

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$4,491,000 FOR VARIOUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,704,050 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION**

**BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY** (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1:**

The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance (the “Improvements”) are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Middletown, New Jersey (the “Township”) as a general improvement. For the said Improvements there is hereby appropriated the amount of \$4,491,000, such sum includes the sum of (a) \$250,000 expected to be received as a grant from the Monmouth County Open Space Trust Fund in connection with McMahon Park improvements (Phase II); (b) \$342,000 expected to be received as a grant from the Monmouth County Open Space Trust Fund in connection with Bodman Park improvements (baseball turf); and (c) \$194,950 as the down payment (the “Down Payment”) required by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 5A, Municipalities and Counties of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey (the “Local Bond Law”). The Down Payment is now available by virtue of provision of moneys in the Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

**SECTION 2:**

In order to finance the cost of the Improvements not covered by application of the Down Payment and the Grants, negotiable bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$3,704,050 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the “Bonds”). In anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not exceeding \$3,704,050 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the “Bond Anticipation Notes” or “Notes”).

**SECTION 3:**

(a) The Improvements authorized and the purposes for which obligations are to be issued are set by, Ordinance No. 98-2531, adopted by the Township Committee on December 21, 1998 and approved by the voters of the Township in the General Election of November 1998, are limited to the acquisition of land for recreation, open space, and conservation purposes and acquisition of farmland for farmland preservation purposes or for the payment of debt service or indebtedness issued or incurred by the Township for any of the purposes described above in accordance with Chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1989 and as amended, and in particular is for various park improvements, including not limited to improvements at McMahon Park (Phase II), Bodman Park (baseball turf), Poricy Park (library walk), vehicles and equipment (dump truck/pick

up trucks/field grooming equipment/tractor/mowers) and Croydon Hall (Senior Center), and including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans on file in the Office of the Clerk.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of Bonds or Notes to be issued for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost of the Improvements is \$3,704,050.

(c) The estimated cost of the Improvements is \$4,491,000, which amount represents the initial appropriation made by the Township.

#### SECTION 4:

All Bond Anticipation Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Township (the "Chief Financial Officer"); provided that no Note shall mature later than one year from its date. The Notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Officer shall determine all matters in connection with Notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of Section 8(a) of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the Notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

#### SECTION 5:

The capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

#### SECTION 6:

The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The Improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses, and are capital improvements or properties that the Township may lawfully make or acquire as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of the Improvements, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, taking into consideration the respective amounts of all obligations authorized for

the several purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the Bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 14.46 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that while the net debt is increased by this ordinance by \$0, the gross debt of the Township, as defined in the Local Bond Law, is increased by the authorization of the Bonds and Notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$3,704,050 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(h), the obligations authorized hereunder constitute a deduction from the gross debt of the Township to the extent of \$3,704,050 and that to that extent shall not be considered in determining the Township's net debt for debt incurring purposes

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$46,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost of the Improvements, as indicated herein.

#### SECTION 7:

Any funds received from time to time by the Township as contributions in aid of financing the purposes described in Section 3 of this Ordinance shall be used for financing said Improvements by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said Improvements or to the payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Township authorized therefor by this Bond Ordinance. Any such funds received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said Improvements shall, be held and applied by the Township as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Township authorized by this Bond Ordinance.

#### SECTION 8:

The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

#### SECTION 9:

The Chief Financial Officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

#### SECTION 10:

This Bond Ordinance constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Township reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvements prior to the date that Township incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The Township reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Township under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the costs of the Improvements is \$3,704,050.

#### SECTION 11:

This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN  
MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE**

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the township committee of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, on October 21, 2024. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Municipal Building, One King's Highway, on November 18, 2024 at 7 o'clock PM. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: Bond Ordinance Providing An Appropriation Of \$4,491,000 For Various Park Improvements By And For The Township Of Middletown In The County Of Monmouth, New Jersey And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$3,704,050 In Bonds Or Notes Of The Township For Financing Part Of The Appropriation

Purpose(s): For various park improvements, including not limited to improvements at McMahon Park (Phase II), Bodman Park (baseball turf), Poricy Park (library walk), vehicles and equipment (Dump Truck/Pick Up Trucks/Field Grooming Equipment/Tractor/Mowers) and Croydon Hall (Senior Center), and including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with the plans on file in the Office of the Clerk.

Appropriation: \$4,491,000

Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$3,704,050

Grants (if any) Appropriated: (a) \$250,000 expected to be received as a grant from the Monmouth County Open Space Trust Fund in connection with McMahon Park improvements (Phase II); (b) \$342,000 expected to be received as a grant from the Monmouth County Open Space Trust Fund in connection with Bodman Park improvements (baseball turf).

