1	ORDINANCE NO
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3	AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF
4	WATER RECLAMATION SYSTEM REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS; TO
5	PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND
6	INTEREST ON THE BONDS; TO PRESCRIBE OTHER MATTERS THAT
7	RELATE THERETO; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR
8	OTHER PURPOSES.
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10	WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock, Arkansas (the "City") owns a Sewer System (the "System"),
11	which is now identified as a Water Reclamation System and is operated by the Little Rock Water
12	Reclamation Commission of the City (the "Commission"); and,
13	WHEREAS, the City has outstanding its Sewer Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015 (the "Series
14	2015 Bonds"), authorized by Ordinance No. 20,994, passed February 24, 2015 (the "2015 Ordinance");
15	and,
16	WHEREAS, in order to achieve Debt Service Savings, the Commission and the Board of Directors of
17	the City have determined that it is in the best interest of the City to advance refund the Series 2015 Bonds
18	maturing on October 1st in the years 2027, 2028, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036 and 2037 (the
19	"Bonds to be Refunded"); and,
20	WHEREAS, the City can obtain the necessary funds to accomplish the refunding of the Bonds to be
21	Refunded (the "Refunding"), pay a premium for a Debt Service Reserve Insurance Policy and pay costs of
22	issuance by issuing its Water Reclamation System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2021, in the
23	principal amount of One Hundred Seven Million, Nine Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars
24	(\$107,970,000.00) (the "bonds"); and,
25	WHEREAS, the City and the Commission have made arrangements for the sale of the bonds to Crews
26	& Associates, Inc. (the "Purchaser"), at a price of One Hundred Eight Million, Sixty Thousand, Six Hundred
27	Seventy-Four and 85/100 Dollars (\$108,060,674.85) (equal to the principal amount plus original issue
28	premium of Nine Hundred Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Nine and 85/100 Dollars (\$900,449.85), less the
29	underwriter's discount of Eight Hundred Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars
30	(\$809,775.00) (the "Purchase Price"), pursuant to a Bond Purchase Agreement between the City and the
31	Purchaser (the "Agreement") which has been presented to and is before this meeting; and,
32	WHEREAS, the Preliminary Official Statement dated July 26, 2021, offering the bonds for sale (the

"Preliminary Official Statement") has been presented to and is before this meeting; and,

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- WHEREAS, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement between the City and Regions Bank, Little Rock,
- 2 Arkansas, as Dissemination Agent (the "Disclosure Agreement"), providing for the ongoing disclosure
- 3 obligations of the City with respect to the bonds has been presented to and is before this meeting; and,
- 4 **WHEREAS,** Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. (the "Reserve Insurer") will be issuing a Municipal
- 5 Bond Debt Service Reserve Insurance Policy (the "Reserve Policy") in order to provide a Debt Service
- 6 Reserve for the bonds; and,
- WHEREAS, the Debt Service Reserve Agreement between the City and the Reserve Insurer (the
- 8 "Reserve Agreement") has been presented to and is before this meeting; and,
- 9 **WHEREAS,** in addition to the Bonds to be Refunded, the City has outstanding (a) its Sewer Revenue
- Bond, Series 2007B (the "Series 2007B Bond"), authorized by Ordinance No. 19,769, passed June 19, 2007,
- as amended (the "2007B Ordinance"); (b) its Sewer Revenue Bond, Series 2009A (the "Series 2009A
- Bond"), authorized by Ordinance No. 20,074, passed March 10, 2009, as amended (the "2009A
- Ordinance"); (c) its Sewer Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 (the "Series 2011 Bonds"), authorized
- by Ordinance No. 20,440, passed June 7, 2011 (the "2011 Ordinance"); (d) its Sewer Revenue Bond, Series
- 15 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bond"), authorized by Ordinance No. 20,711, passed April 2, 2013, as amended
- (the "2013 Ordinance"); (e) its Sewer Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bonds"),
- authorized by Ordinance No. 20,937, passed September 16, 2014 (the "2014 Ordinance"); (f) the Series
- 18 2015 Bonds that are not being refunded with proceeds of the bonds; (g) its Sewer Revenue Bond, Series
- 19 2016 (the "Series 2016A Bond"), authorized by Ordinance No. 21,258, passed June 28, 2016, as amended
- 20 (the "2016A Ordinance"); (h) its Sewer Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2016B (the "Series 2016B
- Bonds"), authorized by Ordinance No. 21,317, passed October 18, 2016 (the "2016B Ordinance"); (i) its
- Water Reclamation System Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 (the "Series 2017 Bonds"), authorized by
- 23 Ordinance No. 21,479, passed September 19, 2017 (the "2017 Ordinance"); (j) its Water Reclamation
- 24 System Revenue Bond, Series 2018 (the "Series 2018 Bond"), authorized by Ordinance No. 21,553, passed
- 25 February 20, 2018, as amended (the "2018 Ordinance"); (k) its Water Reclamation System Revenue Bond,
- Series 2019 (the "Series 2019 Bond"), authorized by Ordinance No. 21,699, passed February 19, 2019, as
- amended (the "2019 Ordinance"); (1) its Water Reclamation System Revenue Bond, Series 2020 (the "Series
- 28 2020A Bond"), authorized by Ordinance No. 21,845, passed February 18, 2020 (the "2020A Ordinance");
- 29 (m) its Water Reclamation System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2020B (the "Series 2020B
- 30 Bonds"), authorized by Ordinance No. 21,905, passed October 20, 2020 (the "2020B Ordinance") and (n)
- its Water Reclamation System Revenue Bond, Series 2020C (the "Series 2020C Bond"), authorized by
- 32 Ordinance No. 21,912, passed October 20, 2020 (the "2020C Ordinance"); and,
- WHEREAS, the coverage tests in the 2011 Ordinance, the 2014 Ordinance, the 2015 Ordinance, the
- 34 2016B Ordinance, the 2017 Ordinance and the 2020B Ordinance for securing the bonds with a lien on the

- 1 net revenues of the System on a parity of security with the Series 2011 Bonds, the Series 2014 Bonds, the
- 2 Series 2015 Bonds not being refunded, the Series 2016B Bonds, the Series 2017 Bonds and the Series
- 3 2020B Bonds (collectively, the "Parity Bonds") have been or will be satisfied; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the coverage tests in the 2007B Ordinance, the 2009A Ordinance, the 2013 Ordinance,
- 5 the 2016A Ordinance, the 2018 Ordinance, the 2019 Ordinance, the 2020A Ordinance and the 2020C
- 6 Ordinance for securing the bonds with a lien on the net revenues of the System prior to the lien on net
- 7 revenues of the System in favor of the Series 2007B Bond, the Series 2009A Bond, the Series 2013 Bond,
- 8 the Series 2016A Bond, the Series 2018 Bond, the Series 2019 Bond, the Series 2020A Bond and the Series
- 9 2020C Bond (collectively, the "Subordinate Bonds") have been or will be satisfied.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

- **Section 1.** The Refunding is hereby authorized. The Mayor and other officials of the City are hereby authorized to take, or cause to be taken, all action necessary to accomplish the Refunding and to execute all required contracts. The Bonds to be Refunded shall be called for redemption on April 1, 2025.
- **Section 2.** All moneys in the 2015 Sewer Revenue Bond Fund established by the 2015 Ordinance that are allocated to the Bonds to be Refunded are hereby appropriated and shall be used as necessary for the accomplishment of the Refunding, with any balance to be deposited into the 2021 Bond Fund (hereinafter identified).
- **Section 3.** The offer of the Purchaser for the purchase of the bonds from the City at the Purchase Price for bonds bearing interest at the rates per annum, maturing and otherwise subject to the terms and provisions hereafter in this ordinance set forth in detail is hereby accepted, and the Agreement, in substantially the form submitted to this meeting, is approved and the bonds are hereby sold to the Purchaser. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Agreement on behalf of the City and to take all action required on the part of the City to fulfill its obligations under the Agreement.
- **Section 4.** The Preliminary Official Statement is hereby approved and the previous use of the Preliminary Official Statement by the Purchaser in connection with the offer and sale of the bonds is hereby in all respects authorized and approved, and the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the City, to execute the Preliminary Official Statement and the final Official Statement as set forth in the Agreement.
- **Section 5.** The Disclosure Agreement, in substantially the form submitted to this meeting, is hereby approved, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Disclosure Agreement on behalf of the City. The Mayor, the Chief Executive Officer (the "CEO") of the Little Rock Water Reclamation Authority (the "Authority") and the officers of the Authority and the City are each authorized

and directed to take all action required on the part of the City to fulfill the City's obligations under the Disclosure Agreement.

