D.2 West Transmission Waterline (Public Hearing)
additional Information received during the
City Council Agenda Session on 3/12/24 from
Paul Becker, CFO.
ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BOND, SERIES 2024, BY THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING CERTAIN WATER TRANSMISSION LINE IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND SERVICING FEE ON THE BOND; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF THE BOND; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas (the "City"), a city of the first class, presently owns and operates a public water and sewer utility system (the "System") serving the residents of the City and its environs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City has determined that there is a great need for a source of revenue to finance the costs of acquisition, construction and equipping of certain improvements to the System, including, specifically, the acquisition, engineering, construction and equipping of a replacement 48-inch water transmission line from the Beaver Water District to the City, together with related improvements (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, an engineering report and plans and specifications for the Project have been examined by the City Council and copies of such report, plans and specifications are on file with the City and are available for inspection by any interested person; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized and empowered under the provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas, including particularly Amendment 65 to the Constitution and Arkansas Code Annotated Sections 14-164-401 et seq., Sections 14-234-201 et seq. and Sections 14-235-201 et seq. (collectively, and as from time to time amended, the "Authorizing Legislation"), to issue and sell its water and sewer revenue bonds and to expend the proceeds thereof to finance the costs of acquisition, construction, equipping, improving, maintaining, operating and repairing the System; and

WHEREAS, as authorized under the provisions of Amendment 65 and the Authorizing Legislation, and in order to secure funds necessary to pay or reimburse all or a portion of the costs of the Project, and the costs incident to the issuance of a bond to finance the costs of said Project, upon the most favorable terms to the City and the users of the System, the City has made arrangements for the sale of its Water and Sewer System Revenue Bond, Series 2024 (the "Bond"), in principal amount not to exceed \$85,000,000 to the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, as purchaser (the "Bondholder"), at a price of par, which Bond shall bear interest at the rate of zero percent (0.00%) per annum, pursuant to a Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond rchase Agreement") among the City, the Bondholder and the Arkansas Natural Resources

Commission (the "Commission"), which Bond Purchase Agreement has been presented to and is before this meeting; and

WHEREAS, an open public hearing on the question of the issuance of the Bond and the financing of the Project has been held before the Mayor and City Council on March 19, 2024, following publication of notice of such hearing in the Northwest Arkansas edition of the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette on February 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City will also be required to pay to the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, as servicer with respect to the Bond (the "Servicer"), a monthly servicing fee equal to three-quarters of one percent (0.75%) per annum of the outstanding principal amount of the Bond (the "Servicing Fee");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas that:

Section 1. The Project shall be accomplished and shall be a part of the System. The accomplishment of the Project shall be under the control and supervision of, and all details in connection therewith shall be handled by, the City, and the City shall make all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its powers. The City shall let all contracts pursuant to and in accordance with existing laws and shall require such performance bonds and insurance from the contractors as, in the judgment of the City, will fully insure completion of the Project in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor. The Mayor is hereby authorized to take, or cause to be taken, all action necessary to accomplish the Project and to execute all required contracts in connection thereto.

Section 2. The sale to the Bondholder of up to \$85,000,000 in principal amount of the Bond at a price of par, such Bond to bear interest at the rate of 0.00% per annum and to be subject to a Servicing Fee of 0.75% per annum and otherwise to be subject to the terms and provisions hereafter in this Ordinance set forth in detail be, and is hereby approved and the Bond is hereby sold to the Bondholder. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Bond Purchase Agreement on behalf of the City and to take all action required on the part of the City to fulfill its obligations under the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Bond Purchase Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form submitted to this meeting with such changes as may be approved by the Mayor, his execution to constitute complete evidence of such approval.

Section 3. The City Council hereby finds and declares that the period of usefulness of the System after completion of the Project will be more than twenty-five (25) years, which is longer than the term of the Bond.

Section 4. Under the authority of the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas, including particularly Amendment 65 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas and the Authorizing Legislation, the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas Water and Sewer System Revenue Bond, Series 2024 (the "Bond"), is hereby authorized to be issued in the total principal amount of not to exceed Eighty-Five Million Dollars (\$85,000,000), the proceeds of the sale of which are necessary to provide sufficient funds to pay or reimburse a portion of the costs of accomplishing

the Project, including, without limitation, legal fees and other necessary expenses incidental to accomplishment of the Project, and to the issuance of the Bond.

The Bond shall bear interest at the rate of zero percent (0.00%) per annum and shall be subject to a Servicing Fee of three-quarters of one percent (0.75%) per annum based upon a 360-day year of twelve consecutive 30-day months. The Bond shall be dated the date of its delivery to the Bondholder. Principal and the Servicing Fee shall be payable on May 1, 2027, and on the 1st day of each month thereafter until the unpaid principal is paid in full as follows:

