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RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL EQUIPMENT NOTES, SERIES 2023B, IN THE APPROXIMATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,505,000; ESTABLISHING THE TERMS AND FORM THEREOF; CREATING A DEBT SERVICE FUND THEREFOR; AND PROVIDING FOR AWARDDING THE SALE THEREOF.

### CITY PROPOSAL:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council (the "City Council") of the city of Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "City"), as follows:

#### Section 1. Notes Purpose and Authorization.

1.01 Under and pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 410.32(g) and 412.301 and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475 (collectively, the "Act"), and the City Charter, the City is authorized to issue its general obligation capital equipment notes to provide funds to purchase capital equipment having an expected useful life at least as long as the term of the capital equipment notes.

1.02 The City Council adopted Resolution No. 22-1027R on December 19, 2022 (the "Intent Resolution"), declaring the intention of the City to issue such capital equipment notes in the maximum amount of \$3,700,000 to finance the purchase of capital equipment authorized by the Act and costs of issuance and discount on such capital equipment notes. It is hereby certified that the amount of the capital equipment notes to be issued by the City pursuant to this resolution is less than 0.25% of the estimated market value of the taxable property of the City.

1.03 The City Council hereby determines that it is necessary and expedient to issue and sell General Obligation Capital Equipment Notes, Series 2023B, of the City in the approximate principal amount of \$3,505,000 (the "Notes") to provide funds to purchase capital equipment authorized by the Act and to pay certain expenses incurred in the issuance of the Notes. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 475.56, the Notes may be sold with original issue discount or premium. The capital equipment to be purchased with the proceeds of the Notes will have a useful life of more than the term of the Notes. The sale of the Notes shall be contingent upon favorable market conditions, as determined by the chief administrative officer or by the finance director, as further described below.

1.04 The City Council hereby finds and determined as follows:

(a) The Notes shall be dated the date of issuance and shall bear interest at the rates determined by

the successful bidder. Interest shall be payable on February 1 and August 1 (each an “Interest Payment Date”) commencing on August 1, 2024.

(b) The Notes shall mature on the dates and in the amounts set forth in the Terms of Proposal attached hereto as Exhibit A (as may be adjusted) and as described in a Certificate as to Terms of Note Sale and Levy of Taxes to be executed by the chief administrative officer or the finance director; provided, however, the total principal amount of the Notes plus net original issue premium shall not exceed \$3,700,000, subject to adjustment for a premium sale price and the final maturity of the Notes shall not be later than February 1, 2029. The City, through the finance director, reserves the right to issue or to not issue the Notes based on applicable market conditions.

1.05 The Terms of Proposal as set forth on Exhibit A hereto are approved, subject to the changes permitted below. Bids for the Notes will be received on a date and time determined by the finance director on the terms and conditions set forth in the Terms of Proposal, which terms and conditions may be modified by the finance director after consulting with the City’s municipal advisor, based on market conditions, so long as the sale of the Notes occurs on or before December 1, 2023, and so long as the true interest cost of the Notes does not exceed 5.0%. As authorized by Section 475.60 of the Act, the City Council hereby delegates to the chief administrative officer and the finance director, or either of them, authority to consider the bids and award the sale of the Notes, and upon acceptance of the best bid meeting the requirements of this resolution, the chief administrative officer and the finance director, or either of them, shall execute on behalf of the City an agreement to sell the Notes to the successful bidder.

1.06 The City has retained Ehlers & Associates, Inc., Roseville, Minnesota (“Ehlers”), as an independent municipal advisor to the City, and pursuant to Section 475.60, Subd. 2, paragraph (9) of the Act, Ehlers is hereby authorized to solicit bids for the sale of the Notes on behalf of the City in accordance with the directions of the finance director.

1.07 The City staff, in cooperation with Ehlers, is authorized and directed to prepare on behalf of the City an official statement for the sale of the Notes and to obtain ratings of the Notes.

## Section 2. Terms of the Notes.

2.01 The Notes are not subject to redemption and prepayment before maturity.

2.02 Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The Bond Registrar designated below shall make all interest payments with respect to the Notes by check or draft mailed to the registered owners of the Notes shown on the bond registration records maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day (whether or not a business day) of the month next preceding the Interest Payment Date at such owners’ addresses shown on such bond registration records.

