



Legislation Text

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TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$10,030,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVANCE REFUNDING ALL OR A PORTION OF THE CITY'S OUTSTANDING VARIOUS PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2005, DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2005, AND VARIOUS PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2007; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A NOTICE OF SALE FOR THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING AN ESCROW AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND DELIVERY OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT RELATING TO THE BONDS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to various ordinances passed by City Council (the "Council") of the City of Gahanna, Ohio (the "City"), the City issued and sold certain limited tax general obligation bonds of the City, to wit:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Dated</u>	<u>Outstanding Amount</u>
Various Purpose Bonds, Series 2005	09/01/2005	\$1,520,000
Various Purpose Bonds, Series 2007	07/31/2007	\$8,510,000

(collectively, the "Outstanding Bonds"), for the purposes described in those Ordinances and in the Outstanding Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the City can achieve a reduction in the debt service associated with the Outstanding Bonds by providing for the refunding of all or a portion of such Outstanding Bonds (the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, due to current market conditions, this Council believes that it is in the best interest of the City to refund the Refunded Bonds using the proceeds of refunding bonds, authorized by Section 133.34(A)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code, together with other moneys available for that purpose, if any, if the savings targets described in this ordinance can be met;

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance for the City (the "Finance Director") has certified to this Council that the maximum maturity and authorized principal amount of the bonds herein authorized cannot exceed the maximum maturity and principal amount of the Refunded Bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is now deemed necessary to issue and sell not to exceed \$10,030,000 of such bonds under

authority of the general laws of the State of Ohio, including Chapter 133, Ohio Revised Code, and in particular Section 133.34 thereof, for the purpose stated in the title of this Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. It is hereby declared necessary to issue bonds of the City, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal sum of not to exceed \$10,030,000, or such lesser amount as shall be determined by the Finance Director and certified to this Council, which bonds shall be designated "City of Gahanna, Ohio Various Purpose Refunding Bonds, Series 2015," or as otherwise designated by the Finance Director (the "Bonds"), for the purpose described in the title of this Ordinance.

Section 2. It is hereby determined, that for the purposes of issuance and sale, it is in the best interest of the City to combine the Bonds with other general obligation bonds of the City authorized by separate ordinances of this Council. The Bonds and such other bonds shall be jointly referred to herein as the "Combined Bonds." As used in this Ordinance, the term "Bonds" shall also mean the Combined Bonds, where appropriate.

Section 3. The Bonds shall be issued as fully registered bonds in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof; shall be numbered consecutively from R-1 upward, as determined by the Finance Director; shall be dated the date determined by the Finance Director and set forth in the Certificate of Award provided for hereinbelow; and shall bear interest, payable semiannually on such dates as shall be determined by the Finance Director and set forth in the Certificate of Award, until the principal sum is paid or provision has been duly made therefor. Interest shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. Coupons shall not be attached to the Bonds.

Section 4. The Bonds shall be issued with interest payable semiannually on each Interest Payment Date until the principal sum is paid or provision has been duly made therefor (the "Current Interest Bonds") or with interest compounded on each Interest Payment Date but payable only at maturity (the "Capital Appreciation Bonds") in such proportions as shall be set forth in the Certificate of Award. The Current Interest Bonds shall be in the denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and the Capital Appreciation Bonds shall be in the denominations on the date of their issuance and delivery equal to the principal amount which, when interest is accrued and compounded thereon, beginning on the date of delivery to the Original Purchaser (as defined hereinbelow), and each Interest Payment Date thereafter, will equal \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof at maturity. The Current Interest Bonds shall be dated such date as shall be determined by the Finance Director and set forth in the Certificate of Award and the Capital Appreciation Bonds shall be dated their date of delivery to the Original Purchaser.

Section 5. The Current Interest Bonds shall be subject to optional and mandatory redemption prior to stated maturity as provided in the Certificate of Award. If optional redemption of the Current Interest Bonds at a redemption price exceeding 100% is to take place on any date on which a mandatory redemption of the Current Interest Bonds of the same maturity will take place, the Current Interest Bonds to be redeemed by optional redemption shall be selected by the Bond Registrar (as defined hereinbelow) prior to the selection of the Current Interest Bonds to be redeemed at par pursuant to mandatory redemption on the same date.

