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Sponsor: Alfonso Salinas III
2nd District Councilman

ORDINANCE NO. 9670

An Ordinance of the City of Hammond, Indiana, authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City and, if necessary, bond anticipation notes, for the purpose of providing funds to be applied to the cost of certain improvements to the Hammond Sportsplex and Community Center and the City's Downtown Commuter Rail Station, together with all related improvements, equipment and incidental expenses in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of bonds therefore.

WHEREAS, the City of Hammond, Indiana (the "City"), is authorized by Indiana Code 5-1-14, Indiana Code 6-9-58, Indiana Code 36-4-6 and Indiana Code 36-1-4-9, each as in effect on the issue date of the bonds authorized herein (collectively, the "Act"), to issue bonds (i) to procure moneys to be used in the exercise of the powers of the City, (ii) to procure moneys for the payment of City debts other than current running expenses, and (iii) in regards to Indiana Code 6-9-58, specifically for the purposes authorized thereunder (all references hereinafter to the Indiana Code are designated as "IC" followed by the applicable code section or sections); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City (the "Common Council") finds that it would be of public utility and benefit and in the best interests of the City and its residents to provide for the construction of certain improvements to the Hammond Sportsplex and Community Center and the City's Downtown Commuter Rail Station, together with all related improvements and equipment, as more fully set forth in summary fashion in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof (collectively, the "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the City has obtained estimates for the cost for the Projects and will advertise and receive bids for the Projects, which bids will be subject to the City's obtaining funds to pay for the Projects; and

WHEREAS, based on the estimates received by the City, the cost of the Projects, including incidental expenses, is in an estimated amount of Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that the City does not have sufficient funds on hand available to apply on the cost of the Projects and that it is necessary to finance the cost of the Projects through the issuance of the bonds herein authorized, in one or more series, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) and, if necessary, bond anticipation notes (the "BANs"); and

WHEREAS, to the extent the cost of the Projects exceeds the maximum par amount of the bonds or BANs herein authorized, the City has been advised that such amount may be funded from

a premium in connection with the sale of said bonds or BANs and, if necessary, other available funds of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has authorized, approved and implemented a food and beverage tax in the City (the "Food and Beverage Tax") pursuant to IC 6-9-58, as amended (the "Food and Beverage Tax Statute"), which authorizes the City to levy the Food and Beverage Tax up to one percent (1%) on the gross retail income derived from food and beverage transactions in the City; and

WHEREAS, the current Food and Beverage Tax in the City is at the maximum rate of one percent (1%) on the gross retail income derived from food and beverage transactions in the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 9 of the Food and Beverage Tax Statute permits the issuance of bonds by the City payable from amounts received by the City from the collection of the Food and Beverage Tax (the "Tax Revenues") for projects as described in Section 9, which includes the Projects; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that the bonds herein authorized shall be payable from a first charge on the Tax Revenues and that there are currently no outstanding bonds, pledges or other obligations payable from the Tax Revenues; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to authorize the issuance of BANs hereunder, if necessary, payable solely from the proceeds of the bonds issued hereunder and, as to interest only, capitalized interest, and to authorize the refunding of said BANs, if issued; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations on Income Tax (the "Reimbursement Regulations") specifies conditions under which a reimbursement allocation may be treated as an expenditure of bond proceeds, and the City intends by this ordinance to qualify amounts advanced by the City to the Projects for reimbursement from proceeds of the BANs or the bonds in accordance with the requirements of the Reimbursement Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the total indebtedness of the City, excluding the amount of the bonds authorized by this ordinance (assuming all such indebtedness constitutes debt in the constitutional sense under the Indiana Constitution), is \$8,935,000 and does not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitations on indebtedness, and the net assessed valuation of taxable property in the City, as shown by the last complete and full assessment for state and county taxes is \$3,590,041,096; such assessment and outstanding indebtedness amounts shall be verified at the time of payment for and delivery of the bonds herein authorized; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has been advised by the City's municipal advisor that it may be economically efficient to acquire a rating, a municipal bond insurance policy and/or a debt service reserve surety for the bonds herein authorized; and

WHEREAS, IC 5-1.4 provides that a "qualified entity," which term includes the City, may issue and sell its bonds or BANs to The Hammond Local Public Improvement Bond Bank (the "Bond Bank"); and

WHEREAS, the Bond Bank, through its Executive Director, has expressed a willingness to purchase the bonds and BANs herein authorized in a negotiated sale, subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the Bond Bank (the "Board"), with proceeds of bonds or notes to be issued by the Bond Bank (the "Bond Bank Bonds" or "Bond Bank Notes", respectively); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has determined that it may be in the best interest of the City to sell the bonds and BANs herein authorized to the Bond Bank in a negotiated sale, as determined by the Controller of the City (the "Controller"), with the advice of the City's municipal advisor; and

WHEREAS, if the bonds herein authorized are sold to the Bond Bank and the Bond Bank Bonds are supported by a debt service reserve fund, the Common Council acknowledges that such reserve fund will be subject to the provisions of IC 5-1.4-5-4 pursuant to which the Chair of the Board may request the Common Council to restore any deficiencies in such reserve pursuant to an appropriation approved by the Common Council for such purpose; and

WHEREAS, the bonds to be issued pursuant to this ordinance are to be issued subject to the provisions of the laws of the State of Indiana, including, without limitation the Act, and the terms and restrictions of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council now finds that all conditions precedent to the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of said bonds and BANs have been complied with in accordance with the provisions of the Act; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAMMOND, INDIANA, THAT:

Section 1. Authorization of Projects. The City shall proceed with the Projects as set forth in this ordinance. The cost of the Projects to be funded with the proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and, if necessary, BANs, shall be in an amount not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000), plus investment earnings on the BAN and bond proceeds, without further authorization of the Common Council. To the extent the cost of the Projects exceeds the maximum par amount of the bonds or BANs herein authorized, such amount shall be funded from a premium in connection with the sale of the bonds or BANs and, if necessary, other available funds of the

City. The Projects shall be constructed and the BANs and bonds herein authorized shall be issued pursuant to and in accordance with the Act.

Section 2. Issuance of BANs. The City shall issue, if necessary, its BANs for the purpose of procuring interim financing to apply on the cost of the Projects, capitalized interest, if necessary, and to pay cost of issuance. The City may issue its BANs in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) to be designated "Food and Beverage Tax Revenue Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 202__", to be completed with the year in which issued and such other designation changes, if any, as may be approved by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor. The BANs shall be sold at not less than 98.0% of their par value, numbered consecutively from 1 upward and shall be in denominations of (i) Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) each or integral multiples thereof or (ii) One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) and any Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000) integral multiple in excess thereof, as determined by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor. The BANs shall be dated as of the date of delivery thereof and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 8.0% per annum (the exact rate or rates to be determined through negotiations with the purchaser of the BANs) payable either upon maturity or redemption. Interest on the BANs may, as determined by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor, also be payable semiannually on January 15 and July 15 of each year, commencing on either the first January 15 or the first July 15 following delivery of the BANs.

The BANs will mature no later than five (5) years after their date of delivery. The BANs are subject to renewal or extension at an interest rate or rates not to exceed 8.0% per annum (the exact rate or rates to be negotiated with the purchaser of the BANs). The term of the BANs and all renewal BANs may not exceed five (5) years from the date of delivery of the initial BANs. The BANs shall be registered in the name of the purchasers thereof. Interest on the BANs shall be calculated according to a 360-day calendar year containing twelve 30-day months.

