

**TOWN OF TRAPPE
ORDINANCE NO. 5 - 2024**

**GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
(SANITARY SEWER PUMPING STATION PROJECTS)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF TRAPPE, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING ORDINANCE NO. 3-2019; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UP TO (AND INCLUDING) ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FORTY-ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,141,000) PAR AMOUNT OF BONDS, TO BE ISSUED AND SOLD PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF SECTIONS 19-301, ET SEQ. OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AS AMENDED, AND SECTION 612 OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TRAPPE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS NECESSARY TO PAY THE COSTS OF REPAIRING, UPGRADING OR REPLACING SANITARY SEWER PUMPING STATIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE TOWN OF TRAPPE, AND PAYING CAPITALIZED INTEREST ON AND THE COSTS OF ISSUING THE BONDS; PROVIDING THAT THE BONDS SHALL BE ISSUED UPON THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE TOWN OF TRAPPE; PROVIDING FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF THE BONDS AND FOR THE LEVY OF ANNUAL TAXES UPON ALL ASSESSABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE ISSUER SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENT FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AS THEY SHALL MATURE; PROVIDING FOR THE FORM, TENOR, DENOMINATION, MATURITY DATE, INTEREST RATE AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF SPECIFIC PROJECTS TO BE FINANCED WITH PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS AND RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Town of Trappe (the “Issuer”), is a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland organized and operating under a charter adopted in accordance with Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland, and Sections 4-201 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority of Section 7097 of the Charter of the Town of Trappe (the “Charter”), the Issuer is authorized and empowered to construct and establish a water supply and sewerage system to serve the Town of Trappe and its environs including those to which the Issuer has entered into cooperative arrangements for sharing such systems and services; to extend, alter, improve and modify the existing water supply and sewerage systems as from time to time may become necessary or advisable; to maintain and operate the said water supply and sewerage systems so constituted, established, extended, altered and modified; to do all work necessary in the establishment, extension, alteration, modification, maintenance and operation of said water supply and sewerage systems; and to make such service rates as they may deem necessary to charge against all properties served by said water supply and sewerage systems for the purpose of maintaining, repairing and operating the said water supply and sewerage systems; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority of Sections 19-301 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended (the “Enabling Act”), and Section 612 of

the Charter, the Issuer has determined to issue its general obligation bonds to be known as the "Town of Trappe General Obligation Bonds" (the "Bonds") in the principal amount of up to (and including) One Million One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Dollars (\$1,141,000.00) for the purpose of providing all or a portion of the funds necessary to pay the costs of repairing, upgrading or replacing sanitary sewer pumping stations and other public improvements for the Issuer (individually a "Project" and, collectively, the "Projects"), capitalized interest on the Bonds and payment of the costs of issuing such bonds, all in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Ordinance;

WHEREAS, in connection with the Project, the Issuer previously adopted Ordinance No. 3-2019 ("Ordinance No. 3-2019") which authorized, among other things, the issuance of the Issuer's general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,376,000. Due to increases in costs and timing delays, the Issuer now desires to authorize the issuance and sale of additional general obligation bonds as set forth herein;

WHEREAS, in addition to the authorization of the Bonds for the Projects, this Ordinance is intended to amend and supplement Ordinance No. 3-2019; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer intends by this Ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of the Bonds, which may be at a private or public sale, as determined by the Issuer to be in the best interests of the Issuer and under its authority under the Charter at the time of such sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. Authorization, Terms, Form of Bonds.

(a) The Issuer shall borrow upon its full faith and credit and shall issue and sell the Bonds as general obligation bonds in the principal amount of up to (and including) One Million One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Dollars (\$1,141,000.00), to be issued pursuant to the authority of Sections 19-301 *et seq.* of the Enabling Act, and Section 612 of the Charter. The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds shall be used for the purpose of providing all or a portion of the funds necessary to pay the costs of the Projects, capitalized interest on the Projects and the Bonds, and issuing the Bonds, together with other related costs.

(b) The Bonds shall be issued in one or more series, from time to time, as fully registered bonds in the principal amount of up to (and including) One Million One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Dollars (\$1,141,000.00), payable to the registered owners thereof. The Bonds of each series may be issued in such amount or such lesser amounts and in such denominations as determined by the President of the Council pursuant to subsection (e) below. The interest rates and provisions for prepayment or redemption of the Bonds of any series may differ from the interest rates and provisions for prepayment or redemption of the Bonds of any other series.

(c) The Bonds of each series shall be dated as of their date of issue and delivery to the initial purchaser thereof; shall be numbered R-1, upwards; shall be initially registered in the name of the initial purchaser thereof or such purchaser's designee; and shall bear interest from their dated date, payable in monthly, quarterly, semiannual or other periodic installments, as determined by the President of the Council pursuant to subsection (e) below, at the designated office of the Issuer.

(d) The Bonds shall be in substantially the form set forth on Exhibit A to this Ordinance, attached hereto and made a part hereof, subject to completion and modification as authorized by this Ordinance, which form of Bonds, together with all of the covenants and conditions therein contained, is hereby adopted by the Issuer as and for the form of obligation to be incurred by the

Issuer and such covenants and conditions are hereby made binding upon the Issuer, including the promise to pay therein contained.

