the Certificates named in Section 26 of this Ordinance.

Z. The term *Series 2023 Notes* shall mean the "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Limited Tax Notes, Series 2023", authorized and issued pursuant to an ordinance adopted concurrently herewith.

AA. The term *Series 2023 Bonds* shall mean the "City of Corpus Christi, Texas General Improvement Bonds, Series 2023", authorized and issued pursuant to an ordinance adopted concurrently herewith.

BB. [The term *Series 2023 Utility System Bonds* shall mean the "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Senior Lien Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2023", authorized and issued pursuant to an ordinance adopted concurrently herewith.]

CC. The term *Stated Maturity* shall mean the annual principal payments of the Certificates payable on March 1 of each year the Certificates are Outstanding as set forth in Section 2 of this Ordinance.

DD. The term *Subordinate Lien Obligations* shall mean (i) any bonds, notes, warrants, certificates of obligation, or any similar obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City that are payable, in whole or in part, from and equally and ratably secured by a lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System, such pledge being subordinate and inferior to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System that may be pledged to the payment of any Senior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City, but prior and superior to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues securing the payment of any Inferior Lien Obligations hereafter issued by the City and the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations (including the Certificates), or any Additional Limited Pledge Obligations hereafter issued by the City, all as further provided in Section 20 of this Ordinance, and (ii) obligations hereafter issued to refund any of the foregoing that are payable from and equally and ratably secured by a subordinate and inferior lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues as determined by the City Council in accordance with any applicable law.

EE. The term *System* shall mean a plant, composting process plant, incinerator, sanitary landfill, transfer station, or other works and equipment that is acquired, installed, or operated to collect, handle, store, process, recover material or energy from, or dispose of solid waste, and includes sites for those works and equipment.

FF. The term *Taxable Certificates* shall mean the "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2023B", authorized and issued pursuant to an ordinance adopted concurrently herewith.

SECTION 10. <u>Certificate Fund - Investments</u>. For the purpose of paying the interest on and to provide a sinking fund for the payment, redemption, and retirement of the Certificates, there shall be and is hereby created a special fund to be designated "COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2023A INTEREST AND SINKING FUND" (the *Certificate Fund*), which fund shall be kept and maintained at the Depository, and money deposited in such fund shall be used for no other purpose. Authorized Representatives of the City are hereby authorized and directed to make withdrawals from the Certificate Fund sufficient to pay the purchase price or the amount of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates as the same become due and payable, or the purchase price thereof, and shall cause to be transferred to the Paying Agent/Registrar from money on deposit in the Certificate Fund an amount sufficient to pay the amount of principal and/or interest stated to mature on the Certificates, such transfer of funds to the Paying Agent/Registrar to be made in such manner as will cause immediately available funds to be deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar on or before the business day next preceding each interest and principal payment date for the Certificates.

The City, at its sole discretion, may deposit the Pledged Revenue Amount to the Certificate Fund. The Pledged Revenue Amount, if deposited, shall be expended annually to pay principal of and interest on the Certificates as the same become due and payable. This Pledged Revenue Amount shall be accounted for and transferred to the Paying Agent/Registrar in accordance with the provisions of the previous paragraph of this Section.

Pending the transfer of funds to the Paying Agent/Registrar, money deposited in any fund created and established by this Ordinance may, at the option of the City, be placed in time deposits,

certificates of deposit, guaranteed investment contracts, or similar contractual agreements, as permitted by the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act, as amended, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, secured (to the extent not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation) by obligations of the type hereinafter described, or be invested, as authorized by any law, including investments held in book-entry form, in securities, including, but not limited to, direct obligations of the United States of America, obligations guaranteed or insured by the United States of America, which, in the opinion of the Attorney General of the United States, are backed by its full faith and credit or represent its general obligations, or invested in indirect obligations of the United States of America, including, but not limited to, evidences of indebtedness issued, insured or guaranteed by such governmental agencies as the Federal Land Banks, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, Banks for Cooperatives, Federal Home Loan Banks, Government National Mortgage Association, Farmers Home Administration, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association, Small Business Administration, or Federal Housing Association; provided that all such deposits and investments shall be made in such a manner that the money required to be expended from such fund will be available at the proper time or times. All interest and income derived from deposits and investments in any fund established pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be credited to, and any losses debited to, such fund. All such investments shall be sold promptly when necessary to prevent any default in connection with the Certificates.

SECTION 11. <u>Tax Levy</u>. To provide for the payment of the Debt Service Requirements on the Certificates being (i) the interest on the Certificates and (ii) a sinking fund for their redemption at Stated Maturity or a sinking fund of 2% (whichever amount shall be the greater), there shall be and there is hereby levied for the current year and each succeeding year thereafter while the Certificates or any interest thereon shall remain Outstanding, a sufficient tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, on each one hundred dollars valuation of taxable property in the City, adequate to pay such Debt Service Requirements, full allowance being made for delinquencies and costs of collection; said tax shall be assessed and collected each year and applied to the payment of the Debt Service Requirements, and the same shall not be diverted to any other purpose. The taxes so levied and collected shall be paid into the Certificate Fund and are thereafter pledged to the payment of the Certificates. The City Council hereby declares its purpose and intent to provide and levy a tax legally and fully sufficient to pay such Debt Service Requirements, it having been determined that the existing and available taxing authority of the City for such purpose is adequate to permit a legally sufficient tax in consideration of all other outstanding indebtedness and obligations of the City.

The amount of taxes to be provided annually for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Certificates shall be determined and accomplished in the following manner:

A. Prior to the date the City Council establishes the annual tax rate and passes an ordinance levying ad valorem taxes each year, the City Council shall determine:

(1) the amount of Debt Service Requirements to become due and payable on the Certificates between the Collection Date for the taxes then to be levied and the Collection Date for the taxes to be levied during the next succeeding calendar year;

(2) the amount on deposit in the Certificate Fund after (a) deducting therefrom the total amount of Debt Service Requirements to become due on Certificates prior to the

Collection Date for the ad valorem taxes to be levied and (b) adding thereto the amount of the Pledged Revenues, if any, or any other lawfully available funds to be appropriated and allocated during such year to pay such Debt Service Requirements, if any, prior to the Collection Date for the ad valorem taxes to be levied; and

(3) the amount of Pledged Revenues, if any, or any other lawfully available funds appropriated and set aside for the payment of the Debt Service Requirements on the Certificates between the Collection Date for the taxes then to be levied and the Collection Date for the taxes to be levied during the next succeeding Fiscal Year.

B. The amount of taxes to be levied annually each year to pay the Debt Service Requirements on the Certificates shall be the amount established in paragraph (1) above less the sum total of the amounts established in paragraphs (2) and (3), after taking into consideration delinquencies and costs of collecting such annual taxes.

SECTION 12. <u>Pledge of Pledged Revenues</u>. The City hereby covenants and agrees that, subject to (i) any prior lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System to the payment and security of any Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City and (ii) the lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues (or such other limited amount of excess Net Revenues of the System) to the payment and security of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations, the Pledged Revenues are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Certificates and the pledge of Pledged Revenues herein made for the payment of the Certificates shall constitute a lien on the Pledged Revenues in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof and be valid and binding without any physical delivery thereof or further act by the City.