2.03 (a) The Notes shall be prepared for execution in accordance with the approved form and shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signature of the mayor and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the city clerk. In case any officer whose signature or a facsimile of whose signature shall appear on the Notes shall cease to be an officer before delivery of the Notes, such signature or facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, as if he or she had remained in office until delivery.

(b) The city clerk is authorized and directed to obtain a copy of the proposed approving legal opinion of Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A., Duluth, Minnesota, which is to be complete and cause the opinion to be attached to each Note.

2.04 The City Council hereby appoints Bond Trust Services Corporation in Roseville, Minnesota, as registrar, authenticating agent, paying agent and transfer agent for the Notes (such bank or its successor is herein referred to as the "Bond Registrar"). To provide for the Bond Registrar services, the mayor and the clerk are authorized and directed to execute an agreement relating to paying agent, registrar and transfer agency. No Note shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose until the Bond Registrar's authentication certificate on such Note, substantially set forth in Section 2.11 hereof, shall have been duly executed by an authorized representative of the Bond Registrar. Authentication certificates on different Notes need not be signed by the same representative. The manual signature of one officer of the City or the executed authentication certificate on each Note shall be conclusive evidence that it has been authenticated and delivered under this resolution.

2.05 (a) In order to make the Notes eligible for the services provided by DTC, the City has previously agreed to the applicable provisions set forth in the blanket issuer letter of representations which has been executed by the City (the "Representation Letter").

(b) Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, so long as the Notes shall be in Book-Entry Form, the provisions of this Section 2.05 shall govern.

(c) All of the Notes shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. Payment of interest on and principal of any Note registered in the name of Cede & Co. shall be made by wire transfer or New York Clearing House or equivalent same day funds by 10:00 a.m. CT or as soon as possible thereafter following the Bond Registrar's receipt of funds from the City on each Interest Payment Date to the account of Cede & Co. on each Interest Payment Date at the address indicated in or pursuant to the Representation Letter.

(d) DTC (or its nominees) shall be and remain recorded on the Bond Register as the holder of all Notes which are in Book-Entry Form. No transfer of any Note in Book-Entry Form shall be made, except from DTC to another depository (or its nominee) or except to terminate the Book-Entry Form. All Notes of such stated maturity of any Notes in Book-Entry Form shall be issued and remain in a single note certificate registered in the name of DTC (or its nominee); provided, however, that upon termination of the Book-Entry Form pursuant to the Representation Letter, the

City shall, upon delivery of all Notes of such series from DTC, promptly execute, and the Bond Registrar shall thereupon authenticate and deliver, Notes of such series to all persons who were beneficial owners thereof immediately prior to such termination; and the Bond Registrar shall register such beneficial owners as holders of the applicable Notes.

The Bond Registrar shall maintain accurate books and records of the principal balance, if any, of each such outstanding Note in Book-Entry Form, which shall be conclusive for all purposes whatsoever. Upon the authentication of any new note in Book-Entry Form in exchange for a previous note, the Bond Registrar shall designate thereon the principal balance remaining on such note according to the Bond Registrar's books and records.

No beneficial owner (other than DTC) shall be registered as the holder on the Bond Register for any Note in Book-Entry Form or entitled to receive any note certificate. The beneficial ownership interest in any Note in Book-Entry Form shall be recorded, evidenced and transferred solely in accordance with the Book-Entry System. Except as expressly provided to the contrary herein, the City and the Bond Registrar may treat and deem DTC to be the absolute owner of all Notes of each series which are in Book-Entry Form (i) for the purpose of payment of the principal of and interest on such Note, (ii) for the purpose of giving notices hereunder, and (iii) for all other purposes whatsoever.

(e) The City and the Bond Registrar shall each give notices to DTC of such matters and at such times as are required by the Representation Letter, including the following:

(i) with respect to notices of redemption; and

(ii) with respect to any other notice required or permitted under this Bond Resolution to be given to any holder of a Note.

All notices of any nature required or permitted hereunder to be delivered to a holder of a Note in Book-Entry Form shall be transmitted to beneficial owners of such Notes at such times and in such manners as shall be determined by DTC, the participants and indirect participants in accordance with the Book-Entry System and the Representation Letter.

(f) All payments of principal, redemption price of and interest on any Notes in Book-Entry Form shall be paid to DTC (or Cede & Co.) in accordance with the Book-Entry System and the Representation Letter in same day funds by wire transfer.