**Section 6.** Under the authority of the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas (the "State"), including particularly Title 14, Chapter 164, Subchapter 4, and Title 14, Chapter 235, Subchapter 2 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated, City of Little Rock, Arkansas Water Reclamation System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2021, are hereby authorized and ordered issued in the principal amount of One Hundred Seven Million, Nine Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$107,970,000.00) for the purpose of accomplishing the Refunding, paying a premium for the Reserve Policy and paying expenses of issuing the bonds. The bonds shall bear interest at the rates and shall mature on October 1<sup>st</sup> in the years and in the amounts as follows:

COctober 1st)         Amount 440,000         0.812%           2026         1,790,000         0.935           2027         8,810,000         2.000           2028         8,985,000         2.000           2029         1,495,000         1.491           2030         10,540,000         1.616           2031         10,715,000         1.716           2032         10,890,000         1.836           2033         11,100,000         1.946           2034         11,315,000         2.036           2035         11,550,000         2.156           2036         11,805,000         2.256           2037         8,535,000         2.376	Year	Principal	Interest Rate
2026       1,790,000       0.935         2027       8,810,000       2.000         2028       8,985,000       2.000         2029       1,495,000       1.491         2030       10,540,000       1.616         2031       10,715,000       1.716         2032       10,890,000       1.836         2033       11,100,000       1.946         2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	(October 1 <sup>st</sup> )	<u>Amount</u> \$ 440,000	0.812%
2027       8,810,000       2.000         2028       8,985,000       2.000         2029       1,495,000       1.491         2030       10,540,000       1.616         2031       10,715,000       1.716         2032       10,890,000       1.836         2033       11,100,000       1.946         2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256		. ,	
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2029       1,495,000       1.491         2030       10,540,000       1.616         2031       10,715,000       1.716         2032       10,890,000       1.836         2033       11,100,000       1.946         2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	2027	8,810,000	2.000
2030       10,540,000       1.616         2031       10,715,000       1.716         2032       10,890,000       1.836         2033       11,100,000       1.946         2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	2028	8,985,000	2.000
2031       10,715,000       1.716         2032       10,890,000       1.836         2033       11,100,000       1.946         2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	2029	1,495,000	1.491
2032       10,890,000       1.836         2033       11,100,000       1.946         2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	2030	10,540,000	1.616
2033       11,100,000       1.946         2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	2031	10,715,000	1.716
2034       11,315,000       2.036         2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	2032	10,890,000	1.836
2035       11,550,000       2.156         2036       11,805,000       2.256	2033	11,100,000	1.946
2036 11,805,000 2.256	2034	11,315,000	2.036
	2035	11,550,000	2.156
2037 8,535,000 2.376	2036	11,805,000	2.256
	2037	8,535,000	2.376

The bonds shall be dated the date of their delivery to the Purchaser and shall be issuable only as fully registered bonds, without coupons, in the denomination of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or any integral multiple thereof. Unless the City shall otherwise direct, the bonds shall be numbered from R-l upward in order of issuance. Each bond shall be assigned a CUSIP Number.

The bonds shall be registered initially in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for the Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), which shall be considered to be the registered owner of the bonds for all purposes under this ordinance, including, without limitation, payment by the City of the principal of, redemption price, premium, if any, and interest on the bonds, and the receipt of notices and the exercise of rights of registered owners. There shall be one (1) certificated, typewritten bond for each stated maturity date which shall be immobilized in the custody of or on behalf of DTC with the beneficial owners having no right to receive

the bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates. DTC and its participants shall be responsible for maintenance of records of the ownership of beneficial interests in the bonds by book-entry on the system maintained and operated by DTC and its participants, and transfers of ownership of beneficial interests shall be made only by DTC and its participants, by book-entry, the City having no responsibility therefor. DTC is expected to maintain records of the positions of participants in the bonds, and the participants and persons acting through participants are expected to maintain records of the purchasers of beneficial interests in the bonds. The bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another securities depository or to another nominee of a securities depository, without further action by the City.

If any securities depository determines not to continue to act as a securities depository for the bonds for use in a book-entry system, the City may establish a securities depository/book-entry system relationship with another securities depository. If the City does not or is unable to do so, or upon request of the beneficial owners of all outstanding bonds, the City and the Trustee (hereinafter identified), after the Trustee has made provision for notification of the beneficial owners by the then securities depository, shall permit withdrawal of the bonds from the securities depository, and shall authenticate and deliver bond certificates in fully registered form (in denominations of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or integral multiples thereof) to the assigns of the securities depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including costs of printing definitive bonds) of the City, if the City fails to maintain a securities depository/book-entry system, or of the beneficial owners, if they request termination of the system.

Prior to issuance of the bonds, the City shall have executed and delivered to DTC a written agreement (the "Representation Letter") setting forth (or incorporating therein by reference) certain undertakings and responsibilities of the City with respect to the bonds so long as the bonds or any portion thereof are registered in the name of Cede & Co. (or a substitute nominee) and held by DTC. Notwithstanding such execution and delivery of the Representation Letter, the terms thereof shall not in any way limit the provisions of this Section or in any other way impose upon the City any obligation whatsoever with respect to persons having interests in the bonds other than the registered owners, as shown on the registration books kept by the Trustee. The Trustee shall take all action necessary for all representations of the City in the Representation Letter with respect to the Trustee to at all times be complied with.

The authorized officers of the Trustee and the City shall do or perform such acts and execute all such certificates, documents and other instruments as they or any of them deem necessary or advisable to facilitate the efficient use of a securities depository for all or any portion of the bonds; provided that neither the Trustee nor the City may assume any obligations to such securities depository or beneficial owners of the bonds that are inconsistent with their obligations to any registered owner under this ordinance.

Interest on the bonds shall be payable on October 1, 2021, and semiannually thereafter on April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Payment of each installment of interest shall be made to the person in whose name

the bond is registered on the registration books of the City maintained by Regions Bank, Little Rock, Arkansas, as trustee and paying agent (the "Trustee"), at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month (whether or not a business day) next preceding each interest payment date (the "Record Date"), irrespective of any transfer or exchange of any such bond subsequent to such Record Date and prior to such interest payment date.

Each bond shall bear interest from the payment date next preceding the date on which it is authenticated unless it is authenticated on an interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from such date, or unless it is authenticated prior to the first interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from their dated date, or unless it is authenticated during the period from the Record Date to the next interest payment date, in which case it shall bear interest from such interest payment date, or unless at the time of authentication thereof interest is in default thereon, in which event it shall bear interest from the date to which interest has been paid.