SECTION 13. <u>Revenue Fund</u>. The City hereby covenants and agrees that all Gross Revenues derived from the operation of the System shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds, accounts and money of the City and shall be deposited as collected into the "CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REVENUE FUND" (the *Revenue Fund*). All money deposited in the Revenue Fund shall be pledged and appropriated to the extent required for the following purposes and in the order of priority shown:

- <u>First</u>: to the payment of the reasonable and proper Maintenance and Operating Expenses of the System required by statute or ordinances authorizing the issuance of any indebtedness of the City to be a first charge on and claim against the Gross Revenues of the System;
- <u>Second</u>: To the payment of the amounts that must be deposited in the special funds and accounts created and established for the payment, security, and benefit of any Senior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City in accordance with the terms and provisions of any ordinances authorizing their issuance;
- <u>Third</u>: To the payment of the amounts that must be deposited in the special funds and accounts created and established for the payment, security, and benefit of any Subordinate Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City

in accordance with the terms and provisions of any ordinances authorizing their issuance;

- <u>Fourth</u>: To the payment of the amounts that must be deposited in the special funds and accounts created and established for the payment, security, and benefit of any Inferior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City in accordance with the terms and provisions of any ordinances authorizing their issuance; and
- <u>Fifth</u>: To the payment of the amounts that may be deposited in the special funds and accounts established for the payment of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations, including the Certificates and the Taxable Certificates, and any Additional Limited Pledge Obligations hereafter issued by the City in accordance with the terms and provisions of any ordinances authorizing their issuance.

Any Net Revenues remaining in the System Fund after satisfying the foregoing payments, or making adequate and sufficient provision for the payment, security and benefit thereof, may be appropriated and used for any other City purpose now or hereafter permitted by law.

SECTION 14. <u>Deposits to Certificate Fund – Surplus Certificate Proceeds</u>. The City hereby covenants and agrees to cause to be deposited in the Certificate Fund prior to a principal and Interest Payment Date for the Certificates, from the Pledged Revenues in the System Fund, after the deduction of all payments required to be made to the special funds or accounts created for the payment, security, and benefit of the (i) any Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City and (ii) the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations and any Additional Limited Pledge Obligations hereafter issued by the City, any amounts budgeted to be paid therefrom in such Fiscal Year.

Accrued interest, if any, received from the Purchasers of the Certificates shall be deposited to the Certificate Fund and ad valorem taxes levied and collected for the benefit of the Certificates shall be deposited to the Certificate Fund. In addition, any surplus proceeds, including investment income therefrom, from the sale of the Certificates not expended for authorized purposes shall be deposited in the Certificate Fund, and such amounts so deposited shall reduce the sums otherwise required to be deposited in said fund from ad valorem taxes.

SECTION 15. <u>Security of Funds</u>. All money on deposit in the funds for which this Ordinance makes provision (except any portion thereof as may be at any time properly invested as provided herein) shall be secured in the manner and to the fullest extent required by the laws of the State of Texas for the security of public funds, and money on deposit in such funds shall be used only for the purposes permitted by this Ordinance.

SECTION 16. <u>Maintenance of System - Insurance</u>. The City covenants and agrees that while the Certificates remain Outstanding it will maintain and operate the System with all possible efficiency and maintain casualty and other insurance (including a system of self-insurance) on the properties of the System and its operations of a kind and in such amounts customarily carried by municipal corporations in the State of Texas engaged in a similar type of business and that it will

faithfully and punctually perform all duties with reference to the System required by the laws of the State of Texas. All money received from losses under such insurance policies, other than public liability policies, are held for the benefit of the holders of the Certificates until and unless the proceeds are paid out in making good the loss or damage in respect of which such proceeds are received, either by replacing the property destroyed or repairing the property damaged, and adequate provision for making good such loss or damage must be made within ninety (90) days after the date of loss. The payment of premiums for all insurance policies required under the provisions hereof shall be considered Maintenance and Operating Expenses. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed as requiring the City to expend any funds which are derived from sources other than the operation of the System but nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the City from doing so.

SECTION 17. <u>Rates and Charges</u>. The City hereby covenants and agrees with the Holders of the Certificates that rates and charges for solid waste collection services afforded by the System will be established and maintained to provide Gross Revenues sufficient at all times:

A. to pay, together with any other lawfully available funds, all operating, maintenance, depreciation, replacement, betterment, and other costs incurred in the maintenance and operation of the System, including, but not limited to, Maintenance and Operating Expenses;

B. to produce Net Revenues sufficient, together with any other lawfully available funds, to pay (i) the interest on and principal of any Senior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City as the same becomes due and payable and the amounts required to be deposited in any special fund created and established for the payment, security, and benefit thereof; (ii) the interest on and principal of any Subordinate Lien Obligations currently outstanding hereafter issued by the City as the same becomes due and payable and the amounts required to be deposited in any special fund created and established for the payment, security, and benefit thereof; (iii) the interest on and principal of any Inferior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City as the same becomes due and payable and the amounts required to be deposited in any special fund created and established for the payment, security, and benefit thereof; (iii) the interest on and principal of any Inferior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City as the same becomes due and payable and the amounts required to be deposited in any special fund created and established for the payment, security, and benefit thereof; (iii) the amounts that may be deposited in the special funds established for the payment of the Limited Pledge Obligations or any Additional Limited Pledge Obligations hereafter issued by the City; and

C. to pay other legally incurred indebtedness payable from the Net Revenues of the System and/or secured by a lien on the System or the Net Revenues thereof.

SECTION 18. <u>Records and Accounts - Annual Audit</u>. The City further covenants and agrees that so long as any of the Certificates remain Outstanding it will keep and maintain separate and complete records and accounts pertaining to the operations of the System in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all transactions relating thereto, as provided by Chapter 363, as amended, Texas Health and Safety Code, or other applicable law. The Holders of the Certificates or any duly authorized agent or agents of the Holders shall have the right to inspect the System and all properties comprising the same. The City further agrees that, following the close of each Fiscal Year, it will cause an audit of such books and accounts to be made by an independent firm of certified public accountants. Expenses incurred in making the annual audit of the operations of the System are to be regarded as Maintenance and Operating Expenses.

SECTION 19. <u>Remedies in Event of Default</u>. In addition to all the rights and remedies provided by the laws of the State of Texas, the City covenants and agrees particularly that in the event the City (a) defaults in the payments to be made to the Certificate Fund, or (b) defaults in the observance or performance of any other of the covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in this Ordinance, the Holders of any of the Certificates shall be entitled to seek a writ of mandamus issued by a court of proper jurisdiction compelling and requiring the governing body of the City and other officers of the City to observe and perform any covenant, condition, or obligation prescribed in this Ordinance.

No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or acquiescence therein, and every such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient. The specific remedies herein provided shall be cumulative of all other existing remedies and the specification of such remedies shall not be deemed to be exclusive.

