CITY OF RICHLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06

AN ORDINANCE relating to the electric utility of the City; specifying, adopting and ordering the carrying out of a system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the electric utility; providing for the issuance of one or more series of electric revenue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$23,000,000 to provide funds: (1) to pay all or a portion of the cost of certain capital improvements included in the plan of additions; (2) to refund all or a portion of the City's outstanding Electric Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, 2013B; (3) to make a deposit to satisfy the reserve requirement for the bonds, if necessary, and (4) to pay the costs of issuance and sale of such bonds; fixing or setting parameters with respect to certain terms and covenants of the bonds; appointing the City's designated representative to approve the Bond Sale Terms of the sale of the bonds; and providing for other related matters.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF RICHLAND as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01 <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this ordinance, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

- (a) "2013B Bonds" means the Electric Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, 2013B, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$19,455,000, authorized to be issued by Ordinance No. 06-13.
- (b) "2015 Bonds" means the Electric Utility Revenue Bonds, 2015, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$19,435,000, authorized to be issued by Ordinance No. 49-15.
- (c) "2018 Bonds" means the Electric Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, 2018, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$19,800,000, authorized to be issued by Ordinance No. 08-18.
- (d) "2019A Bonds" means the Electric Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, 2019A, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$12,525,000, authorized to be issued by Ordinance No. 54-19.
- (e) "2019T Bonds" means the Electric Revenue Bonds, 2019T (Taxable-Green Bonds), in the original aggregate principal amount of \$3,145,000, authorized to be issued by Ordinance No. 54-19.
- (f) "2021 Bonds" means the Electric Revenue Improvement Bonds, 2021, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$6,415,000, authorized to be issued by Ordinance No. 30-21.

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- (g) "Acquired Obligations" means those Government Obligations, as specified in the Refunding Trust Agreement, purchased to accomplish the refunding of the Refunded Bonds as authorized by this ordinance.
- (h) "Adjusted Net Revenue" means Net Revenue, plus withdrawals from the Rate Stabilization Account and less deposits into the Rate Stabilization Account.
- (i) "Annual Debt Service" means, for any one or more series of Parity Bonds, the total of principal and interest payable during a Fiscal Year (excluding the principal maturity of Term Bonds but including any mandatory redemption due in that year), less all capitalized interest payable that year from such bonds. Annual Debt Service for each Fiscal Year shall be reduced by subtracting the amount scheduled to be received by the City as a Tax Credit Subsidy Bond Payment in each such Fiscal Year in respect of any Parity Bonds issued as Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds.
- (j) "Authorized Denomination" means, unless otherwise specified in the Bond Purchase Agreement or a related agreement, \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a Series and maturity.
- (k) "Average Annual Debt Service" means, in reference to any one or more series of Parity Bonds, the sum of the Annual Debt Service due in each year, divided by the number of years that such bonds are scheduled to remain Outstanding.
- (l) "Beneficial Owner" means, with respect to any Parity Bond at any time Outstanding, the owner of any beneficial interest in that Parity Bond.
- (m) "Bond Counsel" means the firm of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, its successor, or any other attorney or firm of attorneys selected by the City with a nationally recognized standing as bond counsel in the field of municipal finance.
- (n) "Bond Fund" means the Electric Revenue Refunding Bond Account, 1985, created by Ordinance No. 17-85 and maintained for the purpose of paying and securing the payment of the principal of and interest on the Parity Bonds.
- (o) "Bond Insurer" means, with respect to any issue of Parity Bonds, a provider of bond insurance guaranteeing the payment of principal of and interest on such Parity Bonds.
- (p) "Bond Purchase Agreement" means a written offer to purchase the Bonds, or a Series of Bonds, pursuant to certain Bond Sale Terms, which offer is accepted by the Designated Representative on behalf of the City in accordance with this ordinance. In the case of a competitive sale, the Purchaser's bid for a Series, together with the official notice of sale and a Pricing Certificate confirming the Bond Sale Terms, shall comprise the Bond Purchase Agreement.
- (q) "Bond Register" means the books or records maintained by the Bond Registrar for the purpose of identifying ownership of each Bond.
- (r) "Bond Registrar" means the Fiscal Agent, or any alternate bond registrar selected by the City's Finance Director to maintain the Bond Register and carry out the other duties of the Bond Registrar set forth in this ordinance.
- (s) "Bond Sale Terms" means the terms and conditions for the sale of a Series of Bonds including, but not limited to the amount, date or dates, denominations, interest rate or

