

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION, TERMS, ISSUANCE, SALE, AND PAYMENT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$63,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2023, OF THE CITY OF KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE, AND PROVIDING THE DETAILS THEREOF

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2023, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (the “Board”) of the City of Kingsport, Sullivan and Hawkins Counties, Tennessee (the “Municipality”), adopted an “Initial Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$63,500,000 General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023 of the City of Kingsport, Tennessee, to Provide Funding for Certain Public Works Projects and to Fund the Incidental and Necessary Expenses Related Thereto” (the “Initial Resolution”), authorizing and directing, among other things, the issuance by the Municipality of its general obligation public improvement bonds for the purpose of financing a portion of the costs of certain public works projects, consisting of the acquisition of public art; acquisition, construction, improvement and renovation of public school facilities, including replacement of the Dobyns-Bennett High School dome; acquisition, construction, renovation, improvement and equipping of public buildings within the Municipality, including expansion of the justice center and renovation of the library; construction, expansion and improvement of roads, streets, bridges and infrastructure; construction, expansion and improvement of the Municipality’s water system; construction, expansion and improvement of the Municipality’s sewer system; acquisition of all property real and personal, appurtenant thereto or connected with such work; and to pay legal, fiscal, administrative, and engineering costs (collectively, the “Project”); to reimburse the Municipality for the costs of any of the above projects, to pay capitalized interest, and to pay costs incident to the issuance and sale of the Bonds;

WHEREAS, the Recorder of the Municipality published a copy of the Initial Resolution and the Notice required by Section 9-21-206, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended, in a newspaper of general circulation within the Municipality;

WHEREAS, the Municipality is authorized by Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended, to issue and sell bonds for the purpose of financing the Project;

WHEREAS, the Initial Resolution authorized payment of the principal of, interest on, and the premium, if any, of the bonds from funds of the Municipality legally available therefor and to the extent necessary from ad valorem taxes to be levied for such purpose on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the Municipality, without limitation as to time, rate, or amount, and for the punctual payment of said principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the Bonds, the full faith and credit of the Municipality will be irrevocably pledged; and to the extent the proceeds of the Bonds are used to fund projects for the Municipality’s water and sewer system, such Bonds shall additionally be payable from, but not secured by, revenues to be derived from the operation of the Municipality’s water and sewer system;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that it is necessary and desirable to issue not to exceed \$63,500,000 General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023 (the “Bonds”), for the purposes of financing the costs of the Project, reimbursing the Municipality, paying capitalized interest, and paying costs incident to the issuance of the Bonds;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize an official statement in connection with the issuance of the Bonds; and,

WHEREAS, it is now, therefore, necessary and desirable to provide for the execution, terms, issuance, sale, and payment of the Bonds:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.     Authority. The Bonds herein authorized shall be issued pursuant to Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended, and other applicable provisions of law.

Section 2.     Definitions. Without limiting any other definitions of terms and words in other sections of this Resolution, the following words and terms shall have the meanings indicated unless otherwise plainly apparent from the context:

“Act” shall mean Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended.

“Authorized Representative of the Municipality” means the then Mayor, the then Recorder, or the then Treasurer, of the Municipality, authorized by resolution or by law to act on behalf of and bind the Municipality.

“Board” means the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Municipality.

“Bond” means, individually, and “Bonds” means, collectively, the General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023 of the Municipality, authorized to be issued by this Resolution of the Board.

“Bond Counsel” means an attorney or firm of attorneys recognized as having experience in matters relating to the issuance of municipal obligations.

“Bondholder,” “Owner,” or any similar term, when used with reference to the Bonds, means any Person who shall be the registered owner of any then Outstanding Bond or Bonds.

“City Attorney” means the duly appointed City Attorney of the Municipality, or his or her successors.

“Closing Date” means the date of sale, delivery, and payment of the Bonds.

“Code” means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable regulations of the United States Department of the Treasury promulgated thereunder, as in effect on the date of issuance of the Bonds, and as hereafter amended, supplemented, or revised insofar as such amendments, supplements, or revisions shall pertain to or effect the Bonds.

“Continuing Disclosure Certificate” shall mean that certain Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the Municipality and dated the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, as originally executed and as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

“DTC” means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York.

“Government Obligations” means any bonds or other obligations which as to principal and interest constitute direct obligations of, or are unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States of America, including obligations of federal agencies to the extent unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, which Bonds or other obligations shall not be subject to redemption prior to their maturity other than at the option of the registered owner thereof.

“Interest Payment Date” means each date on which interest shall be payable on any of the Bonds, according to their respective terms so long as any of the Bonds shall be Outstanding.

“Mayor” means the duly elected, qualified, and acting Mayor of the Municipality, or his or her successors.

“Outstanding,” “Bonds Outstanding,” or “Outstanding Bonds” means, as of a particular date, all Bonds issued and delivered and authenticated under this Resolution except: (1) any Bond paid or redeemed or otherwise canceled by the Municipality at or before such date; (2) any Bond for the payment of which cash, equal to the principal amount thereof with interest to date of maturity, shall have theretofore been deposited prior to maturity by the Municipality for the benefit of the Owner thereof; (3) any Bond in lieu of or in substitution for which another Bond shall have been delivered and authenticated pursuant to this Resolution, unless proof satisfactory to the Municipality is presented that any Bond, for which a Bond in lieu of or in substitution therefor shall have been delivered, is held by a bona fide purchaser, as that term is defined in Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code of the State, as amended, in which case both the Bond in lieu of or in substitution for which a new Bond has been delivered and such new Bond so delivered therefor shall be deemed Outstanding; and, (4) any Bond deemed paid under the provisions of this Resolution, except that any such Bond shall be considered Outstanding until the maturity thereof only for the purposes of being exchanged, transferred, or registered.

“Person” means an individual, partnership, corporation, trust, or unincorporated organization, or a governmental entity or agency or political subdivision thereof.

“Principal Payment Date” means each date on which principal shall be payable on any of the Bonds, according to their respective terms so long as any of the Bonds shall be Outstanding.

“Recorder” means the duly appointed, qualified, and acting Recorder of the Municipality, or his or her successors.

“Registration Agent” means the registration agent selected by the Municipality, or its successor or successors hereafter appointed in the manner provided in this Resolution.

“Resolution” means this Resolution, as supplemented and amended.

“State” means the State of Tennessee.

“Treasurer” means the duly appointed, qualified, and acting Treasurer of the Municipality, or his or her successors.

Section 3. Authorization. For the purpose of providing funds to finance the Project, to reimburse the Municipality, to pay capitalized interest, to pay legal, fiscal, administrative, and engineering costs, and to pay costs incident to the issuance of the Bonds, there is hereby authorized to be issued General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023 of the Municipality, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Sixty-Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$63,500,000), or such lesser aggregate amount as may be determined by the Authorized Representatives of the Municipality executing the Bonds. No Bonds may be issued under the provisions of this Resolution except in accordance herewith.