SECTION 20. <u>Issuance of Senior Lien Obligations - Subordinate Lien Obligations – Inferior Lien Obligations – Additional Limited Pledge Obligations.</u> The City hereby expressly reserves the right to hereafter issue bonds, notes, warrants, certificates of obligation, or similar obligations, payable, wholly or in part, as appropriate, from and secured by a pledge of and lien on the Net Revenues of the System with the following priorities, without limitation as to principal amount, but subject to any terms, conditions, or restrictions applicable thereto under existing ordinances, laws, or otherwise:

A. Senior Lien Obligations payable from and equally and ratably secured by a first and prior lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System;

B. Subordinate Lien Obligations payable from and equally and ratably secured by a lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues that is subordinate and inferior to the lien on and pledge thereof securing the payment of any Senior Lien Obligations hereafter issued by the City, but prior and superior to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues securing the payment of the Certificates and any Inferior Lien Obligations or Additional Limited Pledge Obligations hereafter issued by the City; and

C. Inferior Lien Obligations payable from and equally and ratably secured by a lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues that is subordinate and inferior to the lien on and pledge thereof securing the payment of any Senior Lien Obligations or Subordinate Lien Obligations hereafter issued by the City, but prior and superior to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues securing, in part, the payment of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations, the Certificates, the Taxable Certificates, and any Additional Limited Pledge Obligations hereafter issued by the City; and

D. Additional Limited Pledge Obligations secured by a lien on and pledge of a limited amount of the Net Revenues in accordance with the provisions of the following paragraph.

Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, and Inferior Lien Obligations, if issued, may be payable, in whole or in part, from Net Revenues (without impairment of the obligation of contract with the holders of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations and the Certificates) upon such terms and conditions as the City Council may determine. Additional Limited Pledge Obligations, if issued and payable, in whole or in part, from Pledged Revenues (defined in the same or similar terms as provided in Section 9 of this Ordinance or in the ordinances authorizing the issuance of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations), shall not in any event be construed to be payable from the Pledged Revenues authorized by this Ordinance or in the ordinances authorizing the issuance of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations to be budgeted and appropriated for the payment of the Certificates or in the ordinances authorizing the issuance of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations. However, the lien on and pledge of the limited amount of Net Revenues securing, in part, the payment of the Certificates, the Limited Pledge Obligations and any Additional Limited Pledge Obligations shall be subordinate and inferior to the pledge of and lien on the Net Revenues securing the payment of any Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, and Inferior Lien Obligations hereafter issued by the City.

SECTION 21. Special Covenants. The City hereby further covenants that:

A. it has the lawful power to pledge the Pledged Revenues supporting the Certificates and has lawfully exercised said powers under the laws of the State of Texas, including power existing under Chapter 363, as amended, Texas Health and Safety Code, and the Certificate of Obligation Act of 1971, as amended, Texas Local Government Code, Section 271.041 through Section 271.064, and the City's Home Rule Charter; and

B. other than for the payment of the currently outstanding Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, and the Limited Pledge Obligations, the Net Revenues of the System have not in any manner been pledged to the payment of any debt or obligation of the City or of the System.

SECTION 22. Application of the Covenants and Agreements of the Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations. It is the intention of the City Council and accordingly hereby recognized and stipulated that the provisions, agreements, and covenants contained herein bearing upon the management and operations of the System, and the administration and application of Gross Revenues derived from the operation thereof, shall to the extent possible be harmonized with like provisions, agreements, and covenants contained in the ordinances authorizing the issuance of any Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations currently outstanding or hereafter issued by the City, and to the extent of any irreconcilable conflict between the provisions contained herein and in the ordinances authorizing the issuance of any Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations hereafter issued, the provisions, agreements and covenants contained therein shall prevail to the extent of such conflict and be applicable to this Ordinance, especially the priority of rights and benefits conferred thereby to the holders of any Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations hereafter issued. It is expressly recognized that prior to the issuance of any Senior Lien Obligations, Subordinate Lien Obligations, or Inferior Lien Obligations, the City must comply with each of the conditions precedent contained in the ordinances authorizing the issuance of the currently outstanding Limited Pledge Obligations and the Certificates, as appropriate.

SECTION 23. <u>Notices to Holders - Waiver</u>. Wherever this Ordinance provides for notice to Holders of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and sent by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the address of each Holder appearing in the Security Register at the close of business on the business day next preceding the mailing of such notice.

In any case where notice to Holders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice to any particular Holders, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to all other Holders. Where this Ordinance provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the Holder entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event with respect to which such notice is given, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Holders shall be filed with the Paying Agent/Registrar, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

SECTION 24. <u>Cancellation</u>. All Certificates surrendered for payment, redemption, transfer, exchange, or replacement, if surrendered to the Paying Agent/Registrar, shall be promptly canceled by it and, if surrendered to the City, shall be delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar and, if not already canceled, shall be promptly canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar. The City may at any time deliver to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation any Certificates previously certified or registered and delivered which the City may have acquired in any manner whatsoever, and all Certificates so delivered shall be promptly canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar. All canceled Certificates held by the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be destroyed as directed by the City.

SECTION 25. <u>Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost, and Stolen Certificates</u>. If (1) any mutilated Certificate is surrendered to the Paying Agent/Registrar, or the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar receive evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss, or theft of any Certificate, and (2) there is delivered to the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar such security or indemnity as may be required to save each of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar that such Certificate has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, the City shall execute and, upon its request, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall register and deliver, in exchange for or in lieu of any such mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Certificate, a new Certificate of the same Stated Maturity and interest rate and of like tenor and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously Outstanding.

In case any such mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Certificate has become or is about to become due and payable, the City in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Certificate, pay such Certificate.

Upon the issuance of any new Certificate or payment in lieu thereof, under this Section, the City may require payment by the Holder of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses and charges (including attorney's fees and the fees and expenses of the Paying Agent/Registrar) connected therewith.

Every new Certificate issued pursuant to this Section in lieu of any mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Certificate shall constitute a replacement of the prior obligation of the City, whether or not the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Certificate shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Ordinance equally and ratably with all other Outstanding Certificates.

The provisions of this Section are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement and payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Certificates.

SECTION 26. Sale of the Certificates at Competitive Sale - Official Statement Approval - Use of Certificate Proceeds. The Certificates authorized by this Ordinance are hereby sold by the City to \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, as the authorized representative of a group of purchasers at a competitive sale (the *Purchasers*, having all the rights, benefits, and obligations of a Holder), in accordance with the provisions of an Official Bid Form (the Official Bid Form), dated 2023, attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference as a part of this Ordinance for all purposes, at the price of par, plus a reoffering premium of \$ (including the Purchasers' compensation of \$\_\_\_\_), and no accrued interest, and is hereby approved and confirmed. The Initial Certificate shall be registered in the name of . It is hereby officially found, determined, and declared that the Purchasers are the highest bidder for the Certificates whose bid, received as a result of invitations for competitive bids in compliance with applicable law, produced the lowest true interest cost to the City. The pricing and terms of the sale of the Certificates are hereby found and determined to be the most advantageous reasonably obtainable by the City. Any Pricing Officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Official Bid Form for and on behalf of the City and as the act and deed of this City Council, and in regard to the approval and execution of the Official Bid Form, the City Council hereby finds, determines and declares that the representations, warranties, and agreements of the City contained in the Official Bid Form are true and correct in all material respects and shall be honored and performed by the City. Delivery of the Certificates to the Purchasers shall occur as soon as practicable after the adoption of this Ordinance, upon payment therefor in accordance with the terms of the Official Bid Form.

