

AGREEMENT RELATING TO PAYING AND REGISTRAR AGENCY

THIS AGREEMENT RELATING TO PAYING AND REGISTRAR AGENCY (this “Agreement”), is entered into as of April 2, 2025 by and between **CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA** (the “Issuer”), and **U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION** (the “Bank”), as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Issuer has duly authorized and provided for the issuance of its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A (the “Bonds”) in an aggregate principal amount of \$4,770,000.00 to be issued as fully registered bonds without coupons;

WHEREAS, the Issuer will ensure all things necessary to make the Bonds the valid obligations of the Issuer, in accordance with their terms, will be done upon the issuance and delivery thereof;

WHEREAS, the Issuer and the Bank wish to provide the terms under which Bank will act as Paying Agent to pay the principal, redemption premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds, in accordance with the terms thereof, and under which the Bank will act as Bond Registrar for the Bonds;

WHEREAS, the Bank has agreed to serve in such capacities for and on behalf of the Issuer and has full power and authority to perform and serve as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar for the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Agreement; and all things necessary to make this Agreement a valid agreement have been done.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed as follows:

ARTICLE ONE DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. Definitions.

For all purposes of this Agreement except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

“Bank” means U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, and its successors and assigns.

“Bond Register” means the book or books of registration kept by the Bank, as Bond Registrar, in which are maintained the name and address of and principal amounts registered to each Registered Owner.

“Bond Registrar” means the Bank when it is performing the function of registrar for the Bonds.

“Bonds” shall have the meaning defined in the Recitals.

“Fiscal Year” means the fiscal year of the Issuer ending on December 31 of each year.

“Issuer” means City of Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

“Paying Agent” means the Bank when it is performing the function of paying agent for the Bonds.

“Person” means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any agency or political subdivision of a government or any entity whatsoever.

“Registered Owner” means a Person in whose name a Bond is registered in the Bond Register.

ARTICLE TWO

APPOINTMENT OF BANK AS PAYING AGENT AND BOND REGISTRAR

Section 2.01. Appointment and Acceptance.

The Issuer hereby appoints the Bank to act as Paying Agent with respect to the Bonds, to pay to the Registered Owners in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement the principal of, redemption premium (if any), and interest on all or any of the Bonds.

The Issuer hereby appoints the Bank as Bond Registrar with respect to the Bonds. As Bond Registrar, the Bank shall keep and maintain for and on behalf of the Issuer, books and records as to the ownership of the Bonds and with respect to the transfer and exchange thereof as provided herein.

The Bank hereby accepts its appointment, and agrees to act as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar.

Section 2.02. Compensation.

As compensation for the Bank’s services as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar, the Issuer hereby agrees to pay the Bank the fees and amounts set forth in a separate agreement between the Issuer and the Bank for the first year of this Agreement, and thereafter the fees and amounts set forth in the Bank’s current fee schedule then in effect for services as Paying Agent/Bond Registrar, which shall be supplied by the Bank to the Issuer on or before 90 days prior to the close of the Fiscal Year of the Issuer if there are any changes, and shall be effective upon the first day of the following Fiscal Year.

In addition, the Issuer agrees to reimburse the Bank, upon its request, for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses, disbursements and advances, including without limitation the reasonable

fees, expenses, and disbursements of its agents and attorneys, incurred or made by the Bank in connection with entering into and performing under this Agreement or in connection with investigating and defending itself against any claim or liability hereunder.

ARTICLE THREE PAYING AGENT

Section 3.01. Duties of Paying Agent.

As Paying Agent, the Bank, provided sufficient collected funds have been deposited for such purpose by or on behalf of the Issuer in the account designated by the Bank hereunder (the "Account"), shall pay on behalf of the Issuer the principal of, redemption premium, if any, and interest on each Bond in accordance with the provisions of the Bonds. The Bank has no obligation to seek funds from any other account or pursuant to any letter of credit, insurance policy or other agreement or take any other action to assist the Issuer to comply with its obligations except to the extent expressly set forth in this Agreement.