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rates (or mechanism for determining interest rate or rates), payment dates, final maturity, redemption rights, price, and other terms or covenants, including minimum savings for refunding bonds. The parameters for certain Bond Sale Terms are set forth in Exhibit A.

- (t) "Bonds" means the electric utility revenue bonds of the City issued pursuant to and for the purposes provided in this ordinance in one or more Series and with such additional series and other designation as the Designated Representative may deem appropriate.
- (u) "Book-Entry Form" means a fully registered form in which physical bond certificates are registered only in the name of the Securities Depository (or its nominee), as Registered Owner, with the physical bond certificates held by and "immobilized" in the custody of the Securities Depository or its designee, where the system for recording and identifying the transfer of the ownership interests of the Beneficial Owners in those Bonds is neither maintained by nor the responsibility of the City or the Bond Registrar.
- (v) "City" means the City of Richland, Washington, a municipal corporation duly organized and legally existing charter city of the first class under the laws of the State.
- (w) "City Contribution" means legally available money of the City, in addition to proceeds of the Bonds, that is to be used to carry out the Refunding Plan, as determined by the Designated Representative.
- (x) "City Council" means the legislative authority of the City, as duly and regularly constituted from time to time.
- (y) "Code" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (z) "Common Reserve Bonds" means, collectively, those Parity Bonds that are designated by the City as common reserve bonds, the payment of which is secured by amounts on deposit in the Common Reserve Subaccounts, without distinction, priority or preference among the amounts drawn from any particular Common Reserve Subaccount. The Outstanding 2013B Bonds, 2015 Bonds, 2018 Bonds, 2019A Bonds, 2019T Bonds and 2021 Bonds are designated as Common Reserve Bonds. Unless otherwise designated in the Pricing Certificate approving the Bond Sale Terms for a Series of the Bonds authorized by this ordinance, the Bonds authorized by this ordinance are designated as Common Reserve Bonds.
- (aa) "Common Reserve Subaccount" means a Reserve Subaccount that is established in connection with a series of Common Reserve Bonds. The Common Reserve Subaccounts, collectively, constitute a pooled reserve ratably securing all Common Reserve Bonds.
- (bb) "Continuing Disclosure Agreement" means the written undertaking to provide continuing disclosure entered into pursuant to Section 8.02 of this ordinance, in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit D.
- (cc) "Contract Resource Obligation" means an obligation of the City to make payments to another person or entity for electric energy supply, transmission or other commodity or service relating to the Electric Utility, which obligation is designated as a Contract Resource Obligation for purposes of Section 7.04 of this ordinance.
- (dd) "Coverage Requirement" means that, in any Fiscal Year, Adjusted Net Revenue must at least equal 1.25 times the Annual Debt Service due in that Fiscal Year on all Parity Bonds then Outstanding.

