CERTIFICATE FOR ORDER

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THE STATE OF TEXAS HOPKINS COUNTY

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of Hopkins County, Texas hereby certify as follows:

1. The Commissioners Court of Hopkins County convened in a regular meeting on February 8, 2021 at the regular designated meeting place, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of said Commissioners Court, to wit:

Robert Newsom, County Judge Commissioner Precinct 1, Mickey Barker Commissioner Precinct 2, Greg Anglin Commissioner Precinct 3, Wade Bartley Commissioner Precinct 4, Joe Price

and all of said persons were present except ______ thus constituting a quorum. Whereupon, among other business the following was transacted at said Meeting: a written Order entitled

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, TAXABLE SERIES 2021; APPOINTING A PRICING OFFICER WITH THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE SALE OF THE BONDS WITHIN ESTABLISHED PARAMETERS; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

was duly introduced for the consideration of said Commissioners Court. It was then duly moved and seconded that said Order be passed; and, after due discussion, said motion, carrying with it the passage of said Order, prevailed and carried, with all members of said Commissioners Court shown present above voting "Aye," except as noted below:

NAYS: _____ ABSTENTIONS: _____

2. A true, full, and correct copy of the aforesaid Order passed at the Meeting described in the above and foregoing paragraph is attached to and follows this Certificate; said Order has been duly recorded in said Commissioners Court's minutes of said Meeting; the above and foregoing paragraph is a true, full, and correct excerpt from said Commissioners Court's minutes of said Meeting pertaining to the passage of said Order; the persons named in the above and foregoing paragraph are the duly chosen, qualified, and acting officers and members of said Commissioners Court as indicated therein; that each of the officers and members of said Commissioners Court as used therein; that each of the officers and members of said Commissioners Court was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place, and purpose of the aforesaid Meeting, and that said Order would be introduced and considered for passage at said Meeting, and each of said officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of said Meeting for such purpose; and that 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 the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.3.

The County Judge has approved and hereby approves the Order; and the County Judge and the County Clerk hereby declare that their signing of this certificate shall constitute the signing of the attached and following copy of said Order for all purposes.

SIGNED AND SEALED ON FEBRUARY 8, 2021.

Tracy Smith; County Clerk

Hon. Robert Newsom; County Judge



Bond Order Hopkins County, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021 ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, TAXABLE SERIES 2021; APPOINTING A PRICING OFFICER WITH THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE SALE OF THE BONDS WITHIN ESTABLISHED PARAMETERS; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

STATE OF TEXAS HOPKINS COUNTY

WHEREAS, Hopkins County, Texas (the "Issuer") has previously issued, and there are presently outstanding, bonds of the Issuer payable from ad valorem taxes levied and to be levied, assessed and collected within the Issuer;

WHEREAS, the Issuer now desires to refund all or a portion of its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013 and General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014, the maturities of which may be selected and designated to be refunded by the Pricing Officer in the Pricing Certificate (the "*Refunded Obligations*") as described herein; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code ("*Chapter 1207*"), authorizes the Issuer to issue refunding bonds and to deposit the proceeds from the sale thereof, and any other available funds or resources, directly with a paying agent for any of the Refunded Obligations; or a trust company or commercial bank that does not act as a depository for the Issuer and is named herein as the escrow agent, and such deposit, if made before such payment dates, shall constitute the making of firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Obligations; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of the Issuer hereby finds and determines that it is a public purpose and in the best interests of the Issuer to refund the Refunded Obligations in order to achieve a present value debt service savings, with such savings, among other information and terms to be included in a pricing certificate (defined herein) to be executed by the Pricing Officer (defined herein), all in accordance with the provisions of Section 1207.007, Texas Government Code;

WHEREAS, all the Refunded Obligations mature or are subject to redemption prior to maturity within twenty years of the date of the bonds hereinafter authorized;

WHEREAS, the bonds hereafter authorized are being issued and delivered pursuant to said Chapter 1207; and

WHEREAS, it is officially found, determined and declared that the meeting at which this Order has been adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the date, hour, place and subject of said meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by the applicable provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS:

Section 1. Recitals, Amount and Purpose of the Bonds; Definitions.

(a) The recitals set forth in the preamble hereof are incorporated herein and shall have the same force and effect as if set forth in this Section.

(b) The Bonds of the Issuer are hereby authorized to be issued and delivered in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$11,000,000 with the proceeds of such being used for the for the public purpose of providing funds to refund a portion of the Issuer's outstanding indebtedness payable from ad valorem taxes, and to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.

(c) <u>Definitions</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided or unless the context clearly requires otherwise in this Order, the following term shall have the meaning specified below:

(i) "Authorized Denomination" means any integral multiple of \$5,000 in principal amount.

(ii) "Bonds" means the "Hopkins County, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021" and includes all Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order and all substitute Bonds exchanged therefor, as well as all other substitute bonds and replacement bonds issued pursuant hereto, and the term "Bond" shall mean any of the Bonds.

(iii) "Dated Date" means the Dated Date specified in the Pricing Certificate.

(iv) "Defeasance Securities" means any securities and obligations now or hereafter authorized by Texas law that are eligible to discharge obligations such as the Bonds.

(v) "Delivery Date" means the date of delivery of the Bonds to the Purchaser thereof against payment therefor, as specified in the Pricing Certificate.

(vi) "Escrow Agent" means the entity appointed in the Pricing Certificate to maintain the Escrow Fund.

(vii) "*Escrow Agreement*" means the agreement between the Issuer and the Escrow Agent providing for the deposit of funds or securities into the Escrow Fund to refund the Refunded Obligations.

(viii) "*Escrow Fund*" means the fund established in the Escrow Agreement to be used solely for payment of debt service on the Refunded Obligations.

(ix) "Event of Default" means (i) the failure of the Issuer to make payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Bonds when the same becomes due and payable or (ii) default in the performance or observance of any other covenant, agreement or obligation of the Issuer, which failure materially, adversely affects the rights of the Registered Owners, including, but not limited to, their prospect or ability to be repaid in accordance with this Order, and the continuation thereof for a period of 60 days after notice of such default is given by any Registered Owner to the Issuer.

(x) "Interest and Sinking Fund" means the special fund created and established in Section 7 of this Order to assure the timely availability of sufficient funds for the payment of debt service requirements on the Bonds.

(xi) "Issuer" means Hopkins County, Texas.

(xii) "Order" means this Order adopted by the Commissioners Court of the Issuer authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

(xiii) "Paying Agent/Registrar" means the Paying Agent/Registrar named in the Pricing Certificate.

(xiv) "Pricing Certificate" means a certificate of the Pricing Officer setting forth the terms of sale of the Bonds including the method of sale, principal amount, maturity dates, interest payment dates, dated date, interest rates, yields, redemption provisions, specifying the Refunded Obligations and other matters related to the sale of the Bonds.

(xv) "*Pricing Officer*" means the County Judge who is independently authorized to finalize the terms of sale of the Bonds by execution of the Pricing Certificate.

(xvi) "*Purchaser*" means (i) if the Bonds are sold by negotiated sale, the underwriter or underwriting syndicate selected by the Pricing Officer, or (ii) if the Bonds are sold by competitive sale by soliciting public bids, the underwriter or underwriting syndicate awarded the Bonds by the Pricing Officer, or (iii) the bank who purchases the Bonds in a private placement transaction.

(xvii) "*Refunded Obligations*" means the maturities of the Issuer's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013 and General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014 that have been selected and designated to be refunded by the Pricing Officer in the Pricing Certificate.

