

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2023; SETTING CERTAIN PARAMETERS FOR THE CERTIFICATES; AUTHORIZING THE PRICING OFFICER TO APPROVE THE TERMS THEREOF AND CERTAIN OTHER PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO

THE STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County, Texas (the “County”) acting through its Commissioners Court, authorized the publication of a notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation to the effect that the Commissioners Court would meet on May 9, 2023, to adopt an Order and take such other action as may be deemed necessary to authorize the issuance of certificates of obligation (the “Certificates”) payable from ad valorem taxation and from a limited and subordinate pledge of the net revenues derived from prisoner housing contracts, for the purpose of evidencing the indebtedness of the County for all or any part of the costs associated with (i) construction and improvement of county roads and related drainage, detention and traffic signals; (ii) construction, equipment, improvement and renovation of County offices and facilities, (iii) construction, equipment and renovation of public safety improvements; (iv) construction, equipment, improvement and renovation of County park facilities; (v) acquisition of County and public safety vehicles; and (vi) cost of professional services incurred in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, such notice was published and posted at the times and in the manner required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and of the United States of America, respectively, particularly Subchapter C of Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, no petition or other request has been filed with or presented to any official of the County requesting that any of the proceedings authorizing the Certificates be submitted to a referendum or other election; therefore

WHEREAS, the County has a principal amount of at least \$100,000,000 in a combination of outstanding long-term indebtedness and long-term indebtedness proposed to be issued, and some amount of such long-term indebtedness is rated in one of the four highest rating categories for long-term debt instruments by a nationally recognized rating agency for municipal securities without regard to the effect of any credit agreement or other form of credit enhancement entered into in connection with the obligation, and therefore, the County qualifies as an “issuer” under Chapter 1371, Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 1371.053, Texas Government Code, the County desires to delegate the authority to the County Judge and/or the County Auditor to effect the sale of the Certificates; Now, therefore

BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. Definitions. Throughout this Order the following terms and expressions as used herein shall have the meanings set forth below:

“Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations” means the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations between the County, the Registrar and DTC.

“Certificates” means one or more series of Fort Bend County Certificates of Obligation, Series   1   authorized in this Order and more fully described in the Officer’s Pricing Certificate, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

“Business Day” means any day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or a day on which the Registrar is authorized by law or executive order to close.

“Closing Date” means the date of delivery of the applicable series of the Certificates to the Underwriters.

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

“County” means Fort Bend County, Texas.

“County Auditor” means Robert Sturdivant, or any successor in that office.

“County Judge” means K.P. George, or any successor in that office.

“Comptroller” means the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

“Debt Service Fund” means the interest and sinking fund for payment of the Certificates established by the County in Section 19 of this Order.

“DTC” means The Depository Trust Company of New York, New York, or any successor securities depository.

“DTC Participant” means brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations on whose behalf DTC was created to hold securities to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions.

“Gross Revenues” for any period means all revenue during such period in respect or on account of the operation or ownership of the System, excluding refundable deposits, restricted gifts, refunds for amounts advanced in aid of construction, and grants in aid of construction, but including earnings and income derived from the investment or deposit of money in any special fund or account (other than earnings on the Certificate Fund) created and established for the payment or security of the Certificates.

“Initial Certificate” means the Initial Certificate authorized by Section 4(b).

“Interest Payment Date”, when used in connection with any Certificate, means the dates set forth in the Officer’s Pricing Certificate.

“Maintenance and Operating Expenses” means all current expenses of operating and

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<sup>1</sup> Insert from Officer’s Pricing Certificate.

maintaining the System not paid from the proceeds of the Certificates, including (1) the cost of all salaries, labor, materials, interest, repairs, and extensions necessary to provide efficient service, and each proper item of expense, but only if, in the case of repairs and extensions, they are, in the judgment of the Commissioners Court, necessary to keep the System in operation and render adequate service to the County and its residents, or respond to a physical accident or condition that would otherwise impair the Certificates or Prior Obligations or Parity Obligations.

“MSRB” means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board or its successor.

"Net Revenues" for any period means the Gross Revenues less the Maintenance and Operating Expenses, but in an amount not to exceed in the aggregate \$10,000.

“Officer’s Pricing Certificate” means the certificate signed by the County Judge or the County Auditor containing the information regarding the issuance of the Certificates specified herein.

“Order” as used herein and in the Certificates means this order authorizing the Certificates.

“Owner” means any person who shall be the registered owner of any outstanding Certificate.

“Pricing Officer” means each of the County Judge and the County Auditor.

“Purchase Agreement” means the Certificate purchase agreement or bid form between the County and the Underwriters described in Section 4(e) of this Order regarding each issuance of the Certificates specified herein.

“Record Date” means, for any Interest Payment Date, the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding each Interest Payment Date.

“Register” means the books of registration kept by the Registrar, in which are maintained the names and addresses of, and the principal amounts of the Certificates registered to, each Owner.

“Registrar” means Zions Bancorporation, National Association dba Amegy Bank Division, Houston, Texas and its successors in that capacity.

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

“SEC” means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"System" means all of the administration of prisoner housing contracts in the County's jail system, excluding from the foregoing, however, to the extent now or hereafter authorized or permitted by law, facilities of any kind which are declared by the Commissioners Court, prior to the acquisition or construction thereof by the County, not to be a part of the System and which are acquired or constructed by or on behalf of the County with the proceeds from the issuance of "Special Facilities Obligations," which are hereby defined as being special revenue obligations of

the County which are not payable from Net Revenues but which are payable from and secured by other liens on and pledges of any revenues, sources, or payments, not pledged to the payment of the Certificates.

“Underwriters” means the individual underwriter or underwriting syndicate identified in the applicable Officer’s Pricing Certificate.