(e) The President of the Council and the Clerk-Treasurer are hereby authorized to make such changes to the amount, terms and form of the Bonds and any related documents and certificates, including insertions therein or additions or deletions thereto, as may be necessary to conform the terms of the Bonds to the terms and requirements of the purchaser and as are consistent with the other provisions of this Ordinance. Accordingly, the President of the Council and Clerk-Treasurer are specifically authorized: (i) to determine and approve the final principal amount of the Bonds of any series to be issued from time to time in order to reflect the final principal amount thereof (not to exceed the maximum principal amount of Bonds authorized by this Ordinance for all series of Bonds), (ii) to determine and approve the interest rate or rates of the Bonds of any series pursuant to either a public or private sale of the Bonds of such series, the method of calculation of interest, and the date or dates for the payment thereof, if any, all as the President of the Council shall deem to be in the best interests of the Issuer, (iii) to determine and approve the maturity date or dates of the Bonds of any series or the principal installments payable on the Bonds of any series and the dates on which the Bonds of any series are subject to mandatory or optional prepayment or redemption, the principal amounts to be prepaid or redeemed on such dates, and the redemption premium thereon, if any, (iv) to determine the number and denominations of the Bonds of any series, and (v) to insert into the form of the Bonds a project and series designation for the Bonds, which shall include the actual year in which the Bonds of any series are issued and any additional designations as may be determined by the President of the Council and Clerk-Treasurer.

(f) Concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds of any series to the purchaser thereof, the Issuer will enter into, execute and deliver in connection with the issuance of the Bonds of such series additional documents, agreements, instruments and certificates (which are herein referred to as the "Related Bond Documents"). The Related Bond Documents shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the President of the Council and Clerk-Treasurer and acceptable to the purchaser of the Bonds and the Issuer's bond counsel. The Issuer agrees to perform the covenants and agreements set forth in the Related Bond Documents.

(g) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in Ordinance No. 3-2019, the bonds authorized under Ordinance No. 3-2019 and under this Ordinance may be issued concurrently as part of the same transaction or as part of separate transactions and either as a single bond or multiple bonds, provided, however, that the aggregate amount of bonds that may be issued shall not exceed the total aggregate amount of bonds authorized under Ordinance No. 3-2019 and the amount of bonds authorized under this Ordinance.

Section 2. Execution. The Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by the manual or facsimile signature of the President of the Council of the Issuer, and the seal of the Issuer shall be affixed thereto or reproduced thereon and attested by the manual signature of the Clerk-Treasurer of the Issuer. In the event any official whose signature appears on the Bonds or the Related Bond Documents shall cease to be an official prior to the delivery of the Bonds or the Related Bond Documents, or, in the event any official whose signature appears on any of the Bonds or the Related Bond Documents becomes an officer after the date of the issue, the Bonds or Related Bond Documents shall nevertheless be valid and binding obligations of the Issuer in accordance with their terms. The President of the Council of the Issuer is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to complete the applicable form of the Bonds and the Related Bond Documents and to make

modifications, deletions, corrections or other changes thereto in any manner which the President of the Council, in his or her discretion, shall deem necessary to complete the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the execution and delivery of the Related Bond Documents, as will not alter the substance thereof. The President of the Council is hereby also authorized to execute other and additional documents relating to the Bonds, the Related Bond Documents and their administration, including subsequent modifications, deletions, corrections and other changes thereto in any manner which the President of the Council, in his or her discretion, shall deem appropriate. The execution of the Bonds and the Related Bond Documents and any other documents relating to the Bonds and the Related Bond Documents by the President of the Council and Clerk-Treasurer shall be conclusive evidence of his or her approval of the form and substance thereof.

Section 3. Registration of Bonds. The Clerk-Treasurer shall act as registrar for the Bonds and shall maintain registration books for the registration and registration of transfer of the Bonds of any series at the office of the Clerk-Treasurer. No security or bond shall be required of the Clerk-Treasurer in the performance of the duties of registrar for the Bonds. The Issuer may from time to time by ordinance adopted by the Council of the Issuer, either prior to or following the issuance of the Bonds of any series, designate and appoint one or more substitute or successor registrars or a paying agents for the Bonds of any series.

The Bonds of any series will be transferable by the Clerk-Treasurer only upon the register for the Bonds maintained by the Clerk-Treasurer. Any Bond presented for transfer, exchange or registration, shall be accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer or authorization for exchange, in form and with guaranty of signature satisfactory to the Clerk-Treasurer, duly executed by the registered owner thereof or by such owner's duly authorized attorney. Upon any transfer or exchange, the Issuer shall execute and deliver in the name of the registered owner or the transferee or transferees, as the case may be, a new registered Bond of authorized denomination(s) in the outstanding and unpaid principal amount of the Bond, payable or maturing on the same date or dates and bearing interest at the same rate as the surrendered Bond. In each case, the Issuer may require payment by the registered owner requesting the exchange or transfer of any tax, fee or other governmental charge and of any shipping and insurance charges that may be required to be paid with respect thereto, but otherwise no charge shall be made to the registered owner for the exchange or transfer. The Clerk-Treasurer, as registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Bond after the mailing of a notice of redemption.