(xviii) "*Registered Owner*" means the person or entity in whose name ownership of a Bond is registered, and the term includes beneficial owners of Bonds to whom the benefits of ownership of Bonds accrue notwithstanding that the Bonds may be held by, or registered in the name of, another person or entity.

(xix) "*Registration Books*" means the books or records maintained by the Paying Agent/Registrar for the registration of the transfer, conversion and exchange of the Bonds.

Section 2. Delegation to Pricing Officer; Establishment of Sale Parameters.

(a) As authorized by Section 1207.007, Texas Government Code, as amended, the Pricing Officer, is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Issuer in selling and delivering the Bonds, determining which of the Refunded Obligations shall be refunded and carrying out the other procedures specified in this Order, including, determining the date of the Bonds, any additional or different designation or title by which the Bonds shall be known, the price at which the Bonds will be sold, the years in which the Bonds will mature, the principal amount to mature in each of such years, the rate of interest to be borne by each such maturity, the interest payment and record dates,

the price and terms, upon and at which the Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Issuer, as well as any mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions, naming a Paying Agent/Registrar, the method of sale of the Bonds, modifying the securities eligible to be Defeasance Securities, and all other matters relating to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the Bonds and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations, including without limitation establishing the redemption date for and effecting the redemption of the Refunded Obligations and obtaining bond insurance if deemed beneficial to the Issuer to achieve the objectives of the refunding. The delegation made to the Pricing Officer shall expire if not exercised by the Pricing Officer on or prior to the date that is six months after the date of adoption of this Order.

(b) No series of Bonds shall be issued pursuant to this Order unless each of the following parameters are satisfied as specified in the Pricing Certificate:

(i) the aggregate original principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$11,000,000;

(ii) no Bond shall mature after April 15, 2035;

(iii) the true interest cost for the Bonds shall not exceed 4.50%;

(iv) the refunding must produce a minimum net present value of savings as a percentage to the prior debt service on the Refunded Obligations, of at least 4.00%; and

(v) the delegation given to the Pricing Officer shall not have expired.

(c) In establishing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, the Pricing Officer shall establish an amount not exceeding the amount authorized in Subsection (b)(i) above, which shall be sufficient in amount to provide for the purposes for which the Bonds are authorized and to pay costs of issuing the Bonds.

(d) In furtherance of authority granted by Section 1207.007(b), Texas Government Code, the Pricing Officer is further authorized to enter into and execute on behalf of the Issuer the Escrow Agreement as shall be approved by the Pricing Officer, which Escrow Agreement will provide for the payment in full of the Refunded Obligations. The Pricing Officer is authorized to purchase such securities with proceeds of the Bonds, to execute such subscriptions for the purchase of the United States Treasury Securities, State and Local Government Series and to transfer and deposit such cash from available funds, as may be necessary or appropriate for the Escrow Fund.

(e) The Bonds may be sold by public offering (either through a negotiated or competitive offering) or by private placement. If the Bonds are sold by private placement, the Pricing Certificate shall so state, and the Pricing Certificate may conform this Order to such private placement, including the provisions hereof that pertain to the book-entry-only procedures (including eliminating the book-entry-only system of registrations, payment and transfers) and to the provisions relating to the undertaking of the Issuer in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (including eliminating or replacing such undertaking with an agreement to provide alternative disclosure information as permitted by applicable law).

(f) It is hereby found and determined that the refunding of the Refunded Obligations is advisable and necessary in order to restructure the debt service requirements of the Issuer, and that the overall debt service requirements on the Bonds will be less than the overall debt service on the Refunded Obligations, resulting in a reduction in the amount of principal and interest which otherwise would be payable. The Refunded Obligations are subject to redemption, at the option of the Issuer, and the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to cause all of the Refunded Obligations to be called for redemption on the dates consistent with the savings analysis set forth in Section 2(b) hereof, and the proper notices of such redemption to be provided in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the Refunded Obligations.

(g) The Commissioners Court hereby determines that the delegation of the authority to the Pricing Officer to approve the final terms of the Bonds set forth in this Order is, and the decisions made by the Pricing Officer pursuant to such delegated authority and incorporated into the Pricing Certificate are required to be, in the Issuer's best interests, and the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to make and include in the Pricing Certificate a finding to that effect.

Section 3. Designation, Date, Authorized Denominations, Numbers, Interest Rates and Maturities of Bonds.

(a) Each Bond issued pursuant to this Order shall be designated "HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BOND, TAXABLE SERIES 2021," unless such series designation is changed in the Pricing Certificate. Except as specified in the Pricing Certificate, initially there shall be issued, sold and delivered hereunder fully registered Bonds, without interest coupons, dated the Dated Date, in Authorized Denominations, with Bonds being numbered consecutively R-1 upward except that the initial Bond shall be numbered T-1 and be in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, with Bonds issued in replacement thereof being in the respective Principal Amounts as specified in the Pricing Certificate, payable to the respective Registered Owner thereof (with the initial Bonds being made payable to the Purchaser), or to the registered assignee or assignees of said Bonds.

(b) Interest on the Bonds shall accrue from the Dated Date or Delivery Date as specified in the Pricing Certificate and shall be payable on the dates in each of the years as specified in the Pricing Certificate. The Bonds shall mature and be payable on the Maturity Dates and in the Principal Amounts, respectively, and shall bear interest in the manner provided, on the dates stated, and from the dates set forth, in the "Form of Bond" set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> of this Order to their respective Maturity Dates or redemption prior to maturity at the rates per annum, as set forth in the Pricing Certificate.

(c) The term Bonds as used in this Order shall mean and include collectively the Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order and all substitute Bonds exchanged therefor, as well as all other substitute Bonds and replacement Bonds issued pursuant hereto, and the term Bond shall mean any of the Bonds.

Section 4. Characteristics of the Bonds.

(a) The Issuer authorizes and directs the Pricing Officer to execute a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, in substantially the form presented to the Commissioners Court at the

meeting at which this Order was adopted, with the entity designated in the Pricing Certificate to serve as Paying Agent/Registrar. The Issuer shall keep or cause to be kept at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar the Registration Books, and the Issuer hereby appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar as its registrar and transfer agent to keep such books or records and make such registrations of transfers, conversions and exchanges under such reasonable regulations as the Issuer and Paying Agent/Registrar may prescribe; and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall make such registrations, transfers and exchanges as herein provided. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall at all times maintain an office in the State of Texas or shall keep a copy of the Registration Books in the State of Texas.

The Paying Agent/Registrar shall obtain and record in the Registration Books the (b) address of the Registered Owners of each Bond to which payments with respect to the Bonds shall be mailed, as herein provided; but it shall be the duty of each Registered Owner to notify the Paying Agent/Registrar in writing of the address to which payments shall be mailed, and such interest payments shall not be mailed unless such notice has been given. To the extent possible and under reasonable circumstances, all transfers of Bonds shall be made within three business days after request and presentation thereof. The Issuer shall have the right to inspect the Registration Books during regular business hours of the Paying Agent/Registrar, but otherwise the Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep the Registration Books confidential and, unless otherwise required by law, shall not permit their inspection by any other entity. The Paying Agent/Registrar's standard or customary fees and charges for making such registration, transfer, conversion, exchange and delivery of a substitute Bond or Bonds shall be paid as provided in the "Form of Bond" set forth in Exhibit A of this Order. Registration of assignments, transfers, conversions and exchanges of Bonds shall be made in the manner provided and with the effect stated in the "Form of Bond" set forth in Exhibit A of this Order. Each substitute Bond shall bear a letter and/or number to distinguish it from each other Bond.