3. Authorization. The Certificates shall be issued from time to time in fully registered form, in one or more series, in a maximum aggregate authorized principal amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 for the purpose of (i) construction and improvement of county roads and related drainage, detention and traffic signals; (ii) construction, equipment, improvement and renovation of County offices and facilities, (iii) construction, equipment and renovation of public safety improvements; (iv) construction, equipment, improvement and renovation of County park facilities; (v) acquisition of County and public safety vehicles; (vi) cost of professional services incurred in connection therewith; and (vi) paying the costs of issuance of the Certificates.

4. Delegation of Authority. As authorized by 1371.053, Texas Government Code, the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the County through a date one year from the date of this Order, from time to time, in selling and delivering one or more series of Certificates, subject to the conditions and carrying out the other procedures as set forth below. Certificates sold pursuant to a Purchase Agreement or bid form executed on or before the expiration date above may be delivered after such date, provided that such delivery date shall occur within ninety (90) days of the sale of the Certificates.

(a) Designation. The Certificates shall be designated as “FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES \_\_\_<sup>2</sup>” and more fully described in the Officer’s Pricing Certificate.

(b) The Certificates may be issued in the principal amounts and bearing interest at the rates set forth in the, and Officer’s Pricing Certificate, may be transferred and exchanged as set out in this Order shall be numbered ICI-1 and all other Certificates shall be numbered in sequence beginning with RCI-1. Certificates delivered on transfer of or in exchange for other Certificates shall be numbered in order of their authentication by the Registrar, shall be in the denomination of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof, and shall mature on the same date and bear interest at the same rate as the Certificate or Certificates in lieu of which they are delivered.

(c) Date, Denomination, Interest Rates, and Maturities. The Certificates shall be dated, mature on the dates in each of the years and in the amounts set out in any Officer’s Pricing Certificate, shall be subject to prior optional and mandatory redemption on the dates, for the redemption prices and in the amounts, set out in the Officer’s Pricing Certificate and shall bear interest at rates and from their issue date as set out in the Officer’s Pricing Certificate payable on each Interest Payment Date.

(d) Selling and Delivering Certificates. The Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to

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<sup>2</sup> Insert from Officer’s Pricing Certificate.

act on behalf of the County in selling and delivering the Certificates and carrying out the other procedures specified in this Order, including, without limitation, determining the date on and price at which the Certificates will be sold, the method and manner of sale (public or private), the issuance date and dated date of the Certificates, the designation or title of the Certificates, whether particular Certificates will be issued as Certificates or Capital Appreciation Certificates, the years in which the Certificates will mature, the aggregate principal amount of the Certificates, the principal amount or Maturity Amount, as the case may be, to mature in each year of maturity, the rate of interest to be borne by each such maturity, the interest payment and record dates, any redemption terms and provisions (including terms and provisions for optional and mandatory sinking fund redemption), whether to apply for municipal Certificate insurance, and all other matters relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Certificates, all of which shall be specified in the Officer's Pricing Certificate; provided that:

- (i) the aggregate principal amounts of all series of the Certificates issued for the purposes set forth in Section 3 shall never exceed the maximum principal amount authorized in Section 3;
- (ii) the maximum maturity date shall be no later than 20 years from the dated date; and
- (iii) the net effective interest rate on the Certificates shall not exceed the maximum rate allowed by Chapter 1204, Texas Government Code.

(e) Sale; Purchase Agreement. Each series of the Certificates shall be sold and delivered to the Underwriters at a price to be set forth in the Officer's Pricing Certificate in accordance with the terms of a Purchase Agreement to be approved by the Pricing Officer. The Pricing Officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute such Purchase Agreement(s) on behalf of the County, and the Pricing Officer and all other officers, agents and representatives of the County are hereby authorized to do any and all things necessary or desirable to satisfy the conditions set out therein and to provide for the issuance and delivery of the Certificates.

(f) Use of Proceeds. Except as otherwise set forth in the Officer's Pricing Certificate, proceeds from the sale of the Certificates shall, promptly upon receipt by the County, be applied as follows:

- (i) If applicable, accrued interest in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>3</sup> and net premium on the Certificates in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>4</sup> shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund.
- (ii) Net premium on the Certificates in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>5</sup> shall be used to pay the costs of issuance.

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- (iii) Net premium on the Certificates in the amount of \$<sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ shall be used to pay the Underwriters' discount.
- (iv) Certificate proceeds in the amount of \$<sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ shall be used for the purposes described in Section 3 of the Order.
- (v) Any proceeds of the Certificates remaining after making all such deposits and payments shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund.

5. Execution and Registration of Certificates. (a) The Certificates shall be signed by the County Judge and countersigned by the County Clerk, by their manual, lithographed, or facsimile signatures, and the official seal of the County shall be impressed or placed in facsimile thereon. Such facsimile signatures on the Certificates shall have the same effect as if each of the Certificates had been signed manually and in person by each of said officers, and such facsimile seal on the Certificates shall have the same effect as if the official seal of the County had been manually impressed upon each of the Certificates.

(b) If any officer of the County whose manual or facsimile signature shall appear on the Certificates shall cease to be such officer before the authentication of such Certificates or before the delivery of such Certificates, such manual or facsimile signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if such officer had remained in such office.

(c) Except as provided below, no Certificate shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit of this Order unless and until there appears thereon the Registrar's Authentication Certificate substantially in the form provided herein, duly authenticated by manual execution by an officer or duly authorized signatory of the Registrar. In lieu of the executed Registrar's Authentication Certificate described above, the Initial Certificates delivered at the Closing Date shall have attached thereto the Comptroller's Registration Certificate substantially in the form provided herein, manually executed by the Comptroller, or by his duly authorized agent, which certificates shall be evidence that the Initial Certificates have been duly approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and that they are valid and binding obligations of the County, and have been registered by the Comptroller.