The BANs shall be issued pursuant to IC 5-1.4-8-6 if sold to the Bond Bank or pursuant to IC 5-1-14-5 if sold to a financial institution or any other purchaser. The City shall pledge to the payment of the principal of and interest on the BANs the proceeds from the issuance of food and beverage tax revenue bonds pursuant to and in the manner prescribed by the Act. Interest on the BANs may also be payable from capitalized interest, if necessary, as determined by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor, prior to the sale of the BANs.

Section 3. Issuance of Bonds. The City shall issue its bonds, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) to be designated "Food and Beverage Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 202__" (the "Bonds"), to be completed with the year in which issued and, if applicable, appropriate series designation, with such other designation changes, if any, as may be approved by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor. The Bonds shall be issued for the purpose of procuring funds to apply on the cost of the Projects, refunding the BANs, if issued, funding a debt service reserve, if necessary,

and costs of issuance of the Bonds, including, if necessary, costs of a rating, insurance and/or a debt service reserve surety.

The Bonds shall be issued and sold at a price not less than 98.0% of the par value thereof. The Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form in denominations of (i) Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) each or integral multiples thereof or (ii) One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) and any Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000) integral multiple in excess thereof, as determined by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor. The Bonds shall be numbered consecutively from 1 up and shall be originally dated as of their date of delivery. The Bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 8.0% per annum (the exact rate or rates to be determined by bidding or through negotiations with the purchaser of the Bonds). The interest on the Bonds shall be payable semiannually on January 15 and July 15 in each year, commencing on either the first January 15 or the first July 15 following the date of delivery of the Bonds, as determined by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor. The principal of the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the principal office of the Paying Agent (as hereinafter defined). The Bonds shall mature semiannually on January 15 and July 15 of each year, or be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption on January 15 and July 15 of each year, over a period ending no later than twenty (20) years after the issuance of the Bonds. The Bonds shall mature in such amounts that will either produce (i) as level annual debt service as practicable taking into account the denominations of the Bonds or (ii) such other level of debt service as will facilitate the City's ability to sell the Bonds on such terms as necessary to enable the funding of the Projects, as determined by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor.

All or a portion of the Bonds may be issued as one or more term bonds, upon election of the purchaser. Such term bonds shall have a stated maturity or maturities consistent with the maturity schedule determined in accordance with the preceding paragraph, on the dates as determined by the purchaser, but in no event later than the last serial maturity date of the Bonds as determined in the preceding paragraph. The term bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption and final payment(s) at maturity at 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on principal payment dates which are hereafter determined in accordance with the preceding paragraph.

The Bonds will be payable solely out of and constitute a first charge against the Tax Revenues. As hereinbefore defined, Tax Revenues means the amounts received by the City from the collection of the Food and Beverage Tax pursuant to the Food and Beverage Tax Statute. Interest on the Bonds shall be calculated according to a 360-day calendar year containing twelve 30-day months.

Section 4. Registrar and Paying Agent. The Controller is hereby authorized to select and appoint a qualified financial institution to serve as Registrar and Paying Agent for the Bonds and the BANs, which Registrar is hereby charged with the responsibility of authenticating the Bonds (the "Registrar" or "Paying Agent"). The Controller is hereby authorized to enter into such

agreements or understandings with such institution as will enable the institution to perform the services required of a Registrar and Paying Agent. The Controller is further authorized to pay such fees as the institution may charge for the services it provides as Registrar and Paying Agent, and such fees may be paid from the Bond Fund (as hereinafter defined) established to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as fiscal agency charges. As to the BANs and as to the Bonds, if sold to a purchaser that does not object to such designation, the Controller may serve as Registrar and Paying Agent and is, in such case, hereby charged with the duties of a Registrar and Paying Agent.

The principal of the Bonds shall be payable at the principal office of the Paying Agent and all payments of interest on the Bonds shall be paid by check mailed one business day prior to the interest payment date to the registered owners thereof, as of the first (1st) day of the month of such interest payment date (the "Record Date"), at the addresses as they appear on the registration books kept by the Registrar or at such other address as is provided to the Paying Agent in writing by such registered owner on or before such Record Date. If payment of principal or interest is made to a depository, payment shall be made by wire transfer on the payment date in same-day funds. If the payment date occurs on a date when financial institutions are not open for business, the wire transfer shall be made on the next succeeding business day. The Paying Agent shall be instructed to wire transfer payments by 1:00 p.m. (New York City time) so such payments are received at the depository by 2:30 p.m. (New York City time).

All payments on the BANs and Bonds shall be made in any coin or currency of the United States of America, which on the date of such payment, shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

Each Bond shall be transferable or exchangeable only upon the books of the City kept for that purpose at the principal office of the Registrar, by the registered owner thereof in person, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender of such Bond together with a written instrument of transfer or exchange satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by the registered owner or its attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon a new fully registered Bond or Bonds in the same aggregate principal amount and of the same maturity shall be executed and delivered in the name of the transferee or transferees or the registered owner, as the case may be, in exchange therefor. The costs of such transfer or exchange shall be borne by the City. The City and the Registrar and Paying Agent for the Bonds may treat and consider the person in whose name such Bonds are registered as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes including for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal thereof and interest due thereon.

Interest on Bonds which are authenticated on or before the Record Date which precedes the first interest payment date shall be paid from their original date. Interest on Bonds authenticated subsequent to the Record Date which precedes the first interest payment date thereon shall be paid from the interest payment date to which interest has been paid as of the date on which such Bonds are authenticated, unless a Bond is authenticated between the Record Date and the interest payment date in which case the interest shall be paid from such interest payment date.

Section 5. Redemption of BANs. Commencing one hundred eighty (180) days after their date of delivery, the BANs are prepayable by the City, in whole or in part, on any date, upon twenty (20) days' notice to the owner of the BANs, without any premium.

Section 6. Redemption of Bonds. The Bonds are redeemable at the option of the City on thirty (30) days' notice, in whole or in part, in the order of maturity as determined by the City, and by lot within a maturity, at face value with no premium, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. The exact redemption dates, which may include a period of call protection, shall be established by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor, prior to the sale of the Bonds.

If any Bond is issued as a term bond, the Paying Agent shall credit against the mandatory sinking fund requirement for the Bonds maturing as term bonds, and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation, in the order determined by the City, any Bonds maturing as term bonds which have previously been redeemed (otherwise than as a result of a previous mandatory redemption requirement) or delivered to the Registrar for cancellation or purchased for cancellation by the Paying Agent and not theretofore applied as a credit against any redemption obligation. Each Bond maturing as a term bond so delivered or canceled shall be credited by the Paying Agent at 100% of the principal amount thereof against the mandatory sinking fund obligation on such mandatory sinking fund date, and any excess of such amount shall be credited on future redemption obligations, and the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed by operation of the mandatory sinking fund requirement shall be accordingly reduced; provided, however, the Paying Agent shall credit only such Bonds maturing as term bonds to the extent received on or before forty-five (45) days preceding the applicable mandatory redemption date.

Each authorized denomination amount shall be considered a separate Bond for purposes of optional and mandatory redemption. If less than an entire maturity is called for redemption, the Bonds to be called for redemption shall be selected by lot by the Registrar. If some Bonds are to be redeemed by optional redemption and mandatory sinking fund redemption on the same date, the Registrar shall select by lot the Bonds for optional redemption before selecting the Bonds by lot for the mandatory sinking fund redemption.