The Issuer may deem and treat the person in whose name any Bonds shall be registered upon the books of the Issuer as the absolute owner of such Bonds, whether such Bonds shall be overdue or not, for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal, premium, if any, of and interest on such Bonds and for all other purposes.

Section 4. Prepayment and Redemption. Principal of the Bonds is subject to prepayment or redemption in whole or in part at any time prior to maturity, with or without premium or penalty, together with interest on the principal amount to be prepaid or redeemed accrued to the prepayment or redemption date, as shall be set forth in the form of the Bonds or as otherwise determined by the President of the Council. If less than all of the outstanding principal of any Bond or installments of principal on any Bond shall be called for prepayment or redemption, the principal amount to be so prepaid or redeemed shall be applied to reduce the installments of principal payable on any Bond in the amount and order as determined by the Issuer. Notice of prepayment or redemption shall be sent to the registered owners of any Bonds to be prepaid or redeemed by first class mail at such owners'

addresses appearing on the register for the Bonds, if and as required by the purchaser(s) of the Bonds.

If, on the date designated for prepayment or redemption of any Bonds, notice having been duly given or waived, moneys for the prepayment or redemption of principal of the Bonds plus accrued interest to the prepayment or redemption date are then held by the Issuer, the principal called for prepayment or redemption shall become due and payable at the prepayment or redemption price provided therefor, together with any accrued interest thereon, and interest on such principal called for prepayment or redemption shall cease to accrue from and after such date. From and after any such prepayment or redemption date, the principal of the Bonds called for prepayment or redemption shall cease to bear interest and the registered owners thereof shall thereafter be entitled only to receive from the Issuer payment of the principal thereof called for prepayment or redemption and any accrued interest payable on such principal to the date of prepayment or redemption.

Section 5. Replacement of Mutilated, Lost, Stolen, or Destroyed Bonds. In case any of the Bonds shall become mutilated or be destroyed, lost or stolen, the Issuer may cause to be executed and delivered new Bonds of like date and tenor and bearing the same or a different number, in exchange and substitution for each Bond mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen, upon the owner paying the reasonable expenses and charges of the Issuer in connection therewith and, in the case of any Bonds being destroyed, lost or stolen, upon the owner filing with the Issuer evidence satisfactory to it that such Bonds was destroyed, lost or stolen, and furnishing the Issuer with indemnity satisfactory to it. Any Bonds so issued in substitution for any Bonds so mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen: (i) may be reproduced in a manner similar to the Bond being replaced, and (ii) shall constitute an original contractual obligation on the part of the Issuer, whether or not the Bonds in exchange for which said new Bonds are issued shall at any later date be presented for payment and such payment shall be enforceable by anyone, and any such new Bonds shall be equally and proportionately entitled to the benefits of the Bonds with all other like Bonds, in the manner and to the extent provided herein. The Issuer may require payment by the registered owner requesting a replacement Bond of any tax, fee or other governmental charge, costs of preparation of the replacement Bond and any shipping and insurance charges that may be required to be paid with respect thereto.

Section 6. Use of Proceeds; Records.

(a) If the Issuer issued bond anticipation notes before the issuance of the Bonds, the Issuer is required to use the first proceeds of the Bonds or other available taxes or revenues to pay or redeem such bond anticipation notes.

(b) The proceeds of the Bonds shall be held, invested, administered and disbursed by the Issuer and shall be used, when and as required, to pay the costs of the Projects, capitalized interest on the Bonds and costs of issuing the Bonds, together with other related costs.

(c) Pending expenditure of the proceeds of the Bonds as contemplated hereby, the President of the Council and Clerk-Treasurer may invest all or part of such proceeds in such manner as authorized or permitted by law; provided, however, that no such investments shall be made which would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" as more fully set forth in Section 13 below.

(d) The Clerk-Treasurer shall create and maintain, or cause to be created and maintained, full and complete books and records of account for the receipt, investment and disbursement of the proceeds of the Bonds of each series.

Section 7. Covenants. The Issuer covenants with the owners from time to time of the Bonds that so long as the Bonds or installments of principal thereunder shall remain outstanding and unpaid:

(a) The Issuer will duly and punctually pay, or cause to be paid, to the owners of the Bonds the principal of the Bonds and interest accruing thereon, at the dates and places and in the manner mentioned in the Bonds from unlimited ad valorem taxes in the event that available monies or revenues of the Issuer are inadequate to make such payment.

(b) The Issuer covenants that so long as the Bonds are outstanding and not paid, unless other monies or revenues are available for payment of principal of, premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds, it will levy annually, in the manner prescribed by law, a tax on all real and tangible personal property within its corporate limits subject to assessment for unlimited taxation, ad valorem taxes in rate and amount and sufficient, to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same become due and payable. In the event that available monies or revenues or the taxes so levied in any fiscal year shall prove inadequate for the above purposes, the Issuer shall levy additional taxes in the succeeding fiscal year to make up such deficiency. The full faith and credit and the unlimited taxing power of the Issuer are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same become due.