(d) On the Closing Date, the Initial Certificate, in stated installments to the Underwriters or their designee, executed by manual or facsimile signature of the County Judge and County Clerk, approved by the Attorney General, and registered and manually signed by the Comptroller, shall be delivered to the Underwriters or their designee. Upon payment for the Initial Certificates, the Registrar shall cancel the Initial Certificates and definitive Certificates shall be delivered to DTC.

6. Payment of Principal and Interest. The Registrar is hereby appointed as the paying agent for the Certificates. The principal of the Certificates shall be payable, without

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<sup>6</sup> Insert from Officer's Pricing Certificate.

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exchange or collection charges, in any coin or currency of the United States of America which, on the date of payment, is legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America, upon their presentation and surrender as they respectively become due and payable at the principal payment office of the Registrar, in Houston, Texas, Texas. The interest on each Certificate shall be payable on each Interest Payment Date, by check mailed by the Registrar on or before the Interest Payment Date to the Owner of record as of the Record Date, to the address of such Owner as shown on the Register.

If the date for payment of the principal of or interest on any Certificate is not a Business Day, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the date payment was originally due.

7. Successor Registrars. The County covenants that at all times while any Certificates are outstanding it will provide a commercial bank or trust company, organized under the laws of the United States or any state, duly qualified to serve as and perform the duties and services of Registrar for the Certificates. The County reserves the right to change the Registrar for the Certificates on not less than 30 days written notice to the Registrar, so long as any such notice is effective not less than 60 days prior to the next succeeding principal or interest payment date on the Certificates. Promptly upon the appointment of any successor Registrar, the previous Registrar shall deliver the Register or copies thereof to the new Registrar, and the new Registrar shall notify each Owner, by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, of such change and of the address of the new Registrar. Each Registrar hereunder, by acting in that capacity, shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions of this Section.

8. Special Record Date. If interest on any Certificate is not paid on any Interest Payment Date and continues unpaid for thirty (30) days thereafter, the Registrar shall establish a new record date for the payment of such interest, to be known as a Special Record Date. The Registrar shall establish a Special Record Date when funds to make such interest payment are received from or on behalf of the County. Such Special Record Date shall be fifteen (15) days prior to the date fixed for payment of such past due interest, and notice of the date of payment and the Special Record Date shall be sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, not later than five (5) days prior to the Special Record Date, to each affected Owner of record as of the close of business on the day prior to the mailing of such notice.

9. Book-Entry Only System. (a) The Initial Certificates shall be registered in the name set forth in the applicable Officer's Pricing Certificate. Except as provided in Section 10 hereof, all other Certificates shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

(b) With respect to Certificates registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the County and the Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any DTC Participant or to any person on behalf of whom such DTC Participant holds an interest in the Certificates, except as provided in this Order. Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the County and the Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede & Co. or any DTC Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Certificates, (ii) the delivery to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than an Owner, as shown on the Register, of any notice with respect to the Certificates, including any notice of redemption, or (iii) the payment to any DTC Participant or

any other person, other than an Owner, as shown on the Register, of any amount with respect to principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Certificates. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order to the contrary, the County and the Registrar shall be entitled to treat and consider the person in whose name each Certificate is registered in the Register as the absolute Owner of such Certificate for the purpose of payment of principal of and interest on the Certificates, for the purpose of giving notices of redemption and other matters with respect to such Certificate, for the purpose of registering transfer with respect to such Certificate, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Registrar shall pay all principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates only to or upon the order of the respective Owners, as shown in the Register as provided in this Order, or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge the County's obligations with respect to payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than an Owner, as shown in the Register, shall receive a Certificate certificate evidencing the obligation of the County to make payments of amounts due pursuant to this Order. Upon delivery by DTC to the Registrar of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede & Co., and subject to the provisions of this Order with respect to interest checks being mailed to the Owner of record as of the Record Date, the phrase "Cede & Co." in this Order shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

10. Successor Securities Depository; Transfer Outside Book-Entry Only System. In the event that the County, in its sole discretion, determines that the beneficial owners of the Certificates should be able to obtain certificated Certificates, or in the event DTC discontinues the services described herein, the County shall (i) appoint a successor securities depository, qualified to act as such under Section 17(a) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, notify DTC and DTC Participants, as identified by DTC, of the appointment of such successor securities depository and transfer one or more separate Certificates to such successor securities depository or (ii) notify DTC and DTC Participants, as identified by DTC, of the availability through DTC of Certificates and transfer one or more separate Certificates to DTC Participants having Certificates credited to their DTC accounts, as identified by DTC. In such event, the Certificates shall not longer be restricted to being registered in the Register in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, but may be registered in the name of the successor securities depository, or its nominee, or in whatever name or names Owners transferring or exchanging Certificates shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

11. Payments to Cede & Co. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order to the contrary, so long as any Certificates are registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Certificates, and all notices with respect to such Certificates, shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations.

12. Ownership; Unclaimed Principal and Interest. The County, the Registrar and any other person may treat the person in whose name any Certificate is registered as the absolute owner of such Certificate for the purpose of making and receiving payment of the principal of or interest on such Certificate, and for all other purposes, whether or not such Certificate is overdue, and neither the County nor the Registrar shall be bound by any notice or knowledge to the contrary. All payments made to the person deemed to be the Owner of any Certificate in

accordance with this Section shall be valid and effectual and shall discharge the liability of the County and the Registrar upon such Certificate to the extent of the sums paid.

Amounts held by the Registrar which represent principal of and interest on the Certificates remaining unclaimed by the Owner after the expiration of three years from the date such amounts have become due and payable shall be reported and disposed of by the Registrar in accordance with the applicable provisions of Texas law including, to the extent applicable, Title 6 of the Texas Property Code, as amended.

13. Registration, Transfer, and Exchange. So long as any Certificates remain outstanding, the Registrar shall keep the Register at its principal payment office in Dallas, Texas. Subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Registrar shall provide for the registration and transfer of Certificates in accordance with the terms of this Order.