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- (ee) "DTC" means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, or its nominee.
- (ff) "Designated Representative" means the officer of the City appointed in Section 3.02 of this ordinance to serve as the City's designated representative in accordance with RCW 39.46.040(2).
- (gg) "Electric Fund" means that special fund created by Ordinance No. 53-17 of the City (RMC § 3.24.240) for the deposit of all revenues collected by the City from sale of electric energy or for services rendered by the Electric Utility, and for the payment of the costs and expenses to purchase electric energy, for salaries, materials, supplies, equipment, and repairs relating to sale of electric energy.
- (hh) "Electric Utility" means the municipal electric system of the City as the same may from time to time be added to, bettered, improved and extended.
- (ii) "Finance Director" means the person who holds the office or has the official responsibilities of Finance Director of the City or successor office.
- (jj) "First Parity Covenant Date" means the date in which all of the 2013B Bonds, 2015 Bonds are fully redeemed or defeased.
- (kk) "Fiscal Agent" means the fiscal agent of the State, as the same may be designated by the State from time to time.
- (ll) "Fiscal Year" means a year beginning January 1 and ending December 31, or such twelve-month period as may be selected by the City as its fiscal year.
- (mm) "Future Parity Bonds" means, for purposes of this ordinance, any and all revenue bonds of the City issued after the Issue Date of the Bonds, the payment of the principal of and interest on which constitutes a lien and charge upon the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility on a parity with the lien and charge of the Outstanding Parity Bonds and the Bonds.
- (nn) "Government Obligations" has the meaning given in RCW 39.53.010, as now in effect or as may hereafter be amended.
- (oo) "Gross Revenue of the Electric Utility" or "Gross Revenue" means all of the earnings and revenues of any kind or nature received by the City from the operation and maintenance of the Electric Utility. Gross Revenue excludes: (1) revenues from assessments collected in any local improvement district or utility local improvement district; (2) amounts collected in respect of City-imposed utility taxes; (3) proceeds of grants from the federal, state or local governments; (4) gifts to the Electric Utility for capital purposes; (5) proceeds from the sale of City or Electric Utility property; (6) proceeds of City or Electric Utility obligations; (7) earnings or proceeds from any investments in any trust, defeasance or escrow fund created to defease or refund Electric Utility obligations until commingled with other earnings and revenues of the Electric Utility; and (8) Tax Credit Subsidy Payments.
- (pp) "Issue Date" means, with respect to any Series of Bonds, the date of initial issuance and delivery of such Series to the Purchaser in exchange for the purchase price of such Series.
- (qq) "Letter of Representations" means the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations between the City and DTC, dated February 2, 1998, as it may be amended from time to time, and

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any successor or substitute letter relating to the operational procedures of the Securities Depository.

- (rr) "MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.
- (ss) "Maximum Annual Debt Service" means, with respect to any one or more series of Parity Bonds, the maximum amount of Annual Debt Service which shall become due in any Fiscal Year.
- (tt) "Net Revenue of the Electric Utility" or "Net Revenue" means Gross Revenue of the Electric Utility less Operation and Maintenance Expenses.
- (uu) "Official Statement" means an offering document or other disclosure document required to be provided to purchasers and potential purchasers in connection with the initial offering of the Bonds in conformance with Rule 15c2-12 or other applicable regulation of the SEC.
- "Operation and Maintenance Expenses" means all reasonable expenses incurred by the City in causing the Electric Utility to be operated and maintained in good repair, working order and condition and properly treated as maintenance and operation expenses under generally accepted accounting principles applicable to similar municipal utilities, including: payments due under Contract Resource Obligations (to the extent that the requirements in Section 7.04 are met); all payments made to another person or agency for acquisition of electric energy; any deposits, premiums, assessments or other payments for insurance, if any, on the Electric Utility; amounts paid in respect of Electric Utility employee pensions and post-employment benefits (if any); and overhead and administration expenses allocated to the Electric Utility. Operation and Maintenance Expenses excludes: non-cash accounting items (e.g., depreciation, amounts treated as expenses under accounting guidelines with respect to unfunded contributions to pension or other post-employment benefit plans, non-exchange financial guarantees, environmental liabilities, and similar items); payments on contracts for the acquisition of electric energy or capability under which no energy has been furnished to the City (other than payments under Contract Resource Obligations); and any amounts paid in respect of City imposed utility taxes or payments in lieu of taxes.
- (ww) "Outstanding" when used with reference to any bonds or other obligations means, as of any particular date, the aggregate of all such bonds or other obligations properly authenticated and delivered, except for: (1) those cancelled at or prior to such date or delivered to or held by the Fiscal Agent at or prior to such date for cancellation; (2) those legally defeased or deemed paid in accordance with this ordinance (or a comparable section of another ordinance authorizing the refunding or defeasance of other bonds or obligations); (3) those in lieu of or in exchange or substitution for which other bonds or obligations shall have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to their authorizing ordinances, unless such other bonds or obligations are held by a bona fide holder in due course; and (4) those which have matured or have been duly called for redemption and have not been presented for payment, and the City has sufficient money on hand to pay and redeem the same on such maturity or call dates.
- (xx) "Outstanding Parity Bonds" means the 2013B Bonds, 2015 Bonds, the 2018 Bonds, the 2019A Bonds, the 2019T Bonds, the 2021 Bonds and any other Parity Bonds that are Outstanding as of the Issue Date.