Date	Payment Amount	Interest	Servicing Fee	Principal
May 1, 2027	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 53,125.00	\$ 328,378.44
June 1, 2027	381,503.44	-0-	52,919.76	328,583.68
July 1, 2027	381,503.44	-0-	52,714.40	328,789.04
August 1, 2027	381,503.44	-0-	52,508.91	328,994.53
September 1, 2027	381,503.44	-0-	52,303.28	329,200.16
October 1, 2027	381,503.44	-0-	52,097.53	329,405.91
November 1, 2027	381,503.44	-0-	51,891.66	329,611.78
December 1, 2027	381,503.44	-0-	51,685.65	329,817.79
January 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	51,479.51	330,023.93
February 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	51,273.25	330,230.19
March 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	51,066.85	330,436.59
April 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	50,860.33	330,643.11
May 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	50,653.68	330,849.76
June 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	50,446.90	331,056.54
July 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	50,239.99	331,263.45
August 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	50,032.95	331,470.49
September 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	49,825.78	331,677.66
October 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	49,618.48	331,884.96
November 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	49,411.05	332,092.39
December 1, 2028	381,503.44	-0-	49,203.49	332,299.95
January 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	48,995.81	332,507.63
February 1, 2029	381,501.44	-0-	48,787.99	332,715.45
March 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	48,580.04	332,923.40

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April 1, 2029	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 48,371.96	\$ 333,131.48
May 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	48,163.76	333,339.68
June 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	47,955.42	333,548.02
July 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	47,746.95	333,756.49
August 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	47,538.35	333,965.09
September 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	47,329.63	334,173.81
October 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	47,120.77	334,382.67
November 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	46,911.78	334,591.66
December 1, 2029	381,503.44	-0-	46,702.66	334,800.78
January 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	46,493.41	335,010.03
February 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	46,284.03	335,219.41
March 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	46,074.52	335,428.92
April 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	45,864.87	335,638.57
May 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	45,655.10	335,848.34
June 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	45,445.19	336,058.25
July 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	45,235.16	336,268.28
August 1, 2030	381,503.44	- 0-	45,024.99	336,478.45
September 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	44,814.69	336,688.75
October 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	44,604.26	336,899.18
November 1, 2030	381,503.44	- 0-	44,393.70	337,109.74
December 1, 2030	381,503.44	-0-	44,183.00	337,320.44
January 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	43,972.18	337,531.26
February 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	43,761.22	337,742.22
March 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	43,550.13	337,953.31
April 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	43,338.91	338,164.53
May 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	43,127.56	338,375.88
June 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	42,916.07	338,587.37
July 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	42,704.46	338,798.98
August 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	42,492.71	339,010.73

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September 1, 2031	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 42,280.83	\$ 339,222.61
October 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	42,068.81	339,434.63
November 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	41,856.66	339,646.78
December 1, 2031	381,503.44	-0-	41,644.39	339,859.05
January 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	41,431.97	340,071.47
February 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	41,219.43	340,284.01
March 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	41,006.75	340,496.69
April 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	40,793.94	340,709.50
May 1, 2032	381,503.44	- 0-	40,581.00	340,922.44
June 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	40,367.92	341,135.52
July 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	40,154.71	341,348.73
August 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	39,941.37	341,562.07
September 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	39,727.89	341,775.55
October 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	39,514.28	341,989.16
November 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	39,300.54	342,202.90
December 1, 2032	381,503.44	-0-	39,086.66	342,416.78
January 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	38,872.65	342,630.79
February 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	38,658.51	342,844.93
March 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	38,444.23	343,059.21
April 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	38,229.82	343,273.62
May 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	38,015.27	343,488.17
June 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	37,800.59	343,702.85
July 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	37,585.78	343,917.66
August 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	37,370.83	344,132.61
September 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	37,155.75	344,347.69
October 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	36,940.53	344,562.91
November 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	36,725.18	344,778.26
December 1, 2033	381,503.44	-0-	36,509.69	344,993.75
January 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	36,294.07	345,209.37

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February 1, 2034	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 36,078.31	\$ 345,425.13
March 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	35,862.42	345,641.02
April 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	35,646.40	345,857.04
May 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	35,430.24	346,073.20
June 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	35,213.94	346,289.50
July 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	34,997.51	346,505.93
August 1, 2034	381,503.44	- 0-	34,780.94	346,722.50
September 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	34,564.24	346,939.20
October 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	34,347.40	347,156.04
November 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	34,130.43	347,373.01
December 1, 2034	381,503.44	-0-	33,913.32	347,590.12
January 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	33,696.08	347,807.36
February 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	33,478.70	348,024.74
March 1, 2035	381,503,44	-0-	33,261.19	348,242.25
April 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	33,043.53	348,459.91
May 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	32,825.75	348,677.69
June 1, 2035	381,503.44	- 0-	32,607.82	348,895.62
July 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	32,389.76	349,113.68
August 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	32,171.57	349,331.87
September 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	31,953.23	349,550.21
October 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	31,734.77	349,768.67
November 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	31,516.16	349,987.28
December 1, 2035	381,503.44	-0-	31,297.42	350,206.02
January 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	31,078.54	350,424.90
February 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	30,859.52	350,643.92
March 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	30,640.37	350,863.07
April 1, 2036	381,503.44	- 0-	30,421.08	351,082.36
May 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	30,201.66	351,301.78
June 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	29,982.09	351,521.35