Each Certificate shall be transferable only upon the presentation and surrender thereof at the principal payment office of the Registrar in Dallas, Texas, duly endorsed for transfer, or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the registered Owner or his authorized representative in form satisfactory to the Registrar. Upon due presentation of any Certificate for transfer, the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor, within three Business Days after such presentation, a new Certificate or Certificates of the same type registered in the name of the transferee or transferees, in authorized denominations and of the same maturity and aggregate principal amount and bearing interest at the same rate as the Certificate or Certificates so presented.

All Certificates shall be exchangeable upon presentation and surrender thereof at the principal payment office of the Registrar in Dallas, Texas, for a Certificate or Certificates of the same type, maturity and interest rate in any authorized denomination, in an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of the Certificate or Certificates presented for exchange. The Registrar shall be and is hereby authorized to authenticate and deliver exchange Certificates in accordance with the provisions of this Section. Each Certificate delivered in accordance with this Section shall be entitled to the benefits and security of this Order to the same extent as the Certificate or Certificates in lieu of which such Certificate is delivered.

The County or the Registrar may require the Owner of any Certificate to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the transfer or exchange of such Certificate. Any fee or charge of the Registrar for such transfer or exchange shall be paid by the County.

14. Mutilated, Lost, or Stolen Certificates. Upon the presentation and surrender to the Registrar of a mutilated Certificate, the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a replacement Certificate of like maturity, interest rate, and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. If any Certificate is lost, apparently destroyed, or wrongfully taken, the County, pursuant to the applicable laws of the State of Texas and in the absence of notice or knowledge that such Certificate has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, shall authorize and the Registrar shall authenticate and deliver a replacement Certificate of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

The County or the Registrar may require the Owner of a mutilated Certificate to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection therewith and any other expenses connected therewith, including the fees and expenses of the Registrar. The County or the Registrar may require the Owner of a lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken Certificate, before any replacement Certificate is issued, to:

- (1) furnish to the County and the Registrar satisfactory evidence of the ownership of and the circumstances of the loss, destruction or theft of such Certificate;
- (2) furnish such security or indemnity as may be required by the Registrar and the County to save them harmless;
- (3) pay all expenses and charges in connection therewith, including, but not limited to, printing costs, legal fees, fees of the Registrar and any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed; and
- (4) meet any other reasonable requirements of the County and the Registrar.

If, after the delivery of such replacement Certificate, a bona fide purchaser of the original Certificate in lieu of which such replacement Certificate was issued presents for payment such original Certificate, the County and the Registrar shall be entitled to recover such replacement Certificate from the person to whom it was delivered or any person taking therefrom, except a bona fide purchaser, and shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the County or the Registrar in connection therewith.

If any such mutilated, lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken Certificate has become or is about to become due and payable, the County in its discretion may, instead of issuing a replacement Certificate, authorize the Registrar to pay such Certificate.

Each replacement Certificate delivered in accordance with this Section shall be entitled to the benefits and security of this Order to the same extent as the Certificate or Certificates in lieu of which such replacement Certificate is delivered.

15. Cancellation of Certificates. All Certificates paid in accordance with this Order, and all Certificates in lieu of which exchange Certificates or replacement Certificates are authenticated and delivered in accordance herewith, shall be cancelled and destroyed upon the making of proper records regarding such payment. The Registrar shall furnish the County with appropriate certificates of destruction of such Certificates.

16. Optional and/or Mandatory Redemption; Defeasance. The Certificates are subject to optional and/or mandatory redemption as set forth in the Form of Certificates and in the Officer's Pricing Certificate.

Notice of any redemption identifying the Certificates to be redeemed in whole or in part shall be given by the Registrar at least thirty days prior to the date fixed for redemption by sending written notice by first class mail to the Owner of each Certificate to be redeemed in

whole or in part at the address shown on the Register. Such notices shall state the redemption date, the redemption price, the place at which Certificates are to be surrendered for payment and, if less than all Certificates of a particular maturity are to be redeemed, the numbers of the Certificates or portions thereof of such maturity to be redeemed. Any notice given as provided in this Section shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the Owner receives such notice. By the date fixed for redemption, due provision shall be made with the Registrar for payment of the redemption price of the Certificates or portions thereof to be redeemed. When Certificates have been called for redemption in whole or in part and due provision has been made to redeem same as herein provided, the Certificates or portions thereof so redeemed shall no longer be regarded as outstanding except for the purpose of receiving payment solely from the funds so provided for redemption, and the rights of the Owners to collect interest which would otherwise accrue after the redemption date on any Certificate or portion thereof called for redemption shall terminate on the date fixed for redemption.

Except as otherwise provided in the Officer's Pricing Certificate, the Certificates may be discharged, defeased, redeemed or refunded in any manner now or hereafter permitted by law.

17. Forms. The form of the Certificates, including the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller, which shall be attached or affixed to each Initial Certificate, the form of the Registrar's Authentication Certificate, and the form of Assignment shall be, respectively, substantially as follows, with such additions, deletions and variations as may be required by the County Judge, necessary or desirable and not prohibited by this Order:

(a) Form of Certificate.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF FORT BEND

REGISTERED  
NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_

REGISTERED  
DENOMINATION

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS  
CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup>

INTEREST RATE:

MATURITY DATE:

DATED DATE:

\_\_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup>

CUSIP:

REGISTERED OWNER:

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

\_\_\_\_\_

DOLLARS

<sup>8</sup> Insert from Officer's Pricing Certificate.