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- (yy) "Owner" means, without distinction, the Registered Owner and the Beneficial Owner.
- (zz) "Parity Bond Test" means: (a) with reference to the issuance of Future Parity Bonds, the conditions for issuing Future Parity Bonds set forth in Exhibit B to this Ordinance, which is incorporated herein by this reference; and (b) with reference to the designation of the Bonds as Parity Bonds, those conditions for the issuance of "future parity bonds" as defined and set forth in the ordinances authorizing the Outstanding Parity Bonds.
- (aaa) "Parity Bonds" means the Outstanding Parity Bonds, the Bonds, and any Future Parity Bonds.
- (bbb) "Permitted Investments" means any investment that is a legal investment for the money of the City at the time of such investment.
- (ccc) "Plan of Additions" means the system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the Electric Utility specified, adopted and ordered to be carried out by Section 2.02 of this ordinance.
- (ddd) "Pricing Certificate" means a certificate executed by the Designated Representative as of the pricing date confirming the Bond Sale Terms for the sale of a Series of the Bonds to the Purchaser in a competitive sale, in accordance with the parameters set forth in this ordinance.
- (eee) "Principal and Interest Account" means the subaccount of that name created in the Bond Fund by Ordinance No. 17-85 for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Parity Bonds.
- (fff) "Purchaser" means the corporation, firm, association, partnership, trust, bank, financial institution or other legal entity or group of entities selected by the Designated Representative to serve as purchaser in a direct placement, underwriter in a negotiated sale or awarded as the successful bidder in a competitive sale of a Series of the Bonds.
 - (ggg) "RCW" means the Revised Code of Washington.
- (hhh) "Rate Stabilization Account" means the Electric Rate Stabilization Account authorized to be created and established pursuant to Ordinance No. 26-03.
- (iii) "Rating Agency" means any nationally recognized rating agency then maintaining a rating on the Bonds at the request of the City.
- (jjj) "Record Date" means the Bond Registrar's close of business on the 15th day of the month preceding an interest payment date. With respect to redemption of a Bond prior to its maturity, the Record Date shall mean the Bond Registrar's close of business on the date on which the Bond Registrar sends the notice of redemption.
- (kkk) "Redemption Date" means the date for redemption set forth in the Refunding Trust Agreement, which date shall be the earliest date, following the required notice period, on which the Refunded Bonds may be called for optional redemption at a price of 100% of the stated principal amount to be redeemed.
 - (III) "Refunded Bond Ordinance" means Ordinance No. 06-13 of the City.

(mmm) "Refunded Bonds" means all or a portion of the Refunding Candidates selected by the Designated Representative to be refunded pursuant to the authorization set forth in this ordinance.

(nnn) "Refunding Candidates" means any or all of the following presently outstanding \$14,165,000 aggregate principal amount of 2013B Bonds maturing on November 1 in the years and amounts as follows:

Maturity	Principal	Interest
Year	Amount	Rate
2023	\$ 690,000	4.00%
2028*	3,945,000	5.00
2033*	5,030,000	5.00
2042*	4,500,000	4.00

^{*}Term Bond maturity.