Proceeds from the sale of the Certificates shall be applied as follows:

(1) Accrued interest, if any, shall be deposited into the Certificate Fund.

(2) The City received a [net] reoffering premium from the sale of the Certificates,  $\_$  of which is hereby allocated by the City in the following manner: (1)  $\_$  to pay the Purchasers' compensation, (2)  $\_$  shall be deposited into the Certificate Fund as the rounding amount, (3)  $\_$  shall be deposited to the special construction account as specified in paragraph 3 as described below, and (4)  $\_$  to pay the remaining costs of issuance.

(3) The balance of the proceeds derived from the sale of the Certificates (being the par amount of the Certificates in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and a portion of the reoffering premium in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_) shall be deposited into the special construction account or accounts created for the projects to be constructed with the proceeds of the Certificates and used to pay costs of such projects. This special construction account shall be established and maintained at the Depository and shall be invested in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of this Ordinance. Interest earned on the proceeds of the

Certificates pending completion of construction of the projects financed with such proceeds shall be accounted for, maintained, deposited, and expended as permitted by the provisions of Chapter 1201, as amended, Texas Government Code, or as required by any other applicable law. Thereafter, such amounts shall be expended in accordance with Section 14 of this Ordinance.

Furthermore, the City hereby ratifies, confirms, and approves in all respects (i) the City's prior determination that the Preliminary Official Statement was, as of its date, "deemed final" in accordance with the Rule (hereinafter defined) and (ii) the use and distribution of the Official Notice of Sale, Official Bid Form, and Preliminary Official Statement by the Purchasers in connection with the public offering and sale of the Certificates. The final Official Statement, being a modification and amendment of the Preliminary Official Statement to reflect the terms of sale referenced in the Official Bid Form (together with such changes approved by any Authorized Official, any one or more of said officials), shall be and is hereby in all respects approved and the Purchasers are hereby authorized to use and distribute the final Official Statement, dated

\_\_\_\_, 2023, in the reoffering, sale and delivery of the Certificates to the public. The Mayor and City Secretary are further authorized and directed to manually execute and deliver for and on behalf of the City copies of the Official Statement in final form as may be required by the Purchasers, and such final Official Statement in the form and content manually executed by said officials shall be deemed to be approved by the City Council and constitute the Official Statement authorized for distribution and use by the Purchasers. Each Authorized Official is hereby authorized to execute and deliver a certificate pertaining to such Official Statement as prescribed therein, dated as of the date of payment for and delivery of the Certificates.

SECTION 27. Covenants to Maintain Tax-Exempt Status.

A. <u>Definitions</u>. When used in this Section, the following terms have the following meanings:

*Closing Date* means the date on which the Certificates are first authenticated and delivered to the initial purchasers against payment therefor.

*Code* means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by all legislation, if any, effective on or before the Closing Date.

Computation Date has the meaning set forth in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

*Gross Proceeds* means any proceeds as defined in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations, and any replacement proceeds as defined in Section 1.148-1(c) of the Regulations, of the Certificates.

Investment has the meaning set forth in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

*Nonpurpose Investment* means any investment property, as defined in section 148(b) of the Code, in which Gross Proceeds of the Certificates are invested and which is not acquired to carry out the governmental purposes of the Certificates.

*Rebate Amount* has the meaning set forth in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

*Regulations* means any proposed, temporary, or final Income Tax Regulations issued pursuant to sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code, and 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, which are applicable to the Certificates. Any reference to any specific Regulation shall also mean, as appropriate, any proposed, temporary or final Income Tax Regulation designed to supplement, amend or replace the specific Regulation referenced.

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(1) any Investment has the meaning set forth in Section 1.148-5 of the Regulations; and

(2) the Certificates means the combined yield of the Certificates, the Series 2023 Notes[, the Series 2023 Utility System Bonds,] and the Series 2023 Bonds, treated as a single issue, within the meaning set forth in Section 1.148-4 of the Regulations.

B. <u>Not to Cause Interest to Become Taxable</u>. The City shall not use, permit the use of, or omit to use Gross Proceeds or any other amounts (or any property the acquisition, construction or improvement of which is to be financed directly or indirectly with Gross Proceeds) in a manner which if made or omitted, respectively, would cause the interest on any Certificate to become includable in the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Code, of the owner thereof for federal income tax purposes. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, unless and until the City receives a written opinion of counsel nationally recognized in the field of municipal bond law to the effect that failure to comply with such covenant will not adversely affect the exemption from federal income tax of the interest on any Certificate, the City shall comply with each of the specific covenants in this Section.

C. <u>No Private Use or Private Payments</u>. Except to the extent that it will not cause the Certificates to become "private activity bonds" within the meaning of section 141 of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder, the City shall at all times prior to the last Stated Maturity of Certificates:

(1) exclusively own, operate and possess all property the acquisition, construction or improvement of which is to be financed or refinanced directly or indirectly with Gross Proceeds of the Certificates, and not use or permit the use of such Gross Proceeds (including all contractual arrangements with terms different than those applicable to the general public) or any property acquired, constructed or improved with such Gross Proceeds in any activity carried on by any person or entity (including the United States or any agency, department and instrumentality thereof) other than a state or local government, unless such use is solely as a member of the general public; and

(2) not directly or indirectly impose or accept any charge or other payment by any person or entity who is treated as using Gross Proceeds of the Certificates or any property the acquisition, construction or improvement of which is to be financed or refinanced directly or indirectly with such Gross Proceeds, other than taxes of general application within the City or interest earned on investments acquired with such Gross Proceeds pending application for their intended purposes.

D. <u>No Private Loan</u>. Except as would not cause the Certificates to become "private activity bonds" within the meaning of section 141 of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder, the City shall not use Gross Proceeds of the Certificates to make or finance loans to any person or entity other than a state or local government. For purposes of the foregoing covenant, such Gross Proceeds are considered to be "loaned" to a person or entity if- (1) property acquired, constructed or improved with such Gross Proceeds is sold or leased to such person or entity in a transaction which creates a debt for federal income tax purposes; (2) capacity in or service from such property is committed to such person or entity under a take-or-pay, output or similar contract or arrangement; or (3) indirect benefits, or burdens and benefits of ownership, of such Gross Proceeds are otherwise transferred in a transaction which is the economic equivalent of a loan.

E. <u>Not to Invest at Higher Yield</u>. Except as would not cause the Certificates to become "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of section 148 of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder, the City shall not at any time prior to the final Stated Maturity of the Certificates directly or indirectly invest Gross Proceeds in any Investment, if as a result of such investment the Yield of any Investment acquired with Gross Proceeds, whether then held or previously disposed of, materially exceeds the Yield of the Certificates.

F. <u>Not Federally Guaranteed</u>. Except to the extent permitted by section 149(b) of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder, the City shall not take or omit to take any action which would cause the Certificates to be federally guaranteed within the meaning of section 149(b) of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder.