Only such bonds as shall have endorsed thereon a Certificate of Authentication substantially in the form set forth in Section 8 hereof (the "Certificate") duly executed by the Trustee shall be entitled to any right or benefit under this ordinance. No bond shall be valid and obligatory for any purpose unless and until the Certificate shall have been duly executed by the Trustee, and the Certificate upon any such bond shall be conclusive evidence that such bond has been authenticated and delivered under this ordinance. The Certificate on any bond shall be deemed to have been executed if signed by an authorized officer of the Trustee, but it shall not be necessary that the same officer sign the Certificate on all of the bonds.

In case any bond shall become mutilated or be destroyed or lost, the City shall, if not then prohibited by law, cause to be executed and the Trustee may authenticate and deliver a new bond of like date, number, maturity and tenor in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of such mutilated bond, or in lieu of and in substitution for such bond destroyed or lost, upon the owner paying the reasonable expenses and charges of the City and Trustee in connection therewith, and, in the case of a bond destroyed or lost, his filing with the Trustee evidence satisfactory to it that such bond was destroyed or lost, and of his ownership thereof, and furnishing the City and Trustee with indemnity satisfactory to them. The Trustee is hereby authorized to authenticate any such new bond. In the event any such bond shall have matured, instead of issuing a new bond, the City may pay the same without the surrender thereof. Upon the issuance of a new bond under this Section, the City may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith.

The City shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, books for the registration and for the transfer of the bonds, as provided herein and in the bonds. The Trustee shall act as the Bond Registrar. Each bond is transferable by the registered owner thereof or by his attorney duly authorized in writing at the principal

office of the Trustee. Upon such transfer, a new fully registered bond or bonds of the same maturity, of authorized denomination or denominations, for the same aggregate principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor.

No charge shall be made to any owner of any bond for the privilege of transfer or exchange, but any owner of any bond requesting any such transfer or exchange shall pay any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect thereto. Except as otherwise provided in the immediately preceding sentence, the cost of preparing each new bond upon each exchange or transfer and any other expenses of the City or the Trustee incurred in connection therewith shall be paid by the City. The City shall not be required to transfer or exchange any bonds selected for redemption in whole or in part.

The person in whose name any bond shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, and payment of or on account of the principal or premium, if any, or interest on any bond shall be made only to or upon the order of the registered owner thereof or his legal representative, but such registration may be changed as hereinabove provided. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

In any case where the date of maturity of interest on or principal of the bonds or the date fixed for redemption of any bonds shall be a Saturday or Sunday or shall be in the State a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions are authorized by law to close, then payment of interest or principal (and premium, if any) need not be made on such date but may be made on the next succeeding business day with the same force and effect as if made on the date of maturity or the date fixed for redemption, and no interest shall accrue for the period after the date of maturity or date fixed for redemption.

**Section 7.** The bonds shall be executed on behalf of the City by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and City Clerk, and shall have impressed or imprinted thereon the seal of the City. The bonds, together with interest thereon, are secured by and are payable solely from the net revenues derived from the System (the "Net Revenues") which are hereby pledged and mortgaged for the equal and ratable payment of the bonds. The pledge of Net Revenues in favor of the bonds shall be (i) on a parity with the pledge in favor of the Parity Bonds, and (ii) prior to the pledge in favor of the Subordinate Bonds. The bonds and the interest thereon shall not constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation.

**Section 8.** The bonds and the Certificate shall be in substantially the following form, and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby expressly authorized and directed to make all recitals contained therein:

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	No. R				
3 4	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA				
5	STATE OF ARKANSAS				
6	COUNTY OF PULASKI				
7	CITY OF LITTLE ROCK				
8 9	WATER RECLAMATION SYSTEM REFUNDING REVENUE BOND TAXABLE SERIES 2021				
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	Maturity Date: October 1, 20 Interest Rate:%				
	Dated Date:, 2021 CUSIP No.:				
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12	Registered Owner: CEDE & CO.				
13	Principal Amount:DOLLARS				
14	KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:				
15	That the City of Little Rock, County of Pulaski, State of Arkansas (the "City"), for value received,				
16	hereby promises to pay, but solely from the source as hereinafter provided and not otherwise, to the				
17	Registered Owner shown above upon the presentation and surrender hereof at the principal corporate office				
18	of Regions Bank, Little Rock, Arkansas, or its successor or successors, as trustee and paying agent (the				
19	"Trustee"), on the Maturity Date shown above, the Principal Amount shown above, in such coin or currency				
20	of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public				
21	and private debts and to pay by check or draft interest thereon, but solely from the source as hereinafter				
22	provided and not otherwise, in like coin or currency from the interest commencement date specified below				
23	at the Interest Rate per annum shown above, payable October 1, 2021, and semiannually thereafter on the				
24	first days of April and October of each year, until payment of such principal sum or, if this bond or a portion				
25	thereof shall be duly called for redemption, until the date fixed for redemption, and to pay interest or				

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overdue principal and interest (to the extent legally enforceable) at the rate borne by this bond. Payment of

each installment of interest shall be made to the person in whose name this bond is registered on the registration books of the City maintained by the Trustee at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month

(whether or not a business day) next preceding each interest payment date (the "Record Date"), irrespective

of any transfer or exchange of this bond subsequent to such Record Date and prior to such interest payment

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date.

Unless this bond is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the Trustee for registration of transfer, exchange or payment, and any certificate 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 required 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.

This bond shall bear interest from the payment date next preceding the date on which it is authenticated unless it is authenticated on an interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from such date, or unless it is authenticated prior to the first interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from the Dated Date shown above, or unless it is authenticated during the period from the Record Date to the next interest payment date, in which case it shall bear interest from such interest payment date, or unless at the time of authentication hereof interest is in default hereon, in which event it shall bear interest from the date to which interest has been paid.

This bond is one of an issue of City of Little Rock, Arkansas Water Reclamation System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2021 aggregating One Hundred Seven Million, Nine Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$107,970,000.00) in principal amount (the "bonds"), and is issued for the purposes of refunding the City's Sewer Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015 maturing on October 1<sup>st</sup> in the years 2027, 2028, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036 and 2037, paying the premium for a Debt Service Reserve Insurance Policy and paying expenses incidental thereto and to the authorization and issuance of the bonds.

The bonds are issued pursuant to and in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas (the "State"), including particularly Title 14, Chapter 164, Subchapter 4 and Title 14, Chapter 235, Subchapter 2 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated, and pursuant to Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_\_ duly passed on August 3, 2021 (the "Authorizing Ordinance"), and do not constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation. The bonds are not general obligations of the City, but are special obligations payable solely from the net revenues (the "Net Revenues") derived from the operation of the City's Sewer System, which is now identified as a Water Reclamation System (the "System"), on a parity of security with the City's outstanding Sewer Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2011, Series 2014, Series 2015 that are not being refunded and Series 2016B, Water Reclamation System Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 and Water Reclamation System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2020B, and prior to the pledge of Net Revenues in favor of the City's Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2007B, Series 2009A, Series 2013, Series 2016, Series 2018, Series 2019, Series 2020 and Series 2020C. An amount of Net Revenues sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds has been duly pledged

and set aside into the 2021 Water Reclamation System Revenue Bond Fund created by the Authorizing Ordinance. Reference is hereby made to the Authorizing Ordinance for a detailed statement of the terms and conditions upon which the bonds are issued, of the nature and extent of the security for the bonds, and the rights and obligations of the City, the Trustee and the registered owners of the bonds. The City has fixed and has covenanted and agreed to maintain rates for the services of the System which shall be sufficient at all times to provide for the proper and reasonable expenses of operation and maintenance of the System and for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds, including Trustee's fees, as the same become due and payable, to establish and maintain a Debt Service Reserve and to make the required deposit for the depreciation of the System.

The bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the City, from funds from any source, on and after October 1, 2028, at par, in whole or in part at any time, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the bonds being redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If fewer than all of the bonds shall be called for redemption, the particular maturities of the bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the City in its discretion.

In case any outstanding bond is in a denomination greater than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), each Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) of face value of such bond shall be treated as a separate bond of the denomination of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

Notice of redemption identifying the bonds or portions thereof (which shall be Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or a multiple thereof) to be redeemed shall be given by the Trustee, not less than thirty (30) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first-class mail, postage prepaid, or sending a copy of the redemption notice via other standard means, including electronic or facsimile communication, to all registered owners of bonds to be redeemed. Failure to mail or send an appropriate notice or any such notice to one or more registered owners of bonds to be redeemed shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for redemption of other bonds as to which notice of redemption is duly given in proper and timely fashion. All such bonds or portions thereof thus called for redemption and for the retirement of which funds are duly provided in accordance with the Authorizing Ordinance prior to the date fixed for redemption will cease to bear interest on such redemption date.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED AND DECLARED that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of the bonds do exist, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law; that the indebtedness represented by the bonds, together with all obligations of the City, does not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation; and that the above referred to Net Revenues pledged to the payment of the principal of

1	and premium, if any, and interest on the bonds as the same become due and payable will be sufficient in				
2	amount for that purpose.				
3	This bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or				
4	benefit under the Authorizing Ordinance until the Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been				
5	signed by the Trustee.				
6	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Little Rock, Arkansas has caused this bond to be executed by				
7	its Mayor and City Clerk and its corporate seal to be impressed or imprinted on this bond, all as of the Date				
8	Date shown above.				
		CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS			
	ATTEST:	By:			
		Mayor			
	City Clerk				
	(SEAL)				
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10	(Form of Trustee's Certificate)				
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12	TRUSTEE'S C	CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION			
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14	This bond is one of the bonds design	nated Taxable Series 2021 in and issued under the provisions of the			
15	within mentioned Authorizing Ordinanc	ee.			
16					
17	Date of Authentication:				
18					
		REGIONS BANK			
		Little Rock, Arkansas, Trustee			
		By:			
19		Authorized Signature			
20	[A Form of A	ssignment will be attached to the bonds 1			
21	[A Form of Assignment will be attached to the bonds.]				
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**Section 9.** The rates charged for services of the System heretofore fixed by Ordinance No. 21,080 of the City, passed August 4, 2015, and the conditions, rights and obligations pertaining thereto, as set out in those ordinances, are hereby ratified, confirmed and continued. None of the facilities or services afforded by the System shall be furnished without a charge being made therefor. In the event that the City or any department, agency or instrumentality thereof shall avail itself of the facilities and services afforded by the System, the reasonable value of the services or facilities so afforded shall be charged against the City or such department, agency or instrumentality and shall be paid for as the charges accrue. The revenues so received shall be deemed to be revenues derived from the operation of the System and shall be used and accounted for in the same manner as the other revenues derived from the operation of the System.

The City covenants and agrees that System rates shall never be reduced while any of the bonds are outstanding unless there is obtained from an independent certified public accountant ("Accountant") a certificate that the Net Revenues of the System ("Net Revenues" being defined as gross revenues of the System less the expenses of operation and maintenance of the System, including all expense items properly attributable to the operation and maintenance of the System under generally accepted accounting principles applicable to municipal sewer facilities, excluding depreciation, interest and amortization of deferred bond discount expenses), with the reduced rates, will always be equal to the amount required to be set aside for the Depreciation Fund (hereinafter identified), and leave a balance equal to at least 130% of the average annual principal and interest requirements on all outstanding bonds payable from System revenues ("System Bonds"). The City further covenants and agrees that the rates shall, if and when necessary, from time to time, be increased in such manner as will produce revenues at least sufficient to pay the principal and interest on all System Bonds when due, to pay the operation and maintenance expenses of the System, to deposit the amounts required to be paid into the Depreciation Fund and any Debt Service Reserves, to pay insurers of System Bonds for any amounts owed in connection with Debt Service Reserve Fund Insurance policies or Surety Bonds for System Bonds, and to reimburse the Reserve Insurer for any amounts owing with respect to the Reserve Policy in accordance with this ordinance.

The City covenants and agrees that the existing rates will produce total System revenues at least sufficient to pay the operation and maintenance expenses of the System, to pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on all outstanding System Bonds and trustee fees in connection therewith, and to make the required deposits into the Debt Service Reserves and the Depreciation Fund.

This Section 9 shall not apply to the type of charges fixed by Ordinance No. 20,590, passed June 5, 2012.

**Section 10.** The System shall be continuously operated as a revenue producing undertaking and all System revenues shall be paid into a special fund heretofore created and designated "Sewer Fund" (the "Revenue Fund"). The System revenues so deposited in the Revenue Fund are hereby pledged and shall be

applied to the payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of operation, repair and maintenance of the System, to the payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on System Bonds, to the establishment and maintenance of Debt Service Reserves, to the providing of a Depreciation Fund, to pay insurers of System Bonds for any amounts owed in connection with Debt Service Reserve Fund Insurance Policies or Surety Bonds for System Bonds, and to reimburse the Reserve Insurer for any amounts owing with respect to the Reserve Policy as hereinafter set forth. The Revenue Fund, and the other special funds hereinafter in this ordinance provided for or referred to, shall be maintained in such depositories of the City as shall from time to time be designated by the Commission, with all such depositories to hold membership in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC"), to be located in Little Rock, Arkansas, and to have a capital and surplus of not less than Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000.00), and with all deposits in any depository in excess of the amount insured by the FDIC to be secured by bonds or other direct or fully guaranteed obligations of the United States of America unless invested in accordance with Section 28 hereof.

**Section 11.** There shall be paid from the Revenue Fund into a fund heretofore created and designated "Sewer Operation and Maintenance Fund" (the "Operation and Maintenance Fund") on or before the tenth day of each month while any bonds are outstanding, an amount sufficient to pay the reasonable and necessary monthly expenses of operation, repair and maintenance of the System for such month and from which disbursements shall be made only for those purposes. Fixed annual charges such as insurance premiums and the cost of major repair and maintenance expenses may be computed and set up on an annual basis, and one-twelfth (1/12) of the amount thereof may be paid into the Operation and Maintenance Fund each month.

If in any month for any reason there shall be a failure to transfer and pay the required amount into Operation and Maintenance Fund, the amount of any deficiency shall be added to the amount otherwise required to be transferred and paid into such fund in the next succeeding month. If in any fiscal year a surplus shall be accumulated in the Operation and Maintenance Fund over and above the amount which shall be necessary to defray the reasonable and necessary costs of operation, repair and maintenance of the System during the remainder of the then current fiscal year and the next ensuing fiscal year, such surplus may be transferred and deposited in the Revenue Fund.