2.06 The City shall cause to be kept by the Bond Registrar a bond register in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as the Bond Registrar may prescribe, the City shall provide for the registration of the Notes and the registration of transfers of the Notes entitled to be registered or transferred as herein provided. In the event of the resignation or removal of the Bond Registrar or its incapability of acting as such, the bond registration records shall be

maintained at the office of the successor Bond Registrar as may be appointed by the City Council. Upon surrender for transfer of any Note at the principal corporate office of the Bond Registrar, the City shall execute and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate, if required by law or this resolution, and deliver, in the name(s) of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Notes of the like aggregate principal amount, as requested by the transferor.

2.07 Each Note delivered upon transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Note shall carry all of the rights to interest, accrued and unpaid and to accrue, which are carried by such other Note. Each Note shall be dated by the Bond Registrar as of the date of its authentication. The City and the Bond Registrar shall not be required to make any transfer or exchange of any Notes called for redemption or to make any such exchange or transfer of the Notes during the 15 days next preceding the date of the first publication of the notice of redemption in the case of a proposed redemption of the Notes.

2.08 The City and the Bond Registrar may treat the person in whose name any Note is registered as the owner of such Note for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and interest on such Note and for all other purposes whatsoever, whether or not such Note be overdue, and neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

2.09 The principal of and interest on the Notes shall be payable by the Bond Registrar, as paying agent, in such funds as are legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America. The City shall pay the reasonable and customary charges of the Bond Registrar for the disbursement of principal and interest.

2.10 Delivery of the Notes and payment of the purchase price shall be made at a place mutually satisfactory to the City and the purchaser. Printed or typewritten and executed Notes shall be furnished by the City without cost to the purchaser. The Notes, when prepared in accordance with this Resolution and executed, shall be delivered by or under the direction of the finance director to the purchaser upon receipt of the purchase price plus accrued interest.

2.11 The Notes shall be printed or typewritten in substantially the following form:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS

CITY OF DULUTH

GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL EQUIPMENT NOTE, SERIES 2023B

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<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Date of Original Issue</u>	<u>CUSIP</u>
	February 1, _____	November ____, 2023	

REGISTERED OWNER: CEDE & CO.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

The City of Duluth, in St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "City"), for value received, promises to pay to the registered owner specified above, or registered assigns, the principal amount specified above on the maturity date specified above, and to pay interest on said principal amount to the registered owner hereof from the Date of Original Issue, or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, until the principal amount is paid or discharged, said interest being at the rate per annum specified above. Interest is payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 of each year (each referred to herein as an "Interest Payment Date") commencing on August 1, 2024. Both principal and interest are payable in lawful money of the United States of America by check or draft at the office of Bond Trust Services Corporation in Roseville, Minnesota, as the registrar, paying agent, transfer agent and authenticating agent (the "Bond Registrar"), or at the office of such successor bond registrar as may be designated by the City Council. The Bond Registrar shall make the interest payment with respect to this Note on the Interest Payment Date directly to the registered owner hereof shown on the bond registration records maintained on behalf of the City by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month next preceding the Interest Payment Date (whether or not a business day), at such owner's address shown on said bond registration records, without, except for payment of principal on the Note, the presentation or surrender of this Note, and all such payments shall discharge the obligations of the City to the extent of the payments so made. Payment of principal shall be made upon presentation and surrender of this Note to the Bond Registrar when due. For the prompt and full payment of such principal and interest as they become due, the full faith and credit of the City are irrevocably pledged.

This Note is one of a series issued by the City in the aggregate amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, all of like date and tenor, except as to number, amount, maturity date and interest rate, pursuant to the authority contained in Minnesota Statutes, Sections 410.32(g) and 412.301 and Chapter 475, the City Charter and all other laws thereunto enabling, and pursuant to an authorizing resolution adopted by the governing body of the City on October 16, 2023, and the award of the sale of the Notes by the Chief Administrative Officer or the Finance Director of the City, as evidenced by the Certificate as to Terms of Note Sale and Levy of Taxes dated October \_\_\_\_, 2023 (collectively, the "Resolution"), and is issued for the purpose of providing money, together with other available funds, for the purchase of capital equipment. The City has levied a direct, annual ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City which shall be extended

upon the tax rolls for the years and in the amounts sufficient to produce sums not less than five percent in excess of the amounts of principal and interest on the Notes, as such principal and interest respectively come due.