G. <u>Information Report</u>. The City shall timely file the information required by section 149(e) of the Code with the Secretary of the Treasury on Form 8038-G or such other form and in such place as the Secretary may prescribe.

H. <u>Rebate of Arbitrage Profits</u>. Except to the extent otherwise provided in section 148(f) of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder:

(1) The City shall account for all Gross Proceeds (including all receipts, expenditures and investments thereof) on its books of account separately and apart from all other funds (and receipts, expenditures and investments thereof) and shall retain all records of accounting for at least six years after the day on which the last Outstanding Certificate is discharged. However, to the extent permitted by law, the City may commingle Gross Proceeds of the Certificates with other money of the City, provided that the City separately accounts for each receipt and expenditure of Gross Proceeds and the obligations acquired therewith.

(2) Not less frequently than each Computation Date, the City shall calculate the Rebate Amount in accordance with rules set forth in section 148(f) of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder. The City shall maintain such calculations with its

official transcript of proceedings relating to the issuance of the Certificates until six years after the final Computation Date.

As additional consideration for the purchase of the Certificates by the (3)Purchasers and the loan of the money represented thereby and in order to induce such purchase by measures designed to insure the excludability of the interest thereon from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, the City shall pay to the United States out of the Certificate Fund or its general fund, as permitted by applicable Texas statute, regulation or opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas, the amount that when added to the future value of previous rebate payments made for the Certificates equals (i) in the case of a Final Computation Date as defined in Section 1.148-3(e)(2) of the Regulations, one hundred percent (100%) of the Rebate Amount on such date; and (ii) in the case of any other Computation Date, ninety percent (90%) of the Rebate Amount on such date. In all cases, the rebate payments shall be made at the times, in the installments, to the place and in the manner as is or may be required by section 148(f) of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder, and shall be accompanied by Form 8038-T or such other forms and information as is or may be required by section 148(f) of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder.

(4) The City shall exercise reasonable diligence to assure that no errors are made in the calculations and payments required by paragraphs (2) and (3), and if an error is made, to discover and promptly correct such error within a reasonable amount of time thereafter (and in all events within one hundred eighty (180) days after discovery of the error), including payment to the United States of any additional Rebate Amount owed to it, interest thereon, and any penalty imposed under Section 1.148-3(h) of the Regulations.

I. <u>Not to Divert Arbitrage Profits</u>. Except to the extent permitted by section 148 of the Code and the Regulations and rulings thereunder, the City shall not, at any time prior to the earlier of the Stated Maturity or final payment of the Certificates, enter into any transaction that reduces the amount required to be paid to the United States pursuant to Subsection H of this Section because such transaction results in a smaller profit or a larger loss than would have resulted if the transaction had been at arm's length and had the Yield of the Certificates not been relevant to either party.

## J. <u>Certificates Not Hedge Bonds</u>.

(1) The City reasonably expects to spend at least 85% of the spendable proceeds of the Certificates within three years after such Certificates are issued.

(2) Not more than 50% of the proceeds of the Certificates will be invested in Nonpurpose Investments having a substantially guaranteed Yield for a period of 4 years or more.

K. <u>Elections</u>. The City hereby directs and authorizes the Mayor, the Mayor Pro Tem, any Authorized Representative, or any combination of them, to make elections permitted or required pursuant to the provisions of the Code or the Regulations, as they deem necessary or appropriate in connection with the Certificates, in the Certificate as to Tax Exemption or similar

or other appropriate certificate, form or document. Such elections shall be deemed to be made on the Closing Date.

SECTION 28. <u>Control and Custody of Certificates</u>. The Mayor of the City shall be and is hereby authorized to take and have charge of all necessary orders and records pending investigation by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and shall take and have charge and control of the Certificates pending their approval by the Attorney General, the registration thereof by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the delivery of the Certificates to the Purchasers.

Furthermore, each Authorized Representative is hereby authorized and directed to furnish and execute such documents relating to the City and its financial affairs as may be necessary for the issuance of the Certificates, the approval of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and their registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas and, together with the City's financial advisor, bond counsel, and the Paying Agent/Registrar, make the necessary arrangements for the delivery of the Initial Certificate to the Purchasers and the initial exchange thereof for definitive Certificates.

SECTION 29. <u>Satisfaction of Obligation of City</u>. If the City shall pay or cause to be paid, or there shall otherwise be paid to the Holders, the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates, at the times and in the manner stipulated in this Ordinance, then the pledge of taxes levied and the lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues under this Ordinance and all covenants, agreements, and other obligations of the City to the Holders shall thereupon cease, terminate, and be discharged and satisfied.

Certificates, or any principal amount(s) thereof, shall be deemed to have been paid within the meaning and with the effect expressed above in this Section when (i) money sufficient to pay in full such Certificates or the principal amount(s) thereof at Stated Maturity or to the redemption date therefor, together with all interest due thereon, shall have been irrevocably deposited with and held in trust by the Paying Agent/Registrar, or an authorized escrow agent, and/or (ii) Government Securities shall have been irrevocably deposited in trust with the Paying Agent/Registrar, or an authorized escrow agent, which Government 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, together with any money deposited therewith, if any, to pay when due the principal of and interest on such Certificates, or the principal amount(s) thereof, on and prior to the Stated Maturity thereof or (if notice of redemption has been duly given or waived or if irrevocable arrangements therefor acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar have been made) the redemption date thereof. In the event of a defeasance of the Certificates, the City shall deliver a certificate from its financial advisor, the Paying Agent/Registrar, an independent accounting firm, or another qualified third party concerning the deposit of cash and/or Government Securities to pay, when due, the principal of, redemption premium (if any), and interest due on any defeased Certificates. As and to the extent applicable, if at all, the City covenants that no deposit of money or Government Securities will be made under this Section and no use made of any such deposit which would cause the Certificates to be treated as arbitrage bonds within the meaning of section 148 of the Code (as defined in Section 27 hereof).

Any money so deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar, and all income from Government Securities held in trust by the Paying Agent/Registrar, or an authorized escrow agent,

pursuant to this Section which is not required for the payment of the Certificates, or any principal amount(s) thereof, or interest thereon with respect to which such money has been so deposited shall be remitted to the City or deposited as directed by the City. Furthermore, any money held by the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Certificates and remaining unclaimed for a period of three (3) years after the Stated Maturity of the Certificates, or applicable redemption date, such money was deposited and is held in trust to pay shall upon the request of the City be remitted to the City against a written receipt therefor, subject to the unclaimed property laws of the State of Texas.

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 (i) or (ii) above shall not be irrevocable, provided that: (1) in the proceedings providing for such defeasance, 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 defeasance; (3) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes; and (4) at the time of the redemption, satisfies the conditions of (i) or (ii) above with respect to such defeased debt as though it was being defeased at the time of the exercise of the option to redeem the defeased Certificates, after taking the redemption into account in determining the sufficiency of the provisions made for the payment of the defeased Certificates.