Except as provided in (g) below, an authorized representative of the Paying (c) Agent/Registrar shall, before the delivery of any such Bond, date and manually sign the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate", and no such Bond shall be deemed to be issued or outstanding unless such "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" is so executed. The Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall cancel all paid Bonds and Bonds surrendered for transfer and exchange. No additional ordinances, orders, or resolutions need be passed or adopted by the governing body of the Issuer or any other body or person so as to accomplish the foregoing transfer and exchange of any Bond or portion thereof, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the printing, execution, and delivery of the substitute Bonds in the manner prescribed herein, and said Bonds shall be of type composition printed on paper with lithographed or steel engraved borders of customary weight and strength. Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 1201, Subchapter D, the duty of transfer and exchange of Bonds as aforesaid is hereby imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and, upon the execution of said "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate", the transferred and exchanged Bond shall be valid, incontestable, and enforceable in the same manner and with the same effect as the Bonds that initially were issued and delivered pursuant to this Order, approved by the Attorney General, and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

(d) The Issuer hereby further appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar to act as the paying agent for paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds, all as provided in this Order. The Paying

Agent/ Registrar shall keep proper records of all payments made by the Issuer and the Paying Agent/Registrar with respect to the Bonds.

(e) The Bonds shall be issued in fully-registered form, without interest coupons, with the principal of and interest on such Bonds to be payable only to the Registered Owners thereof, and shall have the characteristics as provided in the "Form of Bond" set forth in **Exhibit A** of this Order.

The Issuer covenants with the Registered Owners of the Bonds that at all times while (f) the Bonds are outstanding the Issuer will provide a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other entity to act as and perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds under this Order, and that the Paying Agent/Registrar will be one entity. The Issuer reserves the right to, and may, at its option, change the Paying Agent/Registrar upon not less than 45 days written notice to the Paying Agent/Registrar, to be effective not later than 30 days prior to the next principal or interest payment date after such notice. In the event that the entity at any time acting as Paying Agent/Registrar (or its successor by merger, acquisition, or other method) should resign or otherwise cease to act as such, the Issuer covenants that promptly it will appoint a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as Paying Agent/Registrar under this Order. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the previous Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall transfer and deliver the Registration Books (or a copy thereof), along with all other pertinent books and records relating to the Bonds, to the new Paying Agent/Registrar designated and appointed by the Issuer. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Issuer promptly will cause a written notice thereof to be sent by the new Paying Agent/Registrar to each Registered Owner of the Bonds, by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, which notice also shall give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar. By accepting the position and performing as such, each Paying Agent/Registrar shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions of this Order, and a certified copy of this Order shall be delivered to each Paying Agent/Registrar.

The Initial Bond issued and delivered pursuant to this Order are not required to be, (g) and shall not be, authenticated by the Paying Agent/ Registrar, but on each substitute Bond issued in conversion of and exchange for any Bond issued under this Order the Paying Agent/Registrar shall execute the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" in the form set forth in the "Form of Bond." The Initial Bond delivered on the closing date shall have attached thereto the Comptroller's Registration Certificate substantially in the form provided in this Order, manually executed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas or by his duly authorized agent, which Comptroller's Registration Certificate shall be evidence that the Initial Bond has been duly approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and that it is a valid and binding obligation of the Issuer, and has been registered by the Comptroller. Except as described above, no Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit of this Order unless and until there appears on such Bond the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" substantially in the form provided in this Order, duly authenticated by manual execution of the Paying Agent/Registrar. It shall not be required that the same authorized representative of the Paying Agent/Registrar sign the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" on all of the Bonds.

(h) On the Delivery Date, one Initial Bond representing the entire principal amount of the Bonds (the "Initial Bond"), payable in stated installments to the Purchaser or its designee, executed by manual or facsimile signature of the County Judge, County Clerk and County Treasurer of the Issuer, approved by the Attorney General of Texas, and registered and manually signed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, will be delivered to the Purchaser or its designee. Upon payment for the Initial Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cancel the Initial Bond and deliver to DTC (as defined below) on behalf of the initial purchaser one registered definitive Bond for each year of maturity of the Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of all of the Bonds for such maturity.

(i) The Bonds (i) shall be issued in fully-registered form, without interest coupons, with the principal of and interest on such Bonds to be payable only to the Registered Owners thereof, (ii) may be transferred and assigned, (iii) may be exchanged for other Bonds, (iv) may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities (notice of which shall be given to the Paying Agent/Registrar by the Issuer at least 45 days prior to any such redemption date), (v) shall have the characteristics, (vi) shall be signed, sealed, executed and authenticated, (vii) the principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be payable, and (viii) shall be administered and the Paying Agent/Registrar and the Issuer shall have certain duties and responsibilities with respect to the Bonds, all as provided, and in the manner and to the effect as required or indicated, in the "Form of Bond" set forth in **Exhibit A** of this Order.

Section 5. Book-Entry-Only System. The Bonds initially shall be issued and delivered in such manner that no physical distribution of the Bonds will be made to the public, and The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, initially will act as depository for the Bonds. DTC has represented that it is a limited purpose trust company incorporated under the law of the State of New York, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered under Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Issuer accepts, but in no way verifies, such representations. Immediately upon initial delivery of the Bonds that are payable to the Purchaser, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cancel such Bonds, and substitute Bonds shall be delivered to and registered in the name of CEDE & CO., the nominee of DTC. It is expected that DTC will hold the Bonds on behalf of the Purchaser and their respective participants. So long as each Bond is registered in the name of CEDE & CO., the Paying Agent/Registrar shall treat and deal with DTC the same in all respects as if it were the actual and beneficial owner thereof. It is expected that DTC will maintain a book-entry system that will identify ownership of the Bonds in Authorized Denominations, with transfers of ownership being effected on the records of DTC and its participants pursuant to rules and regulations established by them, and that the Bonds initially deposited with DTC shall be immobilized and not be further exchanged for substitute Bonds except as hereinafter provided. The Issuer is not responsible or liable for any function of DTC, will not be responsible for paying any fees or charges with respect to its services, will not be responsible or liable for maintaining, supervising, or reviewing the records of DTC or its participants, or protecting any interests or rights of the beneficial owners of the Bonds. It shall be the duty of the DTC Participants, as defined in the Official Statement herein approved, to make all arrangements with DTC to establish this book-entry system, the beneficial ownership of the Bonds, and the method of paying the fees and charges of DTC. The Issuer does not represent, nor does it in any respect covenant that the initial book-entry system establishment with DTC will be maintained in the future. Notwithstanding the initial establishment of the foregoing book-entry system with DTC, if for any reason any of the originally delivered Bonds is duly filed with the Paying Agent/Registrar with proper request for transfer and substitution, as provided for in this Order, substitute Bonds will be duly delivered as provided in this Order, and there will be no assurance or representation that any book-entry system will be maintained for such Bonds. To effect the establishment of the foregoing book-entry system, the County Judge of the Issuer is hereby authorized to execute a "DTC Letter of Representation" in the form provided by DTC to evidence the Issuer's intent to establish said book-entry system. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of and interest on such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bond shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the representation letter of the Issuer to DTC.

Section 6. Redemption Provisions.

(a) <u>Optional Redemption</u>. The Bonds may be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity on the dates and at the redemption prices as set forth in the Pricing Certificate. The Pricing Officer is hereby delegated to make such modifications to the provisions of this section in the Pricing Certificate as are necessary to complete the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

(b) <u>Notice of Redemption</u>. At least thirty days prior to the date fixed for any redemption of Bonds, or portions thereof, prior to maturity, the Issuer shall cause written notice of such redemption to be sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to each Registered Owner of a Bond to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the address of the Registered Owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice. All notices of redemption so mailed shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given irrespective of whether received by the Registered Owner.