- (000) "Refunding Plan" means (as further detailed in the Refunding Trust Agreement):
- (1) On the Issue Date, the deposit with the Refunding Trustee of proceeds of the sale of the Bonds allocated to the Refunding Plan in an amount, together with the City Contribution (if any), sufficient to acquire the Acquired Obligations (if any) and establish a beginning cash balance;
- (2) The periodic receipt by the Refunding Trustee of the maturing principal of and interest on the Acquired Obligations (if any);
- (3) On the Redemption Date, the application of such amounts (together with any other cash held by it) to the call, payment and redemption of the Refunded Bonds at a price equal to the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to that date; and
- (4) The application of funds deposited with the Refunding Trustee for such purpose to the payment of all or a portion of the costs of issuing the Bonds and the costs of carrying out the foregoing elements of the Refunding Plan (if payment of such costs is specified in the Refunding Trust Agreement).
- (ppp) "Refunding Trust Agreement" means a refunding trust agreement between the City and the Refunding Trustee, providing for the carrying out of the Refunding Plan.
- (qqq) "Refunding Trustee" means the trustee, or any successor or alternate trustee, designated by the Designated Representative to serve as refunding trustee to carry out the Refunding Plan.
- (rrr) "Registered Owner" means, with respect to a Bond or any Parity Bond at any time Outstanding, the person in whose name that Bond or Parity Bond is registered on the Bond Register. For so long as the Bonds are in Book-Entry Form, Registered Owner shall mean the Securities Depository.
- (sss) "Registration Ordinance" means the Registration Ordinance for the City's bonds and other obligations set forth in Ordinance No. 1-87 of the City.

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- (ttt) "Reserve Account" means the account of that name created in the Bond Fund by Ordinance No. 17-85 for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal of and interest on the Parity Bonds.
- (uuu) "Reserve Insurer" means any provider of a Reserve Security acquired in connection with one or more Series of the Bonds or Future Parity Bonds.

(vvv) "Reserve Requirement" means:

- (1) (A) With respect to the Common Reserve Bonds collectively, as of any date of calculation, the lesser of (i) Maximum Annual Debt Service on all Common Reserve Bonds then Outstanding, or (ii) 125% of Average Annual Debt Service on all Common Reserve Bonds then Outstanding, but at no time shall the Reserve Requirement exceed the Tax Maximum; and (B) with respect to a Series of the Bonds or any Future Parity Bonds that are designated as Common Reserve Bonds, the incremental additional amount necessary to fund the amount specified in clause (A), taking into account the amounts on deposit in the Common Reserve Subaccounts as of the Issue Date; and
- (2) With respect to any Series of the Bonds or any Future Parity Bonds that are not Common Reserve Bonds, an amount (which may be equal to zero) established in the Bond Sale Terms approved pursuant to the ordinance authorizing the issuance of such Series, provided that the Reserve Requirement for such Series may not exceed the Tax Maximum.
- (www) "Reserve Security" means a surety bond or policy of insurance, obtained in lieu of cash and policy limit or stated amount equal to part or all of the Reserve Requirement.
- (xxx) "Reserve Subaccount" means a subaccount created within the Reserve Account to secure payment of debt service on a series of Parity Bonds. Each Reserve Subaccount shall include in its name a reference to the series of Parity Bonds with respect to which it was created.
- (yyy) "Rule 15c2-12" means Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
 - (zzz) "SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (aaaa) "Securities Depository" means DTC, any successor thereto, any substitute securities depository selected by the City, or the nominee of any of the foregoing. Any Securities Depository must be qualified under applicable laws and regulations to provide the services proposed to be provided by it.
- (bbbb) "Series of Bonds" or "Series" means a series of Bonds issued pursuant to this ordinance.
 - (ccc) "State" means the State of Washington.
- (dddd) "Subordinate Bonds" means any electric revenue bonds or obligations payable from the Electric Fund having a charge and lien on the Net Revenue subordinate to the charge and lien on the Net Revenue of the Parity Bonds.
- (eeee) "Tax Credit Subsidy Bond" means any bond that is designated by the City as a Tax Credit Subsidy Bond, pursuant to Section 54AA of the Code or any substantially similar taxable tax credit bond program, and which is further designated by the City as a "qualified

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bond" with respect to which the City is eligible to receive a tax credit payable by the United States Treasury to the City under Section 6431 or a substantially similar provision of the Code.