Section 3.02. Payment Dates.

The Issuer hereby instructs the Bank to pay the principal of, redemption premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds on the dates specified in the Bonds, from the Account to the extent such amounts are on deposit in the Account.

The Bank shall not be required to pay interest on any funds of the Issuer for any period during which such funds are held by the Bank awaiting payment of the Bonds.

Section 3.03. Receipt of Funds.

The Issuer hereby agrees to deposit in the Account sufficient funds to make principal and interest payments as follows: (1) payment by check must be received by the Paying Agent at least five (5) business days prior to payment date and (2) payment by wire must be received by the Paying Agent no later than 11:30 a.m. CST on the payment date.

ARTICLE FOUR BOND REGISTRAR

Section 4.01. Initial Delivery of Bonds.

The Bonds will be initially registered and delivered to the purchaser designated by the Issuer as one Bond for each maturity. If such purchaser delivers a written request to the Bank not later than five (5) business days prior to the date of initial delivery, the Bank will, on the date of initial delivery, deliver Bonds of authorized denominations, registered in accordance with the instructions in such written request.

Section 4.02. Duties of Registrar.

The Bank shall provide for the proper registration of transfer, exchange and replacement of the Bonds. Every Bond surrendered for transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer, the signature on which has been guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution meeting the requirements of the Bank, which requirements may include membership or participation in a Medallion signature program, in form acceptable to the Bank, duly executed by the Registered Owner thereof or such Registered Owner's agent. The Bond Registrar may request any supporting documentation it deems necessary or appropriate to effect a re-registration.

Section 4.03. Unauthenticated Bonds.

The Issuer shall provide to the Bank on a continuing basis, an adequate inventory of unauthenticated Bonds to facilitate transfers or replacements. The Bank agrees that it will maintain such unauthenticated Bonds in safekeeping.

Section 4.04. Form of Bond Register.

The Bank as Bond Registrar will maintain its records as Bond Registrar in accordance with the Bank's general practices and procedures in effect from time to time.

Section 4.05. Cancelled Bonds.

All Bonds surrendered for payment, redemption, transfer, exchange or replacement, if surrendered to the Bank, shall be promptly cancelled by it and, if surrendered to the Issuer, shall be delivered to the Bank and, if not already cancelled, shall be promptly cancelled by the Bank. The Issuer may at any time deliver to the Bank for cancellation any Bonds previously authenticated and delivered which the Issuer may have acquired in any manner whatsoever, and all Bonds so delivered shall be promptly cancelled by the Bank. All cancelled Bonds shall be held by the Bank for its retention period then in effect and shall thereafter be destroyed and evidence of such destruction furnished to the Issuer upon its written request.

Section 4.06. Mutilated, Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Bonds.

In case any Bond shall become mutilated or be destroyed, stolen or lost, the Bank shall deliver a new Bond of like amount, number, maturity date and tenor in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of any such mutilated Bond or in lieu of and in substitution for any such Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, upon the payment of the expenses and charges of the Bank in connection therewith; and, in the case of a Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, upon filing by the owner with the Bank of evidence satisfactory to the Bank that such Bond was destroyed, stolen or lost, and of the ownership thereof, and upon furnishing to the Bank of an appropriate bond of indemnity in form, substance and amount as is satisfactory to the Bank. All Bonds so surrendered to the Bank shall be canceled by it and evidence of such cancellation shall be given to the Issuer upon request. If the mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost Bond has already matured or been called for redemption in accordance with its terms it shall not be necessary to issue a new Bond prior to payment, provided that the owner shall first provide the Bank with a bond of indemnity as set forth above.

ARTICLE FIVE THE BANK

Section 5.01. Duties of Bank.

The Bank undertakes to perform the duties set forth herein, each of which is ministerial and non-fiduciary in nature. No implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement against the Bank. The Bank hereby agrees to use the funds deposited with it for payment of the principal of, redemption premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds to pay the same as it shall become due and further agrees to establish and maintain such accounts and funds as may be required for the Bank to function as Paying Agent.