(c) <u>Firm Banking and Financial Arrangements</u>. By the date fixed for any prior redemption, due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be redeemed. If written notice of redemption is mailed and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be redeemed shall automatically be treated as redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, and they shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, and they shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the Registered Owner to receive the redemption price from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment. If a portion of any Bond shall be redeemed, a substitute Bond having the same maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, in an Authorized Denomination, at the written request of the Registered Owner, and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the Registered Owner upon the surrender thereof for cancellation, at the expense of the Issuer.

(d) <u>Selection of Bonds, for Redemption</u>. If less than all Bonds of the same maturity are to be redeemed on a redemption date, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall randomly select by lot the Bonds within such maturity to be redeemed.

(e) <u>Conditional Notice of Redemption</u>. With respect to any optional redemption of the Bonds, unless certain prerequisites to such redemption required by this Order have been met and moneys sufficient to pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds to be redeemed shall have been received by the Paying Agent/Registrar prior to the giving of such notice of redemption, such notice shall state that said redemption may, at the option of the Issuer, be

conditional upon the satisfaction of such prerequisites and receipt of such moneys by the Paying Agent/Registrar on or prior to the date fixed for such redemption, or upon any prerequisite set forth in such notice of redemption. If a conditional notice of redemption is given and such prerequisites to the redemption and sufficient moneys are not received, such notice shall be of no force and effect, the Issuer shall not redeem such Bonds and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall give notice, in the manner in which the notice of redemption was given, to the effect that the Bonds have not been redeemed.

Section 7. Form of Bond. The form of the Bond, including the form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the form of Assignment and the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas to be attached only to the Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order, shall be, respectively, substantially in the form provided in **Exhibit A**, with such appropriate variations, omissions, or insertions as are permitted or required by this Order. The Form of Bond as it appears in **Exhibit A** shall be completed, amended and modified by Bond Counsel to incorporate the information set forth in the Pricing Certificate but it is not required for the Form of Bond to reproduced as an exhibit to the Pricing Certificate.

Section 8. Tax Levy; Perfection of Security Interest.

The special Interest and Sinking Fund is hereby created solely for the benefit of the (a) Bonds, and the Interest and Sinking Fund shall be established and maintained by the Issuer at an official depository bank of the Issuer. The Interest and Sinking Fund shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the Issuer, and shall be used only for paying the interest on and principal of the Bonds. All ad valorem taxes levied and collected for and on account of the Bonds shall be deposited, as collected, to the credit of the Interest and Sinking Fund. During each year while any of the Bonds or interest thereon are outstanding and unpaid, the Commissioners Court of the Issuer shall compute and ascertain a rate and amount of ad valorem tax that will be sufficient to raise and produce the money required to pay the interest on the Bonds as such interest comes due, and to provide and maintain a sinking fund adequate to pay the principal of its Bonds as such principal matures (but never less than 2% of the original amount of said Bonds as a sinking fund each year); and said tax shall be based on the latest approved tax rolls of the Issuer, with full allowance being made for tax delinquencies and the cost of tax collection. Said rate and amount of ad valorem tax is hereby levied, and is hereby ordered to be levied, against all taxable property in the Issuer for each year while any of the Bonds or interest thereon are outstanding and unpaid; and said tax shall be assessed and collected each such year and deposited to the credit of the aforesaid Interest and Sinking Fund. Said ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds, as such interest comes due and such principal matures, are hereby pledged for such payment, within the limit prescribed by law.

(b) Chapter 1208, Texas Government Code, applies to the issuance of the Bonds and the pledge of the ad valorem taxes granted by the Issuer under this section, and such pledge is therefore valid, effective, and perfected. If Texas law is amended at any time while the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid such that the pledge of the taxes granted by the Issuer under this section is to be subject to the filing requirements of Chapter 9, Texas Business and Commerce Code, then in order to preserve to the Registered Owners of the Bonds the perfection of the security interest in said pledge, the Issuer agrees to take such measures as it determines are reasonable and necessary under Texas

law to comply with the applicable provisions of Chapter 9, Texas Business and Commerce Code and enable a filing to perfect the security interest in said pledge to occur

Section 9. Defeasance of Bonds.

(a) Any Bond and the interest thereon shall be deemed to be paid, retired and no longer outstanding (a "*Defeased Bond*") within the meaning of this Order, except to the extent provided in subsection 9(d), when payment of the principal of such Bond, plus interest thereon to the due date (whether such due date be by reason of maturity or otherwise) either (i) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof, or (ii) shall have been provided for on or before such due date by irrevocably depositing with or making available to the Paying Agent/Registrar in accordance with an escrow agreement or other instrument (the "*Future Escrow Agreement*") for such payment (1) lawful money of the United States of America sufficient to make such payment or (2) Defeasance Securities that mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will insure the availability of sufficient money to provide for such payment, and when proper arrangements have been made by the Issuer with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of its services until all Defeased Bonds shall have become due and payable.

(b) At such time as a Bond shall be deemed to be a Defeased Bond, such Bond and the interest thereon shall no longer be secured by, payable from, or entitled to the benefits of, the ad valorem taxes or revenues herein levied and pledged as provided in this Order, and such principal and interest shall be payable solely from such money or Defeasance Securities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order to the contrary, it is hereby provided that any determination not to redeem Defeased Bonds that is made in conjunction with the payment arrangements specified in subsection 9(a)(i) or (ii) shall not be irrevocable, provided that: (1) in the proceedings providing for such payment arrangements, the Issuer expressly reserves the right to call the Defeased Bonds for redemption; (2) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the Registered Owners of the Defeased Bonds immediately following the making of the payment arrangements; and (3) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes.

(c) Any moneys so deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar may at the written direction of the Issuer be invested in Defeasance Securities, maturing in the amounts and times as hereinbefore set forth, and all income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent/Registrar that is not required for the payment of the Bonds and interest thereon, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be turned over to the Issuer, or deposited as directed in writing by the Issuer. Any Future Escrow Agreement pursuant to which the money and/or Defeasance Securities are held for the payment of Defeased Bonds may contain provisions permitting the investment or reinvestment of such moneys in Defeasance Securities or the substitution of other Defeasance Securities upon the satisfaction of the requirements specified in subsection 9(a)(i) or (ii). All income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent/Registrar that is not required for the payment of the Defeased Bonds, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be remitted to the Issuer of the requirements which required for the payment of the Defeased Bonds, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be remitted to the Issuer or deposited as directed in writing by the Issuer.

(d) Until all Defeased Bonds shall have become due and payable, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for such Defeased Bonds the

same as if they had not been defeased, and the Issuer shall make proper arrangements to provide and pay for such services as required by this Order.

(e) In the event that the Issuer elects to defease less than all the principal amount of Bonds of a maturity, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall select, or cause to be selected, such amount of Bonds by such random method as it deems fair and appropriate.

Section 10. Damaged, Mutilated, Lost, Stolen, or Destroyed Bonds.

(a) <u>Replacement Bonds</u>. In the event any outstanding Bond is damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cause to be printed, executed, and delivered, a new bond of the same principal amount, maturity, and interest rate, as the damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond, in replacement for such Bond in the manner hereinafter provided.

(b) <u>Application for Replacement Bonds</u>. Application for replacement of damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bonds shall be made by the Registered Owner thereof to the Paying Agent/Registrar. In every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the Registered Owner applying for a replacement bond shall furnish to the Issuer and to the Paying Agent/Registrar such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless from any loss or damage with respect thereto. Also, in every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the Registered Owner shall furnish to the Issuer and to the Paying Agent/Registrar evidence to their satisfaction of the loss, theft, or destruction of such Bond, as the case may be. In every case of damage or mutilation of a Bond, the Registered Owner shall surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation the Bond so damaged or mutilated.