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FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS (the "County") promises to pay to the registered owner identified above, or registered assigns, on the maturity date specified above, upon presentation and surrender of this Certificate at the principal payment office of Zions Bancorporation, National Association dba Amegy Bank Division (the "Registrar"), the principal amount identified above, payable in any coin or currency of the United States of America which on the date of payment is legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America, and to pay interest thereon at the rate shown above, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months, from June [15], 2023, or the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for. Interest on this Certificate is payable by check on \_\_\_\_\_<sup>10</sup> and \_\_\_\_\_<sup>11</sup> beginning on \_\_\_\_\_<sup>12</sup>, mailed to the registered owner as shown on the books of registration kept by the Registrar as of the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding each interest payment date.

THIS CERTIFICATE is one of a duly authorized issue of Certificates, aggregating \$ \_\_\_\_\_<sup>13</sup> (the "Certificates"), issued for the purpose of (i) construction and improvement of county roads and related drainage, detention and traffic signals; (ii) construction, equipment, improvement and renovation of County offices and facilities, (iii) construction, equipment and renovation of public safety improvements; (iv) construction, equipment, improvement and renovation of County park facilities; (v) acquisition of County and public safety vehicles; and (vi) cost of professional services incurred in connection therewith, under and in strict conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, particularly Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code and Chapter 1371, Texas Government Code.

THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT, at its option, to redeem Certificates maturing on or after \_\_\_\_\_<sup>14</sup>, in whole or from time to time in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000, on \_\_\_\_\_<sup>15</sup>, or any date thereafter at par plus accrued interest on the principal amounts called for redemption to the date fixed for redemption. If less than all the Certificates are to be redeemed, the County shall select the Certificates to be redeemed.

[If applicable, mandatory redemption language]<sup>16</sup>

NOTICE OF ANY REDEMPTION shall be given by the Registrar at least thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption by first class mail, addressed to the registered owners

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<sup>14</sup> Insert from Officer's Pricing Certificate.

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<sup>16</sup> Insert from Officer's Pricing Certificate.

of each Certificate to be redeemed in whole or in part at the address shown on the books of registration kept by the Registrar. When Certificates or portions thereof have been called for redemption, and due provision has been made to redeem the same, the principal amounts so redeemed shall be payable solely from the funds provided for redemption, and interest which would otherwise accrue on the amounts called for redemption shall terminate on the date fixed for redemption.

THIS CERTIFICATE IS TRANSFERABLE only upon presentation and surrender at the principal payment office of the Registrar in Houston, Texas, duly endorsed for transfer or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the registered owner or his authorized representative, subject to the terms and conditions of the Order.

THIS CERTIFICATE IS EXCHANGEABLE at the principal payment office of the Registrar in Houston, Texas, for Certificates in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, subject to the terms and conditions of the Order.

THIS CERTIFICATE shall not be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any benefit under the Order unless this Certificate is either (i) registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas by registration certificate attached or affixed hereto or (ii) authenticated by the Registrar by due execution of the authentication certificate endorsed hereon.

THE REGISTERED OWNER of this Certificate, by acceptance hereof, acknowledges and agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions of the Order.

THE COUNTY has covenanted in the Order that it will at all times provide a legally qualified registrar for the Certificates and will cause notice of any change of registrar to be mailed to each registered owner.

IT IS HEREBY certified, recited and covenanted that this Certificate has been duly and validly issued and delivered; that all acts, conditions and things required or proper to be performed, to exist and to be done precedent to or in the issuance and delivery of this Certificate have been performed, exist and have been done in accordance with law; and that annual ad valorem taxes, within the limits prescribed by law, sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of this Certificate, as such interest comes due and such principal matures, have been levied and ordered to be levied against all taxable property in the County.

IT IS FURTHER certified, recited and represented that the revenues, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000, to be derived from the operation of the County's prisoner housing system (the "Net Revenues"), are pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Certificates; provided, however, that such pledge is and shall be junior and subordinate in all respects to the pledge of the Net Revenues to the payment of all outstanding obligations of the County and any obligation of the County, whether authorized heretofore or hereafter, which the County designates as having a pledge senior to the pledge of the Net Revenues to the payment of the Certificates. The County also reserves the right to issue, for any lawful purpose at any time, in one or more installments, bonds, certificates of obligation and other obligations of any kind payable in whole or in part from the Net Revenues, secured by a pledge of the Net Revenues that

may be prior and superior in right to, on a parity with, or junior and subordinate to the pledge of the Net Revenues securing the Certificates.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Certificate has been signed with the manual or facsimile signature of the County Judge and countersigned with the manual or facsimile signature of the County Clerk, and the official seal of the County has been duly impressed, or placed in facsimile, on this Certificate.

(AUTHENTICATION  
CERTIFICATE)



FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

*George*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Judge  
*Anna Richard*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

(b) Form of Comptroller's Registration Certificate.

COMPTROLLER'S REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE: REGISTER NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE AND SEAL this \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Comptroller of Public Accounts  
of the State of Texas

(SEAL)

(c) Form of Registrar's Authentication Certificate.

AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

It is hereby certified that this Certificate has been delivered pursuant to the Certificate Order described in the text of this Certificate.

Zions Bancorporation, National Association dba Amegy Bank Division  
As Paying Agent/Registrar

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature  
Date of Authentication \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Form of Assignment.

ASSIGNMENT

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print or type name, address, and zip code of Transferee)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please insert Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number of Transferee)  
the within Certificate and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints

\_\_\_\_\_  
attorney to transfer said Certificate on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

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

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature Guaranteed:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Registered Owner

NOTICE: The signature above must correspond to the name of the registered owner as shown on the face of this

\_\_\_\_\_  
Certificate in  
NOTICE: Signature must be guaranteed by a member firm of the New York Stock Exchange or a commercial bank or trust company.

every particular, without any alteration, enlargement or change whatsoever.