(c) The Issuer intends to pay principal of, premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds from any available monies or revenues of the Issuer. Accordingly, to the extent any such monies or revenues are used to pay principal of, premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds, the Issuer shall not be obligated to levy and collect a tax on all real and tangible personal property within its corporate limits subject to assessment for unlimited taxation, to provide for the payment of the principal of, premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds as the same become due and payable.

Section 8. Ordinance a Contract. The provisions of this Ordinance shall constitute a contract with the registered owners from time to time of the Bonds, and this Ordinance shall not be repealed, modified or altered in any manner materially adverse to the interests of such owners while the Bonds or any portion thereof remain outstanding and unpaid without the consent of the owners of the Bonds.

Section 9. Purchase Price of Bonds. As authorized by Section 612 of the Charter and Section 19-304 of the Enabling Act, as amended, the Bonds shall be sold for cash at a price not less than the par value thereof in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Ordinance, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 19-304 of the Enabling Act.

Section 10. Sale of Bonds.

(a) The Bonds shall be sold either at a public sale or private negotiated sale as the President of the Council of the Issuer deems to be in the best interests of the Issuer and in accordance with the authority of the Issuer under its Charter. The form of the notice of public sale or request for bids (the "Notice of Sale"), if any, shall be prescribed by the President of the Council of the Issuer. In either event, the issuance and sale of the Bonds shall be subject to receipt of the approving opinion of Whiteford, Taylor & Preston L.L.P. as Bond Counsel to the Issuer.

(b) The President of the Council and Clerk-Treasurer and other officers, employees, attorneys and agents of the Issuer are authorized to (i) if a public sale of the Bonds is contemplated, prescribe the form of the Notice of Sale, including any amendments or

supplements thereto, and to establish requirements and procedures for the public sale and award of the Bonds upon terms the President of the Council determines to be in the best interests of the Issuer, (ii) take any necessary or appropriate actions in connection with any advertisement of the sale of the Bonds and publication of the Notice of Sale, and (iii) take such actions and make such determinations, including the award of the Bonds upon terms the President of the Council determines to be in the best interests of the Issuer, either at a public competitive sale, by seeking bids from a limited number of financial institutions or prospective purchasers, or by the private negotiated sale of the Bonds with one or more prospective purchasers, all as may be necessary to effectuate the sale and issuance of the Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance, the Notice of Sale (if a public sale) and applicable requirements of law. All actions heretofore taken by the officers or employees of the Issuer in connection with the offer and sale of the Bonds are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 11. Special Provisions Applicable to Sale of the Bonds to the United States of America.

(a) *Provisions Applicable to Sale of Bonds to the United States.* The Issuer may sell one or more series of the Bonds to the United States of America (the "Government") under financing programs administered by the United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development. The provisions of this Section provide for certain terms and conditions related to the sale of the Bonds to the Government and supplement the other provisions of this Ordinance. The following terms and conditions do not represent all the terms and requirements with respect to Bonds sold to the Government. The Board of Commissioners may adopt such supplemental Ordinances as necessary to confirm, modify or supplement any of the provisions of this Ordinance applicable to any Bonds to be sold to the Government.

(b) *Application for Financing Through the United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development.* In addition to the other provisions of this Ordinance, the President of the Council and Clerk-Treasurer are authorized to make application to and directly negotiate with the United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development for the purchase and sale of the Bonds to the Government upon terms mutually agreeable to the President of the Council and the Clerk-Treasurer and the Government. All actions heretofore taken by the President of the Council, the Clerk-Treasurer and other officers or employees of the Issuer in connection with the purchase and sale of the Bonds by the Government are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

(c) *Payment of Bonds.* So long as the Government is the registered owner of the Bonds, payment shall be made by the Issuer to the United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Utilities Service, 1221 College Park Drive, Suite 200, Dover, Delaware 19904, or such other place as the Government may designate. Unless the Government shall direct otherwise, principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be repaid in one hundred sixty (160) equal quarterly amortized installments, commencing quarterly after the date of delivery of the Bonds against payment by the Government therefor; and the entire unpaid principal balance and all accrued and unpaid interest thereon shall be due and payable forty (40) years following the date the Bonds are dated.

(d) *Prepayment of Bonds.*

(i) The Issuer may prepay, at any time, the entire unpaid principal amount of the Bonds or, from time to time, on any interest payment date, such lesser portion thereof as the

Issuer may determine, at the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of such payment.

(ii) If less than all of the outstanding installments of principal shall be called for prepayment, such prepayment shall be in the inverse chronological order of installments of principal.

(iii) Unless notice of prepayment shall be waived in writing by the registered owner of the Bonds, a notice calling for prepayment of the installments of principal to be prepaid shall be mailed by the Issuer, postage prepaid, at least thirty (30) days prior to the prepayment date, to the registered owner of the Bonds, at its last address appearing on the registration books kept by the Issuer. Such notice shall specify the installments of principal to be prepaid, the date fixed for prepayment and the prepayment price, and shall further state that on such date the installments of principal called for prepayment will be due and become payable at the offices of the Issuer at Town of Trappe, 4011 Powell Avenue, P. O. Box 162, Trappe, Maryland 21673, or, if the Government is the registered owner, at the United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Utilities Service, 1221 College Park Drive, Suite 200, Dover, Delaware 19904 (or at such other place as the Government may designate), and that from and after such date, interest thereon shall cease to accrue; provided, however, that failure to mail any such notice or any defect in the notice so mailed, or in the mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity of any prepayment proceedings, except where the Government is the registered owner.