**Section 12.** After making the required monthly deposits into the Operation and Maintenance Fund, there shall be paid from the Revenue Fund, pro rata, the required monthly deposits into the bond funds (and Debt Service Reserves therein) for the Parity Bonds and any additional bonds issued on a parity with the bonds pursuant to Section 18 hereof (the "Parity Bond Funds") and into a special fund in the name of the City which is hereby created and designated the "2021 Water Reclamation System Revenue Bond Fund" (the "2021 Bond Fund" and collectively with the Parity Bond Funds, the "Senior Bond Funds"). Payments

2021, until all outstanding bonds, with interest thereon, have been paid in full or provision made for such payment, a sum equal to 1/6 of the next installment of interest due on the bonds plus 1/12 of the next installment of principal due on the bonds; provided, however, that payments into the 2021 Bond Fund in

into the 2021 Bond Fund shall be made on or before the 15th day of each month, commencing in September

September 2021 shall be in an amount equal to the interest due October 1, 2021, and payments into the

2021 Bond Fund for purposes of making the first principal payment due October 1, 2025, need not

commence until October 2024.

The City shall also pay into the 2021 Bond Fund such additional sums as necessary to provide for the Trustee's fees and expenses and any fees or other amounts due the Reserve Insurer. The City shall realize a credit against monthly deposits into the 2021 Bond Fund from all interest earnings on moneys in the 2021 Bond Fund, for transfers into the 2021 Bond Fund from funds held in connection with the Bonds to be Refunded, and for transfers from the Cost of Issuance Fund pursuant to Section 25 hereof.

If Net Revenues are insufficient to make the required payment on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the following month into the 2021 Bond Fund, the amount of any such deficiency in the payment made shall be added to the amount otherwise required to be paid into the 2021 Bond Fund on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the next month.

When the moneys held in the 2021 Bond Fund shall be and remain sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on all of the bonds then outstanding plus Trustee's fees and expenses and fees or other amounts due the Reserve Insurer, the City shall not be obligated to make any further payments into the 2021 Bond Fund.

It shall be the duty of the City to cause to be withdrawn from the 2021 Bond Fund and deposited with the Trustee at least five (5) business days before the due date of any principal and/or interest on any bond, at maturity or redemption prior to maturity, and deposited with the Trustee an amount equal to the amount of such bond and interest due thereon for the sole purpose of paying the same, together with the Trustee's fee and any Reserve Policy Payments due the Reserve Insurer. No withdrawal of funds from the 2021 Bond Fund shall be made for any other purpose except as otherwise authorized in this ordinance.

The bonds shall be specifically secured by a pledge of all Net Revenues remaining after the deposits have been made to the Operation and Maintenance Fund. This pledge in favor of the bonds 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 13. There is hereby created, as part of the 2021 Bond Fund, a Debt Service Reserve (the "Debt Service Reserve") which shall be maintained by the City. There shall be deposited into the Debt Service Reserve the Reserve Policy issued by the Reserve Insurer, which shall be in an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the maximum annual principal and interest requirement on the bonds, (ii) 10% of the principal amount of the bonds or (iii) 125% of the average annual Debt Service on the bonds (the "Required Level"). If for

any reason the City should fail at any time to make any of the required payments into the 2021 Bond Fund, the Debt Service Reserve shall be used to the extent necessary for the payment of principal of and interest on the bonds.

## **Section 14.** Notwithstanding any provision of this ordinance to the contrary:

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- (a) In the event that payment is required under the Reserve Policy, the Trustee shall ascertain the necessity for a claim under the Reserve Policy in accordance with Subsection (b) below and provide notice to the Reserve Insurer in accordance with the terms of the Reserve Policy at least five (5) business days prior to each date upon which principal and interest is due on the bonds. The Trustee shall also give notice to the Reserve Insurer of a failure to make a timely payment into the 2021 Bond Fund within two (2) days of the date such payment was due.
- (b) The City shall repay any draws under the Reserve Policy and pay all related reasonable expenses incurred by the Reserve Insurer and shall pay interest thereon from the date of payment by the Reserve Insurer at the Late Payment Rate. "Late Payment Rate" means the lesser of (x) the greater of (i) the per annum rate of interest, publicly announced from time to time by JPMorgan Chase Bank at its principal office in the City of New York, as its prime or base lending rate ("Prime Rate") (any change in such Prime Rate to be effective on the date such change is announced by JPMorgan Chase Bank) plus 5%, and (ii) the then applicable highest rate of interest on the bonds and (y) the maximum rate permissible under applicable usury or similar laws limiting interest rates. The Late Payment Rate shall be computed on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed over a year of 360 days. In the event JPMorgan Chase Bank ceases to announce its Prime Rate publicly, Prime Rate shall be the publicly announced prime or base lending rate of such national bank as the Reserve Insurer shall specify. If the interest provision of this Subsection (b) shall result in an effective rate of interest which, for any period, exceeds the limit of the usury or any other laws applicable to the indebtedness created herein, then all sums in excess of those lawfully collectible as interest for the period in question shall, without further agreement or notice between or by the City and the Reserve Insurer, be applied as additional interest for any later periods of time when amounts are outstanding hereunder to the extent that interest otherwise due hereunder for such periods plus such additional interest would not exceed the limit of the usury or such other laws, and any excess shall be applied upon principal immediately upon receipt of such moneys by the Reserve Insurer, with the same force and effect as if the City had specifically designated such extra sums to be so applied and the Reserve Insurer had agreed to accept such extra payment(s) as additional interest for such later periods. In no event shall any agreed-to or actual exaction as consideration for the indebtedness created herein exceed the limits imposed or provided by the law applicable to this transaction for the use or detention of money or for forbearance in seeking its collection.

Repayment of draws and payment of expenses and accrued interest thereon at the Late Payment Rate (collectively, "Policy Costs") shall commence in the first month following each draw, and each such monthly payment shall be in an amount at least equal to 1/12 of the aggregate of Policy Costs related to such draw.

Amounts in respect of Policy Costs paid to the Reserve Insurer shall be credited first to interest due, then to the expenses due and then to principal due. As and to the extent that payments are made to the Reserve Insurer on account of principal due, the coverage under the Reserve Policy will be increased by a like amount, subject to the terms of the Reserve Policy.

All cash and investments in the Debt Service Reserve shall be transferred to the 2021 Bond Fund for payment of Debt Service on the bonds before any drawing may be made on the Reserve Policy. Payment of any Policy Costs shall be made prior to replenishment of any cash drawn from the Debt Service Reserve.

- (c) Upon a failure of the City to pay Policy Costs when due in accordance with the requirements above or any other breach of the terms of this ordinance, the Reserve Insurer shall be entitled to exercise any and all legal and equitable remedies available to it, including those provided under this ordinance other than (i) acceleration of the maturity of the bonds or (ii) remedies which would adversely affect owners of the bonds. Notwithstanding any provision of this ordinance to the contrary, this ordinance shall not be discharged until all Policy Costs owing to the Reserve Insurer shall have been paid in full. The City's obligation to pay such amounts shall expressly survive payment in full of the bonds. In order to secure the City's payment obligations with respect to the Policy Costs, there is hereby granted in favor of the Reserve Insurer a security interest in Net Revenues and other collateral pledged as security for the bonds, Parity Bonds and any other additional Parity Bonds issued under Section 18 hereof (excluding from such collateral any Debt Service Reserves for the Parity Bonds or additional Parity Bonds issued under Section 18 hereof and excluding any collateral specific to each issue of Parity Bonds or additional Parity Bonds issued under Section 18 hereof), which payment obligations are subordinate in priority of payment to the payment of Debt Service due on the bonds, Parity Bonds, and any other additional Parity Bonds issued under Section 18 hereof. The City shall include any Policy Costs then due and owing the Reserve Insurer in the calculations set forth in Section 9 and Section 18 hereof.
- (d) The City shall pay or reimburse the Reserve Insurer any and all charges, fees, costs, losses, liabilities and expenses which the Reserve Insurer may reasonably pay or incur including, but not limited to, fees and expenses of attorneys, accountants, consultants and auditors and reasonable costs of investigations, in connection with (i) any accounts established to facilitate payments under the Reserve Policy, (ii) the administration, enforcement, defense or preservation of any rights in respect to this ordinance or any document executed in connection with the bonds (the "Related Documents"), including defending, monitoring or participating in any litigation or proceeding (including any bankruptcy proceeding in respect