When partial redemption is authorized, the Bond Registrar shall select a Current Interest Bond or portions thereof by lot within a maturity in such manner and in such denominations as the Bond Registrar may determine, provided, however, that the portion of any Current Interest Bond so selected will be in the amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

The notice of the call for redemption of a Current Interest Bond shall identify (i) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Current Interest Bond or portions thereof to be redeemed, (ii) the redemption price to be paid, (iii) the date fixed for redemption, and (iv) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. From and after the specified redemption date interest on the Current Interest Bond (or portions thereof) called for redemption shall cease to accrue. Such notice shall be sent by first class mail at least 30 days prior to the redemption date to each registered holder of the Current Interest Bond to be redeemed at the address shown in the Bond Register (as defined hereinbelow) on the 15th day preceding the date of mailing. Failure to receive such notice of any defect

therein shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Current Interest Bond.

Section 6. The Bonds shall express upon their faces the purpose for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to this Ordinance and shall be executed by the Finance Director and the Mayor of the City (the "Mayor"), in their official capacities; provided that either or both of their signatures may be a facsimile. No Bond shall be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under this Ordinance unless and until a certificate of authentication, as printed on the Bond, is signed by the Bond Registrar as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued and delivered under this Ordinance and is entitled to the security and benefit of this Ordinance. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any officer or officers of the Bond Registrar or by such other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar as shall be approved by the Finance Director on behalf of the City. It shall not be necessary that the same authorized person sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

Section 7. The principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar, as paying agent. The principal of the Bonds shall be payable upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the principal office of the Bond Registrar. Each Bond shall bear interest from the later of the date thereof, or the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, unless the date of authentication of any Bond is less than 15 days prior to an Interest Payment Date, in which case interest shall accrue from such Interest Payment Date. Interest on any Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond is registered, at the close of business on the 15th day next preceding that Interest Payment Date (the "Record Date") (unless such date falls on a non-business day, in which case the Record Date shall be the preceding business day), on the Bond Register at the address appearing therein.

Any interest on any Bond which is payable, but is not punctually paid or provided for, on any Interest Payment Date (herein called "Defaulted Interest") shall forthwith cease to be payable to the registered owner on the relevant Record Date by virtue of having been such owner and such Defaulted Interest shall be paid to the registered owner in whose name the Bond is registered at the close of business on a date (the "Special Record Date") to be fixed by the Bond Registrar, such Special Record Date to be not more than 15 nor less than 10 days prior to the date of proposed payment. The Bond Registrar shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, first class postage prepaid, to each Bondholder, at such Bondholder's address as it appears in the Bond Register, not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, and may, in its discretion, cause a similar notice to be published once in a newspaper in each place where Bonds are payable, but such publication shall not be a condition precedent to the establishment of such Special Record Date.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Section, each Bond delivered by the Bond Registrar upon transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Bond shall carry the rights to interest accrued and unpaid, and to accrue, which were carried by such other Bond.

Section 8. The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to serve as authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent, and paying agent for the Bonds (collectively, the "Bond Registrar") or to execute on behalf of the City a Bond Registrar Agreement with such bank or other appropriate financial institution as shall be acceptable to the Finance Director, pursuant to which such bank or financial institution shall agree to serve as the Bond Registrar for the Bonds. If at any time the Bond Registrar shall be unable or unwilling to serve as such, or the Finance Director in such officer's discretion shall determine that it would be in the best interest of the City for such functions to be performed by another party, the Finance Director may, and is hereby authorized and directed to, enter into an agreement with a national banking association or other appropriate institution experienced in providing such services, to perform the services required of the Bond Registrar hereunder. Each such successor Bond Registrar shall promptly advise all bondholders of the change in identity and new address of the Bond Registrar. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City shall cause to be maintained and kept by the Bond Registrar, at the office of the Bond Registrar, all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in this Section (the "Bond Register"). Subject

to the provisions hereof, the person in whose name any Bond shall be registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes. Payment of or on account of the principal of and interest on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as herein provided. All payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon the Bonds, including the interest thereon, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.

Any Bond, upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person authorized by the owner to do so by a power of attorney in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar, may be exchanged for Bonds of the same form and of any authorized denomination or denominations equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bonds surrendered, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Register upon presentation and surrender thereof at the office of the Bond Registrar, together with an assignment executed by the registered owner or by a person authorized by the owner to do so by a power of attorney in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon that transfer, the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any authorized denomination or denominations equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bonds surrendered, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

The City and the Bond Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange (i) any Bond during a period beginning at the opening of business fifteen (15) days before the day of mailing of a notice of redemption of Bonds, and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, or (ii) any Bonds selected for redemption, in whole or in part, following the date of such mailing.