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July 1, 2036	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 29,762.39	\$ 351,741.05
August 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	29,542.55	351,960.89
September 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	29,322.58	352,180.86
October 1, 2036	381,503.44	- 0-	29,102.46	352,400.98
November 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	28,882.21	352,621.23
December 1, 2036	381,503.44	-0-	28,661.83	352,841.61
January 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	28,441.30	353,062.14
February 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	28,220.64	353,282.80
March 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	27,999.83	353,503.61
April 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	27,778.89	353,724.55
May 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	27,557.82	353,945.62
June 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	27,336.60	354,166.84
July 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	27,115.25	354,388.19
August 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	26,893.75	354,609.69
September 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	26,672.12	354,831.32
October 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	26,450.35	355,053.09
November 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	26,228.44	355,275.00
December 1, 2037	381,503.44	-0-	26,006.40	355,497.04
January 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	25,784.21	355,719.23
February 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	25,561.89	355,941.55
March 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	25,339.42	356,164.02
April 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	25,116.82	356,386.62
May 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	24,894.08	356,609.36
June 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	24,671.20	356,832.24
July 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	24,448.18	357,055.26
August 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	24,225.02	357,278.42
September 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	24,001.72	357,501.72
October 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	23,778.28	357,725.16
November 1, 2038	381,503.44	-0-	23,554.70	357,948.74

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December 1, 2038	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 23,330.99	\$ 358,172.45
January 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	23,107.13	358,396.31
February 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	22,883.13	358,620.31
March 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	22,658.99	358,844.45
April 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	22,434.71	359,068.73
May 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	22,210.30	359,293.14
June 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	21,985.74	359,517.70
July 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	21,761.04	359,742.40
August 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	21,536.20	359,967.24
September 1, 2039	381,503.44	- 0-	21,311.22	360,192.22
October 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	21,086.10	360,417.34
November 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	20,860.84	360,642.60
December 1, 2039	381,503.44	-0-	20,635.44	360,868.00
January 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	20,409.90	361,093.54
February 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	20,184.21	361,319.23
March 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	19,958.39	361,545.05
April 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	19,732.42	361,771.02
May 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	19,506.32	361,997.12
June 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	19,280.07	362,223.37
July 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	19,053.68	362,449.76
August 1, 2040	381,503.44	- 0-	18,827.15	362,676.29
September 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	18,600.47	362,902.97
October 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	18,373.66	363,129.78
November 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	18,146.70	363,356.74
December 1, 2040	381,503.44	-0-	17,919.61	363,583.83
January 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	17,692.37	363,811.07
February 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	17,464.98	364,038.46
March 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	17,237.46	364,265.98
April 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	17,009.79	364,493.65

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May 1, 2041	\$381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 16,781.99	\$ 364,721.45
June 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	16,554.03	364,949.41
July 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	16,325.94	365,177.50
August 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	16,097.70	365,405.74
September 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	15,869.33	365,634.11
October 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	15,640.80	365,862.64
November 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	15,412.14	366,091.30
December 1, 2041	381,503.44	-0-	15,183.33	366,320.11
January 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	14,954.38	366,549.06
February 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	14,725.29	366,778.15
March 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	14,496.05	367,007.39
April 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	14,266.67	367,236.77
May 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	14,037.15	367,466.29
June 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	13,807.49	367,695.95
July 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	13,577.68	367,925.76
August 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	13,347.72	368,155.72
September 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	13,117.62	368,385.82
October 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	12,887.38	368,616.06
November 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	12,657.00	368,846.44
December 1, 2042	381,503.44	-0-	12,426.47	369,076.97
January 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	12,195.80	369,307.64
February 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	11,964.98	369,538.46
March 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	11,734.02	369,769.42
April 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	11,502.91	370,000.53
May 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	11,271.66	370,231.78
June 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	11,040.27	370,463.17
July 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	10,808.73	370,694.71
August 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	10,577.04	370,926.40
September 1, 2043	381,503.44	- 0-	10,345.21	371,158.23

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October 1, 2043	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 10,113.24	\$ 371,390.20
November 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	9,881.12	371,622.32
December 1, 2043	381,503.44	-0-	9,648.86	371,854.58
January 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	9,416.45	372,086.99
February 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	9,183.89	372,319.55
March 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	8,951.19	372,552.25
April 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	8,718.35	372,785.09
May 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	8,485.36	373,018.08
June 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	8,252.22	373,251.22
July 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	8,018.94	373,484.50
August 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	7,785.51	373,717.93
September 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	7,551.94	373,951.50
October 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	7,318.22	374,185.22
November 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	7,084.35	374,419.09
December 1, 2044	381,503.44	-0-	6,850.34	374,653.10
January 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	6,616.18	374,887.26
February 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	6,381.88	375,121.56
March 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	6,147.43	375,356.01
April 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	5,912.83	375,590.61
May 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	5,678.09	375,825.35
June 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	5,443.19	376,060.25
July 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	5,208.16	376,295.28
August 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	4,972.97	376,530.47
September 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	4,737.64	376,765.80
October 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	4,502.16	377,001.28
November 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	4,266.54	377,236.90
December 1, 2045	381,503.44	-0-	4,030.76	377,472.68
January 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	3,794.84	377,708.60
February 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	3,558.77	377,944.67