(e) The Initial Certificate shall be in the form set forth in paragraphs (a), (b), (d), and (e) of this Section, except as otherwise provided in the Officer's Pricing Certificate and except for the following alterations:

(i) immediately under the name of the Certificate, the headings "INTEREST RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As Shown Below" and the word "CUSIP" deleted; immediately under the name of the Capital Appreciation Certificate, the heading "MATURITY DATE" shall be completed with the words "As Shown Below" and the word "CUSIP" deleted;

(ii) in the first paragraph of the Certificate, the words "on the maturity date specified above," and "at the rate shown above" shall be deleted and the following shall be inserted at the end of the first sentence "..., with such principal to be paid in installments on the dates, in each of the years and in the principal amounts identified in the following schedule and with such installments bearing interest at the per annum rates set forth in the following schedule:"

[Information to be inserted from schedule in the Officer's Pricing Certificate]

(iv) the Initial Certificates shall be numbered ICI-1.

18. CUSIP Numbers. CUSIP Numbers may be printed on the Certificates, but errors or omissions in the printing of such numbers shall have no effect on the validity of the Certificates.

19. Debt Service Fund; Tax Levy. A special fund to be designated "Fort Bend County, Texas Certificates of Obligation, Series <sup>17</sup> Debt Service Fund" is hereby created, and the proceeds from all taxes levied, assessed and collected for and on account of the Certificates authorized by this Order shall be deposited, as collected, in such Fund. While the Certificates or any part of the principal thereof or interest thereon remain outstanding and unpaid, there is hereby levied and there shall be annually assessed and collected in due time, form and manner, and at the same time as other County taxes are assessed, levied and collected, in each year, a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, within the limits prescribed by law, upon all taxable property in the County, sufficient to pay the interest on the Certificates as the same becomes due, and to create and provide a sinking fund of not less than 2% of the principal amount of the Certificates or of not less than the amount required to pay each installment of the principal of the Certificates as the same matures, which is greater, full allowance being made for delinquencies and costs of collection, and said taxes are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the interest on and principal of the Certificates and to no other purpose.

To pay the debt service coming due on any Certificates issued prior to receipt of the taxes levied to pay such debt service, there is hereby appropriated from current funds on hand, which

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<sup>17</sup> Insert from Officer's Pricing Certificate.

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.

20. Pledge of Revenues. Pursuant to Chapters 271.052(a) and 361 Subchapter D, Texas Local Government Code, Net Revenues, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000, are hereby pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Certificates as the same come due; provided, however, that such pledge is and shall be junior and subordinate in all respects to the pledge of the Net Revenues to the payment of all outstanding obligations of the County and any obligation of the County, whether authorized heretofore or hereafter, which the County designates as having a pledge senior to the pledge of the Net Revenues to the payment of the Certificates. The County reserves the right to issue, for any lawful purpose at any time, in one or more installments, bonds, certificates of obligation and other obligations of any kind payable in whole or in part from the Net Revenues, secured by a pledge of the Net Revenues that may be prior and superior in right to, on a parity with, or junior and subordinate to the pledge of Net Revenues securing the Certificates.

21. Application of Chapter 1208, Texas Government Code. Chapter 1208, Texas Government Code, applies to the issuance of the Certificates and the pledge of the taxes granted by the County under Section 19 of this Order, and such pledge is therefore valid, effective and perfected. If Texas law is amended at any time while the Certificates are outstanding and unpaid such that the pledge of the taxes granted by the County under Section 19 of this Order is to be subject to the filing requirements of Chapter 9, Texas Business & Commerce Code, then in order to preserve to the registered owners of the Certificates the perfection of the security interest in said pledge, the County 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 & Commerce Code and enable a filing to perfect the security interest in said pledge to occur.

22. Further Proceedings. After the Initial Certificates have been executed, it shall be the duty of the County Judge and other appropriate officials and agents of the County to deliver the Initial Certificates and all pertinent records and proceedings to the Attorney General of the State of Texas, for examination and approval. After the Initial Certificates have been approved by the Attorney General, they shall be delivered to the Comptroller for registration. Upon registration of the Initial Certificates, the Comptroller (or the Comptroller's bond clerk or an assistant bond clerk lawfully designated in writing to act for the Comptroller) shall manually sign the Comptroller's Registration Certificate prescribed herein and the seal of said Comptroller shall be impressed, or placed in facsimile, thereon.

23. Covenants to Maintain Tax Exempt Status.

(a) Definitions. When used in this Section, the following terms have the following meanings:

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended by all legislation, if any, enacted on or before the Issue Date.

“Computation Date” has the meaning stated in Section 1.148-1(b) of the

Regulations.

“Gross Proceeds” has the meaning stated in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

“Investment” has the meaning stated in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

“Issue Date” for each series or sub-series of the Certificates or other obligations of the County is the respective date on which such series or sub-series of the Certificates or other obligations of the County is delivered against payment therefor.

“Net Sale Proceeds” has the meaning stated in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

“Nonpurpose Investment” has the meaning stated in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

“Proceeds” has the meaning stated in Section 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations.

“Rebate Amount” has the meaning stated in Section 1.148-3 of the Regulations.

“Regulations” means the temporary or final Income Tax Regulations applicable to the Certificates issued pursuant to Sections 141 through 150 of the Code. Any reference to a section of the Regulations shall also refer to any successor provision to such section hereafter promulgated by the Internal Revenue Service pursuant to Sections 141 through 150 of the Code and applicable to the Certificates.

“Yield of”

(1) any Investment shall be computed in accordance with Section 1.148-5 of the Regulations, and

(2) the Certificates shall be computed in accordance with Section 1.148-4 of the Regulations.

(b) Not to Cause Interest to Become Taxable. The County shall not use, permit the use of or omit to use Gross Proceeds of the Certificates or any other amounts (or any property the acquisition, construction or improvement of which is to be financed directly or indirectly with Gross Proceeds) in a manner which, if made or omitted, respectively, would cause the interest on any Certificate to become includable in the gross income, as defined in Section 61 of the Code, of the owner thereof for federal income tax purposes. Without limiting the generality of the

foregoing, unless and until the County shall have received a written opinion of counsel nationally recognized in the field of municipal Certificate law to the effect that failure to comply with such covenant will not adversely affect the exemption from federal income tax of the interest on any Certificate, the County shall comply with each of the specific covenants in this Section.