In all cases in which Bonds are exchanged or transferred hereunder, the City shall cause to be executed and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner; except that the City and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before it begins the procedure for the exchange or transfer of the Bonds. All Bonds issued upon any transfer or exchange shall be the valid obligations of the City, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Ordinance, as the Bonds surrendered upon that transfer or exchange.

Section 9. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

“Book entry form” or “book entry system” means a form or system under which (i) the beneficial right to payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (ii) physical Bonds in fully registered form are issued only to the Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds “immobilized” in the custody of the Depository, and the book entry is the record that identifies the owners of beneficial interests in those Bonds.

“Depository” means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, together with its participants, a book entry system to record beneficial ownership of Bonds and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company), New York, New York.

All or any portion of the Bonds may be initially issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system, and the provisions of this Section shall apply, notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance; (i) there shall be a single Bond of each maturity, (ii) those Bonds shall be registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository; (iii) the beneficial owners in book entry form shall have no right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iv) ownership of beneficial interests in any Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository, and transfers of the ownership of beneficial interests shall be made only by the Depository and by book entry; and (v) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City. Bond service charges on Bonds in book entry form registered in the name of a Depository or its nominee shall be payable in same day funds delivered to the Depository or its authorized representative (i) in the case of interest, on each Interest Payment Date, and (ii) in all other cases, upon presentation and surrender of Bonds as provided in this Ordinance.

The Bond Registrar may, with the approval of the City, enter into an agreement with the beneficial owner or registered owner of any Bond in the custody of a Depository providing for making all payments to that owner of principal and interest on that Bond or any portion thereof (other than any payment of the entire unpaid principal amount thereof) at a place and in a manner (including wire transfer of federal funds) other than as provided above in this Ordinance, without prior presentation or surrender of the Bond, upon any conditions which shall be satisfactory to the Bond Registrar and to the City. That payment in any event shall be made to the person who is the registered owner of that Bond on the date that principal is due, or, with respect to the payment of interest, as of the applicable date agreed upon as the case may be. The Bond Registrar shall furnish a copy of each of those agreements, certified to be correct by the Bond Registrar, to other paying agents for Bonds and to the City. Any payment of principal or interest pursuant to such an agreement shall constitute payment thereof pursuant to, and for all purposes of, this Ordinance.

If requested, the Finance Director, or any other officer of the City, is authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver, in the name of and on behalf of the City, a letter agreement among the City, the Bond Registrar and The Depository Trust Company, as depository, to be delivered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds to the Depository for use in a book entry system in substantially the form submitted to this Council.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the City and the Bond Registrar may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository under this Ordinance. If the City and the Bond Registrar do not or are unable to do so, the City and the Bond Registrar, after the Bond Registrar has made provision for notification of the beneficial owners by the then Depository, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository and authenticate and deliver bond certificates in fully registered form to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including costs of printing definitive Bonds), if the event is not the result of action or inaction by the City or the Bond Registrar, of those persons requesting such issuance.

Section 10. There shall be and is hereby levied annually on all the taxable property in the City, in addition to all other taxes and inside the ten limitation, a direct tax (the "Debt Service Levy") for each year during which any of the Bonds are outstanding, for the purpose of providing, and in an amount which is sufficient to provide, funds to pay interest upon the Bonds as and when the same falls due and to provide a fund for the repayment of the principal of the Bonds at maturity or upon redemption. The Debt Service Levy shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Article XII, Section 11 of the Ohio Constitution; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that funds are available from other sources and are lawfully appropriated for the payment of the Bonds, the amount of the Debt Service Levy shall be reduced by the amount of such funds so available and appropriated.

The Debt Service Levy shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers, in the same manner, and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of such years are certified, extended and collected. The Debt Service Levy shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The funds derived from the Debt Service Levy shall be placed in a separate and distinct fund and shall be irrevocably pledged for the payment of the premium, if any, and interest on and principal of the Bonds when and as the same falls due. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the City determines that funds from other sources will be available for the payment of the Bonds in any year, the amount of the Debt Service Levy for such year shall be reduced by the amount of such funds that will be so available and appropriated for that purpose, and the City shall appropriate such funds to the payment of the Bonds in accordance with law.

Section 11. The City hereby covenants, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 133.05(B)(7), to appropriate annually from lawfully available municipal income taxes, and to continue to levy and collect municipal income taxes adequate to produce, amounts necessary to meet the debt charges on the Bonds in each year until full payment is made.