In either case, notice of redemption shall be given not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption unless such redemption notice is waived by the owner of the Bond or Bonds redeemed. Such notice shall be mailed to the address of the registered owner as shown on the registration record of the City as of the date which is forty-five (45) days prior to such redemption date. The notice shall specify the date and place of redemption and sufficient identification of the Bonds called for redemption. The place of redemption may be determined by the City. Interest on the Bonds so called for redemption shall cease on the redemption date fixed in such notice if sufficient funds are available at the place of redemption to pay the redemption price on the date so named.

Section 7. Book-Entry Provisions. The City may, upon the advice of its municipal advisor, have the Bonds held by a central depository system pursuant to an agreement between the City and The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (the "DTC") and have transfers of the Bonds effected by book-entry on the books of the central depository system. In such case, the Bonds shall be issued in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, as registered owner of the Bonds, and held in the custody of DTC and the terms and conditions of this Section 7 shall apply.

If the Bonds are held by DTC, a single certificate will be issued and delivered to DTC for each maturity of the Bonds. The actual purchasers of the Bonds ("Beneficial Owners") will not receive physical delivery of the Bond certificates except as provided herein. Beneficial Owners are expected to receive a written confirmation of their purchase providing details of each Bond acquired. For so long as DTC shall continue to serve as securities depository for the Bonds as provided herein, all transfers of beneficial ownership interests will be made by book-entry only, and no investor or other party purchasing, selling or otherwise transferring beneficial ownership of the Bonds is to receive, hold, or deliver any Bond certificate.

For every transfer and exchange of the Bonds, the Beneficial Owner may be charged a sum sufficient to cover such Beneficial Owner's allocable share of any tax, fee, or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto. Bond certificates are required to be delivered to and registered in the name of the Beneficial Owner, under the following circumstances:

- (i) DTC determines to discontinue providing its service with respect to the Bonds (such a determination may be made at any time by giving thirty (30) days' notice to the City and the Registrar and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law), or
- (ii) the City determines that continuation of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository) is not in the best interests of the Beneficial Owners.

The City and the Registrar will recognize DTC or its nominee as the holder of the Bonds for all purposes, including notices and voting. The City and the Registrar covenant and agree, so long as DTC shall continue to serve as securities depository for the Bonds, to meet the requirements of DTC with respect to required notices and other provisions of a Letter of Representations between the City and DTC. If necessary to comply with the terms and provisions of the Letter of Representations, a supplemental ordinance shall be adopted to amend this ordinance as necessary.

The Registrar is authorized to rely conclusively upon a certificate furnished by DTC and corresponding certificates from DTC participants and indirect participants as to the identity of, and the respective principal amount of Bonds beneficially owned by, the Beneficial Owner or Beneficial Owners.

The City may, upon the advice of its municipal advisor, have the BANs held in the custody of DTC. In such case, the aforementioned terms and conditions of this Section 7 shall apply to the BANs.

Section 8. Execution of Bonds and BANs; Pledge of Tax Revenues to Bonds. The BANs and Bonds shall be signed in the name of the City by the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor of the City (the "Mayor"), countersigned by the manual or facsimile signature of the Controller, and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Clerk of the City, who shall affix the seal of said City to each of said Bonds and BANs manually or shall have the seal imprinted or impressed thereon by facsimile. These officials, by the signing of a Signature and No Litigation Certificate, shall adopt as and for their own proper signatures their facsimile signatures appearing on said Bonds and BANs. In case any officer whose signature or facsimile signature appears on the Bonds or BANs shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the Bonds or BANs, the signature of such officer shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer had remained in office until such delivery. The Bonds shall also be authenticated by the manual signature of an authorized representative of the Registrar and no Bond shall be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication thereon has been so executed.

The Bonds, and any Additional Parity Obligations (as hereinafter defined) ranking on a parity therewith, as to both principal and interest, shall be payable from and secured by an irrevocable pledge of and shall constitute a first charge upon the Tax Revenues. The City hereby irrevocably pledges the Tax Revenues to secure the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds, such pledge to be effective as set forth in IC 5-1-14-4 without recording or filing.

The Bonds are within every limit of indebtedness of the City as prescribed by the constitution of the State of Indiana. The City shall not be obligated to pay the Bonds or the interest thereon except from the Tax Revenues and the Bonds shall not constitute a general obligation of the City. The Bonds and BANs shall have all of the qualities of negotiable instruments under the laws of the State of Indiana subject to the provisions for registration herein.

Section 9. Form of Bonds. The form and tenor of the Bonds shall be substantially as follows, all blanks to be filled in properly and all necessary additions and deletions to be made prior to delivery thereof:

Form of Bond

[Unless this Bond is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company to the Registrar or its agent for registration or transfer, exchange or payment, and any bond issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or such other name as requested by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company and any payment is made to Cede & Co., ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY

PERSON IS WRONGFUL since the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.]

No. _____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF LAKE

CITY OF HAMMOND
FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX REVENUE BOND, SERIES 20__ []

[Maturity Date] [Interest Rate] [Original Date] [Authentication Date] [CUSIP]

Registered Owner:

Principal Sum:

The City of Hammond, Indiana (the "City"), in Lake County, State of Indiana, for value received, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner (named above) or registered assigns, solely out of the special revenue fund hereinafter referred to, the Principal Sum set forth above on the Maturity Date set forth above (unless this Bond be subject to and shall have been duly called for redemption and payment as provided for herein), and to pay interest hereon until the Principal Sum shall be fully paid at the rate per annum specified above from the interest payment date to which interest has been paid next preceding the Authentication Date of this Bond unless this Bond is authenticated after the first (1st) day of the month of an interest payment date and on or before such interest payment date in which case it shall bear interest from such interest payment date, or unless this Bond is authenticated on or before _____ 1, 202__, in which case it shall bear interest from the Original Date, which interest is payable semiannually on January 15 and July 15 of each year, beginning on _____ 15, 202__. Interest shall be calculated according to a 360-day calendar year containing twelve 30-day months.

The principal of this Bond is payable at the principal office of _____ (the "Registrar" or "Paying Agent"), in the _____ of _____, Indiana. All payments of interest on this Bond shall be paid by check mailed one business day prior to the interest payment date to the registered owner hereof, as of the first (1st) day of the month of such interest payment date, at the address as it appears on the registration books kept by the Registrar or at such other address as is provided to the Paying Agent in writing by the registered owner. If payment of principal or interest is made to a depository, payment shall be made by wire transfer on the payment date in same-day funds. If the payment date occurs on a date when financial institutions are not open for business, the wire transfer shall be made on the next succeeding business day. The Paying

Agent shall wire transfer payments by 1:00 p.m. (New York City time) so such payments are received at the depository by 2:30 p.m. (New York City time). All payments on the Bond shall be made in any coin or currency of the United States of America, which on the dates of such payment, shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

THE CITY SHALL NOT BE OBLIGATED TO PAY THIS BOND OR THE INTEREST HEREON EXCEPT FROM THE TAX REVENUES (AS DEFINED IN THE HEREINAFTER DEFINED ORDINANCE), AND NEITHER THIS BOND NOR THE ISSUE OF WHICH IT IS A PART SHALL IN ANY RESPECT CONSTITUTE A GENERAL OBLIGATION OF THE CITY.