(c) No Private Use or Private Payments. Except as permitted by Section 141 of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder, the County shall, at all times after the Issue Date of any Certificate and prior to the last stated maturity of the Certificates

(i) exclusively own, operate, and possess all property the acquisition, construction, or improvement of which is to be financed directly or indirectly with Gross Proceeds of the Certificates (including property financed with Gross Proceeds of the Certificates) and not use or permit the use of such Gross Proceeds or any property acquired, constructed, or improved with such Gross Proceeds in any activity carried on by any person or entity other than a state or local government, unless such use is solely as a member of the general public, or

(ii) not directly or indirectly impose or accept any charge or other payment for use of Gross Proceeds of the Certificates or any property the acquisition, construction or improvement of which is to be financed directly or indirectly with such Gross Proceeds (including property financed with Gross Proceeds of the Certificates) other than taxes of general application and interest earned on investments acquired with such Gross Proceeds pending application for their intended purposes.

(d) No Private Loan. Except to the extent permitted by Section 141 of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder, the County shall not use Gross Proceeds of the Certificates to make or finance loans to any person or entity other than a state or local government. For purposes of the foregoing covenant, Gross Proceeds are considered to be "loaned" to a person or entity if (1) property acquired, constructed or improved with Gross Proceeds (including property financed with Gross Proceeds of the Certificates) is sold or leased to such person or entity in a transaction which creates a debt for federal income tax purposes, (2) capacity in or service from such property is committed to such person or entity under a take-or-pay, output, or similar contract or arrangement, or (3) indirect benefits, or burdens and benefits of ownership, of such Gross Proceeds or such property are otherwise transferred in a transaction which is the economic equivalent of a loan.

(e) Not to Invest at Higher Yield. Except to the extent permitted by Section 148 of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder, the County shall not, at any time prior to the earlier of the final stated maturity or final payment of the Certificates, directly or indirectly invest Gross Proceeds of the Certificates in any Investment (or use such Gross Proceeds to replace money so invested), if as a result of such investment the Yield of all Investments allocated to such Gross Proceeds whether then held or previously disposed of, exceeds the Yield on the Certificates.

(f) Not Federally Guaranteed. Except to the extent permitted by Section 149(b) of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder, the County shall not take or omit to take any

action which would cause the Certificates to be federally guaranteed within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder.

(g) Information Report. The County shall timely file with the Secretary of the Treasury the information required by Section 149(e) of the Code with respect to the Certificates on such forms and in such place as such Secretary may prescribe.

(h) Payment of Rebate Amount. Except to the extent otherwise provided in Section 148(f) of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder, the County shall:

(i) account for all Gross Proceeds of the Certificates (including all receipts, expenditures and investments thereof) on its books of account separately and apart from all other funds (and receipts, expenditures and investments thereof) and shall retain all records of such accounting for at least nine years after the final Computation Date. The County may, however, to the extent permitted by law, commingle Gross Proceeds of the Certificates with other money of the County, provided that the County separately accounts for each receipt and expenditure of such Gross Proceeds and the obligations acquired therewith,

(ii) calculate the Rebate Amount with respect to the Certificates not less frequently than each Computation Date, in accordance with rules set forth in Section 148(f) of the Code, Section 1.148-3 of the Regulations, and the rulings thereunder. The County shall maintain a copy of such calculations for at least three years after the final Computation Date,

(iii) as additional consideration for the purchase of the Certificates by the initial purchasers thereof and the loan of the money represented thereby, and in order to induce such purchase by measures designed to ensure the excludability of the interest thereon from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, pay to the United States the amount described in paragraph (2) above at the times, in the installments, to the place, in the manner and accompanied by such forms or other information as is or may be required by Section 148(f) of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder, and

(iv) exercise reasonable diligence to assure that no errors are made in the calculations required by paragraph (2) and, if such error is made, to discover and promptly to correct such error within a reasonable amount of time thereafter, including payment to the United States of any interest and any penalty required by the Regulations.

(i) Not to Divert Arbitrage Profits. Except to the extent permitted by Section 148 of the Code and the regulations and rulings thereunder, the County shall not, at any time after the Issue Date of the Certificates and prior to the earlier of the final stated maturity or final payment of the Certificates, enter into any transaction that reduces the amount required to be paid to the United States pursuant to Subsection (h) of this Section because such transaction results in a smaller profit or a larger loss than would have resulted if the transaction had been at arm's length

and had the Yield of the Certificates not been relevant to either party.

(j) Not Hedge Certificates. The County did not invest more than 50 percent of the Proceeds of the Certificates, and will not invest more than 50 percent of the proceeds of the Certificates, in Nonpurpose Investments having a guaranteed yield for four years or more. On the Issue Date of the Certificates, the County will reasonably expect, and on the Issue Date of the Certificates, the County reasonably expected, that at least 85 percent of the Net Sale Proceeds of the Certificates and Certificates, respectively, would be used to carry out the governmental purpose of such series within three years after the Issue Date of such series.

24. Continuing Disclosure Undertaking. If the Certificates are sold by public offering or are otherwise subject to SEC Rule 15c2-12, the following provisions shall apply:

(a) Annual Reports. The County will provide annually to the MSRB, (1) within six months after the end of each fiscal year of the County, financial information and operating data with respect to the County of the general type included in this Official Statement, authorized pursuant to Section 25 of this Order, under Tables numbered 1 through 7 and 9 through 15 and (2) if not provided as part such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements of the County, when and if available. Any financial statements to be provided shall be (i) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in APPENDIX B of the Official Statement or such other accounting principles as the County may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation, and in substantially the form included in the official statement, and (ii) audited, if the County commissions an audit of such financial statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within 12 months after any such fiscal year end, then the County shall file unaudited financial statements within such 12-month period and audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year, when and if the audit report on such statements becomes available.