Section 4. Form of Bonds; Execution. (a) The Bonds, or any series thereof, are issuable only as fully registered bonds, without coupons, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. All Bonds issued under this Resolution shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto, and by this reference incorporated herein as fully as though copied, with such appropriate variations, omissions, and insertions as are permitted or required by this Resolution, the blanks therein to be appropriately completed when the Bonds are prepared, and may have endorsed thereon such legends or text as may be necessary or appropriate to conform to any applicable rules and regulations of any governmental authority or any usage or requirement of law with respect thereto or as otherwise desired by the Municipality. Each series of Bonds shall be numbered consecutively from one upwards.

(b) The Bonds shall be executed in such manner as may be prescribed by applicable law in the name, and on behalf, of the Municipality with the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor and attested with the manual or facsimile signature of the Recorder, and with the official seal, or a facsimile thereof, of the Municipality impressed or imprinted thereon, and shall be approved as to form by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Attorney. The Bonds shall not be valid for any purpose unless authenticated by the manual signature of an officer of the Registration Agent on the certificate set forth on the Bonds.

(c) In the event any officer whose manual or facsimile signature shall appear on any Bond shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Bond, such manual or such facsimile signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if he or she had remained in

office until such delivery. Any Bond may bear the facsimile signature of, or may be manually signed by, such individuals who, at the actual time of the execution of such Bond, were the proper officers of the Municipality to sign such Bond, although on the respective dates of the adoption by the Municipality of this Resolution, such individuals may not have been such officers.

Section 5. Maturities, Interest Rates, Payment, and Certain Other Provisions of Bonds.

(a) The Bonds shall be issued in one or more series, and subject to the adjustments permitted under Section 19 hereof, shall be known as “General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023”, shall be dated as of the date of issuance and delivery, and shall have such series designation or other dated date as shall be determined by the Mayor pursuant to Section 19 hereof. The Bonds shall be issued at a date, at a rate or rates of interest not to exceed the maximum rate allowed by law, and upon terms and conditions to be determined. The Bonds shall bear interest from the date thereof at a rate or rates to be hereafter determined by the Municipality when said Bonds, or any series thereof, are sold, but not exceeding the maximum rate allowed by law, such interest being payable (subject to the adjustments permitted under Section 19 hereof) semi-annually on the first day of March and September of each year, commencing March 1, 2024. Subject to the adjustments permitted pursuant to Section 19 hereof, the Bonds shall mature serially or be subject to mandatory redemption and be payable on March 1 of each year, subject to prior optional redemption, as hereinafter provided, either serially or through mandatory redemption, in the years 2025 through 2053, inclusive.

In the event that any amount payable on any Bond as interest shall at any time exceed the rate of interest lawfully chargeable thereon under applicable law, then any such excess shall, to the extent of such excess, be applied against the principal of such Bond as a prepayment thereof without penalty, and such excess shall not be considered to be interest. All rates of interest specified herein shall be computed on the basis of a three hundred sixty (360) day year composed of twelve (12) months of thirty (30) days each.

The principal of, and the premium, if any, and all installments of interest on, any Bond shall bear interest from and after their respective due dates at a rate of interest equal to the rate of interest payable on the principal of such Bond.

(b) Interest on the Bonds shall be payable by check or other form of draft of the Registration Agent deposited by the Registration Agent in the United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, in sealed envelopes, addressed to the Owners of such Bonds, as of the applicable Interest Payment Date, at their respective addresses as shown on the registration books of the Municipality maintained by the Registration Agent as of the close of business on the fifteenth (15th) calendar day of the month next preceding the applicable Interest Payment Date (the “Regular Record Date”). The principal or redemption price, if any, of all Bonds shall be payable upon presentation and surrender of such Bonds at the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent. All payments of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the Bonds shall be made in any coin or currency of the United States of America which, on the date of payment thereof, shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

(c) Any interest on any Bond which is payable but is not punctually paid or duly provided for on any Interest Payment Date on which interest is due (hereinafter “Defaulted Interest”) shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Owner on the relevant Regular Record Date; and, in lieu thereof, such Defaulted Interest shall be paid by check or other form of draft of the Registration Agent to the persons in whose names the Bonds are registered at the close of business on a date (the “Special Record Date”) for the payment of such Defaulted Interest, which shall be fixed in the following manner: the Municipality shall notify the Registration Agent in writing of the amount of Defaulted Interest proposed to be paid on each Bond and the date of the proposed payment, and at the same time the Municipality shall deposit with the Registration Agent an amount of money equal to the aggregate amount proposed to be paid in respect of such Defaulted Interest or shall make arrangement satisfactory to the Registration Agent for such deposit prior to the date of the proposed payment, such money when deposited to be held in trust for the benefit of the persons entitled to such Defaulted Interest as in this Section provided. Thereupon, not less than ten (10) calendar days after the receipt by the Registration Agent of the notice of the proposed payment, the Registration Agent shall fix a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest which date shall be not more than fifteen (15) nor less than ten (10) calendar days prior to the date of the proposed payment to the Owners. The Registration Agent shall promptly notify the Municipality of such Special Record Date and, in the name and at the expense of the Municipality, not less than ten (10) calendar days prior to such Special Record Date, shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Owner at the address thereof as it appears in the registration books of the Municipality maintained by the Registration Agent as of the date of such notice. Nothing contained in this Section or in the Bonds shall impair any statutory or other rights in law or in equity of any Owner arising as a result of the failure of the Municipality to punctually pay or duly provide for the payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the Bonds when due.

(d) The Bonds will be made eligible for processing by DTC. The Bonds in the form of one global Bond for each maturity need not be lithographed or printed on steel engraved or printed borders. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of DTC. The Municipality may discontinue use of DTC as depository for the Bonds at any time upon determination by the Municipality that the use of DTC is no longer in the best interest of the beneficial owners of the Bonds. Registered ownership of the Bonds may be transferred on the registration books maintained by the Registration Agent and the Bonds may be delivered in physical form to the following:

- (i) any successor of DTC or its nominee;
- (ii) any substitute depository upon (1) the resignation of DTC or its successor (or any substitute depository or its successor) from its functions as depository, or (2) a determination by the Municipality that DTC or its successor (or any substitute depository or its successor) is no longer able to carry out its functions as depository; or,

(iii) any Person, upon (a) the resignation of DTC or its successor (or substitute depository or its successor) from its functions as depository, or (b) termination by the Municipality of the use of DTC (or substitute depository or its successor).