SECTION 30. <u>Printed Opinion</u>. The Purchasers' obligation to accept delivery of the Certificates is subject to their being furnished a final opinion of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Austin, Texas, as Bond Counsel, approving certain legal matters as to the Certificates, the opinion to be dated and delivered as of the date of initial delivery and payment for the Certificates. Printing of a true and correct copy of the opinion on the reverse side of each of the Certificates, with appropriate certificate pertaining thereto executed by facsimile signature of the City Secretary of the City is hereby approved and authorized.

SECTION 31. <u>CUSIP Numbers</u>. CUSIP numbers may be printed or typed on the definitive Certificates. It is expressly provided, however, that the presence or absence of CUSIP numbers on the definitive Certificates shall be of no significance or effect as regards the legality thereof, and neither the City nor Bond Counsel are to be held responsible for CUSIP numbers incorrectly printed or typed on the definitive Certificates.

SECTION 32. <u>Effect of Headings</u>. The Section headings herein are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

SECTION 33. Ordinance a Contract, Amendments - Outstanding Certificates. The City acknowledges that the covenants and obligations of the City herein contained are a material inducement to the purchase of the Certificates. This Ordinance shall constitute a contract with the Holders from time to time, binding on the City and its successors and assigns, and it shall not be amended or repealed by the City so long as any Certificate remains Outstanding except as permitted in this Section. The City may, without the consent of or notice to any Holders, from time to time and at any time, amend this Ordinance in any manner not detrimental to the interests of the Holders, including the curing of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or formal defect or omission herein. In addition, the City may, with the written consent of Holders holding a majority in aggregate

principal amount of the Certificates then Outstanding affected thereby, amend, add to, or rescind any of the provisions of this Ordinance; provided, however, that, without the consent of all Holders of Outstanding Certificates, no such amendment, addition, or rescission shall (1) extend the time or times of payment of the principal of and interest on the Certificates, reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon, or in any other way modify the terms of payment of the principal of, the redemption price therefor, or interest on the Certificates, (2) give any preference to any Certificate over any other Certificate, or (3) reduce the aggregate principal amount of Certificates required for consent to any such amendment, addition, or rescission.

SECTION 34. <u>Benefits of Ordinance</u>. Nothing in this Ordinance, expressed or implied, is intended or shall be construed to confer upon any person other than the City, Bond Counsel, Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Holders, any right, remedy, or claim, legal or equitable, under or by reason of this Ordinance or any provision hereof, this Ordinance and all its provisions being intended to be and being for the sole and exclusive benefit of the City, Bond Counsel, Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Holders.

SECTION 35. <u>Inconsistent Provisions</u>. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordained herein.

SECTION 36. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Ordinance shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 37. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the City Council hereby declares that this Ordinance would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 38. <u>Construction of Terms</u>. If appropriate in the context of this Ordinance, words of the singular number shall be considered to include the plural, words of the plural number shall be considered to include the singular, and words of the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall be considered to include the other genders.

SECTION 39. <u>Incorporation of Preamble Recitals</u>. The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Ordinance for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the City Council of the City.

SECTION 40. <u>Authorization of Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement</u>. The City Council of the City hereby finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City to authorize the execution of a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement concerning the payment, exchange, registration, and transferability of the Certificates. A copy of the Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement is attached hereto, in substantially final form, as Exhibit A and is incorporated by reference to the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 41. <u>Public Meeting</u>. It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Ordinance is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Ordinance, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 42. <u>Unavailability of Authorized Publication</u>. If, because of the temporary or permanent suspension of any newspaper, journal, or other publication, or, for any reason, publication of notice cannot be made meeting any requirements herein established, any notice required to be published by the provisions of this Ordinance shall be given in such other manner and at such time or times as in the judgment of the City or of the Paying Agent/Registrar shall most effectively approximate such required publication and the giving of such notice in such manner shall for all purposes of this Ordinance be deemed to be in compliance with the requirements for publication thereof.

SECTION 43. <u>No Recourse Against City Officials</u>. No recourse shall be had for the payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Certificate or for any claim based thereon or on this Ordinance against any official of the City or any person executing any Certificate.

SECTION 44. Continuing Disclosure Undertaking.

A. <u>Definitions</u>.

As used in this Section, the following terms have the meanings ascribed to such terms below:

*EMMA* means the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access system, accessible by the general public, without charge, on the internet through the uniform resource locator (URL) http://www.emma.msrb.org.

*Financial Obligation* means a (a) debt obligation; (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) guarantee of a debt obligation or any such derivative instrument; provided that "financial obligation" shall not include municipal securities (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) 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.

*Undertaking* means the Issuer's continuing disclosure undertaking, described in subsections B through F below, hereunder accepted and entered into by the Issuer for the purpose of compliance with the Rule.

### B. <u>Annual Reports</u>.

The City shall file annually with the MSRB, (1) within six months after the end of each fiscal year of the City ending in or after 2023, financial information and operating data with respect to the System of the general type included in the final Official Statement authorized by Section 26 of this Ordinance, being the information described in Exhibit C hereto, and (2) if not provided as part of such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements of the City, when and if available. Any financial statements so to be provided shall be (i) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Exhibit C 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 (ii) audited, if the City commissions an audit of such financial 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 file unaudited financial statements within such period and audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to the MSRB, when and if the audit report on such financial statements becomes available. Under current Texas law, including, but not limited to, Chapter 103, as amended, Texas Local Government Code, the City must have its records and accounts audited annually and shall have an annual financial statement prepared based on the audit. The annual financial statement, including the auditor's opinion on the statement, shall be filed in the office of the City Secretary within one hundred eighty (180) days after the last day of the City's fiscal year. Additionally, upon the filing of this financial statement and the annual audit, these documents are subject to the Texas Open Records Act, as amended, Texas Government Code, Chapter 552.

If the City changes its fiscal year, it will file notice of such change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) with the MSRB prior to the next date by which the City otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section.

### C. Notice of Certain Events.

The City shall file notice of any of the following events with respect to the Certificates to the MSRB in a timely manner and not more than 10 business days after occurrence of the event:

- (1) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (2) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (3) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (4) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (5) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;

(6) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Certificates, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Certificates;

(7) Modifications to rights of holders of the Certificates if material;

- (8) Certificate calls, if material, and tender offers;
- (9) Defeasances;

(10) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Certificates, if material;

(11) Rating changes;

(12) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the City, which shall occur as described below;

(13) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the City or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into of a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;

(14) Appointment of a successor or additional paying agent/registrar or the change of name of a paying agent/registrar, if material;

(15) Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and

(16) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

For these purposes, (a) any event described in the immediately preceding paragraph (12) 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, and (b) the Issuer intends the words used in the immediately preceding paragraphs (15) and (16) and the definition of Financial Obligation in this Section to have the same meanings as when they are used in the Rule, as evidenced by SEC Release No. 34-83885, dated August 20, 2018.

The City shall file notice with the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any failure by the City to provide financial information or operating data in accordance with this Section by the time required by this Section.

D. Limitations, Disclaimers, and Amendments.

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 that causes the Certificates to be no longer Outstanding.

The provisions of this Section are for the sole benefit of the holders 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.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE CITY BE LIABLE TO THE HOLDER 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 WITH 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.

No default by the City in observing or performing its obligations under this Section shall constitute 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.

