

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION 24-059

AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$10,940,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY TO THE MONMOUTH COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY, AND DETERMINING VARIOUS MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey (the "Borough") has heretofore adopted, from time to time, various bond ordinances (the "Bond Ordinances") authorizing various capital improvements, and the issuance and sale, from time to time, of its bonds and bond anticipation notes in order to finance such capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Ordinances authorize the Chief Financial Officer to sell any bond anticipation notes thereunder at public or private sale, as determined by the Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has applied to The Monmouth County Improvement Authority (the "MCIA") to participate in its pooled governmental note financing program (the "Program"); and

WHEREAS, under the Program, the MCIA will issue and sell its pooled notes (the "MCIA Notes"), which MCIA Notes will be secured by (i) payments by various governmental entities located in Monmouth County (including the Borough) under various notes issued by such entities to the MCIA and (ii) the unconditional guaranty of the County of Monmouth (the "County"); and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2024, the New Jersey Local Finance Board held a hearing and issued positive findings in respect of the issuance of the MCIA Notes by the MCIA; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to participate in the Program, and to issue and sell all or a portion of its bond anticipation notes to the MCIA; and

WHEREAS, the Borough will receive a proposal for the purchase of such bond anticipation notes from the MCIA, which purchase will be effected through a note purchase agreement to be entered into between the Borough and the MCIA; and

WHEREAS, the Borough acknowledges that the MCIA intends to execute a contract of purchase with an underwriter pertaining to the sale of the MCIA Notes, the proceeds of which shall be used by the MCIA, inter alia, to purchase the such bond anticipation notes of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough now wishes to authorize the issuance and sale of its bond anticipation notes, and the issuance and sale of all or a portion thereof to the MCIA;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, as follows:

- SECTION 1. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to cause all or a portion of its bond anticipation notes (the "Program Notes") to be issued and sold to the MCIA in accordance with the Program.
- SECTION 2. The terms and conditions of the sale of the Program Notes to the MCIA shall be set forth in a Note Purchase Agreement to be dated on or about the date of pricing of the MCIA Notes, between the MCIA and the Borough. The execution and delivery by the Mayor, the Business Administrator or the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough (each, an "Authorized Officer") of the Note Purchase Agreement, in such form as shall be approved by such officer, is hereby authorized, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by such officer's execution thereof.
- SECTION 3. The Borough hereby authorizes the use of certain information concerning the Program Notes and the Borough in the Preliminary Official Statement and final Official Statement of the MCIA, to be used in connection with the marketing and sale of the MCIA Notes.
- SECTION 4. The execution and delivery by an Authorized Officer of a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, if any, to be dated as of the date of closing of the MCIA Notes, between the Borough and the trustee for the MCIA Notes, in such form as shall be approved by such officer, is hereby authorized, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by such officer's execution thereof.
- SECTION 5. A portion of the proceeds of sale of the Program Notes to the MCIA may be retained by the MCIA as payment for the Borough's allocable share of issuance expenses and expenses related to the County Guaranty. Any Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to pay all of the costs associated with the sale and issuance of the Program Notes.
- SECTION 6. The Authorized Officers and any other officer of the Borough, and the staff and consultants of the Borough, are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions and execute any other agreement which may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the terms of this resolution in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Program Notes, which includes the review and delivery of a preliminary official statement and official statement on behalf of the Borough, and the execution of the Note Purchase Agreement, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, if any, and any other agreement to be executed in connection with the issuance of the Program Notes or the MCIA Notes.

SECTION 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion to Approve R 24-059:

	INTRODUCED	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CERVANTES						
CHELAK						
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BROULLON						

I, the undersigned Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough at its meeting held on February 7, 2024.

Nancy Tran, Municipal Clerk Borough of Highlands