(e) The Registration Agent is hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary from time to time to qualify and maintain the Bonds for deposit with DTC, including, but not limited to, wire transfers of interest and principal payments with respect to the Bonds, utilization of electronic book entry data received from DTC in place of actual delivery of Bonds and provision of notices with respect to Bonds registered by DTC (or any of its designees identified to the Registration Agent) by overnight delivery, courier service, telegram, telecopy or other similar means of communication. The Registration Agent shall not be liable with respect to any such arrangements it may make pursuant to this subsection (e) of this Section 5.

Section 6. Redemption. (a) Subject to the adjustments permitted under Section 19 hereof, the Bonds maturing March 1, 2025 through March 1, 2032, are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on and after March 1, 2033, are subject to redemption prior to maturity on March 1, 2032, and at any time thereafter, at the option of the Municipality, as a whole or in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000 (less than all Bonds of a single maturity to be selected by lot by the Registration Agent), at the price of par, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

(b) Notice of intended redemption shall be given by the Registration Agent on behalf of the Municipality to the Owners of the Bonds to be redeemed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, at the addresses shown on the registration books kept by the Registration Agent. Notice of intended redemption shall be given not less than thirty (30) calendar days, nor more than sixty (60) calendar days prior to the date fixed for redemption. Each such notice of redemption shall state: (1) the redemption date; (2) the redemption price; (3) if less than all Outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed, the registered number and the CUSIP number printed on the Bonds (and, in the case of partial redemption, the respective principal amounts) of the Bonds to be redeemed; (4) that on the redemption date, the redemption price will become due and payable upon each such Bond or portion thereof called for redemption, and that interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after said date provided sufficient funds are available on such redemption date to fully pay the redemption price of and the interest on the Bonds called for redemption; and, (5) the place where such Bonds are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price, which place of payment shall be the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent. Neither failure to mail any such notice nor any defect in any notice so mailed shall affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for the redemption of any of the Bonds for which notice was correctly given.

(c) If notice of redemption shall have been given in the manner and under the conditions provided herein and if on the date so designated for redemption the Registration Agent shall hold sufficient monies to pay the redemption price of, and interest to the redemption date on, the Bonds to be redeemed as provided in this Resolution, then: (1) the Bonds so called for redemption shall become and be due and payable at the redemption price provided for redemption of such Bonds on such date; (2) interest on the Bonds so called for redemption shall cease to accrue; and, (3) such Bonds shall no

longer be Outstanding or secured by, or be entitled to, the benefits of this Resolution, except to receive payment of the redemption price thereof and interest thereon from monies then held by the Registration Agent.

(d) Prior to any redemption date, the Municipality shall deposit with the Registration Agent an amount of money sufficient to pay the redemption price of all of the Bonds or portions of Bonds which are to be redeemed on that date.

(e) If on the redemption date, monies for the redemption of all Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, together with interest thereon to the redemption date, shall not be held by the Registration Agent so as to be available therefor on such date, the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall continue to bear interest until paid at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption and shall continue to be secured by and be entitled to the benefits of this Resolution.

(f) In case any Bond is of a denomination larger than \$5,000, a portion of such Bond—\$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof—may be redeemed, but Bonds shall be redeemed only in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. In selecting Bonds for redemption, the Municipality shall treat each Bond as representing that number of Bonds which is obtained by dividing the principal amount of such Bond by \$5,000. If part but not all of a Bond shall be selected for redemption, the Owner thereof or his, her, or its legal representative shall present and surrender such Bond to the Registration Agent for payment of the principal amount thereof so called for redemption and the premium, if any, on such principal amount thereof so called for redemption, and the Municipality shall execute and the Registration Agent shall authenticate and deliver to such Owner or legal representative, without charge therefor, for the unredeemed portion of the Bond surrendered, a Bond or Bonds of the same maturity, bearing the same interest rate, and of authorized denomination or denominations.

Section 7. Negotiability of Bonds. All Bonds issued under this Resolution shall be negotiable, subject to the provisions for registration and transfer contained in this Resolution and in the Bonds.

Section 8. Registration Books and Registration Agent. (a) The Municipality shall appoint a registration agent and paying agent (the “Registration Agent”) with respect to the Bonds and authorizes the Registration Agent, so long as any of the Bonds shall remain Outstanding, to maintain at the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent, books for the registration and transfer of the Bonds on behalf of the Municipality. The Registration Agent shall register in such books and permit to be transferred thereon, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, any Bond entitled to registration or transfer and to authenticate and deliver the Bonds either at original issuance, upon transfer, or as otherwise directed by the Municipality. The Registration Agent is authorized to make all payments of principal, interest, and redemption premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds.



(b) The Registration Agent shall signify its acceptance of the duties and obligations imposed upon it by this Resolution by a written instrument of acceptance executed and delivered to the Recorder prior to or on the Closing Date.

Section 9. Exchange of Bonds. Bonds upon surrender thereof at the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent, together with an assignment of such Bonds duly executed by the Owner thereof, or his, her, or its attorney or legal representative, may be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of Bonds of the same maturity, of any denomination or denominations authorized by this Resolution, and bearing interest at the same rate as the Bonds surrendered for exchange.

Section 10. Transfer of Bonds. (a) Each Bond shall be transferable only on the registration books maintained by the Registration Agent at the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent, upon the surrender for cancellation thereof at the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent, together with an assignment of such Bond duly executed by the Owner thereof or his, her, or its attorney or legal representative, and upon payment of the charges hereinafter provided, and subject to such other limitations and conditions as may be provided therein or herein. Upon the cancellation of any such Bond, the Registration Agent shall, in exchange for the surrendered Bond or Bonds, deliver in the name of the transferee or transferees a new Bond or Bonds of authorized denominations, of the same aggregate principal amount and maturity and rate of interest as such surrendered Bond or Bonds, and the transferee or transferees shall take such new Bond or Bonds subject to all of the conditions herein contained.

(b) The Municipality and the Registration Agent may deem and treat the Person in whose name any Bond shall be registered upon the registration books maintained by the Registration Agent as the absolute owner thereof, whether such Bond shall be overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment of the principal or redemption price of, and the interest on, such Bond and for all other purposes. All such payments so made to the registered Owner thereof shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability of the Municipality or the Registration Agent upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. Neither the Municipality nor the Registration Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

Section 11. Regulations with Respect to Exchanges and Transfers. (a) In all cases in which the privilege of exchanging or transferring Bonds is exercised, the Municipality shall execute, and the Registration Agent shall deliver, Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution. For every exchange or transfer of Bonds, whether temporary or definitive, the Municipality and the Registration Agent may make a charge, unless otherwise herein to the contrary expressly provided, sufficient to pay for any tax, fee, or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or transfer.

(b) Neither the Municipality nor the Registration Agent shall be obligated to exchange or transfer any Bond during the fifteen (15) calendar days next preceding an Interest Payment Date or the first mailing of any notice of redemption or with respect to any Bond, after such Bond has been called for redemption.