This Bond is one of an authorized issue of Bonds of the City of Hammond, Indiana, of like tenor and effect, except as to numbering, interest rate, and dates of maturity, in the total amount of _____ Dollars (\$_____) [for this series] (the “Bonds”), numbered from 1 up, issued for the purpose of providing funds to [refund interim notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds][and] be applied on the cost of certain improvements to the Hammond Sportsplex and Community Center and the City’s Downtown Commuter Rail Station, together with all related improvements, equipment and incidental expenses in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of the Bonds, as authorized by an Ordinance adopted by the Common Council of the City of Hammond, Indiana, on the ____ day of _____, 2025, entitled “An Ordinance of the City of Hammond, Indiana, authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of the City and, if necessary, bond anticipation notes, for the purpose of providing funds to be applied to the cost of certain improvements to the Hammond Sportsplex and Community Center and the City’s Downtown Commuter Rail Station, together with all related improvements, equipment and incidental expenses in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of bonds therefore” (the “Ordinance”), and in accordance with Indiana law, including without limitation Indiana Code 5-1-14, Indiana Code 6-9-58, Indiana Code 36-4-6 and Indiana Code 36-1-4-9, each as in effect on the issue date of the Bonds (the “Act”).

[The Bonds shall be initially issued in a book entry system by The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”). The provisions of this Bond and of the Ordinance are subject in all respect to the provisions of the Letter of Representations between the City and DTC, or any substitute agreement affecting such book entry system under DTC.]

Pursuant to the provisions of said Act and said Ordinance, the principal of and interest on this Bond and all other Bonds of this issue, and any Additional Parity Obligations (as defined in the Ordinance), are payable solely from the Tax Revenues. The City reserves the right to issue Additional Parity Obligations ranking on a parity with this Bond and the issue of which it is a part, as provided in the Ordinance.

The City of Hammond, Indiana irrevocably pledges the Tax Revenues to the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds authorized by said Ordinance, of which this is one, and any Additional Parity Obligations, to the extent necessary for that purpose. The

Common Council of the City has covenanted in the ordinance not to impair the pledge of Tax Revenues and not to rescind the City's Food and Beverage Tax (as defined in the Ordinance) so long as the Bonds remain outstanding. If there shall be a default in the payment of the interest on or principal of this Bond, the owner of this Bond shall have all of the rights and remedies provided for under Indiana law.

The City of Hammond, Indiana further covenants that it will set aside and pay into its Bond Fund a sufficient amount of the Tax Revenues to meet (a) the interest on all Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations as such interest shall fall due, (b) the necessary fiscal agency charges for paying the Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations and interest, (c) the principal of all Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations, as such principal shall fall due, and (d) an additional amount to [create and] maintain the reserve required by the Ordinance. Such required payments shall constitute a first charge upon all the Tax Revenues.

The Bonds of this issue maturing on _____ 15, 20__, and thereafter, are redeemable at the option of the City on _____ 15, 20__, or any date thereafter, on thirty (30) days' notice, in whole or in part, in the order of maturity as determined by the City and by lot within a maturity, at face value with no premium, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

[The Bonds maturing on _____ 15, 20_ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to maturity, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest, on the dates and in the amounts set forth below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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*Final Maturity]

Each _____ Thousand Dollar (\$ _____) principal amount shall be considered a separate bond for purposes of optional [and mandatory] redemption. If less than an entire maturity is called for redemption, the Bonds to be called for redemption shall be selected by lot by the Registrar. [If some Bonds are to be redeemed by optional redemption and mandatory sinking fund redemption on the same date, the Registrar shall select by lot the Bonds for optional redemption before selecting the Bonds by lot for the mandatory sinking fund redemption.]

Notice of redemption shall be mailed to the address of the registered owner as shown on the registration record of the City, as of the date which is forty-five (45) days prior to such redemption date, not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption. The notice shall specify the date and place of redemption and sufficient identification of the Bonds called for redemption. The place of redemption may be determined by the City. Interest on the Bonds so called for redemption shall cease on the redemption date fixed in such notice, if sufficient funds are available at the place of redemption to pay the redemption price on the date so named.

* If this Bond shall not be presented for payment or redemption on the date fixed therefor, the City may deposit in trust with its depository bank, an amount sufficient to pay such Bond or

the redemption price, as the case may be, and thereafter the registered owner shall look only to the funds so deposited in trust with said bank for payment and the City shall have no further obligation or liability in respect thereto.

This Bond is transferable or exchangeable only upon the books of the City kept for that purpose at the office of the Registrar, by the registered owner hereof in person, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender of this Bond together with a written instrument of transfer or exchange satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by the registered owner or its attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon a new fully registered Bond or Bonds in the same aggregate principal amount and of the same maturity, shall be executed and delivered in the name of the transferee or transferees or to the registered owner, as the case may be, in exchange therefor. The City, the Registrar and any paying agent for this Bond may treat and consider the person in whose name this Bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for all purposes including for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal hereof and interest due hereon.

This Bond is subject to defeasance prior to redemption or payment as provided in the Ordinance referred to herein. THE OWNER OF THIS BOND, BY THE ACCEPTANCE HEREOF, HEREBY AGREES TO ALL THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE ORDINANCE. The Ordinance may be amended without the consent of the owners of the Bonds as provided in the Ordinance.

The Bonds maturing in any one year are issuable only in fully registered form in the denomination of _____ Dollars (\$ _____) or any integral multiple thereof not exceeding the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in such year.

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required to be done precedent to and in the preparation and complete execution, issuance and delivery of this Bond have been done and performed in regular and due form as provided by law.

This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been executed by an authorized representative of the Registrar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Hammond, in Lake County, Indiana, has caused this Bond to be executed in its corporate name by the manual or facsimile signature of its Mayor, countersigned by the manual or facsimile signature of its Controller, its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, imprinted or impressed by any means and attested manually or by facsimile by its Clerk.

CITY OF HAMMOND, INDIANA

By: _____
Mayor

[SEAL]

Countersigned:

By: _____
Controller

Attest:

Clerk

REGISTRAR'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

It is hereby certified that this Bond is one of the Bonds described in the Ordinance.

_____,
as Registrar

By: _____
Authorized Representative

[MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE LEGEND]

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____, the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints _____, attorney, to transfer the within Bond in the books kept for the registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution participating in a Securities Transfer Association recognized signature guarantee program.

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

End of Bond Form

Section 10. Preparation and Sale of BANs and Bonds; Official Statement; Investment Letter; Rating; and Municipal Bond Insurance. The Controller is hereby authorized and directed to have said BANs and Bonds prepared, and the Mayor and the Controller are hereby authorized and directed to execute said BANs and Bonds in the form and manner herein provided. The Controller is hereby authorized and directed to deliver said BANs and Bonds to the respective purchasers thereof, which may include the Bond Bank, after sale made in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, provided that at the time of said delivery the Controller shall collect the full amount which the purchasers have agreed to pay therefor, which amount shall not be less than 98.0% of the face value of said BANs and not less than 98.0% of the face value of said Bonds, as the case may be. The City may receive payments on the BANs and Bonds in installments (i.e., the BANs and Bonds may be sold as “draw” BANs or Bonds). The Bonds herein authorized, as and to the extent paid for, shall be binding special limited obligations of the City payable from the Tax Revenues as herein provided. The proceeds derived from the sale of the Bonds shall be and are hereby set aside for application on the cost of the Projects hereinbefore referred to, the refunding of the BANs, if issued, and the expenses necessarily incurred in connection with the BANs and Bonds. The proper officers of the City are hereby directed to draw all proper and necessary warrants, and to do whatever acts and things which may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

The preparation and distribution of an official statement (preliminary and final) on behalf of the City for the Bonds is hereby authorized. The Mayor and Controller are hereby authorized and directed to execute any such preliminary official statement on behalf of the City in a form consistent with this ordinance and are further authorized to designate any such preliminary official statement as “nearly final” for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Rule”). If the Bonds or BANs will be sold to the Bond Bank, the Mayor and Controller are hereby authorized to provide information and materials to the Bond Bank relating to the City, the Tax Revenues and the Bonds or BANs, as the case may be (the “City Material”), for inclusion in any official statement relating to any financing of the Bond Bank the proceeds of which will be used to acquire the Bonds or BANs. The Mayor and Controller are further authorized to deem any such City Material as “nearly final” for purposes of the Rule.