(c) <u>No Default Occurred</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, in the event any such Bond shall have matured, and no default has occurred that is then continuing in the payment of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, or interest on the Bond, the Issuer may authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a damaged or mutilated Bond) instead of issuing a replacement Bond, provided security or indemnity is furnished as above provided in this Section.

(d) <u>Charge for Issuing Replacement Bonds</u>. Prior to the issuance of any replacement bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall charge the Registered Owner of such Bond with all legal, printing, and other expenses in connection therewith. Every replacement bond issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section by virtue of the fact that any Bond is lost, stolen, or destroyed shall constitute a contractual obligation of the Issuer whether or not the lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond shall be found at any time, or be enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Order equally and proportionately with any and all other Bonds duly issued under this Order.

(e) <u>Authority for Issuing Replacement Bonds</u>. In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 1201, Subchapter D, this Section shall constitute authority for the issuance of any such replacement bond without necessity of further action by the governing body of the Issuer or any other body or person, and the duty of the replacement of such bonds is hereby authorized and imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver such Bonds in the form and manner and with the effect, as provided in Section 3 of this Order for Bonds issued in conversion and exchange for other Bonds.

Section 11. Custody, Approval, and Registration of Bonds; Bond Counsel Opinion; Engagement of Bond Counsel; Attorney General Review Fee; CUSIP Numbers.

(a) The County Judge is hereby authorized to have control of the Bonds initially issued and delivered hereunder and all necessary records and proceedings pertaining to the Bonds pending their delivery and their investigation, examination, and approval by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and their registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. Upon registration of the Bonds said Comptroller of Public Accounts (or a deputy designated in writing to act for said Comptroller) shall manually sign the Comptroller's Registration Certificate attached to such Bonds, and the seal of said Comptroller shall be impressed, or placed in facsimile, on such Certificate. The approving legal opinion of the Issuer's Bond Counsel and the assigned CUSIP numbers may, at the option of the Issuer, be printed on the Bonds issued and delivered under this Order, but neither shall have any legal effect, and shall be solely for the convenience and information of the Registered Owners of the Bonds.

(b) The obligation of the initial purchaser to accept delivery of the Bonds is subject to the initial purchaser being furnished with the final, approving opinion of McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., bond counsel to the Issuer, which opinion shall be dated as of and delivered on the date of initial delivery of the Bonds to the initial purchaser.

(c) In accordance with the provisions of Section 1202.004, Texas Government Code in connection with the submission of the Bonds by the Attorney General of Texas for review and approval, a statutory fee (an amount equal to 0.1% principal amount of the Bonds, subject to a minimum of \$750 and a maximum of \$9,500) is required to be paid to the Attorney General upon the submission of the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds. The Issuer hereby authorizes and directs that a check in the amount of the Attorney General filing fee for the Bonds, made payable to the "Texas Attorney General," be promptly furnished to the Issuer's Bond Counsel, for payment to the Attorney General in connection with his review of the Bonds.

<u>Section 12. Federal Income Tax Matters</u>. The Issuer does not intend to issue the Bonds in a manner such that the Bonds would constitute obligations described in section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code") and all applicable temporary, proposed and final regulations and procedures promulgated thereunder or promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, to the extent applicable to the Code (the "Regulations").

Section 13. Disposition of Project. The Issuer covenants that the property financed with the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds will not be sold or otherwise disposed in a transaction resulting in the receipt by the Issuer of cash or other compensation, unless the Issuer obtains an opinion of nationally-recognized bond counsel that such sale or other disposition will not adversely affect the tax-exempt status of such bonds. For purposes of the foregoing, the portion of the property comprising personal property and disposed in the ordinary course shall not be treated as a transaction resulting in the receipt of cash or other compensation. For purposes hereof, the Issuer shall not be obligated to comply with this covenant if it obtains an opinion that such failure to comply will not adversely affect the excludability for federal income tax purposes from gross income of the interest.

Section 14. Sale of Bonds and Approval of Official Statement.

(a) The Bonds shall be sold and shall be delivered to the Purchaser subject to the parameters set forth in Section 2.

(b) The Bonds may be sold pursuant to a bond purchase agreement, notice of sale and bidding instructions or private placement agreement (collectively, the "*Purchase Agreement*") which the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to execute and deliver and in which the Purchaser of the Bonds shall be designated. The Bonds shall initially be registered in the name of the Purchaser thereof as set forth in the Pricing Certificate.

(c) The Pricing Officer is hereby authorized, in the name and on behalf of the Issuer, to approve, distribute, and deliver a term sheet to solicit bids for the Bonds, a notice of sale and bidding instructions, a preliminary official statement or a final official statement relating to the Bonds to be used by the Purchaser in the marketing of the Bonds. The Issuer hereby approves the distribution of a Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement in the reoffering of the Bonds by the Purchaser in final form, with such changes therein or additions thereto as the Pricing Officer may deem advisable. The Pricing Officer is authorized to deem any Preliminary Official Statement final, within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 issued by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as of its date, except for the omission of information specified in Section (b)(1) of Rule 15c2-12, as permitted by Section (b)(1) of Rule 15c2-12.

Section 15. Redemption of Refunded Obligations; Approval of Escrow Agreement.

(a) Subject to execution and delivery of the Purchase Agreement with the Purchaser, the Issuer hereby directs that the Refunded Obligations be called for redemption on the dates and at the prices set forth in the Pricing Certificate. The Pricing Officer is hereby authorized and directed to issue or cause to be issued the Notice of Redemption of the Refunded Obligations that contains the information required by the proceedings authorizing the Refunded Obligations to the paying agent for the Refunded Obligations.

(b) The paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Obligations is hereby directed to provide the appropriate notice of redemption as required by the proceedings authorizing the Refunded Obligations and is hereby directed to make appropriate arrangements so that the Refunded Obligations may be redeemed on the redemption dates of the Refunded Obligations.

(c) If the redemption of the Refunded Obligations results in the partial refunding of any maturity of the Refunded Obligations, the Pricing Officer shall direct the paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Obligations to designate at random and by lot which of the Refunded Obligations will be payable from and secured solely from ad valorem taxes of the Issuer pursuant to the order of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of such Refunded Obligations. For purposes of such determination and designation, all Refunded Obligations registered in denominations greater than \$5,000 shall be considered to be registered in separate \$5,000 denominations. The paying agent/registrar shall notify by first-class mail all registered owners of all affected bonds of such maturities that: (i) a portion of such bonds have been refunded and are secured until final maturity solely with cash and investments maintained by the Escrow Agent in the Escrow Fund, (ii) the principal amount of all affected bonds of such maturities registered in the name of such registered owner that have been refunded and are

payable solely from cash and investments in the Escrow Fund and the remaining principal amount of all affected bonds of such maturities registered in the name of such registered owner, if any, have not been refunded and are payable and secured solely from ad valorem taxes of the Issuer described in the Refunded Bond Order, (iii) the registered owner is required to submit his or her Refunded Obligations to the paying agent/registrar, for the purposes of re-registering such registered owner's bonds and assigning new CUSIP numbers in order to distinguish the source of payment for the principal and interest on such bonds, and (iv) payment of principal of and interest on such bonds may, in some circumstances, be delayed until such bonds have been re registered and new CUSIP numbers have been assigned as required by (iii) above.

(d) The source of funds for payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunded Obligations on their respective maturity or redemption dates shall be from the Escrow Fund deposited with the Escrow Agent, pursuant to the Escrow Agreement approved in Section 2 of this Order, or from amounts deposited with the paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Obligations from proceeds of the Bonds, if there is no Escrow Agreement.