- (ffff) "Tax Credit Subsidy Bond Payments" means those amounts which the City is entitled to receive from the United States Treasury in respect of any bonds issued as Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds.
- (gggg) "Tax-Exempt Bond" means any Parity Bond, the interest on which is intended, as of the Issue Date, to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- (hhhh) "Tax Maximum" means the maximum dollar amount permitted by the Code to be allocated to a debt service reserve account from bond proceeds of tax-exempt Bonds or Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds without requiring a balance to be invested at a restricted yield.
- (iiii) "Taxable Bond" means any Parity Bond, the interest on which is not intended, as of the Issue Date, to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- (jjjj) "Term Bond" means each Bond designated as a Term Bond and subject to mandatory redemption in the years and amounts set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement, and those Parity Bonds designated as such in the ordinances or bond purchase agreements authorizing their issuance or sale and which are subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity or for which either mandatory sinking fund payments or mandatory prior redemption requirements are provided.

(kkkk) "Undertaking" means a Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS; PLAN OF ADDITIONS

Section 2.01 <u>Findings and Determinations</u>. The City takes note of the following facts and makes the following findings and determinations:

- (a) Electric Utility; Previously Issued Parity Bonds. The City now owns and operates the Electric Utility. Pursuant to Ordinance No. 17-85, the City issued and sold its Electric Revenue Refunding Bonds, 1985 (the "1985 Bonds") all of which have been paid and retired. In Ordinance No. 17-85, the City reserved the right to issue additional electric revenue bonds having a lien and charge on the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility on a parity with the lien and charge upon such Net Revenue of the 1985 Bonds for the payment of principal thereof and interest thereon, if that certain Parity Bond Test (established in Ordinance No. 17-85 and as subsequently set forth in ordinances authorizing the issuance of additional Parity Bonds) is satisfied.
- (b) *Plan of Additions*. The City is in need of funds with which to finance the Plan of Additions, the estimated aggregate cost of which is more than \$8,000,000, and the City does not have available sufficient funds to pay the costs. The life of the improvements comprising the Plan of Additions is declared to be at least 25 years.
- (c) Sufficiency of Gross Revenue. The City Council finds and determines that, if the conditions set forth in this ordinance for the issuance of the Bonds are satisfied, the Gross Revenue of the Electric Utility will be sufficient, in the judgment of the City Council, to meet all Operation and Maintenance Expenses; to make all necessary repairs, replacements and renewals; and to permit the setting aside from Gross Revenue into the Bond Fund of such amounts as may

be required to pay the principal of and interest on the Outstanding Parity Bonds and the Bonds as the same become due. The City Council declares that in fixing the amounts to be paid into the Bond Fund it has exercised due regard for the cost of maintenance and operation of the Electric Utility and the debt service requirements of the Outstanding Parity Bonds, and that it has not obligated the City to set aside and pay into the Bond Fund a greater amount of the Gross Revenue of the Electric Utility than in its judgment will be available for such purpose.

- (d) Refunding. Chapter 39.53 RCW and other laws of the State authorize the City to adopt and carry out a Refunding Plan. Pursuant to Ordinance No. 06-13, the City previously issued the 2013B Bonds for the purpose of (i) carrying out a plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the Electric Utility and (ii) refunding a portion of the City's Electric Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2003 and Electric Revenue Bonds, 2003. In Ordinance No. 06-13, the City reserved the right to redeem the 2013B Bonds maturing on or after November 1, 2023 prior to their stated maturity at any time on or after May 1, 2023. In order to realize a debt service savings to the City and its ratepayers, the City Council wishes to refund all or a portion of the Refunding Candidates. The Refunding Candidates that are to be refunded shall be selected by the Designated Representative such that a savings equal to or exceeding the savings requirements set forth in Exhibit A will be effected by the difference between the principal and interest cost over the life of the portion of the Bonds allocated to such refunding and the principal and interest cost over the life of the Refunded Bonds to be refunded by such allocated portion of the Bonds.
- (e) Satisfaction of Parity Bond Test. As a condition of the issuance of the Bonds authorized herein, the City Council directs the Designated Representative to determine that all conditions set forth in the Parity Bond Test (as those conditions are set forth in the ordinances authorizing the Outstanding Parity Bonds) have been met and satisfied before the Bonds may be issued and delivered to the Purchaser.
- (f) Issuance of Bonds. Based on the foregoing, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City to issue and sell the Bonds in one or more Series to the respective Purchasers of each Series in a competitive or negotiated sale, pursuant to the terms set forth in the Bond Purchase Contract as approved by the City's Designated Representative consistent with this ordinance.