Alternatively, in lieu of preparing and distributing an official statement, the City may obtain a sophisticated investment letter from the purchaser of the Bonds or BANs at the time of delivery of the Bonds or BANs which satisfies applicable state and federal securities laws.

The Controller, with the advice of the City’s municipal advisor, is hereby authorized to obtain one or more ratings for the Bonds if such rating or ratings will facilitate the sale of the Bonds.

In the event the municipal advisor to the City certifies to the City that it would be economically advantageous for the City to obtain bond insurance for the Bonds, the City hereby authorizes the purchase of such bond insurance. In such case, the Mayor and the Controller are hereby authorized to execute and deliver all agreements with the provider of the bond insurance to

the extent necessary to comply with the terms of such bond insurance and the commitment to issue such bond insurance. The acquisition of bond insurance is hereby deemed economically advantageous if the difference between the present value of (i) the total debt service on the Bonds if issued without the bond insurance and (ii) the total debt service on the Bonds if issued with the bond insurance, is greater than the cost of the premium for the bond insurance. The cost of obtaining bond insurance shall be considered as a part of the cost of issuance of the Bonds and may be paid out of the proceeds of the Bonds or out of other funds of the City.

Section 11. Bond Sale Notice. The Bonds may be sold by either a competitive sale or a negotiated sale, which would include a sale to the Bond Bank, as determined by the Controller, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor. If the Bonds will be sold at a competitive sale, the Controller shall cause to be published either (i) a notice of such sale in *The Times* or the *Post-Tribune*, two times, at least one week apart, the first publication made at least fifteen (15) days before the date of the sale and the second publication being made at least three (3) days before the date of the sale, or (ii) a notice of intent to sell in *The Times* or the *Post-Tribune* and the *Indiana Business Journal*, all in accordance with IC 5-1-11 and IC 5-3-1. A notice of sale may also be published one time in the *Indiana Business Journal*, and a notice or summary notice may also be published in *The Bond Buyer* in New York, New York. The notice shall state the character and amount of the Bonds, the maximum rate of interest thereon, the terms and conditions upon which bids will be received and the sale made, and such other information as the Controller and the attorneys employed by the City shall deem advisable and any summary notice may contain any information deemed so advisable. The notice may provide, among other things, that the successful bidder shall be required to assist the City in establishing the initial issue price of the Bonds, that electronic bidding will be permitted, that the successful bidder shall be required to deliver a wire or a certified or cashier's check in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the principal amount of the Bonds described in the notice no later than 3:30 p.m. on the first business day following the award, and that in the event the successful bidder shall fail or refuse to accept delivery of the Bonds and pay for the same as soon as the Bonds are ready for delivery, or at the time fixed in the notice of sale, then said wire or check and the proceeds thereof shall be the property of the City and shall be considered as its liquidated damages on account of such default; that bidders for said Bonds will be required to name the rate or rates of interest which the Bonds are to bear, not exceeding the maximum rate hereinbefore fixed, and that such interest rate or rates shall be in multiples of one-eighth (1/8), one-twentieth (1/20) or one-hundredth (1/100) of one percent (1%). No conditional bid or bid for less than 98.0% of the par value of the Bonds will be considered. The opinion of Bose McKinney & Evans LLP, nationally recognized bond counsel of Indianapolis, Indiana, approving the legality of said Bonds, will be furnished to the purchaser at the expense of the City.

The Bonds shall be awarded by the Controller to the best bidder who has submitted its bid in accordance with the terms of this ordinance, IC 5-1-11 and the notice of sale. The best bidder will be the one who offers the lowest true interest cost to the City, to be determined by computing the total interest on all of the Bonds to their maturities, adding thereto the discount bid, if any, and deducting the premium bid, if any. The right to reject any and all bids shall be reserved. If an acceptable bid is not received on the date of sale, the sale may be continued from day to day

thereafter without further advertisement for a period of thirty (30) days, during which time no bid which provides a higher true interest cost to the City than the best bid received at the time of the advertised sale will be considered.

As an alternative to competitive sale, the Controller may negotiate the sale of the Bonds to the Bond Bank or any other purchaser. The Mayor and the Controller are hereby authorized to (i) submit an application to the Bond Bank, (ii) execute a Qualified Entity Purchase Agreement with the Bond Bank or a Bond Purchase Agreement with a purchaser other than the Bond Bank, in either case with terms conforming to this ordinance, and (iii) sell such Bonds upon such terms as are acceptable to the Mayor and the Controller consistent with the terms of this ordinance.

Section 12. Use of Proceeds. The accrued interest received at the time of the delivery of the Bonds, if any, shall be deposited in the Bond Fund. The remaining proceeds from the sale of the Bonds, to the extent not used to refund BANs, and BAN proceeds shall be deposited in a bank or banks which are legally designated depositories for the funds of the City, in a special account or accounts to be designated as the "City of Hammond Sportsplex/ Downtown Commuter Rail Station Projects Construction Account" (the "Construction Account"). All funds deposited to the credit of said Bond Fund or Construction Account shall be deposited, held, secured or invested in accordance with the laws of the State of Indiana relating to the depositing, holding, securing or investing of public funds, including particularly IC 5-13, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto. The funds in the Construction Account shall be expended only for the purpose of paying the cost of the Projects, refunding the BANs, if issued, or as otherwise required by the Act or for the expenses of issuance of the Bonds or BANs. The cost of obtaining the legal services of Bose McKinney & Evans LLP shall be considered as a part of the cost of the Projects on account of which the BANs and Bonds are issued.

Any balance or balances remaining unexpended in such special account or accounts after completion of the Projects, which are not required to meet unpaid obligations incurred in connection with such Projects, shall either (1) be paid into the Bond Fund and used solely for the purposes thereof or (2) be used for the same purpose or type of project for which the Bonds were originally issued, all in accordance with IC 5-1-13, as amended and supplemented.

The City hereby declares its "official intent", as such term is used in the Reimbursement Regulations, to reimburse the City's advances to the Projects, such advances from the City's General Fund or the City's Food and Beverage Tax Receipts Fund (the "Tax Revenues Receipts Fund"), from proceeds of the BANs or the Bonds herein authorized by this ordinance. The City reasonably expects to make such advances for the costs of the Projects.

Section 13. Tax Revenues Receipts Fund. In accordance with Section 8 of the Food and Beverage Tax Statute, all Tax Revenues received by the City are deposited to the Tax Revenues Receipts Fund. So long as the Bonds and any Additional Parity Obligations remain outstanding, the City covenants to maintain the Tax Revenues Receipts Fund and cause to be deposited therein all Tax Revenues as provided in this ordinance and in accordance with the Food and Beverage Tax

Statute. The funds held in the Tax Revenues Receipts Fund shall only be used for such purposes as permitted by the Food and Beverage Tax Statute, including the payment of debt service on the Bonds and any Additional Parity Obligations, and the funding of any debt service reserves in connection therewith.