Date	Payment Amount	Interest	Servicing Fee	Principal
March 1, 2046	\$ 381,503.44	\$ -0-	\$ 3,322.56	\$ 378,180.88
April 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	3,086.20	378,417.24
May 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	2,849.69	378,653.75
June 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	2,613.03	378,890.41
July 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	2,376.22	379,127.22
August 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	2,139.27	379,364.17
September 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	1,902.16	379,601.28
October 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	1,664.91	379,838.53
November 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	1,427.51	380,075.93
December 1, 2046	381,503.44	-0-	1,189.97	380,313.47
January 1, 2047	381,503.44	-0-	952.27	380,551.17
February 1, 2047	381,503.44	-0-	714.43	380,789.01
March 1, 2047	381,503.44	-0-	476.43	381,027.01
April 1, 2047	381,503.09	0-	238.29	381,264.80
TOTALS:	\$ <u>91,560.825.25</u>	\$	\$ <u>6,560,825.25</u>	\$ <u>85,000,000.00</u>

The Bond shall be issued in the form of a single typewritten bond, registered as to both principal and interest, payable to the Bondholder, or registered assigns, as set forth hereinafter in the bond form, and shall be numbered R24-1.

Payment of principal and the Servicing Fee shall be by check or draft mailed to the Bondholder at its address shown on the bond registration books of the City which shall be maintained by the City Clerk as Bond Registrar, without presentation or surrender of the Bond (except upon final payment), and such payments shall discharge the obligation of the City to the extent thereof. The City Clerk or his or her designee shall keep a payment record and make proper notations thereon of all payments of principal and the Servicing Fee.

Payment of principal and the Servicing Fee shall be in any coin or currency of the United States of America which, as at the time of payment, shall be legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America. When the principal of the Bond has been fully paid, it shall be canceled and delivered to the City Clerk.

Section 5. The Bond shall be executed on behalf of the City by its Mayor and City Clerk and shall have impressed thereon the seal of the City. The principal of the Bond, and the Servicing Fee in connection therewith, are secured by a pledge of and are payable from revenues

derived from the System (the "Revenues"). The City covenants and agrees that all Revenues will be accounted for separately as special funds on the books of the City, and said Revenues will be deposited and will be used solely as provided herein. The Bond is not a general obligation of the City but is a special obligation, the principal of which, and the Servicing Fee in connection therewith, are secured by a pledge of the Revenues. The principal of and interest on the Bond shall not constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction.

Section 6. The Bond shall be in substantially the following form, and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to make all the recitals contained therein:

Registered No. R24-1

United States of America

Registered \$85,000,000

State of Arkansas
County of Washington
City of Fayetteville, Arkansas
Water and Sewer System Revenue Bond
Series 2024

Registered Owner: ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

Principal Amount: EIGHTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (or the total principal amount

outstanding as reflected by the Record of Payment of Advances attached

hereto)

Know All Men By These Presents:

That the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas (the "City") hereby acknowledges itself to owe, and for value received promises to pay to the order of the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, or registered assigns, but solely from the special fund provided therefor as hereinafter set forth, in lawful money of the United States of America, the Principal Amount shown above (or so much of the Principal Amount as should have been advanced as shown on the Record of Payment of Advances attached hereto). A servicing fee of 0.75% per annum (the "Servicing Fee") shall also be payable by the City to the Arkansas Development Finance Authority or its successor in the same manner and upon the same dates as principal hereof.

Principal and the Servicing Fee shall be payable on May 1, 2027, and on the 1st day of each month thereafter until the unpaid principal is paid in full as follows:

[Here will be inserted the amortization schedule set forth in Section 4 of this Ordinance.]

Payments of principal due hereon shall be made, except for final payment, without presentation and surrender of this bond, directly to the Registered Owner at its address shown on the registration book of the City maintained by the City Clerk as Bond Registrar, and such payments shall fully discharge the obligation of the City to the extent of the payments so made.

This bond is issued for the purpose of (i) providing financing for a portion of the costs of acquiring, engineering, constructing and equipping a replacement 48-inch water transmission line from the Beaver Water District to the City, together with related improvements (the "Project"), and (ii) paying costs of authorizing and issuing this bond, and is issued pursuant to and in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas, including particularly Amendment No. 65 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas ("Amendment 65") and Arkansas Code Annotated Sections 14-164-401 et seq., Sections 14-234-201 et seq. and Sections 14-235-201 et seq. (collectively, and as from time to time amended, the "Authorizing Legislation"), and pursuant to Ordinance No. _______ of the City, duly adopted and approved on the _____ day of ______, 2024 (the "Authorizing Ordinance"). Reference is hereby made to the Authorizing Ordinance for the details of the nature and extent of the security and of the rights and obligations of the City and the Registered Owner of this bond.

This bond may be assigned with the written approval of the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission (the "Commission"), and in order to effect such assignment, the assignor shall promptly notify the City Clerk by registered mail, and the assignee shall surrender this bond along with a written assignment and written approval of the Commission to the City Clerk for transfer on the registration records. Every assignee shall take this bond subject to all payments and prepayments of principal (as reflected on the Payment Record maintained by the City Clerk) prior to such surrender for transfer.