The Notes maturing in the years \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ (the "Term Notes") shall be subject to mandatory redemption and redeemed in installments as provided in the Resolution, at par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption and prepayment of any Term Notes, notice of redemption shall be mailed to each registered owner of a Note to be redeemed; provided, however, that so long as the Notes are registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, Jersey City, New Jersey ("DTC"), notice of redemption shall be given in accordance with the terms of the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations executed by the City and DTC.

The Notes are not subject to optional redemption and prepayment before maturity.

The Notes of this series have been designated by the City as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, relating to the deduction of interest expenses allocable to the Bonds by financial institutions.

The Notes of this series are issued as fully registered obligations without coupons, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Subject to limitations set forth in the Resolution, this Note is transferable by the registered owner hereof upon surrender of this Note for transfer at the principal corporate office of the Bond Registrar, duly endorsed or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar and executed by the registered owner hereof or the owner's attorney duly authorized in writing. Thereupon the City shall execute and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate, if required by law and this Resolution, and deliver, in exchange for this Note, one or more new fully registered Notes in the name of the transferee, of an authorized denomination, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of this Note, of the same maturity and bearing interest at the same rate.

IT IS CERTIFIED AND RECITED that all acts and conditions required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota to be done and to exist precedent to and in the issuance of this Note in order to make it a valid and binding general obligation of the City in accordance with its terms, have been done and do exist in form, time and manner as so required; that all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City is subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes to the extent needed to pay the principal hereof and the interest hereon when due, without limitation as to rate or amount; and that the issuance of this Note does not cause the indebtedness of the City to exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation.

This Note shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under the Resolution until the Bond Registrar's Authentication Certificate hereon shall have been executed by the Bond

Registrar by one of its authorized representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Duluth, by its City Council, has caused this Note to be executed in its name by the facsimile signatures of the mayor and the city clerk.

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_

City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

Date of Authentication: \_\_\_\_\_

#### BOND REGISTRAR'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

The Bond Registrar confirms that the books reflect the ownership of a Note registered in the name of the owner named above, in the principal amount stated above, and this Note is one of the Notes of the series issued pursuant to the Resolution hereinabove described.

BOND TRUST SERVICES CORPORATION

Roseville, Minnesota

By \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative

#### REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

This Note must be registered as to both principal and interest in the name of the owner on the books to be kept by Bond Trust Services Corporation, of Roseville, Minnesota, as Bond Registrar. No transfer of this Note shall be valid unless made on said books by the registered owner or the owner's attorney thereunto duly authorized and similarly noted on the registration books. The ownership of the unpaid principal balance of this Note and the interest accruing thereon is registered on the books of Bond Trust Services Corporation, as Bond Registrar, in the name of the registered owner last noted below.



<u>Date</u>	<u>Registered Owner</u>	<u>Signature of Bond Registrar</u>
__/__/2023	Cede & Co. c/o The Depository Trust Company 570 Washington Blvd. Jersey City, NJ 07310 Federal Taxpayer I.D. No.: 13-2555119	_____

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto

(Name and Address of Assignee)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security or Other  
Identifying Number of  
Assignee

the within Bond and all rights thereunder and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_ attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_.

NOTICE: The signature of this assignment must correspond with the name of the registered owner as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

Signature Guaranteed:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Bank, Trust Company, member of  
National Securities Exchange)

Unless this Bond is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the City or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment, and any bond issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL, inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

Section 3. Covenants, Accounts and Representations.

3.01 The City has created a separate acquisition account within Capital Equipment Fund 250 to which there shall be credited the proceeds for the Notes, less discount and the rounding amount, together with any additional funds which may be available and are appropriated for the capital equipment purchase program. This account shall be used only to pay or reimburse other City funds or accounts for "capital equipment," as described in Minnesota Statutes, Section 412.301, with an expected useful life of at least the term of the Notes, and costs of issuance of the Notes, as such payments become due. The City's intent is to acquire and finance the capital equipment listed in the Intent Resolution with the proceeds of the Notes.

3.02 A separate debt service account is hereby created and designated as the "2023B G.O. Capital Equipment Notes Debt Service Account" (the "Debt Service Fund") within the City's debt service fund. The money in the Debt Service Fund shall be used for no purpose other than the payment of principal and interest on the Notes; provided, however, that if any payment of principal or interest shall become due when there is not sufficient money in the Debt Service Fund, the finance director shall pay the same from any other funds of the City and said funds shall be reimbursed for such advance out of the proceeds of the taxes hereinafter levied when collected. Into the Debt Service Fund shall be credited the rounding amount, if any, paid by the Purchaser upon closing and delivery of the Notes.