(iv) On the date designated for prepayment, notice having been mailed or waived, and moneys for the payment of the prepayment price plus accrued interest being held by the Issuer, the installments of principal so called for prepayment shall become due and payable at the prepayment price provided for prepayment of such installments of principal on such date, interest on such installments of principal so called for prepayment shall cease to accrue, and the registered owner of the Bonds shall have no rights in respect to the installments of principal so called for prepayment except to receive payment of the prepayment price thereof, plus accrued interest thereon to the prepayment date from such moneys held by the Issuer. If the Government is the registered owner of the Bonds, interest will cease to accrue on the principal so called for prepayment upon payment at the United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Utilities Service, 1221 College Park Drive, Suite 200, Dover, Delaware 19904 (or at such other place as the Government shall have designated).

(e) *Investment of Bond Proceeds.* The Clerk-Treasurer may invest all or part of such proceeds in such manner as authorized or permitted by law and, so long as the Government is the registered owner of the Bonds, by the Government.

(f) *Grant Agreement and Other Agreements.* If the Government is the purchaser of the Bonds to be issued for a Project, the Issuer shall enter into such agreements as may be required by the Government in connection with the Bonds and such Project, including, without limitation, a "Water and Waste System Grant Agreement" RUS Bulletin 1780-12, and shall abide by all covenants and agreements of the Issuer contained therein.

(g) *Covenant to Refinance the Bonds.* If at any time while the Government is the registered owner of the Bonds, it shall appear to the Government that the Issuer is able to refinance the principal amount then outstanding on the Bonds, in whole or in part, by obtaining a loan for such

purposes from responsible cooperative or private credit sources, at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, the Issuer will, as required by Section 333(c) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1961 (7 U.S.C. 1983(c)), upon request of the Government, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay the Government and will take all such action as may be required in connection with such loan.

(h) *Modifications to Project.* If the owner of the Bonds is the Government, any additions to, substitutions for, or amendments or modifications of the Project being financed with the proceeds of such Bonds shall be approved by the Government.

(i) *Terms to be Included in Form of Bonds.* Any Bonds sold to the Government in accordance with the provisions of this Section may, in addition to the terms set forth in this Section, include any of the following additional terms:

(i) Any amount advanced or expended by the Government for the collection of the Bonds or to preserve or protect any security for the Bonds, or otherwise under the terms of any security or other instrument executed in connection with the indebtedness evidenced by the Bonds, at the option of the Government, shall become an obligation of the Issuer, and shall bear interest at the same rate as the principal of the indebtedness evidenced by the Bonds and be immediately due and payable by the Issuer to the Government without demand. The Issuer agrees to use the proceeds of the Bonds solely for purposes authorized by the Government.

(ii) The Issuer shall certify to the Government that it is unable to obtain sufficient credit elsewhere to finance its actual needs at reasonable rates and terms, taking into consideration prevailing rates and terms in or near its community for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, and its legal borrowing authority and powers.

(iii) So long as the Government is the holder of any series of Bonds, if at any time it shall appear to the Government that the Issuer is able to refinance the principal amount then outstanding on such series of Bonds, in whole or in part, by obtaining a loan for such purposes from responsible cooperative or private credit sources, at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, the Issuer will, as required by Section 333(c) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1961 (7 U.S.C. 1983(c)), upon request of the Government, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay such series of Bonds to the Government and will take all action as may be required in connection with such loan.

(iv) Any Bond registered in the name of the Government or its designee shall state that (a) it is given as evidence of a loan to the Issuer made or insured by the Government pursuant to the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, and (b) shall be subject to the present regulations of the Rural Utilities Service of the United States Department of Agriculture and its future regulations not inconsistent with the express provisions thereof.

Section 12. Authority to Take Action. The officers and employees of the Issuer are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts and things required of them by the provisions of this Ordinance, for the full, punctual and complete performance of all the terms, covenants and provisions of the Bonds, the Related Bond Documents and this Ordinance and to do and perform all acts and to execute, seal and deliver all documents, certificates or instruments of writing which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the full intent and purposes of this Ordinance and the Related

Bond Documents. Any and all acts heretofore taken by the officers or employees of the Issuer in connection with the authorization, offer, sale and delivery of the Bonds are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 13. Covenants Relating to Tax Exempt Status of the Bonds.

(a) The President of the Council and the Clerk-Treasurer shall be the officials of the Issuer responsible for the execution and delivery on the date of the issuance of the Bonds of a certificate or certificates of the Issuer (a "Tax and Section 148 Certificate") that complies with the requirements of Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code ("Section 148"), and the applicable regulations thereunder (the "Arbitrage Regulations"), and such officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a Tax and Section 148 Certificate to counsel rendering an opinion on the validity of the Bonds on the date of issuance of the Bonds. The President of the Council and the Clerk-Treasurer shall be the officials of the Issuer responsible for the issuance of the Bonds within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.148-2 of the Arbitrage Regulations.