This bond may be prepaid at the option of the City from funds from any source, in whole but not in part, at any time on and after October 15, 2034, at a prepayment price equal to the principal amount outstanding, plus the accrued Servicing Fee to the prepayment date. Notice of any prepayment shall be given to the registered owner of this bond at least 90 days prior to the prepayment date. Such notice shall be in writing mailed to the address of the registered owner of this bond at the address appearing on the bond registration records maintained by the City Clerk.

This bond does not constitute an indebtedness of the City or the State of Arkansas within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation or provision, and the taxing power of the City is not pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on this bond.

This bond is not a general obligation of the City, but is a special limited obligation the payment of the principal of and the Servicing Fee are payable solely from the revenues (the "Revenues") derived from the operation of the City's public water and sewer utility system (the "System"). A sufficient amount of Revenues to pay the principal of the Bond and the related Servicing Fee has been pledged and shall be duly set aside as a special fund for that purpose, identified as the "ADFA Bond Fund" in the Authorizing Ordinance. The City has fixed and covenanted and agreed to maintain rates for the use of the System which shall be sufficient at all times to at least provide for the payment of the reasonable expenses of operation and maintenance of the System, to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on all outstanding obligations to which Revenues are pledged as the same become due, to establish and maintain any required debt service reserves and to provide a depreciation fund, all as set forth in the Authorizing Ordinance.

This bond is issued with the intent that the laws of the State of Arkansas will govern its construction.

No recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal of or premium, if any, or interest on this bond or for any claim based thereon or upon any obligation, covenant, or agreement contained in this bond or in the Authorizing Ordinance against any past, present or future alderman, officer or employee of the City, or any alderman, officer or employee of any successor of the City, as such, either directly or through the City or any successor of the City, under any rule of law or equity, statute, or constitution or by the enforcement of any assessment or penalty or otherwise, and all such liability of any such alderman, officer or employee as such is hereby expressly waived and released as a condition of and consideration for the issuance of this bond.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED AND DECLARED that all acts, conditions and things required by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Arkansas to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this bond do exist, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law; that the indebtedness represented by this bond does not exceed or violate any constitutional or statutory limitation of indebtedness; and that provision has been made for the payment of the principal of and interest on this bond, as provided in the Authorizing Ordinance.

·	City of Fayetteville, Arkansas has caused this bond to be ignatures of its Mayor and City Clerk, thereunto duly ixed hereto, all as of the day of,
	CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS
ATTEST:	By:
City Clerk	

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

Date of Registration	Name of Registered Owner	Signature of City Clerk
	Arkansas Development Finance Authority	
	-	

RECORD OF PAYMENT OF ADVANCES

Date of Advance*	Amount of Advance	Total Principal Outstanding	Signature of Vice President of Arkansas Development Finance Authority

^{*}The date of each advance shall be the commencement date from which the Servicing Fee is calculated.

Section 7. The City Council of the City has heretofore fixed rates for System services by the adoption of Ordinance No. 6681 on September 19, 2023 (the "Rate Ordinance"). Reference is hereby made to the Rate Ordinance for the details thereof and other provisions pertaining thereto, which water rates and sewer rates are hereby confirmed and continued as provided therein.

The City covenants and agrees that the rates established will produce gross Revenues at least sufficient to pay monthly operation, maintenance and funded depreciation expenses of the System, pay the principal of and interest on all outstanding obligations to which Revenues are pledged ("System Obligations"), as the same become due, pay the Servicing Fee as the same becomes due, and create and maintain any required debt service and replacement reserves (collectively, the "Required Payments"). The City covenants always to maintain rates (including increases as necessary) which will provide for the Required Payments. The rates currently in effect for water service and sewer service shall not be reduced without the prior written consent of the Commission and the Bondholder.

- **Section 8.** The City covenants that it will continually operate the System as a revenue-producing undertaking and will not sell or lease the same, or any substantial portion thereof, without the prior written approval of the Bondholder and the Commission; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit the City from making such dispositions of properties of the System and such replacements and substitutions for properties of the System as shall be necessary or incidental to the efficient operation of the System as a revenue –producing undertaking.
- **Section 9.** All Revenues shall be deposited as and when received into a special fund heretofore created and designated "Revenue Fund" (the "Revenue Fund"). Each employee of the City handling Revenues shall give bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties. Moneys in the Revenue Fund shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of operation, maintenance, repair and renewal of the System, to the payment of the principal of and interest on outstanding System Obligations, to the establishment and maintenance of any required debt service and replacement reserves and to the providing of any required depreciation fund.
- **Section 10.** (a) After making all monthly payments required in connection with System Obligations secured on a prior and senior basis to the Bond, there shall be paid from the Revenue Fund on or before the first day of each month into an account of the City in a special fund to be created by the Bondholder and designated "Series 2024" (the "ADFA Bond Fund") for the purpose of paying the principal of the Bond in those amounts specified in Section 4 hereof.
- (b) If Revenues are insufficient to make the required payment on or before the first day of a month into the ADFA Bond Fund, then the amount of any such deficiency in the payment made shall be added to the amount otherwise required to be paid into the ADFA Bond Fund on or before the first day of the next month.
- (c) When the moneys held in the ADFA Bond Fund which represent payments by the City and interest earnings thereon or proceeds of investments therefrom (collectively, "City Funds") shall be and remain sufficient to pay in full the principal of the Bonds, the City shall not be obligated to make any further payments into the ADFA Bond Fund.
- (d) All moneys in the ADFA Bond Fund representing City Funds shall be used solely for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bond, and the City shall automatically receive a credit for the amount of such City Funds on hand in the ADFA Bond Fund and available for the payment of any principal currently due on a principal payment date