Section 20 Costs: \$46,000

Useful Life: 14.46 years

Heidi R. Pieluc, Clerk

This Notice is published pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5A:2-17.

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN  
MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENTS AND SUMMARIES**

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey on November 18, 2024 and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

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**HEIDI R. PIELUC  
TOWNSHIP CLERK**

**ORD. # \_\_\_\_\_**

**Re: TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN**

**\$4,491,000 FOR VARIOUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Certified copy of the Supplemental Debt Statement prepared as of the date of introduction of the ordinance. This should show filing in the Clerk's office as well as in Trenton.

\_\_\_\_\_ Down Payment Certificate.

\_\_\_\_\_ Certified copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Township Committee held \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ showing introduction of the ordinance.

\_\_\_\_\_ Affidavit of Publication in local newspaper following introduction of the ordinance.

\_\_\_\_\_ Certified copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Township Committee held \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ showing public hearing and final adoption of the ordinance.

\_\_\_\_\_ Affidavit of Publication in local newspaper following final adoption of the ordinance.

\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk's Certificate executed no sooner than 21 days following final publication of the ordinance.

**DEBT STATEMENT CERTIFICATE**

I, HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey (herein called the “Local Unit”), HEREBY CERTIFY that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of the Supplemental Debt Statement of the Local Unit that was prepared as of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 by \_\_\_\_\_, who was then Chief Financial Officer of the Local Unit and filed in my office on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, and that a complete, executed copy of such statement was filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the State of New Jersey on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Local Unit this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk

(SEAL)



**CERTIFICATE OF DOWN PAYMENT**

I, Colleen Lapp, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey (the “Local Unit”) HEREBY CERTIFY that prior to the final adoption on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 of an ordinance entitled:

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$4,491,000 FOR VARIOUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,704,050 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION**

there was available as a down payment for the purposes authorized by the ordinance the sum of \$194,950, which amount was appropriated as a down payment by the ordinance and was made available from the following sources (strike out inapplicable language):

- a. by provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Local Unit for down payment or for capital improvements purposes:
- b. from moneys then actually held by the Local Unit and previously contributed for such purpose other than by the Local Unit; or
- c. by emergency appropriation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporation seal of the Local Unit this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Colleen Lapp, Chief Financial Officer

(Seal)

EXTRACT from the minutes of a \_\_\_\_\_ meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey held at the Municipal Building in the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_ .m.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

[Attach appropriate minutes hereto]

**CERTIFICATE**

I, HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of the Township duly called and held on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of the governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of the original minutes so far as they relate to the subject matters referred to in the extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Township this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk

(SEAL)

EXTRACT from the minutes of a \_\_\_\_\_ meeting of the Township  
Committee of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey held at the  
Municipal Building in the \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_m.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

[Attach appropriate minutes hereto]

**CERTIFICATE**

I, HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of the Township duly called and held on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of the governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of the original minutes so far as they relate to the subject matters referred to in the extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Township this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk

(SEAL)

## CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

1. I am the duly appointed Clerk of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey (herein called the "Local Unit"). In this capacity I have the responsibility to maintain the minutes of the meetings of the governing body of the Local Unit and the records relative to all ordinances and resolutions of the Local Unit. The representations made herein are based upon the records of the Local Unit.

2. Attached hereto is a true and complete copy of an ordinance passed by the governing body of the Local Unit on first reading on \_\_\_\_\_ and finally adopted by the governing body on \_\_\_\_\_, and where necessary approved by the Mayor on \_\_\_\_\_.

3. On \_\_\_\_\_ a copy of the ordinance and a notice that copies of the ordinance would be made available to the members of the general public of the municipality who requested copies, up to and including the time of further consideration of the ordinance by the governing body, was posted in the principal municipal building of the Local Unit at the place where public notices are customarily posted. Copies of the ordinance were made available to all who requested them;

4. A certified copy of this ordinance and a copy of the amended capital budget form has been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

5. After final passage, the ordinance, a copy of which is attached hereto, was duly published on \_\_\_\_\_. No protest signed by any person against making the improvement or incurring the indebtedness authorized therein, nor any petition requesting that a

referendum vote be taken on the action proposed in the ordinance has been presented to the governing body or to me or filed in my office within 20 days after the publication or at any other time after the final passage thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Township this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_  
HEIDI R. PIELUC, Clerk

[SEAL]