(b) The Issuer shall set forth in the Tax and Section 148 Certificate its reasonable expectations as to relevant facts, estimates and circumstances relating to the use of the proceeds of the Bonds or of any monies, securities or other obligations on deposit to the credit of any account of the Issuer which may be deemed to be proceeds of the Bonds pursuant to Section 148 or the Arbitrage Regulations. The Issuer covenants that the facts, estimates and circumstances set forth in the Tax and Section 148 Certificate will be based on the Issuer's reasonable expectations on the date of the issuance of the Bonds and will be, to the best of the certifying officials' knowledge, true and correct as of that date.

(c) The Issuer covenants and agrees with the registered owner or owners of the Bonds that it will not make, or (to the extent that it exercises control or direction) permit to be made, any use of the proceeds of the Bonds that would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 and the Arbitrage Regulations. The Issuer further covenants that it will comply with Section 148 and the Arbitrage Regulations which are applicable to the Bonds on the date of issuance thereof and which may subsequently be made applicable thereto as long as the Bonds remains outstanding and unpaid. The President of the Council and the Clerk-Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to prepare or cause to be prepared and to execute any certification, opinion or other document, including, without limitation, the Tax and Section 148 Certificate, which may be required to assure that the Bonds will not be deemed to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 and the Arbitrage Regulations. All officers, employees and agents of the Issuer are hereby authorized and directed to take such actions, and to provide such certifications of facts and estimates regarding the amount and use of the proceeds of the Bonds as may be necessary or appropriate from time to time to comply with, or to evidence the Issuer's compliance with, the covenants set forth in this Section.

(d) The Issuer further covenants that it shall make such use of the proceeds of the Bonds, regulate the investment of the proceeds thereof, and take such other and further actions as may be required to maintain the excludability from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on such Bonds.

(e) The Issuer further covenants with the registered owner or owners of the Bonds (i) that it will not take any action or (to the extent that it exercises control or direction) permit any action to be taken that would cause the Bonds or a portion of the Bonds to be "federally guaranteed"

within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, and (ii) that it will not make, or (to the extent that it exercises control or direction) permit to be made, any use of the proceeds of the Bonds or a portion of such proceeds that would cause the Bonds or a portion of the Bonds to be “private activity bonds” within the meaning of Section 141(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(f) The President of the Council may make such covenants or agreements in connection with the issuance of the Bonds as he shall deem advisable in order to assure the registered owner or owners of the Bonds that interest thereon shall be and remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and such covenants or agreements shall be binding on the Issuer so long as the observance by the Issuer of any such covenants or agreements is necessary in connection with the maintenance of the exclusion of the interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The foregoing covenants and agreements may include such covenants or agreements on behalf of the Issuer regarding compliance with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code as the President of the Council shall deem advisable in order to assure the registered owner or owners of the Bonds that the interest thereon shall be and remain excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, including (without limitation) covenants or agreements relating to the use and investment of proceeds of the Bonds, the payment of certain earnings (if any) resulting from such investment to the United States, limitations on the times within which and the purposes for which proceeds of the Bonds may be expended, the use of specified procedures for accounting for and segregating proceeds of the Bonds, the operation and use of any Project being financed with the proceeds of any Bonds or series of Bonds, and retention of records relating to the foregoing matters and the Bonds. Such covenants and agreements may be set forth in a Tax and Section 148 Certificate or other agreement.

Section 14. Designation of Projects. The Issuer may, from time to time, prior to or after the issuance of the Bonds, either by amending or supplementing this Ordinance or by administrative order designate one or more specific Projects to be financed with the proceeds of any series of Bonds, or to amend or modify any Project previously designated, without the consent of the holders of the Bonds, provided that if any amendment or modification of a Project is to be financed from any series of Bonds previously issued, the Issuer receives an opinion of bond counsel to the effect that the use of the proceeds of the Bonds for any Project as proposed to be modified will not adversely affect the exclusion from federal income taxation applicable to interest paid on such Bonds.

Section 15. Effective Date; Miscellaneous.

(a) **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the date of its adoption by the Council of the Issuer.

(b) **Governing Law.** The laws of the State of Maryland shall govern the construction of this Ordinance and the Bonds.

(c) **Filing of Ordinance; Certified Copies of Ordinance.** The President of the Council or Clerk-Treasurer of the Issuer shall cause a true and correct copy of this Ordinance to be filed in the permanent records of the Issuer and kept available for public inspection. Any copy of this Ordinance duly certified by the Clerk-Treasurer or any successor in office shall constitute evidence of the contents and provisions hereof.

(d) **Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any provision, sentence, phrase, clause, section or part of this Ordinance shall be held or deemed to be illegal, invalid, inoperative, or unenforceable, the same shall not affect or impair any other provision, sentence, phrase, clause, section or part of this Ordinance. Any references in this Ordinance to any provisions of state, federal or local law are not exclusive of any other provisions of federal, state or local law applicable to any provisions hereof. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, sentence, phrase, clause, section or part had not been included herein.