Section 12. The sale and award of the Bonds shall be evidenced by a Certificate of Award (the "Certificate of Award") signed by the Finance Director, which shall award the sale of the Bonds to such purchaser (the "Original Purchaser") as shall offer, in the opinion of the Finance Director, the best terms for the purchase of the Bonds, based on bids submitted to the City following the publication of a Notice of Sale, which shall be in such form as approved by the Finance Director. The Certificate of Award shall further (a) set forth the aggregate principal amount and the final terms of the Bonds, which aggregate principal amount and terms, subject to the limitations set forth in this Ordinance, (b) the dated date for the Bonds, (c) the dates on which interest on the Bonds is to be paid (each, an "Interest Payment Date"), (d) the purchase price for the Bonds (which shall be not less than 97% of the face value thereof), (e) the maturity schedule for the Bonds, (f) the interest rates for the Bonds (provided that the true interest cost for all Combined Bonds in the aggregate shall not exceed 5.00% per annum), (g) the optional and mandatory redemption provisions, if any, and (h) such other terms not inconsistent with this Ordinance as the Finance Director shall deem appropriate. The Certificate of Award shall also designate a certified public accounting firm (the "Verification Agent") that will deliver reports on the arithmetical accuracy of certain computations contained in schedules provided to them by the Financial Advisor and Original Purchaser relating to the refunding purposes of the Bonds.

The proceeds of the Bonds, including premium, if any, received from the sale of the Bonds, but excluding costs of issuance and any accrued interest, shall be credited to such funds and used for such purposes as shall be specified in the Certificate of Award.

The City shall deposit with the Escrow Trustee, hereinafter identified, proceeds of the Bonds paid to the City pursuant to the Bond Purchase Agreement in an amount sufficient to defease the Refunded Bonds, and such monies shall be applied in accordance with the terms of the Escrow Agreement, hereinafter identified. The balance of such proceeds, including any accrued interest received from such sale but excepting any proceeds used to pay costs of issuance, shall be deposited in the City treasury and shall be credited to the proper bond retirement fund to be applied to the payment of the principal and interest of general obligation Bonds of the City in the manner provided by law. Said proceeds are hereby appropriated for such purposes.

Section 13. There is hereby created and established, as an account within the Bond Retirement Fund of the City, a trust fund to be designated "City of Gahanna, Ohio - Various Purpose Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 - Escrow Fund" (the "Escrow Fund") which shall be in the custody of the Escrow Trustee, as hereinafter defined.

The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City an Escrow Agreement (the

“Escrow Agreement”) with a bank or trust company to be selected by the Finance Director (the “Escrow Trustee”), setting forth the terms by which the Escrow Fund shall be held and disbursed, which Escrow Agreement shall be in such form, not inconsistent with this Ordinance, as the Finance Director shall determine. Pursuant to the Escrow Agreement, the Escrow Trustee shall apply the moneys deposited in the Escrow Fund to the purchase of (i) direct obligations of the United States of America, or if such obligations are not available for purchase, (ii) “open market securities” permitted under, and subject to, the guidelines set forth in Section 1.148-5 of the Regulations (as defined below), of such maturities and interest payment dates and paying interest as will, as certified by such independent public accounting firm as shall be acceptable to the Finance Director, without further investment or reinvestment of either the principal amount thereof or the interest earnings therefrom, be sufficient to redeem the Refunded Bonds to be refunded by optional redemption on the earliest optional redemption date, and pay any interest and redemption premium thereon. If, in the judgment of the Finance Director, the purchase of open-market securities described in (ii) in the preceding sentence for the Escrow Fund is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to this City, the Finance Director or any other officer of the City, on behalf of the City and in the Finance Director’s official capacity, may purchase and deliver such obligations, engage the services of a financial advisor, bidding agent (who may be the municipal advisor designated in this Ordinance), or similar entity for the purpose of facilitating the bidding, purchase and delivery of such obligations for, and any related structuring of, the Escrow Fund, execute such instruments as are deemed necessary to engage such services for such purpose, and provide further for the payment of the cost of obtaining such services, except to the extent paid by the Original Purchaser in accordance with the Notice of Sale, from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available and that are appropriated or shall be appropriated for that purpose.

Section 14. The City hereby covenants that it shall comply with the requirements of all existing and future laws which must be satisfied in order that interest on the Bonds is and will continue to be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, including without limitation restrictions on the use of the property financed with the proceeds of the Bonds so that the Bonds will not constitute “private activity bonds” within the meaning of Section 141 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). The City further covenants that it shall restrict the use of the proceeds of the Bonds in such manner and to such extent, if any, as may be necessary, after taking into account reasonable expectations at the time the Bonds are issued, so that they will not constitute arbitrage bonds under Section 148 of the Code and the regulations prescribed thereunder (the “Regulations”).