3.03 (a) The full faith and credit and taxing power of the City are hereby irrevocably pledged for the prompt and full payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes, as such principal and interest respectively become due. To provide monies for the payment of the principal and interest on the Notes, there is hereby levied a direct, annual ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City which shall be extended upon the tax rolls and collected with and part of the other general property taxes of the City. Said levies are such that if collected in full they will produce at least five percent in excess of the amount needed to meet when due the principal and interest on the Notes.

Such tax levies shall be irrevocable as long as any of the Notes issued hereunder are outstanding and unpaid; provided, however, that prior to approval of its budget each year (approximately December 15) while any Notes issued hereunder remain outstanding, the City Council shall reduce or cancel the above levies to the extent of an irrevocable appropriation to the Debt Service Fund of monies actually on hand for payment of the principal and interest payable in the ensuing year and shall direct the county auditor to reduce the levy for such calendar year by that amount.

(b) If the balance in the Debt Service Fund is ever insufficient to pay all principal and interest then due on the Notes, the finance director shall nevertheless provide sufficient money from any other funds of the City which are available for that purpose, and such other funds shall be reimbursed from the Debt Service Fund when the balance therein is sufficient.

3.04 Proceeds of the Notes on deposit in the acquisition account created in Section 3.01 and in the Debt Service Fund may, in the discretion of the finance director, be invested in securities permitted by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 118A; provided, that any such investment shall mature at such time and in such amounts as will permit the payment of costs for the improvement program and/or payment of the principal and interest on the Notes when due.

Section 4. Tax Covenants.

4.01 The City Council covenants and agrees with the holders of the Notes that the City will (i) take all action on its part necessary to assure that the interest on the Notes will be excluded from gross income for federal income taxes including, without limitations, restricting, to the extent necessary, the yield on investments made with the proceeds of the Notes and investment earnings thereon, making required payments to the federal government, if any, and maintaining books and records in a specified manner, where appropriate, and (ii) refrain from taking any action which would cause interest on the Notes to be subject to federal income taxes, including, without limitation, refraining from spending the proceeds of the Notes and investment earnings thereon on certain specified purposes.

4.02 (a) No portion of the proceeds of the Notes shall be used directly or indirectly to acquire higher yielding investments or to replace funds which were used directly or indirectly to acquire higher yielding investments, except (i) for a reasonable temporary period until such proceeds are needed for the purpose for which the Notes were issued, and (ii) in addition to the above, in an amount not greater than the lesser of five percent of the proceeds of the Notes or \$100,000. To this effect, any proceeds of the Notes and any sums from time to time held in the Debt Service Fund (or any other City account which will be used to pay principal and interest to become due on the Notes) in excess of amounts which under the applicable federal arbitrage regulations may be invested without regard as to yield shall not be invested at a yield in excess of the applicable yield restrictions imposed by the arbitrage regulations on such investments after taking into account any applicable temporary periods of minor portion made available under the federal arbitrage regulations.

(b) In addition, the proceeds of the Notes and money in the Debt Service Fund shall not be invested in obligations or deposits issued by, guaranteed by or insured by the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof if and to the extent that such investment would cause the Notes to be federally guaranteed within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

(c) The City hereby covenants not to use the proceeds of the Notes, or to cause or permit them to be used, in such a manner as to cause the Notes to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code.

4.03 (a) Pursuant to Section 1.148-7(d) of the Treasury Regulations, relating to exception from rebate, the City hereby reasonably expects that with respect to the gross proceeds of the Notes, the following schedule is expected to be met: (i) at least 15% of the gross proceeds of the Notes will be allocated to expenditures for the governmental purpose of the Notes within six months of the date of issue of the Notes; (ii) at least 60% of such proceeds will be allocated for such purposes within the one-year period of such date; and (iii) 100% of such proceeds will be allocated for such purposes within the 18-month period beginning on such date; subject to an exception for reasonable retainage of 5% of the available proceeds of the Notes, and that 100% of the available proceeds of the Notes will be allocated within 30 months from the date of issue of the Notes.