(e) **No Personal Liability of Officers, Agents or Employees.** No stipulation, obligation or agreement herein contained or contained in the Bonds or in any Related Bond Documents executed on behalf of the Issuer shall be deemed to be a stipulation, obligation or agreement of any officer, agent or employee of the Issuer in his or her individual capacity, and no such officer, agent, or employee shall be personally liable on the Bonds or be subject to personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.

(f) **Amendments and Supplements.** The Council of the Issuer may supplement or amend this Ordinance with respect to the terms of any series of Bonds issued under the authority of this Ordinance.

(g) **Ordinance No. 3-2019.** This Ordinance is intended to amend and supplement Ordinance No. 3-2019, which shall continue to remain in effect, unless otherwise revised herein, except that, to the extent this Ordinance is inconsistent with Ordinance No. 3-2019, this Ordinance shall supersede Ordinance No. 3-2019. The amount of Bonds authorized to be issued hereunder is in addition to the amounts authorized under Ordinance No. 3-2019.

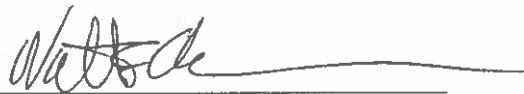
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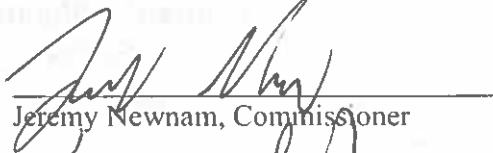
Section 17. This Ordinance was introduced on Nov. 16, 2024, and read and adopted this 4th day of December, 2024.

[SEAL]

TOWN OF TRAPPE


Brian Schmidt, President
of the Council of Trappe


Walter Chase, Sr., Commissioner


Jeremy Newnam, Commissioner


Rosalee Potter, Commissioner


Michael Sullivan, Commissioner

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. __-2024 of the Town of Trappe was duly read and enacted in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Charter of the Town of Trappe.

ATTEST:


Erin Braband, Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Trappe

EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE: Dec. 25, 2024

Exhibits

A - Form of Bonds

Form of Bonds

[Subject to modification as authorized herein.]

PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THIS BOND ARE MADE BY [CHECK, DRAFT OR] ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER TO THE REGISTERED OWNER. IT CANNOT BE DETERMINED FROM THE FACE OF THIS BOND WHETHER ALL OR ANY PART OF THE PRINCIPAL OF OR INTEREST ON THIS BOND HAS BEEN PAID.

\$ _____

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MARYLAND
Town of Trappe
General Obligation Bonds
Series _____

Dated _____, 20__

Registered Owner: _____

The Town of Trappe, a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland (the "Issuer"), hereby acknowledges itself obligated to pay to the Registered Owner shown above, the principal amount of \$ _____, plus interest on the unpaid principal amount at the rate of _____ per cent (____%) *per annum*.

[So long as the Government is the registered owner of this Bond, payment shall be made by the Issuer to the United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Utilities Service, 1221 College Park Drive, Suite 200, Dover, DE 19904, or such other place as the Government may designate. Unless the Government shall direct otherwise, principal of and interest on this Bond shall be repaid in _____ (____) quarterly interest installments and _____ (____) quarterly installments as follows:

The principal amount hereof and interest due and payable hereon shall be paid in _____ installments on the dates and in the amounts as set forth in Schedule A attached hereto.]

Interest due on the unpaid principal amount hereof shall accrue on the basis of a 365-day year based on actual days elapsed, from the date hereof, first payable on _____ 1, 20__, and _____ thereafter on the first day of _____ in each year until the principal amount hereof has been paid or provision for payment shall have been made.

Both the principal of and interest on this bond will be paid to the registered owner in lawful money of the United States of America, at the time of payment, and will be paid by Preauthorized Debit (PAD) to the Government at the address set forth above and to any other

registered owner at such address as such registered owner may designate from time to time by notice in writing delivered to the Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Trappe, 4011 Powell Avenue, P. O. Box 162, Trappe, Maryland 21673.

The Issuer may prepay, at any time, the entire unpaid principal amount of this Bond or, from time to time, on any interest payment date, such lesser portion thereof as the Issuer may determine, at the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of such payment. If less than all of the outstanding installments of principal shall be called for prepayment, such prepayment shall be in the inverse chronological order of installments of principal.

Unless notice of prepayment shall be waived in writing by the registered owner of this Bond, a notice calling for prepayment of the installments of principal to be prepaid shall be mailed by the Issuer, postage prepaid, at least thirty (30) days prior to the prepayment date, to the registered owner of this Bond, at its last address appearing on the registration books kept by the Issuer. Such notice shall specify the installments of principal to be prepaid, the date fixed for prepayment and the prepayment price, and shall further state that on such date the installments of principal called for prepayment will be due and become payable at the offices of the Issuer at Town of Trappe, 4011 Powell Avenue, P. O. Box 162, Trappe, Maryland 21673, or, if the Government is the registered owner, at United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Utilities Service, 1221 College Park Drive, Suite 200, Dover, Delaware 19904 (or at such other place as the Government may designate), and that from and after such date, interest thereon shall cease to accrue; provided, however, that failure to mail any such notice or any defect in the notice so mailed, or in the mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity of any prepayment proceedings, except where the Government is the registered owner.