Section 2.02 <u>Adoption of Plan of Additions</u>. The City specifies, adopts and orders the carrying out of the projects described in Exhibit C as a system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the Electric Utility. The Plan of Additions shall be carried out in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor prepared by the City's engineers and consulting engineers. The City Council may modify the details of the Plan of Additions where in its judgment it appears advisable, if such modifications do not substantially alter the purpose of such system or plan. The cost of the Plan of Additions, including the cost of issuance and sale of the Bonds, shall be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds and from other money available to the Electric Utility.

ARTICLE 3 AUTHORIZATION AND ISSUANCE OF BONDS

Section 3.01 <u>Purpose and Authorization of Bonds</u>. For the purpose of providing funds with which: (a) to pay a portion of the cost of the Plan of Additions; (b) to carry out the

Refunding Plan; (c) to satisfy the Reserve Requirement (if necessary); and (d) to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds, including the administrative costs of the refunding, the City shall issue and sell its electric revenue bonds in one or more Series on a tax-exempt or taxable basis in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$23,000,000.

Section 3.02 <u>Designated Representative</u>; <u>Description of the Bonds</u>. The Finance Director is appointed as the Designated Representative of the City and is authorized and directed to conduct the sale of the Bonds in the manner and upon the terms deemed most advantageous to the City, and to approve the Bond Sale Terms for the Bonds, with such additional terms and covenants as the Designated Representative deems advisable, within the parameters set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached to this ordinance and incorporated by this reference.

Section 3.03 <u>Parity Certificate</u>. At the time of issuance of the Bonds, the Designated Representative shall cause to be executed and have on file a certificate of coverage as required under the Parity Bond Test.

Section 3.04 Form and Execution of Bonds.

- (a) Form of Bonds; Signatures and Seal. Each Bond shall be prepared in a form consistent with the provisions of this ordinance and State law. Each Bond shall be signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk, either or both of whose signatures may be manual or in facsimile, and the seal of the City or a facsimile reproduction thereof shall be impressed or printed thereon. If any officer whose manual or facsimile signature appears on a Bond ceases to be an officer of the City authorized to sign bonds before the Bond bearing his or her manual or facsimile signature is authenticated by the Bond Registrar, or issued or delivered by the City, that Bond nevertheless may be authenticated, issued and delivered and, when authenticated, issued and delivered, shall be as binding on the City as though that person had continued to be an officer of the City authorized to sign bonds. Any Bond also may be signed on behalf of the City by any person who, on the actual date of signing of the Bond, is an officer of the City authorized to sign bonds, although he or she did not hold the required office on its Issue Date.
- (b) Authentication. Only a Bond bearing a Certificate of Authentication in substantially the following form, manually signed by the Bond Registrar, shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or entitled to the benefits of this ordinance: "Certificate of Authentication. This Bond is one of the fully registered City of Richland, Washington, Electric Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, [Name of Series]." The authorized signing of a Certificate of Authentication shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly executed, authenticated and delivered and is entitled to the benefits of this ordinance.

Section 3.05 Bond Registrar; Registration and Transfer of Bonds.