irrespective of whether the Bondholder has applied or caused to be applied such funds on that date for such purpose. The City shall receive a credit for all earnings and income derived from the investment of City Funds as of the first day of each month, and such earnings and income shall be credited against the next payment due.

- (e) The Bond shall be specifically secured by a pledge of all Revenues required to be placed into the ADFA Bond Fund. This pledge in favor of the Bond is hereby irrevocably made according to the terms of this Ordinance, and the City and its officers and employees shall execute, perform and carry out the terms thereof in strict conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance.
- **Section 11.** After making the payments and deposits required by Section 10 hereof, there shall be paid from the Revenue Fund the Servicing Fee to the Servicer. The Servicing Fee shall be payable on each date principal on the bonds is due and shall be calculated on the same basis as interest would be calculated on the Bond. The payment of the Servicing Fee is expressly made subordinate to the payment of the principal of the Bond.
- **Section 12.** (a) After making the payments and deposits required by Sections 10 and 11 hereof, the City shall make any debt service reserve and replacement reserve deposits required in connection with System Obligations.
- (b) Notwithstanding the above, so long as the Bond is outstanding, the City shall maintain a fund which is hereby created and designated as the "Depreciation Fund" (the "Depreciation Fund"). After making the payments and deposits required in Sections, 10, 11 and 12(a) hereof, there shall be deposited from the Revenue Fund into the Depreciation Fund, a sum equal to 5% of the gross monthly Revenues for the preceding month. Once the Depreciation Fund reached as amount equal to \$8,500,000.00 (or such lesser amount as represents 10% of proceeds of the Bond drawn) (the "Required Level"), the City shall not be required to make further deposits into the Depreciation Fund; provided, however, that monthly deposits must resume if the amount in Depreciation Fund drops below the Required Level, until such time as the Required Level is once again reached. Moneys in the Depreciation Fund may be used for the purpose of paying the cost of necessary repairs or replacements to the System or for other purposes approved by the Commission. Funds may only be withdrawn from the Depreciation Fund with the prior written consent of the Commission.
- Section 13. The City shall assure that (i) not in excess of 10% of the proceeds of the Bond is used for Private Business Use (as defined below) if, in addition, the payment of more than 10% of the principal due on the Bond during the term thereof is, under the terms of the Bond or any underlying arrangement, directly or indirectly secured by any interest in property used or to be used for a Private Business Use or is to be derived from payments, whether or not to the City, in respect of property or borrowed moneys used or to be used for a Private Business Use; and (ii) that, in the event that both (A) in excess of 5% of the proceeds of the Bond are used for a Private Business Use, and (B) an amount in excess of 5% of the principal due on the Bond during the term thereof is, under the terms of the Bond or any underlying arrangement, directly or indirectly, secured by any interest in property used or to be used for said Private Business Use or in payments in respect of property used or to be used for said Private Business Use or is to be

derived from payments, whether or not to the City, in respect of property or borrowed money used or to be used for said Private Business Use, then said excess over said 5% of the proceeds of the Bond used for a Private Business Use shall be used for a Private Business Use related to the governmental use of the Project.

The City shall assure that not in excess of 5% of the proceeds of the Bond are used, directly or indirectly, to make or finance a loan to persons other than state or local governmental units.

As used in this Section, "Private Business Use" means use directly or indirectly in a trade or business carried on by a natural person or in any activity carried on by a person other than a natural person, excluding, however, use by a state or local governmental unit and use as a member of the general public.

The City covenants that it will not enter into any wholesale water contracts with non-governmental entities or modify existing wholesale water contracts with non-governmental entities if such contracts or modifications of existing contracts will cause a violation of this Section.

Section 14. Any surplus in the Revenue Fund, after making full provision for the payments and deposits described above, may be used at the option of the City for the redemption of the Bond or other System Obligations prior to maturity in accordance with their terms, for betterments or improvements to the System, for a refund to ratepayers or for other lawful purposes. Installments of principal on the Bond shall be prepayable prior to maturity as provided in the form of the Bond set forth in Section 6 of this Ordinance.