On the date designated for prepayment, notice having been mailed or waived, and moneys for the payment of the prepayment price plus accrued interest being held by the Issuer, the installments of principal so called for prepayment shall become due and payable at the prepayment price provided for prepayment of such installments of principal on such date, interest on such installments of principal so called for prepayment shall cease to accrue, and the registered owner of this Bond shall have no rights in respect to the installments of principal so called for prepayment except to receive payment of the prepayment price thereof, plus accrued interest thereon to the prepayment date from such moneys held by the Issuer. If the Government is the registered owner of this Bond, interest will cease to accrue on the principal so called for prepayment upon payment at the United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Utilities Service, 1221 College Park Drive, Suite 200, Dover, Delaware 19904 (or at such other place as the Government shall have designated).

This bond constitutes one of the Town of Trappe General Obligation Bonds of the series designated above, and is issued pursuant to the provisions of (a) Sections 19-301 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, (b) Section 612 of the Charter of the Town of Trappe (the "Charter"), and (c) Ordinance No. ____

adopted by the Council on _____, 2024, and effective on _____, 2024 (the "Ordinance"). The terms and conditions set forth herein concerning payment, prepayment or redemption and all other rights and remedies of the registered owner of this bond are subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Ordinance.

The full faith and credit and unlimited taxing power of the Issuer are hereby irrevocably pledged to the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on this bond according to its terms, and the Issuer hereby covenants and agrees to pay the principal of and interest on this bond at the dates and in the manner prescribed herein. Under the Ordinance the Issuer has the right to pay principal of and interest on this bond from any available monies or revenues of the Issuer.

This bond is transferable only upon the books of the Issuer at the office of the Clerk-Treasurer by the registered owner hereof in person or by such owner's attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender hereof, together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Clerk-Treasurer, duly executed by the registered owner or such owner's duly authorized attorney. The Issuer shall, within a reasonable time, issue in the name of the transferee a new registered bond in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of the bond surrendered and with the same maturities and interest rate. The new bond shall be delivered to the transferee only after payment of any taxes on and any shipping or insurance expenses relating to such transfer.

The Issuer may deem and treat the person in whose name this bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of the principal hereof and interest due hereon and for all other purposes.

Any amount advanced or expended by the Government for the collection hereof or to preserve or protect any security hereof, or otherwise under the terms of any security or other instrument executed in connection with the indebtedness evidenced hereby, at the option of the Government, shall become an obligation of the Issuer, and shall bear interest at the same rate as the principal of the indebtedness evidenced hereby and be immediately due and payable by the Issuer to the Government without demand. The Issuer agrees to use the proceeds hereof solely for purposes authorized by the Government.

The Issuer hereby certifies to the Government that it is unable to obtain sufficient credit elsewhere to finance its actual needs at reasonable rates and terms, taking into consideration prevailing rates and terms in or near its community for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, and its legal borrowing authority and powers.

So long as the Government is the holder of this Bond, if at any time it shall appear to the Government that the Issuer is able to refinance the principal amount then outstanding on this Bond, in whole or in part, by obtaining a loan for such purposes from responsible cooperative or private credit sources, at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, the Issuer will, as required by Section 333(c) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1961 (7 U.S.C. 1983(c)), upon request of the Government, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay this Bond to

the Government and will take all action as may be required in connection with such loan.

This Bond is given as evidence of a loan to the Issuer made or insured by the Government pursuant to the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act. This Bond shall be subject to the present regulations of the Rural Utilities Services of the United States Department of Agriculture and its future regulations not inconsistent with the express provisions hereof.

No covenant or agreement contained in this bond or the Ordinance shall be deemed to be a covenant or agreement of any officer, agent, representative or employee of the Issuer in his or her individual capacity, and neither the officers, agents, representatives or employees of the Issuer, nor any officer executing this bond, shall be liable personally on this Bond or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance or sale of this Bond.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution or statutes of the State of Maryland, the Charter and the Ordinance to exist, to have happened or to have been performed precedent to or in the issuance of this Bond, exist, have happened and have been performed, and that the issuance of this Bond, together with all other indebtedness of the Issuer, is within every debt and other limit prescribed by said Constitution or statutes.

In Witness Whereof, this Bond has been executed by the manual signature of the President of the Council and the seal of the Issuer has been affixed hereto and attested by the manual signature of the Clerk-Treasurer, all as of _____, 20__.

TOWN OF TRAPPE

[SEAL]

By: _____,
_____, President of the
Council

Attest:

_____, Clerk-Treasurer

Assignment

For Value Received, the undersigned, hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto

[NAME AND ADDRESS OF TRANSFEREE.]

(TAX IDENTIFICATION OR SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____)

the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints

attorney to transfer the within Bond on the books kept for registration thereof by the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Trappe, at the offices of the Issuer located at Town of Trappe, 4011 Powell Avenue, P. O. Box 162, Trappe, Maryland 21673, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____

INSERT SIGNATURE GUARANTY BELOW

Signature of Registered Owner

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 whatever. The signature must be guaranteed.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MARYLAND
Town of Trappe
General Obligation Bonds, Series _____

Schedule A - Principal Payments

Date	Principal Amount	Date	Principal Amount
	\$ _____		