Section 12. Mutilated, Lost, Stolen, or Destroyed Bonds. (a) In the event any Bond is mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the Municipality may execute, and upon the request of an Authorized Representative of the Municipality and the Registration Agent shall deliver, a new Bond of like maturity, interest rate, and principal amount, and bearing the same number (but with appropriate designation indicating that such new Bond is a replacement Bond) as the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Bond, in exchange for the mutilated Bond or in substitution for the Bond so destroyed, lost, or stolen. In every case of exchange or substitution, the Bondholder shall furnish to the Municipality and the Registration Agent: (1) such security or indemnity as may be required by an Authorized Representative of the Municipality to save the Municipality and the Registration Agent harmless from all risks, however remote; and, (2) evidence to their satisfaction of the mutilation, destruction, loss, or theft of the subject Bond and the ownership thereof. Upon the issuance of any Bond upon such exchange or substitution, an Authorized Representative of the Municipality and the Registration Agent may require the Owner thereof to pay a sum sufficient to defray any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses, including printing costs and counsel fees, of the Municipality and the Registration Agent. In the event any Bond which has matured or is about to mature shall become mutilated or be destroyed, lost, or stolen, an Authorized Representative of the Municipality may, instead of issuing a Bond in exchange or substitution therefor, pay or authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a mutilated Bond) if the Owner thereof shall pay all costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the Municipality and the Registration Agent in connection therewith, as well as a sum sufficient to defray any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and shall furnish to the Municipality and the Registration Agent such security or indemnity as an Authorized Representative of the Municipality and the Registration Agent may require to save the Municipality and the Registration Agent harmless and evidence to the satisfaction of an Authorized Representative of the Municipality and the Registration Agent, of the mutilation, destruction, loss, or theft of such Bond and of the ownership thereof.

(b) Every Bond issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall constitute an additional contractual obligation of the Municipality (whether or not the destroyed, lost, or stolen Bond shall be found at any time to be enforceable) and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Resolution equally and proportionately with any and all other Bonds duly issued under this Resolution.

(c) All Bonds shall be held and owned upon the express condition that the provisions of this Section are exclusive, with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Bonds, and, to the maximum extent legally permissible, shall preclude all other rights or remedies, notwithstanding any law or statute now existing or hereafter enacted to the contrary.

Section 13. Authentication. Only such of the Bonds as shall have endorsed thereon a certificate of authentication, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto duly executed by the Registration Agent shall be entitled to the rights, benefits, and security of this Resolution. No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose unless, and until, such certificate of authentication shall have been duly executed by the Registration Agent. Such executed certificate of authentication

by the Registration Agent upon any such Bond shall be conclusive evidence that such Bond has been duly authenticated and delivered under this Resolution as of the date of authentication. The certificate of authentication of the Registration Agent on any Bond shall be deemed to have been duly executed if manually signed by an authorized officer of the Registration Agent, but it shall not be necessary that the same officer sign and date the certificate of authentication on all Bonds that may be issued hereunder.

Section 14. Permitted Acts and Functions of Registration Agent. The Registration Agent may become the Owner of any Bonds, with the same rights as it would have if it were not a Registration Agent.

Section 15. Resignation or Removal of the Registration Agent and Appointment of Successors. (a) The Registration Agent may at any time resign and be discharged of the duties and obligations created by this Resolution by giving at least sixty (60) calendar days' written notice to the Recorder; provided, however, until a successor Registration Agent is appointed the Registration Agent shall continue to carry out the duties and obligations of the Registration Agent created by this Resolution. The Registration Agent may be removed at any time by resolution of the Municipality filed with such Registration Agent. Any successor Registration Agent shall be appointed by resolution of the Municipality and shall be a trust company or a bank having the powers of a trust company, having, at the time of such appointment, a combined capital, surplus, and undivided profits aggregating at least Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000), and be willing and able to accept the office of Registration Agent on reasonable and customary terms and authorized by law to perform all the duties imposed upon it by this Resolution.

(b) In the event of the resignation or removal of the Registration Agent, such Registration Agent shall pay over, assign, and deliver any monies held by it as Registration Agent, and all books and records held by it as Registration Agent, to its successor, or if there be no successor then appointed, to the Recorder until such successor be appointed.

Section 16. Merger or Consolidation of Registration Agent. Any corporation or association into which the Registration Agent may be converted or merged, or with which it may be consolidated, or to which it may sell or transfer its trust business and assets as a whole, or substantially as a whole, or any corporation or association resulting from any such conversion, sale, merger, consolidation, or transfer to which it is a party shall be and become successor Registration Agent hereunder and shall be vested with all the trusts, powers, discretion, immunities, privileges, and other matters as was its predecessor, without the execution or filing of any instrument or any further act, deed, or conveyance on the part of any of the parties hereto, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 17. Source of Payment and Security. The Bonds, including the principal thereof, the premium, if any, and the interest thereon, shall be payable from funds of the Municipality legally available therefor and to the extent necessary from ad valorem taxes to be levied for such purpose on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the Municipality without limitation as to time, rate, or amount. Said Bonds shall be a direct general obligation of the Municipality, for which the

punctual payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds the full faith and credit of the Municipality is hereby irrevocably pledged. To the extent the proceeds of the Bonds are used to fund projects for the Municipality's water and sewer system, such Bonds shall additionally be payable from, but not secured by, revenues to be derived from the operation of the Municipality's water and sewer system.

Section 18. Levy of Taxes. For the purpose of providing for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the Bonds, to the extent necessary, there shall be levied in each year in which such Bonds shall be outstanding a direct tax on all taxable property in the Municipality, fully sufficient, to pay all such principal and interest falling due prior to the time of collection of the next succeeding tax levy. Said tax shall be assessed, collected, and paid at the time, and in the same manner, as the other taxes of said Municipality, shall be in addition to all other taxes, and shall be without limitation as to time, rate, or amount. The Board of the Municipality is required by law and shall and does hereby pledge to levy such tax. Principal, premium, if any, and interest, or any of the foregoing, falling due at any time when there shall be insufficient funds on hand from such tax levy for the payment thereof shall be paid from the General Fund or other available funds of the Municipality, but reimbursement therefor may be made from the taxes herein provided when the same shall have been collected. Such taxes levied and collected therefor shall be deposited in General Fund of the Municipality, and used for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds as the same shall become due.

Section 19. Sale of Bonds. (a) The Bonds shall be sold at public sale (the "Public Sale") in the manner provided by law, in one or more series, at a price of not less than ninety-nine percent (99%) of par, as a whole or in part from time to time as shall be determined by the Mayor, in consultation with Raymond James & Associates, Inc., Nashville, Tennessee, the Municipality's municipal advisor (the "Municipal Advisor"). The Bonds, or any series thereof, shall be sold at public sale by physical delivery of bids or by electronic bidding by means of an internet bidding service as shall be determined by the Mayor, in consultation with the Municipal Advisor.