<u>Section 16. Method of Amendment</u>. The Issuer hereby reserves the right to amend this Order subject to the following terms and conditions:

(a) <u>Amendment Without Consent</u>. The Issuer may from time to time, without the consent of any Registered Owner (except as required by subsection (b) below), amend or supplement this Order in order to (i) cure any ambiguity, defect or omission in this Order that does not materially adversely affect the interests of the Registered Owners, (ii) grant additional rights or security for the benefit of the Registered Owners, (iii) add events of default as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Order and that shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the Registered Owners, (iv) qualify this Order under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or corresponding provisions of federal laws from time to time in effect, or (v) make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under this Order as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of that shall not in the opinion of Bond Counsel materially adversely affect the interests of the Registered of the Registered Owners.

(b) <u>Amendment Requiring Consent</u>. The Registered Owners of Bonds aggregating in a majority of the principal amount of then outstanding Bonds that are the subject of a proposed amendment shall have the right to approve any amendment to this Order that may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Issuer; provided, however, the consent of the Registered Owners of 100% of the aggregate principal amount of then outstanding Bonds shall be required in order to amend the terms and conditions of this Order or the Bonds so as to:

- (i) make any change in the maturity of any of the outstanding Bonds;
- (ii) reduce the rate of interest borne by any of the outstanding Bonds;

 (iii) reduce the amount of the principal of, or redemption premium, if any, payable on any outstanding Bonds; (iv) modify the terms of payment of principal or of interest or redemption premium on outstanding Bonds or any of them or impose any condition with respect to such payment; or

(v) change the minimum percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds necessary for consent to such amendment.

(c) If at any time the Issuer shall desire to amend this Order under this Section, the Issuer shall send by U.S. mail to each Registered Owner of the affected Bonds a copy of the proposed amendment and state whether consent of the Registered Owners is or is not required for such proposed amendment.

(d) Whenever at any time within one year from the date of mailing of such notice the Issuer shall receive an instrument or instruments executed by the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of all of the Bonds then outstanding that are required for the amendment, which instrument or instruments shall refer to the proposed amendment and which shall specifically consent to and approve such amendment, the Issuer may adopt the amendment in substantially the same form.

(e) Upon the adoption of any amendatory Order pursuant to the provisions of this Section, this Order shall be deemed to be modified and amended in accordance with such amendatory Order, and the respective rights, duties, and obligations of the Issuer and all Registered Owners of such affected Bonds shall thereafter be determined, exercised, and enforced, subject in all respects to such amendment.

(f) Any consent given by the Registered Owner of a Bond pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be irrevocable for a period of six months from the date of such consent and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future Registered Owners of the same bond during such period. Such consent may be revoked at any time after six months from the date of said consent by the Registered Owner who gave such consent, or by a successor in title, by filing notice with the Issuer, but such revocation shall not be effective if the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the affected Bonds then outstanding, have, prior to the attempted revocation, consented to and approved the amendment.

(g) For the purposes of establishing ownership of the Bonds, the Issuer shall rely solely upon the registration of the ownership of such bonds on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar.

Section 17. Further Procedures. The County Judge and the County Auditor of the Issuer shall be and they are hereby expressly authorized, empowered and directed from time to time and at any time to do and perform all such acts and things and to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and under the corporate seal and on behalf of the Issuer a Letter of Representations with DTC regarding the Book-Entry Only System, a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement with the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Purchase Agreement between the Issuer and the Purchaser, all forms and documents necessary to ensure the interest on the Bonds is exempt from federal income taxation, and all other instruments, whether or not herein mentioned, as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this Order and the Bonds. Notwithstanding anything to the

contrary contained herein, while the Bonds are subject to DTC's Book-Entry-Only System and to the extent permitted by law, the Letter of Representation is hereby incorporated herein and its provisions shall prevail over any other provisions of this Order in the event of conflict. In case any officer whose signature shall appear on any Bond shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Bond, 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 18. Compliance With Rule 15c2-12 (17 C.F.R. § 240.15c2-12).

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

(i) "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) a guarantee of the foregoing (a) and (b). The term Financial Obligation does not include any municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board consistent with the Rule.

 "MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board or any successor to its functions under the Rule.

- (iii) "Rule" means SEC Rule 15c2 12, as amended from time to time.
- (iv) "SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

(b) <u>Annual Reports</u>. The Issuer shall provide annually to the MSRB, in the electronic format prescribed by the MSRB, within the time provided in the Pricing Certificate, certain updated financial information and operating data pertaining to the Issuer, being the information described in the Pricing Certificate.

(c) Any financial information so to be provided shall be (i) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in the financial statements of the Issuer appended to the Official Statement, or such other accounting principles as the Issuer may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation, and (ii) audited, if the Issuer commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If the audit of such financial statements is not completed within such period, then the Issuer shall provide unaudited financial information within such period and audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to the MSRB, when and if the audit report on such statements become available.

(d) If the Issuer changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) prior to the next date by which the Issuer otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section. The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this Section may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any documents available to the

public on the MSRB's internet website or filed with the SEC. All documents provided to the MSRB shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB.

(e) Event Notices.

(i) *Material Event Notices.* The Issuer shall notify the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event) of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws:

(A) non-payment related defaults;

(B) modifications to rights of Registered Owners;

(C) Bond calls;

 (D) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds;

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

 (F) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee;

(G) 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 Bondholders, if material.

(ii) Event Notices Without Regard to Materiality. The Issuer shall notify the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event) of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, without regard to whether such event is considered material within the meaning of the federal securities laws:

(A) principal and interest payment delinquencies;

(B) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;

(C) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;

(D) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;

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

- (F) tender offers;
- (G) defeasances;
- (H) rating changes;

bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of an obligated person;

(J) 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.

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

(f) Limitations, Disclaimers, and Amendments.

(i) The Issuer shall be obligated to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Section for so long as, but only for so long as, the Issuer remains an "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds within the meaning of the Rule, except that the Issuer in any event will give the notice required by subsection (e) hereof of any Bond calls and defeasance that cause the Issuer to no longer be such an "obligated person".

(ii) The provisions of this Section are for the sole benefit of the Registered Owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds, 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 Issuer 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 Issuer'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 Issuer does not make any representation or warranty concerning such information or its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date.

(iii) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE ISSUER BE LIABLE TO THE REGISTERED OWNER OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OF ANY BOND OR ANY OTHER PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR DAMAGES RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM ANY BREACH BY THE ISSUER, WHETHER NEGLIGENT OR WITHOUT FAULT ON ITS PART, OF ANY COVENANT SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION, BUT EVERY RIGHT AND REMEDY OF ANY SUCH PERSON, IN

CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF ANY SUCH BREACH SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN ACTION FOR MANDAMUS OR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.

(iv) No default by the Issuer in observing or performing its obligations under this Section shall comprise a breach of or default under the Order for purposes of any other provision of this Order. Nothing in this Section is intended or shall act to disclaim, waive, or otherwise limit the duties of the Issuer under federal and state securities laws.

(v) The provisions of this Section may be amended by the Issuer 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 Issuer, but only if (1) the provisions of this Section, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule since such offering as well as such changed circumstances and (2) either (a) the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provision of this Order that authorizes such an amendment) of the outstanding Bonds consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the Issuer (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determined that such amendment will not materially impair the interest of the Registered Owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds. If the Issuer so amends the provisions of this Section, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with subsection (a) of this Section an explanation, in narrative form, of the reason for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided. The Issuer may also amend or repeal the provisions of this continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provision of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds.