So long as the Bond is outstanding, the City shall not issue or attempt to Section 15. issue any bonds or other indebtedness having or claimed to be entitled to a pledge of the Revenues on a prior and senior basis to the pledge securing the Bond unless and until there shall have been procured and filed with the Bondholder a statement by an independent certified public accountant not in the regular employ of the City ("Accountant") reciting the opinion that either (i) the Net Revenues (Net Revenues being gross Revenues less operation and maintenance expenses, but not including interest, amortization and depreciation) for the fiscal year preceding the year in which the senior bonds or indebtedness are to be issued were not less than 120% of the maximum annual debt service requirements (including principal, interest and financing, servicing and administrative fees) on all outstanding System Obligations and the bonds or indebtedness then proposed to be issued, or (ii) the Net Revenues for the fiscal year succeeding the year in which the senior bonds or indebtedness are to be issued are projected to be sufficient in amount, taking into account any enacted System rate increases, to be not less than 120% of the maximum annual debt service requirements (including principal, interest and financing, servicing and administrative fees) on all outstanding System Obligations and the bonds or indebtedness then proposed to be issued.

So long as the Bond is outstanding, the City shall not issue or attempt to issue any bonds or other indebtedness having or claimed to be entitled to a parity pledge of the Revenues to the pledge securing the Bond unless and until there shall have been procured and filed with the Bondholder a statement by an Accountant reciting the opinion that either (i) the Net Revenues

for the fiscal year preceding the year in which the parity bonds or indebtedness are to be issued were not less than 110% of the maximum annual debt service requirements (including principal, interest and financing, servicing and administrative fees) on all outstanding System Obligations and the bonds or indebtedness then proposed to be issued, or (ii) the Net Revenues for the fiscal year succeeding the year in which the parity bonds or indebtedness are to be issued are projected to be sufficient in amount, taking into account any enacted System rate increases, to be not less than 110% of the maximum annual debt service requirements (including principal, interest and financing, servicing and administrative fees) on all outstanding System Obligations and the bonds or indebtedness then proposed to be issued.

The additional bonds or other indebtedness, the issuance of which is restricted and conditioned by this Section, shall not be deemed to mean bonds or other indebtedness the security and source of payment of which are subordinate and subject to the priority of the Bond, and such additional bonds and indebtedness may be issued without complying with the terms of this Section.

The provisions of this Section may be waived by the holders of 75% in principal amount of the Bond at any time outstanding.

Section 16. It is covenanted and agreed by the City with the Bondholder and the Commission that it will faithfully and punctually perform all duties with reference to the System required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas and by this Ordinance, including, without limitation, the making and collecting of reasonable and sufficient rates lawfully established for services rendered by the System, segregating the Revenues and applying them to the respective funds maintained pursuant to this Ordinance.

The City covenants and agrees that the Bondholder shall have the protection of all the provisions of the Authorizing Legislation and this Ordinance, and that the City will diligently proceed to enforce those provisions to the end of the Bondholder realizing fully upon its security. If the City shall fail to proceed within thirty (30) days after written request shall have been filed by the Bondholder, the Bondholder may proceed to enforce all such provisions.

If there be any default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bond, or if the City defaults in any ADFA Bond Fund requirement or in the performance of any of the other covenants contained in this Ordinance or in the Bond Purchase Agreement, the Bondholder and the Commission (with respect to covenants contained in the Bond Purchase Agreement) may, by proper suit, compel the performance of the duties of the officials of the City under the laws of the State of Arkansas. No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Bondholder is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy or remedies herein provided or provided by law, and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or given by law. No delay or omission of the Bondholder to exercise any right or power accrued upon any default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any default or an acquiescence therein; and every power and remedy given by this Ordinance to the Bondholder may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient.

No waiver of any default shall extend to or affect any other existing or any subsequent default or defaults or impair any rights or remedies consequent thereon. Any costs of

enforcement of the Bond or of any provision of this Ordinance, including reasonable attorney's fees, shall be paid by the City. The Servicer may enforce all rights and exercise all remedies available to the Bondholder in the event the Servicing Fee is not paid when due.

Section 17. When the Bond has been executed by the Mayor and City Clerk and the seal of the City impressed thereon as herein provided, it shall be delivered to the Bondholder upon the payment of all or a portion of the purchase price in accordance with the Bond Purchase Agreement. The purchase price shall be deposited, as and when received, in a special account of the City hereby created in a bank that is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and designated the "2024 Water Construction Fund" (the "Construction Fund"). The moneys in the Construction Fund shall be used for accomplishing the Project, paying or reimbursing expenses incidental thereto and paying the expenses of issuing the Bond approved in accordance with the Bond Purchase Agreement. Payments from the Construction Fund shall be by check or voucher signed by the City Clerk or her designee, and drawn on the depository. Each such check or voucher shall briefly specify the purpose of the expenditure.

When the Project has been completed and all required expenses paid and expenditures made from the Construction Fund for and in connection with the accomplishment of the Project and the financing thereof, this fact shall be evidenced by a certificate signed by the City Clerk or her designee, and by the consulting engineer, which certificate shall state, among other things, the date of the completion and that all obligations payable from the Construction Fund have been discharged. A copy of the certificate shall be filed with the depository bank, the Bondholder and the Commission.

Disbursements shall be made by the Bondholder for costs of the Project pursuant to written Disbursement Requests as provided in the Bond Purchase Agreement.