(b) If the Bonds are sold in more than one series, the Mayor is authorized to cause to be sold in each series an aggregate principal amount of Bonds less than that shown authorized in Section 3 hereof for each series, and to make corresponding adjustments to the maturity dates of each series designated in Section 5 hereof; provided, however, that the total aggregate principal amount of all series issued does not exceed the total aggregate amount of Bonds authorized to be issued hereunder.

(c) The Mayor is further authorized:

- (1) to change the dated date of the Bonds or any series thereof;
- (2) to specify the series designation of the Bonds, or any series thereof, to a designation;

(3) to change the first interest payment date on the Bonds, or any series thereof, to a date other than March 1, 2024, provided that such date is not later than twelve (12) months from the dated date of such series of Bonds;

(4) to adjust the principal and interest payment dates and determined maturity or mandatory redemption amounts of the Bonds, or any series thereof, provided that (i) the total principal amount of all series of Bonds does not exceed the total amount of Bonds authorized herein, (ii) the first maturity date of the Bonds, or any series thereof, is a date not earlier than March 1, 2025 and (iii) the final maturity date of each series of Bonds shall not exceed twenty (20) fiscal years from the dated date of its series;

(5) to change the optional redemption provisions of the Bonds, provided that the premium amount to be paid on Bonds, or any series thereof, does not exceed two percent (2%) of the principal amount thereof;

(6) to sell the Bonds, or any series thereof, or any maturities thereof, as term bonds with mandatory redemption requirements as determined by the Mayor, as the Mayor shall deem most advantageous to the Municipality; and,

(7) to cause all or a portion of the Bonds to be insured by a bond insurance policy issued by a nationally recognized bond insurance company to achieve the purposes set forth herein and to serve the best interests of the Municipality and to enter into agreements with such insurance company with respect to any series of Bonds to the extent not inconsistent with this Resolution.

(d) The Mayor of the Municipality is authorized to sell the Bonds, or any series thereof, simultaneously with any other bonds or notes authorized by resolution or resolutions of the Board. The Mayor is further authorized to sell the Bonds, or any series thereof, as a single issue of bonds with any other bonds with substantially similar terms authorized by resolution or resolutions of the Board, in one or more series, as the Mayor shall deem to be advantageous to the Municipality, and in doing so, the Mayor is authorized to change the designation of the Bonds to a designation other than "General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023"; provided, however, that the total aggregate principal amount of combined bonds to be sold does not exceed the total aggregate principal amount of Bonds authorized by this Resolution or bonds authorized by other resolution or resolutions adopted by the Board.

(e) The Mayor is authorized to award the Bonds, or any series thereof, in each case to the bidder whose bid results in the lowest true interest cost to the Municipality, provided the rate or rates on the Bonds does not exceed the maximum rate allowed by law. The award of the Bonds by the Mayor to the lowest bidder shall be binding on the Municipality, and no further action of the Board with respect thereto shall be required. The form of the Bond attached hereto as Exhibit "A," shall be conformed to reflect any changes made pursuant to this Section.

(f) The Mayor and the Recorder are authorized to cause the Bonds to be authenticated and delivered to the successful bidder and to execute, publish, and deliver all certificates and documents, including an official statement and closing certificates, as they shall deem necessary in connection with the sale and delivery of the Bonds. Notice of such Public Sale shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Section 20. Approval of Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement. (a) The Mayor, the Recorder, and the City Manager, or any of them, working with the Municipal Advisor, are hereby authorized to cause the preparation and distribution, which may include electronic distribution, of a Preliminary Official Statement in connection with the sale of the Bonds in such form and containing such information as the Mayor shall determine appropriate and consistent with the terms of this Resolution and to deem the Preliminary Official Statement final for the purpose of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c(2)(12).

(b) The Board hereby authorizes an Official Statement of the Municipality substantially in the form of the Preliminary Official Statement relating to the Bonds, with such modifications thereto as the Mayor and the Recorder approve. The Mayor and Recorder are hereby authorized and directed to execute copies of said Official Statement and to deliver said Official Statement to the purchaser of such Bonds, which execution and delivery shall be conclusive evidence of the approval of any such modifications; and the Board hereby consents to the lawful use of said Official Statement and the information contained therein in connection with the public offering and sale of the Bonds by the initial purchaser of such Bonds. The Mayor and the Recorder are authorized to deem the Official Statement final for the purpose of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15(c)(2)(12).

(c) The distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement in final form shall be conclusive evidence that each has been deemed in final form as of its date by the Municipality except for the omission in the Preliminary Official Statement of pricing and other information.

Section 21. Disposition of Bond Proceeds and Other Funds. The proceeds of the sale of the Bonds and certain other funds shall be used and applied as follows:

(a) Accrued interest, if any, shall be paid to the official of the Municipality designated by law as the custodian of the funds thereof and used to pay interest on the Bonds on the first Interest Payment Date following delivery of the Bonds.

(b) The remaining proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (including premium, if any, received) shall be paid to the official of the Municipality designated by law as the custodian of the funds thereof to be deposited in a special fund, which is hereby authorized to be created, to be known as the "General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023, Project Fund," or such other series designation as shall be determined by the Mayor (the "Project Fund"), to be kept separate and apart from all other funds of the Municipality. The funds in the Project Fund shall be disbursed solely to pay the costs of the Project, to reimburse the Municipality, to pay capitalized interest, and to pay costs incurred in connection with the

issuance of the Bonds, including necessary legal, accounting, engineering, and fiscal expenses, printing, advertising, and similar expenses, administrative and clerical costs, Registration Agent fees, bond insurance premiums, if any, and other necessary miscellaneous expenses incurred in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the financing of the Project. Monies in the Project Fund shall be secured in the manner prescribed by applicable statutes relative to the securing of public or trust funds, if any. Monies in the Project Fund shall be expended only for the purposes authorized by this Resolution. Monies if any, remaining in the Project Fund upon completion of the purposes authorized by this Resolution shall be transferred to the Bond Fund and used to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds. Monies in the Project Fund may be invested as directed by an Authorized Representative of the Municipality in any investment authorized for municipal funds under the applicable laws of the State of Tennessee. All income derived from such investments shall be deposited in the Bond Fund and used to pay principal and interest on the Bonds, unless, by resolution, the Municipality directs retention of such earning in the Project Fund to pay the costs of the Project.