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 to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (2) either (a) the holders 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) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interests of the holders and beneficial owners of the Certificates. The City may also repeal or amend the provisions of this Section if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or any court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, and the City also may amend the provisions of this Section in its discretion in any other manner or circumstance, but in either case only if and to the

extent that the provisions of this sentence would not have prevented an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates, giving effect to (a) such provisions as so amended and (b) any amendments or interpretations of the Rule. If the City so amends the provisions of this Section, the City shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with this Section an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided.

## E. Information Format; Incorporation by Reference.

The City information required under this Section shall be filed with the MSRB through EMMA in such format and accompanied by such identifying information as may be specified from time to time thereby. Under the current rules of the MSRB, continuing disclosure documents submitted to EMMA must be in word-searchable portable document format (PDF) files that permit the document to be saved, viewed, printed, and retransmitted by electronic means and the series of obligations to which such continuing disclosure documents relate must be identified by CUSIP number or numbers.

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 (including an official statement or other offering document) available to the public through EMMA or filed with the SEC.

## F. <u>General Policies and Procedures Concerning Compliance with the Rule</u>.

Because the issuance of the Certificates is subject to the provisions of the Rule and because the potential "underwriters" in a negotiated sale of the Certificates or the initial purchasers in a competitive sale of the Certificates may be subject to MSRB rules and regulations with respect to such sale (including certain due diligence and suitability requirements, among others), the Issuer hereby adopts the General Policies and Procedures Concerning Compliance with the Rule (the Policies and Procedures), attached hereto as Exhibit E, with which the Issuer shall follow to assure compliance with the Undertaking. The Issuer has developed these Policies and Procedures for the purpose of meeting its requirements of the Undertaking and, in connection therewith, has sought the guidance from its internal staff charged with administering the Issuer's financial affairs, its municipal or financial advisors, its legal counsel (including its Bond Counsel), and its independent accountants (to the extent determined to be necessary or advisable). The Policies and Procedures can be amended at the sole discretion of the Issuer and any such amendment will not be deemed to be an amendment to the Undertaking. Each Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to amend the Policies and Procedures as a result of a change in law, a future issuance of indebtedness subject to the Rule, or another purpose determined by the Authorized Representative to be necessary or desirable for or with respect to future compliance with the Undertaking.

## SECTION 45. Book-Entry Only System.

The Certificates shall initially be registered so as to participate in a securities depository system (the *DTC System*) with The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, or any successor entity thereto (*DTC*), as set forth herein. Each Stated Maturity of the Certificates shall

be issued (following cancellation of the Initial Certificate described in Section 7) in the form of a separate single definitive Certificate. Upon issuance, the ownership of each such Certificate shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee of DTC, and all of the Outstanding Certificates shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee of DTC. The City and the Paying Agent/Registrar are authorized to execute, deliver, and take the actions set forth in such letters to or agreements with DTC as shall be necessary to effectuate the DTC System, including the Letter of Representations attached hereto as Exhibit D (the *Representation Letter*).

With respect to the 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 broker-dealer, bank, or other financial institution for which DTC holds the Certificates from time to time as securities depository (a Depository Participant) or to any person on behalf of whom such a Depository Participant holds an interest in the Certificates (an Indirect Participant). 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 Depository Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Certificates, (ii) the delivery to any Depository Participant or any other person, other than a registered owner of the Certificates, as shown on the Security Register, of any notice with respect to the Certificates, including any notice of redemption, or (iii) the delivery to any Depository Participant or any Indirect Participant or any other Person, other than a Holder of a Certificate, of any amount with respect to principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Certificates. While in the DTC System, no person other than Cede & Co., or any successor thereto, as nominee for DTC, shall receive a bond certificate evidencing the obligation of the City to make payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest pursuant to this Ordinance. 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., and subject to the provisions in this Ordinance with respect to interest checks or drafts being mailed to the Holder, the word "Cede & Co." in this Ordinance shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

In the event that (a) the City determines that DTC is incapable of discharging its responsibilities described herein and in the Representation Letter, (b) the Representation Letter shall be terminated for any reason, or (c) DTC or the City determines 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 notify the Paying Agent/Registrar, DTC, and the Depository Participants of the availability within a reasonable period of time through DTC of bond certificates, and the Certificates shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. At that time, the City may determine that the Certificates shall be registered in the name of and deposited with a successor depository operating a securities depository system, as may be acceptable to the City, or such depository's agent or designee, and if the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar do not select such alternate securities depository system then the Certificates may be registered in whatever name or names the Holders of Certificates transferring or exchanging the Certificates shall designate, in accordance with the provisions hereof.

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, premium, if any, and interest on such Certificate and all notices with respect to such Certificate shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the

Representation Letter.

SECTION 46. Further Procedures. The officers and employees of the City are hereby 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 under the corporate seal and on behalf of the City all such 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 initial sale and delivery of the Certificates, the Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, the Purchase Contract, and the Official Statement. In addition, prior to the initial delivery of the Certificates, the Authorized Representatives and Bond Counsel are hereby authorized and directed to approve any technical changes or corrections to this Ordinance or to any of the instruments authorized and approved by this Ordinance and as described in the Official Statement necessary in order to (i) correct any ambiguity or mistake or properly or more completely document the transactions contemplated and approved by this Ordinance, (ii) obtain a rating from any of the national bond rating agencies, or (iii) obtain the approval of the Certificates by the Texas Attorney General's office. In case any officer of the City 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 47. <u>Automatic Budget Amendments to Reflect Final Debt Service Payments.</u> To the extent that the City Council has adopted an annual budget that includes payment of debt service on any Certificates issued (or to be issued) pursuant to this Ordinance based on the City's reasonable expectations and projections relative to those Certificates, such budget entries shall, upon the issuance of Certificates, be automatically adjusted to reflect actual debt service payments on those Certificates coming due during the period of time covered by such budget. Each Authorized Representative, or the designee thereof, is authorized to make such necessary budget entries and/or adjustments to reflect these final debt service amounts.

SECTION 48. <u>City's Consent to Provide Information and Documentation to the Texas</u> <u>MAC</u>. The Municipal Advisory Council of Texas (the *Texas MAC*), a non-profit membership corporation organized exclusively for non-profit purposes described in section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code and which serves as a comprehensive financial information repository regarding municipal debt issuers in Texas, requires provision of written documentation regarding the issuance of municipal debt by the issuers thereof. In support of the purpose of the Texas MAC and in compliance with applicable law, the City hereby consents to and authorizes any Authorized Representative, the City's Bond Counsel, and/or the City's Financial Advisor to provide to the Texas MAC information and documentation requested by the Texas MAC relating to the Certificates; provided, however, that no such information and documentation shall be provided prior to the Closing Date. This consent and authorization relates only to information and documentation that is a part of the public record concerning the issuance of the Certificates.