(b) Unless the proceeds are spent pursuant to an arbitrage rebate spending exception, the City covenants to compute and cause the payment to the United States of all amounts required under the rebate requirement of Code Section 148(f), the regulations issued thereunder with regard to the Notes. To this end, the City agrees to:

(1) maintain records identifying all “gross proceeds” as defined in Code Section 148(f)(6)(B) attributable to the Notes, the yield at which such gross proceeds are invested, any arbitrage profit derived therefrom (earnings in excess of the yield on the Notes) and any earnings derived from the investment of such arbitrage profit;

(2) make, or cause to be made within 30 days after the close of each fifth bond year, the annual determination of the amount, if any, of excess arbitrage required to be paid to the United States by the City (the “Rebate Amount”);

(3) pay, or cause to be paid, to the United States at least once every five bond years the Rebate Amount, if any, including the last installment which must be made no later than 60 days after the day on which the Notes are paid in full; and

(4) retain all records of the annual determination of the foregoing amounts until six years after the Notes have been fully paid.

(c) The City shall use its best efforts to comply with any federal procedural requirements which may apply in order to effectuate the designation made by this section.

4.04 In order to qualify the Notes as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code, the City makes the following factual statements and representations:

(a) the Notes are not “private activity bonds” as defined in Section 141 of the Code;

(b) the City designates the Notes as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code;

(c) the reasonably anticipated amount of tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds, treating qualified 501(c)(3) bonds as not being private activity bonds) which will be issued by the City (and all entities whose obligations will be aggregated with those of the City) during the calendar year in which the Notes are being

issued will not exceed \$10,000,000; and

(d) not more than \$10,000,000 of obligations issued by the City during the calendar year in which the Notes are being issued have been designated for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

4.05 In addition to the Notes, the City is selling on the same date, the following tax-exempt obligations: (i) General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2023A (the "Series 2023A Bonds") and (ii) General Obligation Lake Front Restoration Bonds, Series 2023C (the "2023C Bonds"). The Notes, the Series 2023A Bonds and the 2023C Bonds are each a separate "issue," under the Code, as they are not being sold pursuant to a single offering document and are each financing a separate purpose.

Section 5. Continuing Disclosure. The City acknowledges that the Notes are subject to the continuing disclosure requirements of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 C.F.R. §240.15c2-12) (the "Rule"). The Rule governs the obligations of certain underwriters to require that issuers of municipal bonds enter into agreements for the benefit of the bondholders to provide continuing disclosure with respect to the Notes. To provide for the public availability of certain information relating to the Notes and the security therefor and to permit underwriters of the Notes to comply with the Rule, which will enhance the marketability of the Notes, the mayor and the clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a continuing disclosure certificate in the form of Exhibit B attached hereto.

Section 6. Certificate of Proceedings.

6.01 The city clerk is directed to file in the office of the county auditor of St. Louis County a certified copy of this resolution, and such other information as the county auditor may require, and to obtain from the county auditor and provide to bond counsel a certificate stating that the Notes herein authorized have been duly entered on the county auditor's register.

6.02 The officers of the City are authorized and directed to prepare and furnish to the Purchaser and to bond counsel certified copies of all proceedings and records of the City pertaining to the authorization, issuance, and sale of the Notes and such other affidavits and certificates as may reasonably be required to show the facts relating to the legality and marketability of the Notes, as such facts appear from the official books and records of the officers' custody or are otherwise known. All such certified copies, certificates and affidavits, including any heretofore furnished, constitute representations of the City as to the correctness of facts recited therein and the actions stated therein to have been taken.

6.03 The mayor and the city clerk are hereby authorized and directed to certify that they have examined the official statement prepared and circulated in connection with the issuance and sale of the Notes and that to the best of their knowledge and belief the official statement is a complete and accurate representation of the facts and

representations made therein as for the date of the official statement.

6.04 In the event of the absence or disability of the mayor or the city clerk, such officers as in the opinion of the City attorney, may act in their behalf, shall without further act or authorization, execute and deliver the Notes, and do all things and execute all instruments and documents required to be done or executed by such absent or disabled officers.

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes the sale of General Obligation Capital Equipment Notes, Series 2023B, in the approximate principal amount of \$3,505,000, to provide for capital equipment purchases of \$3,400,000 plus additional amounts for underwriter discount and costs of issuance. The resolution allows the finance director to select the date to offer the Notes for sale, authorizes the City's municipal advisor to solicit bids and authorizes the chief administrative officer and the finance director, or either of them, to award the sale so long as the true interest cost of the Notes does not exceed 5.0%. The Notes are payable from ad valorem taxes.