(c) Any amounts remaining from the principal proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall be used for the purpose of paying the costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 22. Reimbursement Provisions. The Municipality is in the process of causing certain capital expenditures to be made with respect to the Project, including, but not necessarily limited to, planning, design, and architectural expenses, and the Municipality desires to establish its official intent that certain of the expenditures related to the Project and certain other related expenditures be reimbursed from the proceeds of the Bonds. Therefore, the Board of the Municipality finds and determines, as follows:

(a) that it is in the best interest of the Municipality to proceed immediately with the Project, thereby incurring certain capital expenditures;

(b) that the Municipality has certain funds available which may be used temporarily for this purpose, pending the issuance of the Bonds;

(c) that pursuant to the provisions of this Resolution, the Board anticipates that the Municipality will issue the Bonds for the purpose of financing the Project;

(d) that the Board reasonably expects to reimburse such amounts to such fund or source from which such expenditures may be made on a temporary basis as soon as proceeds from the issuance of such Bonds are available; and,

(e) that this declaration of official intent is consistent with the budgetary and financial circumstances of the Municipality.

The Board of the Municipality by this Resolution hereby establishes its official intent to issue the Bonds to finance the costs of the Project and other related expenditures in an amount not to exceed \$63,500,000. Pending the issuance of such Bonds, funds necessary to finance such costs shall be advanced from such source of funds on hand and available for such purpose, and any amounts so advanced shall be reimbursed from the proceeds of the Bonds.

Section 23. Non-Arbitrage Certification. The Municipality certifies and covenants with the Owners of any series of tax-exempt Bonds issued hereunder that so long as the principal of any Bond remains unpaid, monies on deposit in any fund or account in connection with the Bonds, whether or not from any other source, will not be used in a manner which will cause the Bonds to be “arbitrage bonds” within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code. The Municipality reserves the right, however, to make any investment of such monies permitted by Tennessee law and this Resolution if, when and to the extent that said Section 148 or regulations promulgated thereunder shall be repealed or relaxed or shall be held void by final decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, but only if any investment made by virtue of such repeal, relaxation, or decision would not, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, result in making the interest on the Bonds subject to federal income taxation.

The Municipality covenants that it shall comply with Section 148(f) of the Code, unless legally exempted therefrom, and the Municipality represents that in the event it shall be required by Section 148(f) of the Code to pay “Rebatable Arbitrage,” as such term is defined and used in the Code, pursuant to the Code, to the United States Government, it will make such payments as and when required by said Section 148(f) and will take such other actions as shall be necessary or permitted to prevent the interest on the Bonds from becoming subject to inclusion in the gross income of the Owners of the Bonds for purposes of federal income taxation.

Section 24. Continuing Disclosure. The Municipality hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, failure of the Municipality to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall not be considered an event of default; however, any Bondholder or Beneficial Owner may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Municipality to comply with its obligations under this Section. For purposes of this Section, “Beneficial Owner” means any person which (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bonds (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the Owner of any Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

Section 25. Amendments. After the issuance of the Bonds, no change, variation, or alteration of any kind in the provisions of this Resolution shall be made in any manner, until such time as all of the principal of and interest on the Bonds shall have been paid in full unless the consent of all of the Owners of all the Outstanding Bonds have been obtained; provided, however, that the Municipality is hereby authorized to make such amendments to this Resolution as will not impair the rights of the Bondholders. The laws of the State of Tennessee shall govern this Resolution.



Section 26. No Action to be Taken Affecting Validity of the Bonds. The Board hereby covenants and agrees that it will not take any action that would in any manner affect the validity of the Bonds or limit the rights and remedies of the Owners from time to time of such Bonds or affect the exclusion of interest thereon from the gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation.

Section 27. Discharge and Satisfaction of Bonds. The Municipality shall pay and discharge the entire indebtedness evidenced by any of the Bonds in any one or more of the following ways:

(a) By paying or causing to be paid, by deposit of sufficient funds as and when required with the Registration Agent, the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, the Bonds, as and when the same become due and payable;

(b) By depositing or causing to be deposited with any trust company or bank whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and which has trust powers ("a Trustee"; which Trustee may be the Registration Agent), in trust, at or before the date of maturity or redemption, sufficient monies or Government Obligations, the principal of and interest on which, when due and payable, will provide sufficient monies to pay or redeem the Bonds Outstanding hereunder and to pay premium, if any, and interest thereon when due until the maturity or redemption date; provided, if such Bonds are to be redeemed prior to the maturity thereof, proper notice of such redemption shall have been given or adequate provision shall have been made for the giving of such notice; or,

(c) By delivering such Bonds to the Registration Agent, for cancellation by such Registration Agent.

If the Municipality shall also pay or cause to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Municipality with respect to such Bonds, or make adequate provision therefor, and by resolution of the Board instruct any such Trustee to pay amounts when and as required to the Registration Agent for the payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, such Bonds when due, then and in that case indebtedness evidenced by such Bonds shall be discharged and satisfied, and all covenants, agreements, and obligations of the Municipality to the owners of such Bonds shall be fully discharged and satisfied and shall thereupon cease, terminate, and become void.

If the Municipality shall pay and discharge the indebtedness evidenced by any of the Bonds in the manner provided in either clause (a) or clause (b) above, then the Owners thereof shall thereafter be entitled only to payment out of the monies or Government Obligations deposited as aforesaid.

Except as otherwise provided in this Section neither Government Obligations nor monies deposited with the Registration Agent pursuant to this Section nor principal or interest payments on any such Government Obligations shall be withdrawn or used for any purpose other than, and shall be held in trust for, the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, said Bonds;

provided that any cash received from such principal or interest payments on such Government Obligations deposited with the Registration Agent, (A) to the extent such cash will not be required at any time for such purpose, shall be paid over to the Municipality as received by the Registration Agent, and (B) to the extent such cash will be required for such purpose at a later date, shall, to the extent practicable, be reinvested in Government Obligations maturing at times and in amounts sufficient to pay when due the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, to become due on said Bonds on or prior to such redemption date or maturity date thereof, as the case may be, and interest earned from such reinvestments shall be paid over to the Municipality, as received by the Registration Agent.

Nothing contained in this Section shall be construed to alter or change the redemption provisions set forth herein. No redemption privilege shall be exercised with respect to the Bonds except at the option and election of the Municipality. The optional right of redemption shall not be exercised by the Registration Agent unless expressly so directed by an Authorized Representative of the Municipality.

Section 28. Miscellaneous Acts. The Mayor, the Recorder, the Treasurer, the City Manager, and the City Attorney, and all other appropriate officials of the Municipality are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to do any and all such acts and things, and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver all such documents, instruments, and certifications, specifically including, but not limited to, entering into an agreement with the Municipal Advisor to provide municipal advisory services for the Municipality and services related to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the Bonds, entering into an agreement with a dissemination agent to provide continuing disclosure services, and making arbitrage certifications, in addition to those acts, things, documents, instruments, and certifications hereinbefore authorized and approved, as may in their discretion, be necessary or desirable to implement or comply with the intent of this Resolution; or any of the documents herein authorized and approved, or for the authorization, issuance, and delivery of the Bonds.