to the City) relating to this ordinance or any other Related Document, any party to any Related Document or the transactions contemplated by the Related Documents, (iii) the foreclosure against, sale or other disposition of any collateral securing any obligations under this ordinance or any other Related Document, if any, or the pursuit of any remedies under this ordinance or any other Related Documents, to the extent such costs and expenses are not recovered from such foreclosure, sale or other disposition, (iv) any amendment, waiver or other action with respect to, or related to this ordinance, the Reserve Policy or any other Related Document whether or not executed or completed, or (v) any action taken by the Reserve Insurer to cure a default or termination or similar event (or to mitigate the effect thereof) under this ordinance or any other Related Document; costs and expenses shall include a reasonable allocation of compensation and overhead attributable to time of employees of the Reserve Insurer spent in connection with the actions described in clauses (ii) through (v) above. The Reserve Insurer reserves the right to charge a reasonable fee as a condition to executing any amendment, wavier or consent proposed in respect of this ordinance or any other Related Document. Amounts payable by the City under this Section shall bear interest at the Late Payment Rate from the date such amount is paid or incurred by the Reserve Insurer until the date the Reserve Insurer is paid in full.

(e) The obligation of the City to pay all amounts due to the Reserve Insurer shall be an absolute and unconditional obligation of the City and will be paid or performed strictly in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance irrespective of: (i) any lack of validity or enforceability of or any amendment or other modifications of, or waiver with respect to the bonds, this ordinance or any other Related Document; (ii) any amendment or other modification of, or waiver with respect to the Reserve Policy; (iii) any exchange, release or non-perfection of any security interest in property securing the bonds, this ordinance or any other Related Documents; (iv) whether or not such bonds are contingent or matured, disputed or undisputed, liquidated or unliquidated; (v) any amendment, modification or waiver of or any consent to departure from the Reserve Policy, this ordinance or all or any of the other Related Documents; (vi) the existence of any claim, setoff, defense (other than the defense of payment in full) reduction, abatement or other right which the City may have at any time against the Trustee or any other person or entity other than the Reserve Insurer, whether in connection with the transactions contemplated herein or in any other Related Documents or any unrelated transactions; (vii) any statement or any other document presented under or in connection with the Reserve Policy proving in any and all respects invalid, inaccurate, insufficient, fraudulent or forged or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect; or (viii) any payment by the Reserve Insurer under the Reserve Policy against presentation of a certificate or other document which does not strictly comply with the terms of the Reserve Policy.

(f) The City shall fully observe, perform and fulfill each of the provisions (as each of those provisions may be amended, supplemented, modified or waived with the prior written consent of the

Reserve Insurer) of this ordinance applicable to it, each of the provisions thereof being expressly incorporated into this ordinance by reference solely for the benefit of the Reserve Insurer as if set forth directly herein. No provision of this ordinance or any other Related Document shall be amended, supplemented, modified or waived, without the prior written consent of the Reserve Insurer, in any material respect or otherwise in a manner that could adversely affect the payment obligations of the City hereunder or the priority accorded to the reimbursement of Policy Costs under this ordinance. The Reserve Insurer is hereby expressly made a third party beneficiary of this ordinance and each other Related Document.

(g) The City covenants to provide to the Reserve Insurer, promptly upon request, any information regarding the bonds or the financial condition and operations of the City as reasonably requested by the Reserve Insurer. The City will permit the Reserve Insurer to discuss the affairs, finances and accounts of the City or any information the Reserve Insurer may reasonably request regarding the security for the bonds with appropriate officers of the City and will use commercially reasonable efforts to enable the Reserve Insurer to have access to the facilities, books and records of the City on any business day upon reasonable prior notice.

(h) Notices and other information to the Reserve Insurer shall be sent to the following address (or such other address as the Reserve Insurer may designate in writing): Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp., 1633 Broadway, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Managing Director-Surveillance, RE: Policy No.

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**Section 15.** After making the deposits into the Operation and Maintenance Fund and the Senior Bond Funds, there shall be transferred from the Revenue Fund into the bond funds for the Subordinate Bonds (the "Subordinate Bond Funds"), the amounts required by the ordinances authorizing the Subordinate Bonds, and the administration and servicing fees due in connection with the Subordinate Bonds.

**Section 16.** After making the required payments into the Operation and Maintenance Fund, the Senior Bond Funds and the Subordinate Bond Funds, there shall be paid from the Revenue Fund into a fund heretofore created and designated the "Sewer Depreciation Fund" (the "Depreciation Fund") on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month while any bonds are outstanding 3% of the System revenues which remain after the required payment into the Operation and Maintenance Fund has been made. The moneys in the Depreciation Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of paying the cost of replacements made necessary by the depreciation of the System. If in any fiscal year a surplus shall be accumulated in the Depreciation Fund over and above the amount necessary to defray the cost of the probable replacements during the then current fiscal year and the next ensuing fiscal year, such surplus may be transferred and paid into the Revenue Fund.

**Section 17.** Any surplus in the Revenue Fund, after making the required monthly deposits into all of the funds as set forth above may be used, at the option of the City, for any lawful purpose of the System, as approved by the Commission.

Section 18. So long as any of the bonds are outstanding, the City shall not issue or attempt to issue any bonds claimed to be entitled to a priority of lien on Net Revenues over the lien securing the bonds and the Parity Bonds. The City reserves the right to issue additional bonds to finance or pay the cost of making any future extensions, betterments or improvements to the System, or to refund bonds issued for such purposes, but the City shall not authorize or issue any such additional bonds ranking on a parity with the bonds and the Parity Bonds unless and until there have been procured and filed with the City Clerk and the Trustee a statement by an Accountant reciting the opinion, based upon necessary investigation, that the Net Revenues of the System for the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in which it is proposed to issue such additional bonds shall equal not less than 120% of the average annual principal and interest requirements on all the then outstanding System Bonds and the additional bonds then proposed to be issued. The term "Net Revenues" means gross System revenues less operation and maintenance expenses other than depreciation, interest and amortization of deferred bond discount expenses, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. In making the computation set forth above, the City, and the Accountant on behalf of the City, may, based upon the opinion or report of a registered professional engineer not in the regular employ of the City, treat any increase in rates for the System enacted subsequent to the first day of such preceding fiscal year as having been in effect during or throughout such fiscal year and may include in gross System revenues for such fiscal year the amount that would have been received, based on such opinion or report, had the increase been in effect during or throughout such fiscal year.