Section 19. Inconsistent Provisions. All indentures, orders or resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters contained herein.

Section 20. Governing Law. This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

<u>Section 21. Severability</u>. If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application thereof to other circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and this governing body hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

Section 22. Remedies for Events of Default.

(a) <u>Remedies for Default</u>. Upon the happening of any Event of Default, then and in every case, any Registered Owner or an authorized legal representative thereof, including, but not

limited to, a trustee for such Registered Owner, may proceed against the Issuer or the Commissioners Court of the Issuer, as appropriate, for the purpose of protecting and enforcing the rights of the Registered Owners under this Order, by mandamus or other suit, action or special proceeding in equity or at law, in any court of competent jurisdiction, for any relief permitted by law, including the specific performance of any covenant or agreement contained in this Order, to enjoin any act or thing that may be unlawful or in violation of any right of the Registered Owners hereunder or any combination of such remedies. All such proceedings for remedy shall be instituted and maintained for the equal benefit of all Registered Owners of Bonds then outstanding.

(b) <u>Remedies are not Exclusive</u>.

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

 The exercise of any remedy herein conferred or reserved shall not be deemed a waiver of any other available remedy.

(iii) By accepting the delivery of a Bond authorized under this Order, such Registered Owner agrees that the certifications required to effectuate any covenants or representations contained in this Order do not and shall never constitute or give rise to a personal or pecuniary liability or charge against the officers, employees or Commissioners of the Issuer or the Commissioners Court of the Issuer.

Section 23. Appropriation. To pay any debt service coming due on the Bonds prior to receipt of the taxes levied to pay such debt service, there is hereby appropriated from current funds on hand, which are hereby certified to be on hand and available for such purpose, an amount sufficient to pay such debt service, and such amount shall be used for no other purpose.

EXHIBIT A

FORM OF BOND

(a) The form of the Bond, including the form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the form of Assignment and the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas to be attached only to the Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order, shall be, respectively, substantially as follows, with such appropriate variations, omissions, or insertions as are permitted or required by this Order and with the Bonds to be completed with information set forth in the Pricing Certificate. The Form of Bond as it appears in this Exhibit A shall be completed, amended and modified by Bond Counsel to incorporate the information set forth in the Pricing Certificate but it is not required for the Form of Bond to reproduced as an exhibit to the Pricing Certificate.

NO. R-	UNITED STATE STATE O	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT \$[]				
	HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS					
	GENERAL OBLIGATIO	ON REFUNDING BOND				
	TAXABLE S	SERIES 2021				
INTEREST RATE	DELIVERY DATE [-], 2021	MATURITY DATE	CUSIP NO.			
REGISTERED OWN	ER: II					

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

DOLLARS

ON THE MATURITY DATE specified above, HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS (the "Issuer"), being a political subdivision of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner set forth above, or registered assigns (the "Registered Owner") the Principal Amount set forth above, and to pay interest thereon from the Delivery Date set forth above, on [-], 2021 and on each [-] and [-] thereafter to the Maturity Date specified above, or the date of redemption prior to maturity, at the interest rate per annum specified above; except that if this Bond is required to be authenticated and the date of its authentication is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date; pro-vided, however, that if on the date of authentication hereof the interest on the Bond or Bonds, if any, for which this Bond is being exchanged or converted from is due but has not been paid, then this Bond shall bear interest from the date to which such interest has been paid in full.

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON this Bond are payable in lawful money of the United States of America, without exchange or collection charges. The principal of this Bond shall be paid to the Registered Owner hereof upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at maturity or the date fixed for its redemption prior to maturity, at the corporate trust office of [-], [-], Texas (the "Paying Agent/Registrar"). The payment of interest on this Bond shall be made by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the Registered Owner hereof on each interest payment date by check, dated as of such interest payment date, drawn by the Paying Agent/Registrar on, and payable solely from, funds of the Issuer required by the Order authorizing the issuance of this Bond (the "Bond Order") to be on deposit with the Paving Agent/Registrar for such purpose as hereinafter provided; and such check shall be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, on each such interest payment date, to the Registered Owner hereof, at its address as it appeared on the last business day of the month next preceding each such date (the "Record Date") on the Registration Books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar, as hereinafter described. In the event of a non-payment of interest on a scheduled payment date, and for thirty 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 Issuer. 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 days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the address of each Registered Owner appearing on the Registration Books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice. Any accrued interest due upon the redemption of this Bond prior to maturity as provided herein shall be paid to the Registered Owner upon presentation and surrender of this Bond for redemption and payment at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar (unless the redemption date is a regularly scheduled interest payment date, in which case accrued interest on such redeemed Bonds shall be payable in the regular manner described above). The Issuer covenants with the Registered Owner of this Bond that on or before each principal payment date, interest payment date, and accrued interest payment date for this Bond it will make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar, from the "Interest and Sinking Fund" created by the Bond Order, the amounts required to provide for the payment, in immediately available funds, of all principal of and interest on the Bonds, when due.

IF THE DATE for the payment of the principal of or interest on this Bond shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions in the city where the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar that is designated for payment of the Bonds is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, or the United States Postal Service is not open for business, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day that is not such a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are authorized to close, or the United States Postal Service is not open for business; and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due.

THIS BOND is one of a series of Bonds dated [-], 2021, authorized in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas in the principal amount of \$[-], with the proceeds of such being used for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds of the Issuer (the "*Refunded Obligations*"), and to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.

ON [-] OR ON ANY DATE THEREAFTER, the Bonds of this series maturing on and after [-] may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, at the option of the Issuer, with funds derived from any available and lawful source, as a whole, or in part, and, if in part, the particular Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed shall be selected and designated by the Issuer (provided that a portion of a Bond may be redeemed only in an Authorized Denomination), at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

THE BONDS SCHEDULED TO MATURE on [-] in the years [-] (the "Term Bonds") are subject to scheduled mandatory redemption by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot, or by any other customary method that results in a random selection, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, out of moneys available for such purpose in the interest and sinking fund for the Bonds, on the dates and in the respective principal amounts, set forth in the following schedule:

Term Bonds due [], 20[]

Mandatory Redemption Date: [] Mandatory Redemption Date: [] Principal Amount: \$[],000.00 Principal Amount: \$[],000.00

* Stated Maturity

The principal amount of Term Bonds of a stated maturity required to be redeemed on any mandatory redemption date pursuant to the operation of the mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the Issuer, by the principal amount of any Term Bonds of the same maturity which, at least forty-five days prior to a mandatory redemption date (1) shall have been acquired by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation or (2) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions and not theretofore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

AT LEAST THIRTY days prior to the date fixed for any redemption of Bonds or portions thereof prior to maturity, the Issuer shall cause written notice of such redemption to be sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to each Registered Owner of a Bond to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the address of the Registered Owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice. Any notice of redemption so mailed shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given irrespective of whether received by the Registered Owner. By the date fixed for any such redemption, due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be so redeemed. If such written notice of redemption is mailed and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be so redeemed thereby automatically shall be treated as redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, and they shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, and they shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the Registered Owner to receive the redemption price from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment. If a portion of any Bond shall be redeemed a substitute Bond or Bonds having the same maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, in an Authorized Denomination, at the written request of the Registered Owner, and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the Registered Owner upon the surrender thereof for cancellation, at the expense of the Issuer, all as provided in the Bond Order.