The Finance Director, or any other officer, including the Mayor, is hereby authorized and directed (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation, choice, consent, approval or waiver on behalf of the City with respect to the Bonds as permitted or required to be made or given under the federal income tax laws, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting favorable tax treatment or the status of the Bonds or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing any rebate amount or any payment of penalties, or making any payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, any excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by the Finance Director, which action shall be in writing and signed by the Finance Director, or any other officer, including the Mayor, on behalf of the City; (b) to take any and all actions, make or obtain calculations, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the City, as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Bonds; and (c) to give an appropriate certificate on behalf of the City, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the facts, estimates and circumstances, and reasonable expectations of the City pertaining to Section 148 and the Regulations, and the representations, warranties and covenants of the City regarding compliance by the City with Sections 141 through 150 of the Code and the Regulations.

The Finance Director shall keep and maintain adequate records pertaining to investment of all proceeds of the Bonds sufficient to permit, to the maximum extent possible and presently foreseeable, the City to comply with any federal law or regulation now or hereafter having applicability to the Bonds which limits the amount of bond proceeds which may be invested on an unrestricted yield or requires the City to rebate arbitrage profits to the United States Department of the Treasury. The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to file such reports with, and rebate arbitrage profits to, the United States Department of the Treasury, to the extent that any federal law or regulation having applicability to the

Bonds requires any such reports or rebates.

Section 15. The distribution of an Official Statement of the City, in preliminary and final form, relating to the original issuance of the Bonds is hereby authorized if the Finance Director determines that it is necessary or advisable to prepare and distribute an Official Statement in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds. If the Finance Director so determines, then the Finance Director and Mayor are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate, prepare and execute, on behalf of the City and in their official capacity, the Official Statement and any supplements thereto as so executed in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, and they are authorized and directed to advise the Original Purchaser in writing regarding limitations on the use of the Official Statement and any supplements thereto for purposes of marketing or reoffering the Bonds as they deem necessary or appropriate to protect the interests of the City. The Finance Director, Mayor, and City Attorney are each authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the City and in their official capacities, such certificates in connection with the accuracy of an Official Statement, in either preliminary or final form, and any supplements thereto as may, in their judgment, be necessary or appropriate.

Section 16. The obtaining or updating of a rating or ratings on the Bonds and the City is hereby authorized if the Finance Director determines that it is necessary or advisable in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds. If the Finance Director so determines, then the Finance Director and Mayor are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to obtain such rating or ratings.

Section 17. PRISM Municipal Advisors, LLC is hereby appointed to serve as municipal advisor to the City for the Bonds. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to enter into any agreements necessary to memorialize this relationship. The fees to be paid to such firm shall be subject to review and approval of the Finance Director, shall not exceed the fees customarily charged for such services, and shall be paid upon closing of the financing from the proceeds of the Bonds or as otherwise determined by the Finance Director.

Section 18. The officer having charge of the minutes of the Council and any other officers of the Council, or any of them individually, are hereby authorized and directed to prepare and certify a true transcript of proceedings pertaining to the Bonds and to furnish a copy of such transcript to the Original Purchaser. Such transcript shall include certified copies of all proceedings and records of the Council relating to the power and authority of the City to issue the Bonds and certificates as to matters within their knowledge or as shown by the books and records under their custody and control, including but not limited to a general certificate of the Finance Director and a no-litigation certificate of the Mayor and the Finance Director, and such certified copies and certificates shall be deemed representations of the City as to the facts stated therein.

Section 19. This Council further hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, the City Attorney, the Finance Director, the Clerk of Council, or other appropriate officers of the City to prepare and sign all agreements and instruments and to take any other actions, including the appointment of bond counsel, as may be appropriate to implement this Ordinance.

Section 20. It is hereby found and determined that all acts, conditions and things necessary to be done precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding obligations of the City have happened, been done and been performed in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith, credit and revenue of the City are hereby irrevocably pledged for the prompt payment of the principal and interest thereof at maturity; and that no limitation of indebtedness or taxation, pursuant to statutory and constitutional, has been exceeded in issuing the Bonds.

Section 21. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the

adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 22. The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the County Auditor of Franklin County, Ohio.

Section 23. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City and its inhabitants for the reason that this Ordinance must be immediately effective so that the Bonds can be sold as soon as possible to take advantage of favorable interest rates and provide for the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds; wherefore this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and immediately after passage by this Council and on date of signature approval by the Mayor.