Section 19. The City covenants and agrees that it will maintain the System in good condition and operate the same in an efficient manner and at reasonable cost. While any of the bonds are outstanding, the City agrees that it will insure and at all times keep insured, in the amount of the full insurable value thereof, in a responsible insurance company or companies selected by the Commission and authorized and qualified under the laws of the State to assume the risk thereof, all aboveground structures of the System, to the extent that such structures would be covered by insurance by private companies engaged in similar types of businesses, against loss or damage thereto from fire, lightning, tornados, winds, riot, strike, civil commotion, malicious damage, explosion and against any other loss or damage from any other causes customarily insured against by private companies engaged in similar types of business. The insurance policies are to carry a clause making them payable to the Commission and the Trustee as their interests may appear, and satisfactory evidence of said insurance shall be filed with the Trustee. In the event of loss, the proceeds of such insurance shall be applied solely toward the reconstruction, replacement or repair of the System, and in such event the City will, with reasonable promptness, cause to be commenced and completed

the reconstruction, replacement and repair work. If such proceeds are more than sufficient for such purposes, the balance remaining shall be deposited to the credit of the Revenue Fund, and if such proceeds shall be insufficient for such purposes, the deficiency shall be supplied first from moneys in the Depreciation Fund, second from moneys in the Operation and Maintenance Fund, and third from surplus moneys in the Revenue Fund. Nothing shall be construed as requiring the City to expend any moneys for operation and maintenance of the System or for premiums on its insurance which are derived from sources other than the operation of the System, but nothing shall be construed as preventing the City from doing so.

**Section 20.** The bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity in accordance with the terms set out in the bond form hereinabove set forth.

Section 21. The Commission will keep proper books of accounts and records (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, and such books shall be available for inspection by the Trustee and any registered owner of any of the bonds at reasonable times and under reasonable circumstances. The City and the Commission agree to have these records audited by an Accountant at least once each year, and a copy of the audit shall be delivered to the Trustee at its request. In the event that the City or the Commission fail or refuse to make the audit, the Trustee, or any registered owner of the bonds, may have the audit made, and the cost thereof shall be charged against the Operation and Maintenance Fund.

Section 22. Any bond shall be deemed to be paid within the meaning of this ordinance when payment of the principal of and interest on such bond (whether at maturity or upon redemption as provided herein, or otherwise), either (i) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof, or (ii) shall have been provided for by irrevocably depositing with the Trustee, in trust and irrevocably set aside exclusively for such payment (1) cash sufficient to make such payment and/or (2) direct obligations of (including obligations issued or held in book entry form on the books of) the Department of the Treasury of the United States of America ("Government Securities"), maturing as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will provide sufficient moneys to make such payment, and all necessary and proper fees, compensation and expenses of the Trustee pertaining to the bonds with respect to which such deposit is made shall have been paid or the payment thereof provided for to the satisfaction of the Trustee.

On the payment of any such bonds within the meaning of this ordinance, the Trustee shall hold in trust, for the benefit of the owners of such bonds, all such moneys and/or Government Securities.

When all the bonds shall have been paid within the meaning of this ordinance, if the Trustee has been paid its fees and expenses, and if there are not amounts due the Reserve Insurer with respect to the Reserve Policy, the Trustee shall take all appropriate action to cause (i) the pledge and lien of this ordinance to be discharged and cancelled, and (ii) all moneys held by it pursuant to this ordinance and which are not required for the payment of such bonds to be paid over or delivered to or at the direction of the City. In

determining the sufficiency of the deposit of Government Securities, there shall be considered the principal amount of such Government Securities and interest to be earned thereon until the maturity of such Government Securities.

**Section 23.** If there be any default in the payment of the principal of or interest on any of the bonds, or if the City defaults in any 2021 Bond Fund requirement or in the performance of any of the other covenants contained in this ordinance and such failure continues unremedied for thirty (30) days, the Trustee may, and upon the written request of the registered owners of not less than 10% in principal amount of the then outstanding bonds, shall, by proper suit, compel the performance of the duties of the officials of the City under the laws of Arkansas. And in the case of a default in the payment of the principal of and interest on any of the bonds, the Trustee may and upon written request of the registered owners of not less than 10% in principal amount of the then outstanding bonds, shall apply in a proper action to a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a receiver to administer the System on behalf of the City and the registered owners of the bonds with power to charge and collect (or by mandatory injunction or otherwise to cause to be charged and collected) rates sufficient to provide for the payment of the expenses of operation, maintenance and repair and to pay any bonds and interest outstanding and to apply the System revenues in conformity with the laws of Arkansas and with this ordinance. When all defaults in principal and interest payments have been cured, the custody and operation of the System shall revert to the City.

No registered owner of any of the outstanding bonds shall have any right to institute any suit, action, mandamus or other proceeding in equity or at law for the protection or enforcement of any power or right unless such owner previously shall have given to the Trustee written notice of the default on account of which such suit, action or proceeding is to be taken, and unless the registered owners of not less than 10% in principal amount of the bonds then outstanding shall have made written request of the Trustee after the right to exercise such power or right of action, as the case may be, shall have accrued, and shall have afforded the Trustee a reasonable opportunity either to proceed to exercise the powers granted to the Trustee, or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its name, and unless, also, there shall have been offered to the Trustee reasonable security and indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred therein or thereby and the Trustee shall have refused or neglected to comply with such request within a reasonable time. Such notification, request and offer of indemnity are, at the option of the Trustee, conditions precedent to the execution of any remedy. No one (1) or more registered owners of the bonds shall have any right in any manner whatever by his or their action to affect, disturb or prejudice the security of this ordinance, or to enforce any right hereunder except in the manner herein described. All proceedings at law or in equity shall be instituted, had and maintained in the manner herein described and for the benefit of all registered owners of the outstanding bonds.

No remedy conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the registered owners of the bonds is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy or remedies, and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given under this ordinance or by law.

The Trustee may, and upon the written request of the registered owners of not less than 50% in principal amount of the bonds then outstanding shall, waive any default which shall have been remedied before the entry of final judgment or decree in any suit, action or proceeding instituted under the provisions of this ordinance or before the completion of the enforcement of any other remedy, but no such waiver shall extend to or affect any other existing or any subsequent default or defaults or impair any rights or remedies consequent thereon.

All rights of action under this ordinance or under any of the bonds, enforceable by the Trustee, may be enforced by it without the possession of any of the bonds, and any such suit, action or proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its name for the benefit of all the registered owners of such bonds, subject to the provisions of this ordinance.

No delay or omission of the Trustee or of any registered owners of the bonds 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 such default or an acquiescence therein; and every power and remedy given by this ordinance to the Trustee and to the registered owners of the bonds, respectively, may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient.

In any proceeding in which any plaintiff bondholder prevails to enforce the provisions of this ordinance, such plaintiff bondholder shall be entitled to recover from the City all costs of such proceeding, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

- **Section 24.** (a) The terms of this ordinance shall constitute a contract between the City and the registered owners of the bonds and no variation or change in the undertaking herein set forth shall be made while any of the bonds are outstanding, except as hereinafter set forth in subsections (b) and (c).
  - (b) The Trustee may consent to any variation or change in this ordinance without the consent of the owners of the outstanding bonds (a) in connection with the issuance of additional Parity Bonds under this ordinance, (b) in order to cure any ambiguity, defect or omission herein or to correct or supplement any defective or inconsistent provisions contained herein as the City may deem necessary or desirable and not inconsistent herewith, or (c) in order to make any other variation or change which the Trustee determines (in reliance on the advice of counsel (who may be counsel for the City) and/or such other certificates or reports delivered in connection therewith) shall not adversely affect the interests of the owners of the bonds.
  - (c) The owners of not less than 75% in aggregate principal amount of the bonds then outstanding shall have the right, from time to time, anything contained in this ordinance to the

contrary notwithstanding, to consent to and approve the adoption by the City of such ordinance supplemental hereto as shall be necessary or desirable for the purpose of modifying, altering, amending, adding to or rescinding, in any particular, any of the terms or provisions contained in this ordinance or in any supplemental ordinance; provided, however, that nothing contained in this Section shall permit or be construed as permitting (a) an extension of the maturity of the principal of or the interest on any bond, or (b) a reduction in the principal amount of any bond or the rate of interest thereon, or (c) the creation of a lien or pledge superior to the lien and pledge created by this ordinance, or (d) a privilege or priority of any bond or bonds over any other bond or bonds, or (e) a reduction in the aggregate principal amount of the bonds required for consent to such supplemental ordinance.