SECTION 49. <u>Ancillary Bond Contracts</u>. Though such parties may be identified, and the entry into a particular form of contract may be authorized herein, pursuant to Chapter 1371, and any other applicable law, the Governing Body, hereby delegates to each Authorized Representative other than the Mayor the authority to independently select the counterparty to any agreement with any paying agent/registrar, rating agency, securities depository, or any other contract that is determined by an Authorized Representative (other than the Mayor), the City's

Financial Advisors, or the City's Bond Counsel to be necessary or incidental to the issuance of the Certificates as long as each of such contracts has a value of less than the amount referenced in Section 2252.908 of the Texas Government Code (collectively, the *Ancillary Bond Contracts*); and, as necessary, to execute the Ancillary Bond Contracts on behalf and as the act and deed of the City. As a result of such delegation, the provisions of Section 2252.908, as amended, Texas Government Code, are not applicable to the Ancillary Bond Contracts pursuant to 1 Texas Administrative Code Sec. 46.1(c).

SECTION 50. <u>Effective Date</u>. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1201.028, as amended, Texas Government Code, this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption, notwithstanding any provision in the City's Home Rule Charter to the contrary concerning a multiple reading requirement for the adoption of ordinances.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED on the 13th day of June, 2023.

CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary

APPROVED THIS 13th day of June, 2023:

Miles Risley, City Attorney

(CITY SEAL)

## THE STATE OF TEXAS §

### COUNTY OF NUECES §

I, the undersigned, City Secretary of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of an Ordinance passed by the City Council of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas (and of the minutes pertaining thereto) on the 13th day of June, 2023, authorizing the issuance of the City's Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023A, which ordinance is duly of record in the minutes of said City Council, and said meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

EXECUTED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said City, this the 13th day of June, 2023.

City Secretary

(CITY SEAL)

The foregoing ordinance was read for the first time and passed to its second reading on this the 23rd day of May, 2023, by the following vote:

Paulette Guajardo	 Jim Klein	
Roland Barrera	 Mike Pusley	
Sylvia Campos	 Everett Roy	
Gil Hernandez	 Dan Suckley	
Michael Hunter		

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the second time and passed finally on this the 13th day of June, 2023, by the following vote:

Paulette Guajardo	 Jim Klein	
Roland Barrera	 Mike Pusley	
Sylvia Campos	 Everett Roy	
Gil Hernandez	 Dan Suckley	
Michael Hunter		

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 13th day of June, 2023.

ATTEST:

Rebecca Huerta City Secretary Paulette Guajardo Mayor

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# EXHIBIT A

PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT

SEE TAB NO. \_\_\_

# EXHIBIT B

## OFFICIAL BID FORM

SEE TAB NO.

### EXHIBIT C

## DESCRIPTION OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following information is referred to in Section 44 of this Ordinance.

### **Annual Financial Statements and Operating Data**

The financial information and operating data with respect to the City to be provided annually in accordance with such Section are as specified (and included in the Appendix or under the headings of the Official Statement referred to) below:

(1) The City's audited financial statements for the most recently concluded fiscal year of the general type or to the extent these audited financial statements are not available, the portions of the unaudited financial statements of the City appended to the Official Statement as Appendix B, but for the most recently concluded fiscal year.

(2) [All quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the City of the general type included in the Official Statement under Tables numbered 1 through 6 and 8 through 12 ("Financial Information").]

## **Accounting Principles**

The accounting principles referred to in such Section are generally accepted accounting principles for governmental units as prescribed by the Government Accounting Standards Board from time to time.

# EXHIBIT D

DTC LETTER OF REPRESENTATIONS

SEE TAB NO. \_\_\_\_

# EXHIBIT E

## GENERAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES CONCERNING COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULE

I. Capitalized terms used in this Exhibit have the meanings ascribed thereto in Section 44 of the Ordinance. *Certificates* refer to the Certificates that are the subject of the Ordinance to which this Exhibit is attached.

II. As a capital markets participant, the Issuer is aware of its continuing disclosure requirements and obligations existing under the Rule prior to February 27, 2019, the effective date of the most recent amendment to the Rule (the *Effective Date*), and has implemented and maintained internal policies, processes, and procedures to ensure compliance therewith. Adherence to these internal policies, processes, and procedures has enabled underwriters in non-exempt negotiated sales and initial purchasers in non-exempt competitive sales to comply with their obligations arising under various MSRB rules and regulations concerning due diligence and findings of suitability, among other matters, regarding the Issuer's compliance with the Rule.

III. The Issuer is aware that the Rule was amended as of the Effective Date (the *Rule Amendment*) and has accommodated this amendment by adding subparagraphs (15) and (16) to Section 44C of the Ordinance, which provisions are a part of the Undertaking.

IV. The Issuer is aware that "participating underwriters" (as such term is defined in the Rule) of the Certificates must make inquiry and reasonably believe that the Issuer is likely to comply with the Undertaking and that the standards for determining compliance have increased over time as a result of, among others, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission's Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative and regulatory commentary relating to the effectiveness of the Rule Amendment.

V. The Issuer now establishes the following general policies and procedures (the *Policies and Procedures*) for satisfying its obligations pursuant to the Undertaking, which policies and procedures have been developed based on the Issuer's informal policies, procedures, and processes utilized prior to the Effective Date for compliance with the Issuer's obligations under the Rule, the advice from and discussions with the Issuer's internal senior staff (including staff charged with administering the Issuer's financial affairs), its municipal or financial advisors, its legal counsel (including Bond Counsel), and its independent accountants, to the extent determined to be necessary or advisable (collectively, the *Compliance Team*):

- 1. The Chief Financial Officer or the Director of Finance and Procurement (each, a *Compliance Officer*) shall be responsible for satisfying the Issuer's obligations pursuant to the Undertaking through adherence to these Policies and Procedures;
- 2. the Compliance Officer shall establish reminder or "tickler" systems to identify and timely report to the MSRB, in the format thereby prescribed from time to time, the Issuer's information of the type described in Section 44B of the Ordinance;

- 3. the Compliance Officer shall promptly determine the occurrence of any of the events described in Section 44C of the Ordinance;
- 4. the Compliance Officer shall work with external consultants of the Issuer, as and to the extent necessary, to timely prepare and file with the MSRB the annual information of the Issuer and notice of the occurrence of any of the events referenced in Clauses 2 and 3 above, respectively, the foregoing being required to satisfy the terms of the Undertaking;
- 5. the Compliance Officer shall establish a system for identifying and monitoring any Financial Obligations, whether now existing or hereafter entered into by the Issuer, and (upon identification) determining if such Financial Obligation has the potential to materially impact the security or source of repayment of the Certificates;
- 6. upon identification of any Financial Obligation meeting the materiality standard identified in Clause 5 above, the Compliance Officer shall establish a process for identifying and monitoring any Issuer agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms under such Financial Obligation;
- 7. the Compliance Officer shall establish a process for identifying the occurrence of any default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of any Financial Obligation, the occurrence of any of which reflect financial difficulties of the Issuer; and
- 8. the Compliance Officer shall annually review these Policies and Procedures with the remainder of the Compliance Team, make any modifications on an internal document retained by the Compliance Officer and available to any "participating underwriter" (as defined in the Rule), if requested, and on the basis of this annual review (to the extent determined to be necessary or desirable), seek additional training for herself or himself, as well as other members of the Issuer's internal staff identified by the Compliance Officer to assist with the Issuer's satisfaction of the terms and provisions of the Undertaking.