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

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

IT IS HEREBY certified, recited, and covenanted that this Bond has been duly and validly voted, authorized, issued and delivered; that all acts, conditions and things required or proper to be performed, exist and be done precedent to or in the authorization, issuance and delivery of this Bond have been performed, existed and been done in accordance with law; that this Bond is a general obligation of the Issuer, issued on the full faith and credit thereof; and that ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of this Bond, as such interest comes due, and as such principal matures, have been levied and ordered to be levied against all taxable property in the Issuer, and have been pledged for such payment, within the limit prescribed by law.

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

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused this Bond to be signed with the manual or facsimile signature of the County Judge and countersigned with the manual or facsimile signature of the County Clerk and County Treasurer of the Issuer, and has caused the official seal of the Issuer to be duly impressed, or placed in facsimile, on this Bond.

(signature) County Clerk (signature) County Judge

(signature) County Treasurer

(SEAL)

COMPTROLLER'S REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE:

REGISTER NO.

I hereby certify that there is on file and of record in my office a true and correct copy of the opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas approving this Bond and that this Bond has been registered this day by me.

Witness my signature and seal this ______.

Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas

(COMPTROLLER'S SEAL)

PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE (To be executed if this Bond is not accompanied by an executed Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas)

It is hereby certified that this Bond has been issued under the provisions of the Bond Order described in the text of this Bond; and that this Bond has been issued in exchange for a bond or

bonds, or a portion of a bond or bonds of a series that originally was approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

Dated:

[-] [-], Texas Paying Agent/Registrar

By: _____ Authorized Representative

ASSIGNMENT

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto:

Please insert Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number of Transferee

Please print or type name and address, including zip code of Transferee

the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints: ________, attorney, to register the transfer of the within Bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated:_____.

Signature Guaranteed:

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution participating in a securities transfer association recognized signature guarantee program. NOTICE: The signature above must correspond with the name of the Registered Owner as it appears upon the front of this Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

<u>INSERTIONS FOR THE INITIAL BOND</u>. The initial Bond shall be in the form set forth in paragraph (a) of this Form of Bond, except that:

- i. immediately under the name of the Bond, the headings "INTEREST RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As shown below" and "CUSIP NO. " shall be deleted.
- ii. the first paragraph shall be deleted and the following will be inserted:

"HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS (the "Issuer"), being a political subdivision of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above, or registered assigns

(the "*Registered Owner*"), on the dates, in the Principal Amounts and bearing interest at the per annum Interest Rates set forth in the following schedule:

Maturity	Principal	Interest	
Date	Amount	Rate	

The Issuer promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount hereof (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) from the Delivery Date above at the respective Interest Rate per annum specified above. Interest is payable on [-], 2021 and on each [-] and [-] thereafter to the date of payment of the Principal Amounts specified above, or the date of redemption prior to maturity; except, that if this Bond is required to be authenticated and the date of its authentication is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date, in which case such principal amount shall bear interest from such next following interest payment date; provided, however, that if on the date of authentication hereof the interest on the Bond or Bonds, if any, for which this Bond is being exchanged is due but has not been paid, then this Bond shall bear interest from the date to which such interest has been paid in full."

iii. The initial Bond shall be numbered "T-1."



Capital Markets

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MEMORANDUM

Date:	February 8, 2021
To:	Hon. Robert Newsom, <i>County Judge</i> Shannah Aulsbrook, <i>County Auditor</i>
From:	RBC Capital Markets
Re:	Hopkins County, Texas Preliminary Refunding Analysis and Current Market Overview

The RBCCM team would like to take this opportunity to provide you with the following refunding update for Hopkins County (the "County") as well as a brief market update.

TAXABLE ADVANCE REFUNDING ANALYSIS

The County has the opportunity to advance refund the outstanding debt listed below on a taxable basis to create level debt service savings in years 2022 - 2035. The refunding assumes current market rates with the County's underlying "A1/A+" ratings. The refunding bonds have substantially the same structure, maturity, and debt service schedule as the refunded bonds with an assumed delivery date on April 21, 2021.

Refunding Candidates

	Maturities	Refunded	Coupon	Call	Call	
Series	to be Refunded	Par Amount	Range	Date	Price	
GO Bds Ser 2013	2025 - 2034	\$4,655,000	3.500% - 4.500%	10/15/2023	100%	
GO Bds Ser 2014	2026 - 2035	4,680,000	3.650% - 4.500%	10/15/2023	100%	
Total		\$9,335,000				

Cash Flow Savings

Refunding Results

Refunding Results	Cash How Savings							
		Current		FYE	Prior Debt	Refunding	Debt Service	PV
	-0.25%	Market Rates	+0.25%	(9/30)	Service	Debt Service	Savings	Savings
Delivery Date	04/21/2021	04/21/2021	04/21/2021	2022	\$373,860	\$317,356	\$56,504	\$59,270
Refunded Par Amount	\$9,335,000	\$9,335,000	\$9,335,000	2023	373,860	322,735	51,125	49,564
Avg Coupon of Refunded Bonds	4.07%	4.07%	4.07%	2024	373,860	322,735	51,125	48,685
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All-In TIC	1.79%	2.05%	2.30%	2026	1,151,948	1,087,135	64,812	56,330
Arbitrage Yield	1.55%	1.80%	2.05%	2027	1,147,348	1,080,435	66,912	57,104
Escrow Yield	0.13%	0.13%	0.13%	2028	1,146,710	1,077,635	69,075	57,888
Net Debt Service Savings	\$1,115,011	\$879,851	\$648,085	2029	1,147,848	1,078,535	69,312	56,911
Avg Annual Debt Service Savings	\$79.644	\$62,847	\$46,292	2030	1,147,560	1,078,035	69,525	55,929
		No. of Concession, Name		2031	1,149,670	1,081,035	68,635	54,056
Present Value Savings (\$)	\$970,531	\$738,956	\$513,703	2032	1,148,195	1,082,385	65,810	50,570
Present Value Savings (%)	10.40%	7.92%	5.50%	2033	1,147,740	1,082,288	65,452	49,346
Negative Arbitrage	\$339,805	\$398,643	\$456,932	2034	1,145,725	1,080,609	65,116	48,130
	35.01%	53.95%	88.95%	2035	1,147,463	1,082,138	65,324	47,352
Neg Arb as % of PV Savings	35.01%	33.93%	00.9370	Total	\$12,975,645	\$12,095,794	\$879,851	\$738,956

MARKET UPDATE | WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1, 2021

- US shares posted their steepest declines since October last week, sending the DJIA and S&P down 3.3% while the Nasdaq fell 3.5%.
- Heightened volumes of retail activity in certain stocks contributed to uncertainty in the broader markets.
- The FOMC left rates unchanged and reiterated its commitment to asset purchases to support the Fed's objectives.
 Chair Powell indicated a willing page to be notified by the fed's objectives.
- Chair Powell indicated a willingness to be patient should upward inflationary pressures develop as the economy reopens.
- President Biden meets with Republican lawmakers on Monday to bridge the gap between his \$1.9 trillion stimulus package and their \$600bn proposal.
 US investment grade (corrected to be between his \$1.9 trillion stimulus package)
- US investment-grade/corporate issuance totaled \$27.2bn last week, bringing year-to-date volume to \$127.5bn.
- Municipal supply totaled \$7.6bn last week, including \$1.6bn of taxable bonds accounting for a 21% share of supply.
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- This week's municipal calendar is expected to total \$7.9bn, including \$3bn of taxable bonds comprising 38% of supply.
 Municipal bond funds reported not each influence of \$2.9bn, including \$3bn of taxable bonds comprising 38% of supply.
- Municipal bond funds reported net cash inflows of \$2.8bn last week, marking the third straight week of inflows over \$2bn.

10-Year UST and MMD





30-Year UST and MMD

Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury and Thomson Reuters Municipal Market Data

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