- **Section 18.** The terms and provisions of this Ordinance shall constitute a binding contract among the City, the Bondholder and the Commission, and no variation or change in the undertaking herein set forth shall be made while the Bond is outstanding unless consented to in writing by the Bondholder and the Commission.
- Section 19. The City covenants and agrees that it will maintain the System in good condition and operate it in an efficient manner and at reasonable cost. The City agrees to keep proper records, books and accounts relating to the operation of the System, which shall be kept separate from all other records and accounts of the City, in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the operation of the System in accordance with generally accepted government accounting standards. Such books shall be available for inspection by the Bondholder and the Commission, or the agent or the representative of either, at reasonable times and under reasonable circumstances. The City agrees to have these records audited annually. If requested, the City agrees to furnish the audit report with respect to the System to the Bondholder and the Commission.
- **Section 20.** The City agrees that the Bondholder may pledge the Bond as security for the payment of its water system revolving loan fund revenue bonds (the "ADFA Bonds"), and the trustee or municipal bond insurer for the ADFA Bonds may exercise any rights or remedies available to the Bondholder under this Ordinance or the Bond Purchase Agreement while the 006

Bond is pledged and/or the ADFA Bonds are insured. In addition, the City agrees that while the Bond is pledged and/or the ADFA Bonds are insured, copies of all financial information relating to the City and the System shall be furnished to the trustee and/or the municipal insurer for the ADFA Bonds.

- **Section 21.** The Mayor and City Clerk, for and on behalf of the City, are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to effect the issuance, sale, execution and delivery of the Bond and to effect the execution and delivery of the Bond Purchase Agreement, and to perform all of the obligations of the City under and pursuant thereto. The Mayor and the City Clerk are further authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the City, to execute all papers, documents, certificates and other instruments that may be required for the carrying out of such authority or to evidence the exercise thereof.
- **Section 22.** References in this Ordinance to "Bondholder" shall include the original Bondholder or any registered assign thereof.
- **Section 23.** Kutak Rock LLP, Little Rock, Arkansas, is hereby appointed to act as Bond Counsel on behalf of the City in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bond.
- **Section 24.** The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared to be illegal or invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions of this Ordinance.

The contract

Section 25. All ordinances, resolution hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.	ons and parts thereof in conflict herewith are
ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS	DAY OF, 2024.
	APPROVED:
ATTEST:	Mayor
City Clerk	
(SEAL)	



CITY COUNCIL MEMO 2024-1728

MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2024

TO: Mayor Jordan and City Council

THRU: Paul Becker, Chief Financial Officer

FROM: Steven Dotson, Internal Auditor

SUBJECT: Authorization of the City to issue \$85,000,000 in Water and Sewer System revenue

bonds for the West Transmission Line

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval of an ordinance authorizing the issuance by the City not to exceed \$85,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of it's Water and Sewer System Revenue Bondsa and approval of a Budget Adjustment.

BACKGROUND:

Note: Final documents including loan terms, amortization schedule, and additional documentation will be attached when received from the state. This item is being routed through for approvals prior to receiving the final terms from the State due to the time sensitive nature of this project.

The City is constructing a new 48 inch transmission water line to keep up with the rising water demand in Fayetteville. The City applied for an Arkansas Department of Agriculture Drinking Water State Revolving Loan in March of 2023 to fund this project. The City received notice in July of 2023 that the loan funding application was approved. On August 1, 2023 the City Council passed Resolution 169-23 authorizing Mayor Jordan to approve and execute loan terms with the Arkansas Natural Resources Division as well as other documents and required certifications. On October 2nd of 2023, Mayor Jordan signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission establishing the West Transmission Line project funding and the planning and design schedule for improvements funded by the State Revolving Loan Fund program. In following that memorandum of agreement, the City Council is required to hold a public hearing and pass an ordinance authorizing the City to issue bond funding.

DISCUSSION:

Spanning over 11 miles, the City's West Transmission Waterline will begin at a new Beaver Water District facility near Elm Springs and head southward through Elm Springs and Tontitown, crossing Hwy 412 and continuing into Fayetteville. The line will turn east and tie into an existing 36-inch waterline located near the Hwy 112 and Van Asche Drive intersection. The new 48-inch West Transmission Waterline project will secure access to safe drinking water and meet the City's projected maximum demands.

Detailed engineering design work began in 2022 and is anticipated to be completed mid-2024. The new waterline is anticipated to be connected to Beaver Water District's Western Corridor Pump Station in 2026.

The City has been awarded, and has accepted, use of the Arkansas Natural Resources Division Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund (DWSRF). The total funding amount will be finalized in June 2024 after loan

Mailing address:

certification and closing are complete. Utilizing the DWSRF, the funding is structured as a bond issue, and the City is pledging Water and Sewer revenue to secure the bond. In order to complete the loan certification and closing by 6/28/24, the City is required to hold a public hearing and pass an ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$85,000,000 in bond funding. This loan program offers municipalities and utilities access to low-interest rate loans, saving overall loan costs compared to market rates. The DWSRF (Drinking Water State Revolving Fund) program is administered by the Arkansas Department of Agriculture with joint funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the state of Arkansas. DWSRF programs operate around the country to provide states and communities the resources necessary to maintain and improve the infrastructure that protects our valuable water resources nationwide.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

This project is going to be funded by the Arkansas Department of Agriculture Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance (#2)