Section 14. Bond Fund. There is hereby created a bond fund for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and any Additional Parity Obligations, and the payment of any fiscal agency charges in connection with the payment thereof, which fund is hereby designated the "Food and Beverage Tax Revenues Bond Fund" (the "Bond Fund"). There shall be set aside and deposited in the Bond Fund, as available, and as provided below, a sufficient amount of the Tax Revenues to meet the requirements of the Bond and Interest Account and the Reserve Account hereby created in the Bond Fund. Such payments shall continue until the balance in the Bond and Interest Account, plus the balance in the Reserve Account, equals the amount needed to redeem all of the then outstanding Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations and provide for the payment of all fiscal agency charges.

(a) Bond and Interest Account. There is hereby created, within the Bond Fund, the "Bond and Interest Account". There shall be credited on or before the last day of each calendar month from the Tax Revenues Receipts Fund to the Bond and Interest Account an amount of the Tax Revenues equal to (i) at least one-sixth ($1/6$) of the interest on all then outstanding Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations (and lease payments for any Additional Parity Obligations that are leases) payable on the then next succeeding interest payment date and (ii) at least one-sixth ($1/6$) of the principal of all then outstanding Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations (and lease payments for any Additional Parity Obligations that are leases) payable on the then next succeeding principal payment date, until the amount of interest and principal payable on the then next succeeding interest and principal payment date shall have been so credited. There shall similarly be credited to the account any amount necessary to pay the bank fiscal agency charges for paying interest on outstanding Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations as the same become payable. The City shall, from the sums deposited in the Bond Fund and credited to the Bond and Interest Account, remit promptly to the registered owner or to the bank fiscal agency sufficient moneys to pay the interest and principal on the due dates thereof together with the amount of bank fiscal agency charges.

(b) Reserve Account. There is hereby created, within the Bond Fund, the Reserve Account (the "Reserve Account"). On the date of delivery of the Bonds, the City may deposit funds on hand, Bond proceeds, or a combination thereof into the Reserve Account. Prior to the sale of the Bonds, the Controller shall determine, with the advice of the City's municipal advisor, the required balance to be maintained in the Reserve Account for the Bonds (the "Reserve Requirement") which Reserve Requirement shall be reflected in the purchase agreement for the Bonds and in a certificate to be delivered by the Controller on the date of issuance of the Bonds. In any event, the Reserve Requirement shall not exceed the least of (i) the maximum annual debt service on the Bonds, (ii) 125% of average annual debt service on the Bonds or (iii) 10% of the proceeds of the Bonds. If the initial deposit into the Reserve Account does not cause the balance

therein to equal the Reserve Requirement or if no deposit is made, an amount of the Tax Revenues shall be credited to the Reserve Account on or before the last day of each calendar month until the balance therein equals the Reserve Requirement. The monthly deposits shall be equal in amount and sufficient to accumulate the Reserve Requirement within five (5) years of the date of delivery of the Bonds.

In the event the Bonds are sold to the Bond Bank, the City may, in its discretion, cause any amounts in the Reserve Account to be held by the Trustee for the Bond Bank Bonds (the "Bond Bank Trustee") in a debt service reserve fund established for the Bond Bank Bonds, and in such event, so long as the Bonds are held by the Bond Bank, the Bond Bank Trustee shall administer and invest the moneys in the fund held by the Bond Bank Trustee in accordance with this ordinance and the trust indenture securing the Bond Bank Bonds. For so long as the Bond Bank holds the Bonds in such case, the City shall for all purposes of this ordinance be permitted to offset its obligation under this ordinance to maintain a balance in the Reserve Account equal to the Reserve Requirement in respect of the Bonds by any amounts on deposit with the Bond Bank Trustee in the debt service reserve fund, if any, for the Bond Bank Bonds. If the Bonds are not held by the Bond Bank or if no debt service reserve fund is established for the Bond Bank Bonds, the Controller shall hold the funds in the Reserve Account for the purposes set forth herein.

The Reserve Account shall constitute the margin for safety and a protection against default in the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, and the moneys in the Reserve Account shall be used to pay current principal and interest on the Bonds, to the extent that moneys in the Bond and Interest Account are insufficient for that purpose. Any deficiency in the balance maintained in the Reserve Account shall be made up from the next available Tax Revenues remaining after credits into the Bond and Interest Account. Any moneys in the Reserve Account in excess of the Reserve Requirement shall be used for the purchase of outstanding Bonds or installments of principal of fully registered Bonds at a price not exceeding par and accrued interest, and redemption premium, if any, or shall be transferred to the Tax Revenues Receipts Fund. If the Bonds are purchased by the Bond Bank and in the event the Common Council approves any appropriations of the City to restore any deficiencies in the reserve for the Bond Bank Bonds pursuant to IC 5-1.4-5-4, such amounts appropriated by the City to restore the deficiency shall be repaid to the City from Tax Revenues in accordance with the above paragraph for restoring any deficiencies in the Reserve Account.

A debt service reserve surety bond may be purchased by the City to satisfy, in whole or in part, the Reserve Requirement. If a debt service reserve surety is acquired, it must be issued by an insurance company rated, at the time of its acquisition, in one of the three highest rating categories by Standard & Poor's Corporation or Moody's Investors Service. The Mayor and the Controller are hereby authorized to execute and deliver the necessary agreements with the provider of the debt service reserve surety bond providing for, among other matters, the reimbursement to such provider of amounts drawn under the debt service reserve surety bond. Each of these officials are hereby authorized and directed to complete, execute and attest any agreement pertaining to such a debt service reserve surety bond on behalf of the City so long as its provisions are consistent with

this ordinance. The cost of obtaining a debt service reserve surety bond shall be considered as a part of the cost of issuance of the Bonds and may be paid out of the proceeds of the Bonds or out of other funds of the City.

With respect to any Additional Parity Obligations, the reserve requirement for such Additional Parity Obligation shall be set forth in the ordinance authorizing such Additional Parity Obligations. Any reserve for Additional Parity Obligations shall be maintained in a separate subaccount of the Reserve Account and shall not secure nor be used to pay for the Bonds. The Reserve Account for the Bonds described above shall not be used nor shall it secure any Additional Parity Obligations.

Section 15. Maintenance of Accounts; Investments. The Bond Fund shall be deposited in and maintained as a separate account or accounts from all other accounts of the City. All moneys deposited in the accounts shall be deposited, held and secured as public funds in accordance with the public depository laws of the State of Indiana; provided that moneys therein may be invested in obligations in accordance with the applicable laws, including particularly IC 5-13, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and in the event of such investment the income therefrom shall become a part of the funds invested and shall be used only as provided in this ordinance.

Section 16. Defeasance of Bonds. If, when any of the Bonds issued hereunder shall have become due and payable in accordance with their terms or shall have been duly called for redemption or irrevocable instructions to call the Bonds or any portion thereof for redemption shall have been given, and the whole amount of the principal and the interest and the premium, if any, so due and payable upon all of the Bonds or any portion thereof and coupons then outstanding shall be paid; or (i) sufficient moneys, or (ii) direct obligations of (including obligations issued or held in book entry form on the books of) the Department of the Treasury of the United States of America, the principal of and the interest on which when due will provide sufficient moneys, shall be held in trust for such purpose, and provision shall also be made for paying all fees and expenses for the redemption, then and in that case the Bonds issued hereunder or any designated portion thereof shall no longer be deemed outstanding or entitled to the pledge of the Tax Revenues.

Section 17. Additional Parity Obligations Provisions. The City reserves the right to authorize and issue additional BANs at any time ranking on a parity with the BANs. The City reserves the right to authorize and issue additional bonds or enter into leases or other obligations payable from the Tax Revenues ranking on a parity with the Bonds (the "Additional Parity Obligations") for the purpose of raising money for future projects which can be financed with obligations from the Tax Revenues, or to refund the Bonds or Additional Parity Obligations, subject to the following conditions precedent:

(a) All interest and principal payments of the outstanding Bonds and any outstanding Additional Parity Obligations, as well as any lease payments on any outstanding Additional Parity Obligations which are leases, shall have been paid to date in accordance with their terms, with no payments in arrears.