**Section 25.** When the bonds have been executed and sealed as herein provided, they shall be authenticated by the Trustee, and the Trustee shall deliver the bonds to or at the direction of the Purchaser upon payment in cash of the Purchase Price. Unless paid by the Purchaser as part of the Purchase Price, the amount necessary to pay the premium for the Reserve Policy shall be paid to the Reserve Insurer.

As set forth in the delivery instructions to the Trustee signed by the Mayor and City Clerk (the "Delivery Instructions"), the amount of the Purchase Price necessary to accomplish the Refunding, along with other funds of the System appropriated hereby, shall be deposited with the trustee for the Bonds to be Refunded. The remainder of the Purchase Price shall be deposited into a special account of the City in the Trustee designated "Water Reclamation System Refunding Revenue Bond Cost of Issuance Fund, Series 2021" (the "Cost of Issuance Fund"). The moneys in the Cost of Issuance Fund shall be disbursed solely in payment of the costs of accomplishing the Refunding, paying necessary expenses incidental thereto, and paying expenses of issuing the bonds. Disbursements shall be based on the Delivery Instructions or on requisitions which shall contain at least the following information: the person to whom payment is being made; the amount of the payment; and the purpose by general classification of the payment. Each requisition must be signed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Authority (the "Chief Financial Officer"). The Trustee shall keep a record of all requisitions.

Any moneys remaining in the Cost of Issuance Fund on February 1, 2022, shall be transferred by the Trustee to the 2021 Bond Fund.

**Section 26.** In the event any of the offices of Mayor, City Clerk, CEO, Chief Financial Officer, Commission or Board of Directors shall be abolished, or any two (2) or more of such offices shall be merged or consolidated, or in the event the duties of a particular office shall be transferred to another office or officer, or in the event of a vacancy in any such office by reason of death, resignation, removal from office or otherwise, or in the event any such officer shall become incapable of performing the duties of his office by reason of sickness, absence from the City or otherwise, all powers conferred and all obligations and

duties imposed upon such office or officer shall be performed by the office or officer succeeding to the principal functions thereof, or by the office or officer upon whom such powers, obligations and duties shall be imposed by law.

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So long as the System is under the control of the Commission, performance by the Commission of any obligation of the City hereunder shall be deemed performance by the City. The Commission presently consists of Chris Marsh, Ganelle McBryde, Debbie Shock, Richard L. Mays, Jr., Jonathan Semans, Schawnee Hightower and Lauren Ward.

Section 27. The Trustee shall only be responsible for the exercise of good faith and reasonable prudence in the execution of its trust. The recitals in this ordinance and on the face of the bonds are the recitals of the City and not of the Trustee. The Trustee shall not be required to take any action as Trustee unless it shall have been requested to do so in writing by the owners of not less than 10% in principal amount of the bonds then outstanding and shall have been offered reasonable security and indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred therein or thereby. The Trustee may resign at any time by giving sixty (60) days' notice in writing to the City Clerk and to the registered owners of the bonds and the majority in value of the registered owners of the outstanding bonds or the City, if it is not in default under this ordinance, at any time, with or without cause, may remove the Trustee. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Trustee, either by resignation or by removal, the City shall appoint a new Trustee, such appointment to be evidenced by a written instrument or instruments filed with the City Clerk. Every successor Trustee appointed pursuant to this Section shall be a trust company or bank in good standing, duly authorized to exercise trust powers and subject to examination by federal or state authority. The original Trustee and any successor Trustee shall file a written acceptance and agreement to execute the trust imposed upon it or them by this ordinance, but only upon the terms and conditions set forth in this ordinance and subject to the provisions of this ordinance, to all of which the respective owners of the bonds agree. Such written acceptance shall be filed with the City Clerk and a copy thereof shall be placed in the bond transcript. Any successor Trustee shall have all the powers herein granted to the original Trustee. The Trustee's resignation shall become effective upon the acceptance of the trusts by the successor Trustee.

- **Section 28.** (a) Moneys held for the credit of the 2021 Bond Fund shall be continuously invested and reinvested pursuant to the direction of the Commission in Eligible Investments, all of which shall mature, or which shall be subject to redemption by the holder thereof, at the option of such holder, not later than the payment date for interest or principal and interest on the bonds.
  - (b) Moneys held for the credit of any other fund shall be continuously invested and reinvested pursuant to the direction of the Commission in Eligible Investments, which shall mature, or which shall be subject to redemption by the holder thereof, at the option of such holder, not later than the

date or dates when the moneys held for the credit of the particular fund will be required for purposes intended.

- (c) "Eligible Investments" means any of the securities that are at the time legal for investment of City funds pursuant to Resolution No. 12,520 of the City, as may be amended from time to time.
- (d) Obligations so purchased as an investment of moneys in any fund shall be deemed at all times to be a part of such fund and the interest accruing thereon and any profit realized from such investments shall be credited to such fund, and any loss resulting from such investment shall be charged to such fund.
- (e) Moneys so invested in Government Securities or in certificates of deposit of banks to the extent insured by FDIC, need not be secured by the depository bank or banks.
- (f) All investments and deposits shall have a par value (or market value when less than par), exclusive of accrued interest, at all times at least equal to the amount of money credited to such funds and shall be made in such a manner that the money required to be expended from any fund will be available at the proper time or times.
- (g) Investments of moneys in all funds shall be valued in terms of current market value as of the last day of each year, except that direct obligations of the United States (State and Local Government Series) in book-entry form shall be continuously valued at par or face principal amount.
- **Section 29.** It is covenanted and agreed by the City with the registered owners of the bonds, or any of them, that the City and the Commission will faithfully and punctually perform all duties with reference to the System required by the Constitution and laws of the State, including the charging and collecting of reasonable and sufficient rates lawfully established for services rendered by the System, the segregating of System revenues as herein required, and the applying of System revenues to the respective funds herein created or referred to.
- **Section 30.** The City covenants that it will not sell or lease the System, or any substantial portion thereof; 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. All revenues derived from such dispositions shall be deposited into the Revenue Fund.
- **Section 31.** The requirements of Ordinance No. 15,249, as they may relate to the authorization and sale of the Bonds, are hereby waived.
- **Section 32.** The Reserve Agreement, in substantially the form submitted to this meeting is hereby approved, and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the

2 execute and deliver such undertakings as may be appropriate to the securing of the Reserve Policy. 3 Section 33. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or 4 word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or 5 adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and 6 effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional was not originally a part of the 7 ordinance. 8 Section 34. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with 9 the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. 10 Section 35. Emergency Clause. It is hereby ascertained and declared that the Refunding must be accomplished as soon as possible in order to take advantage of low interest rates for bonds, that will enable 11 12 the City to reduce future rate increases as much as reasonably feasible. It is, therefore, declared that an 13 emergency exists and this ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, 14 health and safety shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. 15 PASSED: August 3, 2021 16 **ATTEST: APPROVED:** 17 18 Susan Langley, City Clerk 19 Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor 20 APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM: 21 22 23 Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney 24 // 25 // 26 // 27 // 28 // 29 // 30 // 31 // 32 // 33 // 34 // 35 //

Reserve Agreement on behalf of the City, and the Mayor and other officers of the City are authorized to

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