Section 29. Failure to Present Bonds. (a) In the event any Bond shall not be presented for payment when the principal becomes due at maturity and in the event monies sufficient to pay such Bond shall be held by the Registration Agent for the benefit of the Owner thereof, all liability of the Municipality to such Owner for the payment of such Bond shall forthwith cease, terminate, and be completely discharged. Thereupon, the Registration Agent shall hold such monies, without liability for interest thereon, for the benefit of the Owner of such Bond who shall thereafter be restricted exclusively to such monies for any claim under the Resolution or on, or with respect to, said Bond.

(b) If any Bond shall not be presented for payment within a period of five (5) years following the date when such Bond becomes due, whether by maturity or otherwise, the Registration Agent shall, subject to the provisions of any applicable escheat or other similar law, pay to the Treasurer or the official of the Municipality designated by law as the custodian of such funds, any monies then held by the Registration Agent for the payment of such Bond and such Bond shall (subject to the defense of any applicable statute of limitation) thereafter constitute an unsecured obligation of the Municipality.

Section 30. Payments Due on Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays. In any case where the date of maturity or interest on or principal of any Bond shall be a Saturday or Sunday or shall be, at the place designated for payment, a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions similar to the Registration Agent are authorized by law to close, then the payment of the interest on, or the principal of such Bonds need not be made on such date but must be made on the next succeeding day not a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday or a day upon which banking institutions similar to the Registration Agent are authorized by law to close, with the same force and effect as if made on the date of maturity and no interest shall accrue for the period after such date.

Section 31. No Recourse Under Resolution or on Bonds. All stipulations, promises, agreements, and obligations of the Municipality contained in the Initial Resolution or this Resolution shall be deemed to be the stipulations, promises, agreements, and obligations of the Municipality and not of any officer, director, or employee of the Municipality in his or her individual capacity, and no recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds or for any claim based thereon or on the Initial Resolution or this Resolution against any officer, director, or employee of the Municipality or against any official or individual executing the Bonds.

Section 32. Partial Invalidity. If any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution, or of any exhibit or attachment thereto, shall be held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, by final decree of any court of lawful jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, or of any exhibit or attachment thereto, but this Resolution, and the exhibits and attachments thereto, shall be construed the same as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein, or therein, as the case may be.

Section 33. Severability. If any section, paragraph, or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or enforceability of such section, paragraph, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions hereof.

Section 34. Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions and Effective Date. All resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and this Resolution shall be in immediate effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Municipality requiring it.

Approved and adopted this 20th day of June, 2023.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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RECORDER

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CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF TENNESSEE  
COUNTIES OF SULLIVAN AND HAWKINS

I, Lisa E. Winkle, hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Recorder of the City of Kingsport, Tennessee (the “Municipality”), and, as such official, I further certify as follows: (1) that attached hereto is a copy of a resolution excerpted from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (the “Board”) of said Municipality held on June 20, 2023; (2) that I have compared said copy with the original minute record of said meeting in my official custody; (3) that said copy is a true, correct, and complete transcript from said original record insofar as said original record relates, to, among other matters, the authorization, issuance, and sale of not to exceed \$63,500,000 General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023 of said Municipality; (4) that the actions by said Board, including the aforementioned, at said meeting were promptly and duly recorded by me in a book kept for such purposes; and, (5) that a quorum of the members of said Board was present and acting throughout said meeting.

WITNESS my official signature and the seal of said Municipality this 20th day of June, 2023.

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RECORDER

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT "A"  
FORM OF BOND

Registered  
No. \_\_\_\_\_

Registered  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF TENNESSEE  
COUNTIES OF SULLIVAN AND HAWKINS  
CITY OF KINGSFORT  
GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT BOND,  
SERIES 2023

Interest Rate:                      Maturity Date:                      Dated Date:                      CUSIP:

Registered Owner:    CEDE & CO.

Principal Amount:

THE CITY OF KINGSFORT, TENNESSEE (the "Municipality"), a lawfully organized and existing municipal corporation located in Sullivan and Hawkins Counties, Tennessee, for value received, hereby acknowledges itself indebted and promises to pay, as hereinafter provided, to the Registered Owner identified above, or registered assigns as hereinafter provided, on the Maturity Date identified above, unless this bond shall have been duly called for prior redemption and payment of the redemption price shall have been made or provided for, upon the presentation and surrender hereof at the principal corporate trust office of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, or its successor as paying agent and registration agent (the "Registration Agent"), the Principal Amount identified above, in any coin or currency of the United States of America which on the date of payment thereof is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts, and to pay interest on said Principal Amount from the date hereof, or such later date as to which interest has been paid, semiannually on March 1 and September 1 of each year (the "Interest Payment Date"), commencing March 1, 2024, to said Registered Owner hereof by check or other form of draft of the Registration Agent mailed to the Registered Owner at the address shown on the registration books of the Municipality, maintained by the Registration Agent, as of the close of business on the fifteenth (15th) calendar day of the month next preceding an Interest Payment Date (the "Regular Record Date"), in like coin or currency at the Interest Rate per annum set forth above until payment of said Principal Amount. Provided, however, that should the Municipality default in the payment of interest on such

Interest Payment Date, such defaulted interest (the “Defaulted Interest”) shall be payable to the person in whose name this bond is registered at the close of business on a date (the “Special Record Date”) for the payment of such Defaulted Interest established by notice mailed by the Registration Agent on behalf of the Municipality not less than ten (10) calendar days preceding such Special Record Date by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Registered Owner hereof at the address thereof as it appears on the registration books of the Municipality maintained by the Registration Agent as of the date of such notice, which notice shall identify the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor.

In the event that any amount payable hereunder as interest shall at any time exceed the rate of interest lawfully chargeable on this bond under applicable law, any such excess shall, to the extent of such excess, be applied against the principal hereof as a prepayment thereof without penalty, and such excess shall not be considered to be interest. All rates of interest specified herein shall be computed on the basis of a three hundred sixty (360) day year composed of twelve (12) months of thirty (30) days each.

The principal hereof and all installments of interest hereon, shall bear interest from and after their respective due dates at the same rate of interest payable on the principal hereof.

This bond is authorized and issued pursuant to, and in full compliance with, the Constitution and the statutes of the State of Tennessee, including, but not limited to, Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended. Section 9-21-117, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended, provides that this bond and the income therefrom shall be exempt from all state, county, and municipal taxation in the State of Tennessee, except as otherwise provided in said Code.