(b) The City shall have received a certificate prepared by an independent public accountant or financial consultant certifying that the amount of the Tax Revenues received in any twelve (12) consecutive calendar months out of the most recent eighteen (18) calendar months shall be at least equal to one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the annual principal and interest, and lease payment requirements, if any, with respect to the outstanding Bonds, any outstanding Additional Parity Obligations and the proposed Additional Parity Obligations to be issued, for each year during the term of the outstanding Bonds and Additional Parity Obligations.

(c) All interest and principal payments on any Additional Parity Obligations (or lease payments on any Additional Parity Obligations that are leases) or junior obligations shall be payable semiannually on January 15 and July 15.

(d) The City shall maintain for each issue of Additional Parity Obligations a debt service reserve account that is separate and segregated from the Reserve Account for the Bonds. Such debt service reserve account shall be funded in an amount calculated using the same formula as the Reserve Requirement for the Bonds.

The City reserves the right to issue bonds or other obligations secured by the Tax Revenues which rank junior and subordinate to the Bonds and any Additional Parity Obligations, subject to paragraph (c) above.

Any lease obligation of the City payable from Tax Revenues shall be considered an Additional Parity Obligation only if the foregoing tests are met by treating the obligation to make such lease payments as debt service payments.

For the avoidance of doubt, in the event the City determines to issue the Bonds in more than one series, the provisions of paragraph (b) above shall not apply to any such additional series of Bonds.

Section 18. Further Covenants. The provisions of this ordinance shall constitute a contract by and between the City and the owners of the Bonds and BANs herein authorized, and after the issuance of said Bonds or BANs, this ordinance shall not be repealed or amended in any respect which will adversely affect the rights of the owners of said Bonds or BANs nor shall the Common Council adopt any law, ordinance or resolution which in any way adversely affects the rights of such owners so long as any of said Bonds, BANs or the interest thereon remain unpaid. Except for the changes set forth in Section 21(a)-(g), this ordinance may be amended, however, without the consent of BAN or Bond owners, if the Common Council determines, in its sole discretion, that such amendment would not adversely affect the owners of the BANs or Bonds.

The City will take no action to repeal, rescind or reduce the Food and Beverage Tax or the pledge of the Tax Revenues so long as the Bonds are outstanding.

The City has not pledged or otherwise encumbered the Tax Revenues and there are no prior liens, encumbrances or other restrictions on the Tax Revenues or on the City's ability to pledge the Tax Revenues.

Section 19. Investment of Funds. The Controller is hereby authorized to invest moneys pursuant to IC 5-1-14-3 and the provisions of this ordinance (subject to applicable requirements of federal law to ensure such yield is the then current market rate) to the extent necessary or advisable to preserve the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds and BANs under federal law. The Controller shall keep full and accurate records of investment earnings and income from moneys held in the funds and accounts created or referenced herein. In order to comply with the provisions of the ordinance, the Controller is hereby authorized and directed to employ consultants or attorneys from time to time to advise the City as to requirements of federal law to preserve the tax exclusion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any moneys in the Reserve Account held by the Bond Bank Trustee, if any, may be invested at the direction of the Bond Bank in accordance with the trust indenture authorizing the issuance of the Bond Bank Bonds.

Section 20. Tax Covenants. In order to preserve the exclusion of interest on the Bonds and BANs from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as existing on the date of issuance of the Bonds or BANs, as the case may be (the "Code") and as an inducement to purchasers of the Bonds and BANs, the City represents, covenants and agrees that:

(a) The Projects will be available for use by members of the general public. Use by a member of the general public means use by natural persons not engaged in a trade or business. No person or entity other than the City or another state or local governmental unit will use more than 10% of the proceeds of the Bonds or BANs or property financed by the Bond or BAN proceeds other than as a member of the general public. No person or entity other than the City or another state or local governmental unit will own property financed by Bond or BAN proceeds or will have any actual or beneficial use of such property pursuant to a lease, a management or incentive payment contract, arrangements such as take-or-pay or output contracts or any other type of arrangement that conveys other special legal entitlements and differentiates that person's or entity's use of such property from use by the general public, unless such uses in the aggregate relate to no more than 10% of the proceeds of the Bonds or BANs, as the case may be. If the City enters into a management contract for the Projects, the terms of the contract will comply with Internal Revenue Service Revenue Procedure 2017-13, as it may be amended, supplemented or superseded for time to time, so that the contract will not give rise to private business use under the Code and the Regulations, unless such use in aggregate relates to no more than 10% of the proceeds of the Bonds or BANs, as the case may be.

(b) No more than 10% of the principal of or interest on the Bonds or BANs is (under the terms of the Bonds or BANs, this ordinance or any underlying arrangement), directly or indirectly, secured by an interest in property used or to be used for any private business use or payments in respect of any private business use or payments in respect of such property or to be derived from payments (whether or not to the City) in respect of such property or borrowed money used or to be used for a private business use.

(c) No more than 5% of the Bond or BAN proceeds will be loaned to any person or entity other than another state or local governmental unit. No more than 5% of the Bond or BAN proceeds will be transferred, directly or indirectly, or deemed transferred to a nongovernmental person in any manner that would in substance constitute a loan of the Bond or BAN proceeds.

(d) The City reasonably expects, as of the date hereof, that the Bonds and BANs will not meet either the private business use test described in paragraphs (a) and (b) above or the private loan test described in paragraph (c) above during the entire term of the Bonds or BANs, as the case may be.

(e) No more than 5% of the proceeds of the Bonds or BANs will be attributable to private business use as described in (a) and private security or payments described in (b) attributable to unrelated or disproportionate private business use. For this purpose, the private business use test is applied by taking into account only use that is not related to any government use of proceeds of the issue (Unrelated Use) and use that is related but disproportionate to any governmental use of those proceeds (Disproportionate Use).

(f) The City will not take any action nor fail to take any action with respect to the Bonds or BANs that would result in the loss of the exclusion from gross income for federal tax purposes on the Bonds or BANs pursuant to Section 103 of the Code, nor will the City act in any other manner which would adversely affect such exclusion. The City covenants and agrees not to enter into any contracts or arrangements which would cause the Bonds or BANs to be treated as private activity bonds under Section 141 of the Code.

(g) It shall not be an event of default under this ordinance if the interest on any Bond or BAN is not excludable from gross income for federal tax purposes or otherwise pursuant to any provision of the Code which is not currently in effect and in existence on the date of issuance of the Bonds or BANs, as the case may be.

(h) The City represents that represents that, if necessary, it will rebate any arbitrage profits to the United States of America in accordance with the Code.

(i) These covenants are based solely on current law in effect and in existence on the date of delivery of such Bonds or BANs, as the case may be.

Section 21. Amendments with Consent of Bondholders. Subject to the terms and provisions contained in this Section and Section 18, and not otherwise, the owners of not less than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds issued pursuant to this ordinance and then outstanding shall have the right, from time to time, anything contained in this ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding, to consent to and approve the adoption by the City of such ordinance or ordinances supplemental hereto as shall be deemed necessary or desirable by the City for the purpose of modifying, altering, amending, adding to or rescinding in any particular any of the terms or provisions contained in this ordinance, or in any supplemental ordinance; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall permit or be construed as permitting:

- (a) An extension of the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Bond issued pursuant to this ordinance; or
- (b) A reduction in the principal amount of any Bond or the redemption premium or the rate of interest thereon; or
- (c) The creation of a lien upon or a pledge of the Tax Revenues ranking prior to the pledge thereof created by this ordinance; or
- (d) A preference or priority of any Bond or Bonds issued pursuant to this ordinance over any other Bond or Bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance; or
- (e) A reduction in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds required for consent to such supplemental ordinance; or
- (f) A reduction in the Reserve Requirement; or
- (g) The extension of mandatory sinking fund redemption dates, if any.