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

The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this Section may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document (including an official statement or other offering document, if it is available from the MSRB).

(b) Event Notices. The County shall submit a notice to the MSRB, in a timely manner (not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of an event), of any of the following events with respect to the Certificates:

- (i) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (ii) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (iii) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (iv) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial

- difficulties;
- (v) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers or their failure to perform;
  - (vi) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Certificates, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Certificates;
  - (vii) Modifications to rights of holders of the Certificates, if material;
  - (viii) Certificate calls, if material, and tender offers;
  - (ix) Defeasances;
  - (x) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Certificates, if material;
  - (xi) Rating changes;
  - (xii) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the County;
  - (xiii) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the County or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the County, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and
  - (xiv) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.
  - (xv) Incurrence of a financial obligation of the County, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the County, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
  - (xvi) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the County, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

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

As used in clauses (xv) and (xvi) above, the term “financial obligation” means a (a) debt obligation; (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a

source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) guarantee of a debt obligation or any such derivative instrument; provided that “financial obligation” shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement (as defined in the Rule) has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

The County shall notify the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any failure by the County to provide financial information or operating data in accordance with Section 24(a) of this Order by the time required by such Section.

All information and notices shall be provided to the MSRB in an electronic format, as prescribed by the MSRB, and all documents provided to the MSRB pursuant to this Section shall be accompanied by identifying information, as prescribed by the MSRB.

(c) Limitations, Disclaimers, and Amendments. The County shall be obligated to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Section for so long as, but only for so long as, the County remains an “obligated person” with respect to the Certificates within the meaning of the Rule, except that the County in any event will give notice of any deposit made in accordance with Texas law that causes Certificates no longer to be outstanding.

The provisions of this Section are for the sole benefit of the holders and the beneficial owners of the Certificates, and nothing in this Section, express or implied, shall give any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim hereunder to any other person. The County 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 County’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 County does not make any representation or warranty concerning such information or its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Certificates at any future date.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE COUNTY BE LIABLE TO THE HOLDER OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OF ANY CERTIFICATE OR ANY OTHER PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR DAMAGES RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM ANY BREACH BY THE COUNTY, 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.

No default by the County in observing or performing its obligations under this Section shall comprise a breach of or default under this 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 County under federal and state securities laws.

The provisions of this Section may be amended by the County 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, or status or type of principal payment of the County, if (1) the agreement, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Certificates in the initial primary offering in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (2) either (a) the holders of a majority in aggregate amount of the outstanding Certificates consent to such amendment or (b) a person unaffiliated with the County (such as nationally recognized Certificate counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the holders and beneficial owners of the Certificates. The County may also amend or repeal the provisions of this continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates. If any such amendment is made, the County will include in its next annual update an explanation in narrative form of the reasons for the change and its impact on the type of operating data or financial information being provided.

(d) The provisions of this Section may be amended by the County 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 County, but only if (1) the provisions of this Section, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell the Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (2) either (a) the 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 Certificates consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the County (such as nationally recognized Certificate counsel) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interests of the registered Owners and beneficial owners of the Certificates. If the County so amends the provisions of this Section, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with this Section an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided. The County may also amend or repeal the provisions of this Section if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, and the County also may amend the provisions of this Section in its discretion in any other manner or circumstance, but in any case only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not have prevented an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates, giving effect to (a) such provisions as so amended and (b) any amendments or interpretations of the Rule.

25. Official Statement. The County hereby approves the form and content and distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement prepared in the initial offering and sale of the Certificates and hereby authorizes the preparation of a final Official Statement reflecting the

terms of the Purchase Agreement and other relevant information. The use of such final Official Statement by the Underwriters is hereby approved and authorized and the proper officials of the County are authorized to sign such Official Statement. In the event the Certificates are sold pursuant to a competitive sale, the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to approve, in the name and on behalf of the County, in connection with the sale of the Certificates, the preparation and distribution of a Notice of Sale.

26. Power to Revise Form of Documents. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, the County Judge is hereby authorized to make or approve such revisions, additions, deletions, and variations to this Order, in the judgment of the County Judge, and in the opinion of Certificate Counsel to the County, may be necessary or convenient to carry out or assist in carrying out the purposes of this Order, the Preliminary Official Statement, the final Official Statement, or as may be required for approval of the Certificates by the Attorney General of Texas; provided, however, that any changes to such documents resulting in substantive amendments to the terms and conditions of the Certificates or such documents shall be subject to the prior approval of the Commissioners Court.

27. Related Matters. To satisfy in a timely manner all of the County's obligations under this Order and the Purchase Agreement, the County Judge, the County Clerk or the Deputy County Clerk, and all other appropriate officers and agents of the County are hereby authorized and directed to take all other actions that are reasonably necessary to provide for the Certificates, including, without limitation, executing and delivering on behalf of the County all certificates, consents, receipts, requests, and other documents as may be reasonably necessary to satisfy the County's obligations under the Purchase Agreement and this Order and to direct the application of funds of the County consistent with the provisions of this Order.

28. Registrar. The form of agreement setting forth the duties of the Registrar is hereby approved, and the appropriate officials of the County are hereby authorized to execute such agreement for and on behalf of the County.

29. No Personal Liability. No recourse shall be had for payment of the principal of or interest on any Certificates or for any claim based thereon, or on this Order, against any official or employee of the County or any person executing any Certificates.

30. Open Meeting. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was adopted was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act.

*[Signature page follows]*

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of May, 2023.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Judge  
Fort Bend County, Texas

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk  
Fort Bend County, Texas