This bond is one of a series of bonds known as “General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023” (the “Bonds”), issued by the Municipality in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. The Bonds, which are issued for the purpose of financing a portion of the costs of certain public works projects, consisting of the acquisition of public art; acquisition, construction, improvement and renovation of public school facilities, including replacement of the Dobyins-Bennett High School dome; acquisition, construction, renovation, improvement and equipping of public buildings within the Municipality, including expansion of the justice center and renovation of the library; construction, expansion and improvement of roads, streets, bridges and infrastructure; construction, expansion and improvement of the Municipality’s water system; construction, expansion and improvement of the Municipality’s sewer system; acquisition of all property real and personal, appurtenant thereto or connected with such work; and to pay legal, fiscal, administrative, and engineering costs; to reimburse the Municipality for the costs of any of the above projects, to pay capitalized interest, and to pay costs incident to the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The Bonds are authorized by appropriate resolutions of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and particularly that certain Resolution of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen adopted on June 20, 2023, entitled “Resolution Authorizing the Execution, Terms, Issuance, Sale, and Payment of Not to Exceed \$63,500,000 General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023, of the City of Kingsport, Tennessee, and Providing the Details Thereof,” as such resolution may be from time to time amended or supplemented in accordance with its terms (such resolution, as so amended or supplemented, being

herein called the “Resolution”), and is issued pursuant to, and in full compliance with, the Constitution and the statutes of the State of Tennessee, including, but not limited to, Title 9, Chapter 21, Tennessee Code Annotated, as amended (the “Act”). Copies of said Resolution are on file at the office of the Recorder of the Municipality, and reference is hereby made to said Resolution and the Act, for a more complete statement of the terms and conditions upon which the Bonds are issued thereunder, the rights, duties, immunities, and obligations of the Municipality, and the rights of the Registered Owner hereof.

This bond is payable from funds of the Municipality legally available therefor and to the extent necessary from ad valorem taxes to be levied on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the Municipality without limitation as to time, rate, or amount. For the prompt payment of this bond, both principal, premium, if any, and interest, as the same shall become due, the full faith, and credit of the Municipality is hereby irrevocably pledged. To the extent the proceeds of the Bonds are used to fund projects for the Municipality’s water and sewer system, such Bonds shall additionally be payable from, but not secured by, revenues to be derived from the operation of the Municipality’s water and sewer system.

The Municipality and the Registration Agent may deem and treat the person or entity in whose name this bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof, whether such bond shall be overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on, this bond and for all other purposes. All such payments so made shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon this bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, and neither the Municipality nor the Registration Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The Bonds are issuable only as fully registered Bonds, without coupons, in the denomination of \$5,000, or any authorized integral multiple thereof. At the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent, in the manner and subject to the limitations, conditions, and charges provided in the Bond Resolution, Bonds may be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of fully registered Bonds of the same maturity, of authorized denominations, and bearing interest at the same rate.

The Bonds will be made eligible for processing by DTC. The Bonds in the form of one global bond for each maturity need not be lithographed or printed on steel engraved or printed borders. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of DTC. The Municipality may discontinue use of DTC as depository for the Bonds at any time upon determination by the Municipality that the use of DTC is no longer in the best interest of the beneficial owners of the Bonds. Registered ownership of the Bonds may be transferred on the registration books maintained by the Registration Agent and the Bonds may be delivered in physical form to the following:

- (i) any successor of DTC or its nominee;
- (ii) any substitute depository upon (1) the resignation of DTC or its successor (or any substitute depository or its successor) from its functions as depository, or (2) a



determination by the Municipality that DTC or its successor (or any substitute depository or its successor) is no longer able to carry out its functions as depository; or,

(iii) any Person, as defined in the Resolution, upon (a) the resignation of DTC or its successor (or substitute depository or its successor) from its functions as depository, or (b) termination by the Municipality of the use of DTC (or substitute depository or its successor).

Subject to the provisions for registration and transfer contained herein and in the Resolution, this bond shall be transferable by the Registered Owner at the principal office of the Registration Agent upon surrender and cancellation of this bond, and thereupon a new Bond of the same series, principal amount, interest and maturity will be issued to the transferee as provided in the Resolution and upon payment of the transfer charges therein prescribed. Upon any such transfer, the Municipality shall execute and the Registration Agent shall authenticate and deliver in exchange for this bond a new fully registered bond or bonds, registered in the name of the transferee, of authorized denominations, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of this bond, of the same maturity and bearing interest at the same rate. For every exchange or transfer of bonds, whether temporary or definitive, the Municipality and the Registration Agent may make a charge, unless otherwise herein to the contrary expressly provided, sufficient to pay for any tax, fee, or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or transfer, all of which taxes, fees, or other governmental charges shall be paid by the person or entity requesting such exchange or transfer as a condition precedent to the exercise of the privilege of making such exchange or transfer. The Municipality and the Registration Agent, and any other person, may treat the person in whose name this bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment hereof, and for all other purposes, and shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary, whether this bond be overdue or not.

The Bonds maturing March 1, 2025 through March 1, 2032 are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on and after March 1, 2033, are subject to redemption prior to maturity on March 1, 2032, and at any time thereafter, at the option of the Municipality, as a whole or in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000 (less than all Bonds of a single maturity to be selected by lot by the Registration Agent), at the price of par plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

Notice of intended redemption shall be given by the Registration Agent on behalf of the Municipality to the Registered Owners of the Bonds to be redeemed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, at the addresses shown on the registration books kept by the Registration Agent. Notice of intended redemption shall be given not less than thirty (30) calendar days, nor more than sixty (60) calendar days prior to the date fixed for redemption.

This bond shall have all the qualities and incidents of, and shall be a negotiable instrument under, the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of Tennessee, subject only to provisions respecting registration of such bond. This bond is issued with the intent that the laws of the State of Tennessee shall govern its construction.

It is hereby certified, recited, and declared that all acts and conditions required to be done and to exist precedent to, and in the issuance of, this bond in order to make this bond a legal, valid, and binding obligation of the Municipality, have been done, and did exist in due time and form as required by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Tennessee, and that this bond and the issue of which it is a part, together with all other indebtedness of such Municipality, does not exceed any limitation prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of the State of Tennessee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE CITY OF KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE, by its Board of Mayor and Aldermen has caused this bond to be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Recorder, to have its official seal, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed or imprinted hereon, and to be approved as to form by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Attorney, all as of the Dated Date.

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MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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RECORDER

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CITY ATTORNEY

Date of Authentication:

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This bond is one of the Bonds described in the provisions of the within mentioned Resolution and is one of the General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2023 of the City of Kingsport, Tennessee.

U.S.BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION,  
as Registration Agent

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Officer

## FORM OF ASSIGNMENT

For value received, the undersigned do(es) hereby sell, assign and transfer unto

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(Name, Address and Tax Identification or Social  
Security Number of Assignee)

the within-registered Bond and do(es) hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint, attorney, to transfer the same on the registration books of the Registration Agent, with full power of substitution in the premises.

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

SIGNATURE GUARANTEED:

SIGNATURE:

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NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by a member firm of a Medallion Program acceptable to the Registration Agent.

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