If the owners of not less than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds outstanding at the time of adoption of such supplemental ordinance shall have consented to and approved the adoption thereof by written instrument to be maintained on file in the office of the Controller, no owner of any Bond issued pursuant to this ordinance shall have any right to object to the adoption of such supplemental ordinance or to object to any of the terms and provisions contained therein or the operation thereof, or in any manner to question the propriety of the adoption thereof, or to enjoin or restrain the City or its officers from adopting the same, or from taking any action pursuant to the provisions thereof. Upon the adoption of any supplemental ordinance pursuant to the provisions of this section, this ordinance shall be, and shall be deemed, modified and amended in accordance therewith, and the respective rights, duties and obligations under this ordinance of the City and all owners of Bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance then outstanding, shall thereafter be determined exercised and

enforced in accordance with this ordinance, subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments. Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this ordinance, the rights and obligations of the City and of the owners of the Bonds authorized by this ordinance, and the terms and provisions of the Bonds and this ordinance, or any supplemental ordinance, may be modified or altered in any respect with the consent of the City and the consent of the owners of all the Bonds issued pursuant to this ordinance then outstanding.

Section 22. Issuance of BANs. The City, having satisfied all the statutory requirements for the issuance of its Bonds, may elect to issue its BAN or BANs to a financial institution, the Bond Bank or any other purchaser pursuant to a Bond Anticipation Note Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Anticipation Note Agreement") to be entered into between the City and the purchaser of the BAN or BANs. The Common Council hereby authorizes the issuance and execution of the BAN or BANs in lieu of initially issuing Bonds to provide interim financing for the Projects until permanent financing becomes available. It shall not be necessary for the City to repeat the procedures for the issuance of its Bonds, as the procedures followed before the issuance of the BAN or BANs are for all purposes sufficient to authorize the issuance of the Bonds and the use of the proceeds to repay the BAN or BANs. The Mayor and the Controller are hereby authorized and directed to execute a Bond Anticipation Note Agreement (and any amendments made from time to time) in such form or substance as they shall approve acting upon the advice of counsel. The Mayor and the Controller may also take such other actions or deliver such other certificates as are necessary or desirable in connection with the issuance of the BANs or the Bonds and the other documents needed for the financing as they deem necessary or desirable in connection therewith.

Section 23. Tax Exemption. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this ordinance, the covenants and authorizations contained in this ordinance (the "Tax Sections") which are designed to preserve the exclusion of interest on the BANs and Bonds from gross income under federal law (the "Tax Exemption") need not be complied with if the City receives an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel that any Tax Section is unnecessary to preserve the Tax Exemption. At the time of delivery of the BANs and Bonds, the Mayor and Controller will execute post-issuance compliance procedures with respect to the BANs and Bonds relating to continued compliance of the City with respect to the Tax Sections to preserve the Tax Exemption.

Section 24. Continuing Disclosure. If necessary in order for the purchaser of the BANs or Bonds to comply with the Rule, the Mayor and the Controller are hereby authorized to execute and deliver, in the name of and on behalf of the City, (i) an agreement by the City to comply with the requirements of a continuing disclosure undertaking of the City pursuant to subsection (b)(5) or (d)(2) of the Rule, and (ii) amendments to such agreement from time to time in accordance with the terms of such agreement (the agreement and any amendments thereto are collectively referred to herein as the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement"). The City hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. The remedies for any failure of the City to comply with and carry out the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be as set forth herein. If the Bonds or BANs are sold to the Bond Bank, the City is hereby authorized to enter into a Continuing Disclosure Agreement in

respect of the Bond Bank Bonds or Bond Bank Notes the proceeds of which are used to purchase the Bonds or BANs.

Section 25. Debt Limit Not Exceeded. The City represents and covenants that the Bonds herein authorized, when combined with other outstanding indebtedness of the City, will not exceed any applicable constitutional or statutory limitation on the City's indebtedness.

Section 26. Severability. If any section, paragraph or provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance.

Section 27. Headings. The headings or titles of the several sections of this ordinance shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect of this ordinance.

Section 28. Conflicting Ordinances. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.


Section 29. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and execution by the Mayor.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY the Common Council of the City of Hammond, Indiana, this 14th day of April, 2025.


COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
HAMMOND, INDIANA

By: 
Dave Woerpel, President
Hammond Common Council


ATTEST:


Robert J. Golec, City Clerk
City of Hammond, Indiana

PRESENTED BY ME, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Hammond, Indiana, to the Mayor, for approval and signature, this 15th day of April, 2025.


Robert J. Golec, City Clerk
City of Hammond, Indiana

The foregoing Ordinance No. 9670 consisting of twenty-seven (27) typewritten pages, including this page, was Approved AND SIGNED BY ME, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Hammond, Indiana, this 15th day of April, 2025.


Thomas M. McDermott Jr., Mayor
City of Hammond, Indiana

PASSED by the Common Council on the 14th day of April, 2025 and Approved by the Mayor on the 15th day of April, 2025.


Robert J. Golec, City Clerk
City of Hammond, Indiana

EXHIBIT A

Description of Projects

The projects are described below and include all necessary and related improvements in connection therewith:

Hammond Sportsplex and Community Center:

Originally opened in 2018, the Hammond Sportsplex and Community Center has become a destination for youth, high school, and college sports in the Midwest. The 135,000 square foot facility currently is home to community and in-house club soccer, volleyball, and basketball and hosts Midwest and National volleyball and basketball events. It also is the home indoor practice facility for several of Purdue Northwest's NCAA Division II athletic programs. Over 400,000 people visit the Sportsplex annually. Since opening it has become apparent that there is both the demand and need for higher ceilings (to better accommodate higher level volleyball tournaments) and more space (to bring in the largest tournaments). The city's initial \$15M investment has resulted in investment in and around the facility including the recent opening of one of the largest YMCA's in North America (\$70M investment) that has a daily usage rate of over 3,000 persons. This \$9.03M expansion will add 20,000 square feet with 8 new volleyball and 4 new basketball courts and relocation of the indoor soccer fields to a new connected structure.

Downtown Hammond Station:

Hammond's Downtown is in the beginning stages of a renaissance. Several years ago, in anticipation of the nearly \$1B expansion of the regional commuter rail (the South Shore Line) that for the first time in nearly 100 years will bring rail service through downtown Hammond, the city hired renowned urban planner Jeff Speck to help plan for the city's new walkable downtown. This has resulted in a \$6.2M investment in a new streetscape that slows down traffic into one lane in each direction. The new confidence in downtown has resulted in a \$25M downtown residential investment and reuse of an historic 8 story bank building that recently opened its doors to its first new residents and will have 100 units occupied in the near future. The cornerstone of making downtown reachable and walkable is the downtown Hammond train station which will begin construction in summer 2025. This will be a platform and railway station structure designed by Alexander Gorlin Architects and will serve the residents and visitors to downtown Hammond. Construction is estimated to take 18 months once begun. Design is almost complete and bids for construction will go out in Spring 2025 with a construction start slated for late summer 2025.