Section 5.02. Reliance on Documents, Etc.

(a) The Bank may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and correctness of the opinions expressed therein, on certificates or opinions furnished to the Bank by the Issuer.

(b) The Bank shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith. The Bank shall not be liable for other than its gross negligence or willful misconduct in connection with any act or omission hereunder. In no event shall the Bank be liable for incidental, indirect, special, consequential or punitive damages or penalties of any kind (including, but not limited to lost profits), even if the Bank has been advised of the likelihood of such damages or penalty and regardless of the form of action.

(c) No provision of this Agreement shall require the Bank to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability for performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers.

(d) The Bank may rely, or be protected in acting or refraining from acting, upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, bond, note, security or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties. The Bank need not examine the ownership of any Bond, but shall be protected in acting upon receipt of Bonds containing an endorsement or instruction of transfer or power of transfer which appears on its face to be signed by the Registered Owner or agent of the Registered Owner.

(e) The Bank may consult with counsel, and the written advice or opinion of counsel shall be full authorization and protection with respect to any action taken, suffered or omitted by it hereunder in good faith reliance thereon.

(f) The Bank may exercise any of the powers hereunder and perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys and shall not be liable for the actions of such agent or attorney if appointed by it with due care.

Section 5.03. Recitals of Issuer.

The recitals contained in the Bonds shall be taken as the statements of the Issuer, and the Bank assumes no responsibility for their correctness.

Section 5.04. May Own Bonds; Other Transactions.

The Bank, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Bonds with the same rights it would have if it were not the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar for the Bonds. The Bank may engage in or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Issuer, any Bond owner or any other Person.

Section 5.05. Money Held by Bank.

Money held by the Bank hereunder need not be segregated from other funds. The Bank shall have no duties with respect to investment of funds deposited with it and shall be under no obligation to pay interest on any money received by it hereunder. Any money deposited with or otherwise held by the Bank for the payment of the principal, redemption premium (if any) or interest on any Bond and remaining unclaimed by the Registered Owner (or by the Issuer (which claim by the Issuer shall be made in writing) after maturity and prior to escheatment) will be escheated pursuant to the applicable state law. If funds are returned to the Issuer, the Issuer and the Bank agree that the Registered Owner of such Bond shall thereafter look only to the Issuer for payment thereof, and that all liability of the Bank with respect to such moneys shall thereupon cease.

Section 5.06. Interpleader.

The Issuer and the Bank agree that the Bank may seek adjudication of any adverse claim, demand, or controversy over its person as well as funds on deposit, in a court of competent jurisdiction. The Issuer and the Bank further agree that the Bank has the right to file an action in interpleader in any court of competent jurisdiction to determine the rights of any person claiming any interest herein.

Section 5.07. Indemnification.

To the extent authorized by law, the Issuer shall indemnify the Bank, its officers, directors and employees (“Indemnified Parties”) for, and hold them harmless against, any loss, cost, claim, liability or expense arising out of or in connection with the Bank’s acceptance or administration of the Bank’s duties hereunder (except any loss, liability or expense as may be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to have been caused by the Bank’s gross negligence or willful misconduct), including the cost and expense (including its counsel fees) of defending itself against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers, rights or duties under this Agreement. Such indemnity shall survive the termination or discharge of this Agreement or discharge of the Bonds.

**ARTICLE SIX
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

Section 6.01. Amendment.

This Agreement may be amended only by an agreement in writing signed by both of the parties hereto.

Section 6.02. Assignment.

This Agreement may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any corporation or association (i) into which the Bank may be converted or merged, (ii) with which the Bank or any successor to it may be consolidated or (iii) to which it may sell or transfer its corporate trust business as a whole or substantially as a whole, or any corporation or association resulting from any such conversion, merger, consolidation, sale or transfer, ipso facto, shall be and become successor Paying Agent and Bond Registrar hereunder, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 6.03. Notices.

Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, communication, waiver or other document (each, a “Notice”) provided or permitted hereunder to be given or furnished to the Issuer or the Bank shall be in writing and delivered by mail, hand-delivery or Electronic Means (as defined below) to the Issuer or the Bank, respectively, at the address shown below, or such other address as may have been given by one party to the other by fifteen (15) days written notice:

If to the Issuer: City of Grand Rapids
 Attn: Finance Director
 420 N Pokegama Ave
 Grand Rapids, MN 55744-2662
 Phone: (218) 326-7600

If to the Bank: U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association
 111 Fillmore Avenue E
 Saint Paul, MN 55107
 Facsimile: 651-466-7431

The Bank agrees to accept Notices in the form of a portable document format (“pdf”) or other replicating image attached to an e-mail, facsimile transmission, secure electronic transmission (containing applicable authorization codes, passwords and/or authentication keys issued by the Bank), or another electronic method or system specified by the Bank as available for use in connection with its services hereunder (collectively, “Electronic Means”), provided the Issuer shall deliver to the Bank an incumbency or other certificate listing the persons entitled to give such Notices to the Bank. All Notices to the Bank hereunder must be in writing in English and must be in the form of a document that is signed manually or by way of an electronic signature (including electronic images of handwritten signatures and digital signatures provided by DocuSign, Orbit, Adobe Sign or any other electronic signature provider acceptable to the Bank). Electronic signatures believed by the Bank to comply with the ESIGN ACT of 2000 or other applicable law shall be deemed original signatures for all purposes. The Issuer agrees to assume all risks arising out of its use of Electronic Means and electronic signatures, including without limitation the risk of the Bank acting on an unauthorized document and the risk of

interception or misuse by third parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Bank may in any instance and in its sole discretion require that an original document bearing a manual signature be delivered to the Bank in lieu of, or in addition to, any document signed via electronic signature.

Section 6.04. Effect of Headings.

The Article and Section headings herein are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

Section 6.05. Successors and Assigns.

All covenants and agreements herein by the Issuer and the Bank shall bind their successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 6.06. Severability.

If any provision of this Agreement shall be determined to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 6.07. Benefits of Agreement.

Except with respect to the Indemnified Parties, this Agreement is intended to be for the benefit of or to be enforceable by only the Issuer and the Bank, and no third party shall be entitled to claim that it is a third party beneficiary hereof.

Section 6.08. Entire Agreement.

This Agreement shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties hereto relative to the Bank acting as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar.

Section 6.09. Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

Section 6.10. Term and Termination.

This Agreement shall be effective from and after its date and until the Bank resigns; provided, however, that no such termination shall be effective until a successor has been appointed and has accepted the duties of the Bank hereunder.

The Bank may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Issuer. If the Bank shall resign, or become incapable of acting, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor Paying Agent and Bond Registrar. If an instrument of acceptance by a successor Paying Agent and Bond Registrar shall not have been delivered to the Bank within thirty 30 days after the Bank gives notice of resignation, the Bank may petition any court of competent jurisdiction at

the expense of the Issuer for the appointment of a successor Paying Agent and Bond Registrar. In the event of resignation of the Bank as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar, upon the written request of the Issuer and upon payment of all amounts owing to the Bank hereunder the Bank shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee all funds in the Account and unauthenticated Bonds and a copy of the Bond Register. The provisions of Section 2.02 and Section 5.07 hereof shall survive and remain in full force and effect following the termination of this Agreement.

Section 6.11. Governing Law.

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Minnesota.

Section 6.12. Documents to be delivered to Bank.

At the time of the Bank's appointment as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar hereunder, the Issuer shall deliver to the Bank the following documents: (a) a specimen of each Bond; (b) a copy of the opinion of bond counsel provided to the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Bonds; and (c) such other information that the Bank may request in connection with its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 6.13. Patriot Act Compliance.

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. For a non-individual person such as a business entity, a charity, a trust or other legal entity the Bank will ask for documentation to verify its formation and existence as a legal entity. The Bank may also ask to see financial statements, licenses, identification and authorization documents from individuals claiming authority to represent the entity or other relevant documentation.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer and the Bank have caused this Agreement to be executed in their respective names by their duly authorized representatives, in two counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original.

**CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS, MINNESOTA, as
Issuer**

By: 
Name: TOM PAGEL
Title: CITY ADMINISTRATOR

**U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, as Paying Agent and Bond
Registrar**

By: 
Name: Leye Fadahunsi
Title: Assistant Vice President



Schedule of Fees for Services as
Paying Agent, Transfer Agent, Authenticating Agent, Registrar
For

City Of Grand Rapids, Minnesota (Itasca County) General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A

CTS01010 A	Acceptance Fee - The acceptance fee includes the administrative review of documents, initial set-up of the account, and other reasonably required services up to and including the closing. This is a one-time, non-refundable fee, payable at closing. Does not include legal fees.	Amount \$350.00
CTS04110	Paying Agent / Registrar / Transfer Agent - Annual fee for the standard paying agent, registrar and transfer agent services associated with the administration of the account. Administration fees are payable in advance.	Amount \$500.00

Direct Out of Pocket Expenses. Reimbursement of expenses associated with the performance of our duties, including but not limited to publications, legal counsel's fees and expenses after the initial closing, travel expenses, and filing fees will be billed at cost.

Extraordinary Administration Services. Extraordinary Administration Services ("EAS") are duties, responsibilities or activities not expected to be provided by the trustee or agent at the outset of the transaction, not routine or customary, and/or not incurred in the ordinary course of business, and may require analysis or interpretation. Billing for fees and expenses related to EAS is appropriate in instances where particular inquiries, events or developments are unexpected, even if the possibility of such circumstances could have been identified at the inception of the transaction, or as changes in law, procedures, or the cost of doing business demand. At our option, EAS may be charged on an hourly (time expended multiplied by current hourly rate), flat or special fee basis at such rates or in such amounts in effect at the time of such services, which may be modified by us in our sole and reasonable discretion from time to time. In addition, all fees and expenses incurred by the trustee or agent, in connection with the trustee's or agent's EAS and ordinary administration services and including without limitation the fees and expenses of legal counsel, financial advisors and other professionals, charges for wire transfers, checks, internal transfers and securities transactions, travel expenses, communication costs, postage (including express mail and overnight delivery charges), copying charges and the like will be payable, at cost, to the trustee or agent. EAS fees are due and payable in addition to annual or ordinary administration fees. Failure to pay for EAS owed to U.S. Bank when due may result in interest being charged on amounts owed to U.S. Bank for extraordinary administration services fees and expenses at the prevailing market rate.

General. Your obligation to pay under this Fee Schedule shall govern the matters described herein and shall not be superseded or modified by the terms of the governing documents, and survive any termination of the transaction or governing documents and the resignation or removal of the trustee or agent. This Fee Schedule shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the state identified in the governing documents without giving effect to the conflict of laws principles thereof. You agree to the sole and exclusive jurisdiction of the state and federal courts of the state identified in the governing documents over any proceeding relating to or arising regarding the matters described herein. Payment of fees constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions described herein.

Account approval is subject to review and qualification. Fees are subject to change at our discretion and upon written notice. Fees paid in advance will not be prorated. The fees set forth above and any subsequent modifications thereof are part of your agreement. Finalization of the transaction constitutes agreement to the above fee schedule, including agreement to any subsequent changes upon proper written notice. In the event your transaction is not finalized, any related out-of-pocket expenses will be billed to you directly. Absent your written instructions to sweep or otherwise invest, all sums in your account will remain uninvested and no accrued interest or other compensation will be credited to the account. Payment of fees constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions set forth.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES FOR OPENING A NEW ACCOUNT:

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account.

For a non-individual person such as a business entity, a charity, a Trust or other legal entity we will ask for documentation to verify its formation and existence as a legal entity. We may also ask to see financial statements, licenses, identification and authorization documents from individuals claiming authority to represent the entity or other relevant documentation.