- (a) Registration of Bonds; Bond Registrar. The Bonds shall be issued only in registered form as to both principal and interest and shall be recorded on the Bond Register. The Fiscal Agent is appointed to act as Bond Registrar for each Series of the Bonds, unless otherwise determined by the Designated Representative.
- (b) Transfer and Exchange of Bonds. The Bond Registrar shall keep, or cause to be kept, sufficient books for the registration and transfer of the Bonds, which shall be open to inspection by the City at all times. The Bond Register shall contain the name and mailing address

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of the Registered Owner of each Bond and the principal amount and number of each of the Bonds held by each Registered Owner.

The Bond Registrar is authorized, on behalf of the City, to authenticate and deliver Bonds transferred or exchanged in accordance with the provisions of the Bonds and this ordinance, to serve as the City's paying agent for the Bonds and to carry out all of the Bond Registrar's powers and duties under this ordinance and the Registration Ordinance.

The Bond Registrar shall be responsible for its representations contained in the Bond Registrar's Certificate of Authentication on each Bond. The Bond Registrar may become an Owner with the same rights it would have if it were not the Bond Registrar and, to the extent permitted by law, may act as depository for and permit any of its officers or directors to act as members of, or in any other capacity with respect to, any committee formed to protect the rights of Owners.

A Bond surrendered to the Bond Registrar may be exchanged for a Bond or Bonds in any Authorized Denomination of an equal aggregate principal amount and of the same interest rate, Series and maturity. A Bond may be transferred only if endorsed in the manner provided thereon and surrendered to the Bond Registrar. Any exchange or transfer shall be without cost to the Owner or transferee. The Bond Registrar shall not be obligated to exchange any Bond or transfer registered ownership during the period between the applicable Record Date and the next upcoming interest payment or redemption date.

Securities Depository; Book-Entry Form. Unless otherwise determined by the Designated Representative, the Bonds initially shall be issued and registered in Book-Entry Form. The Bonds so registered shall be held fully immobilized in Book-Entry Form by the Securities Depository in accordance with the provisions of the Letter of Representations. Registered ownership of a Bond initially held in Book-Entry Form, or any portion thereof, may not be transferred except: (i) to any successor Securities Depository; (ii) to any substitute Securities Depository appointed by the City or such substitute Securities Depository's successor; or (iii) to any person if the Bond is no longer held in Book-Entry Form. Upon the resignation of the Securities Depository from its functions as depository, or upon a determination by the Finance Director to discontinue utilizing the then-current Securities Depository, the Finance Director may appoint a substitute Securities Depository. If the Securities Depository resigns from its functions as depository and no substitute Securities Depository can be obtained, or if the Finance Director determines not to utilize a Securities Depository, then the Bonds shall no longer be held in Book-Entry Form and ownership may be transferred only as provided herein. Nothing herein shall prevent the Bond Sale Terms from providing that a Series of the Bonds shall be issued in certificated form without utilizing a Securities Depository, and that the Bonds of such Series shall be registered as of their Issue Date in the names of the Owners thereof, in which case ownership may be transferred only as provided herein. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall have any responsibility or obligation to participants of the Securities Depository or the persons for whom they act as nominees with respect to the Bonds regarding the accuracy of any records maintained by the Securities Depository or its participants of any amount in respect of principal of or interest on the Bonds, or any notice which is permitted or required to be given to Registered Owners hereunder (except such notice as is required to be given by the Bond Registrar to the Securities Depository).

(d) Lost or Stolen Bonds. In case any Bond shall be lost, stolen or destroyed, the Bond Registrar may authenticate and deliver a new bond or bonds of like amount, date, tenor, and effect to the Registered Owner(s) thereof upon the Registered Owner(s)' paying the expenses and charges of the City in connection therewith and upon filing with the Bond Registrar evidence satisfactory to the Bond Registrar that such bond or bonds were actually lost, stolen or destroyed and of Registered Ownership thereof, and upon furnishing the City with indemnity satisfactory to both.

ARTICLE 4. PAYMENT OF BONDS; REDEMPTION PROVISIONS

Section 4.01 Payment of Bonds; Failure to Pay. Payment of Bonds. Principal of and interest on each Bond shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America on the dates and in the amounts provided in the Bond Purchase Agreement. Principal of and interest on each Bond shall be payable solely out of the Bond Fund. The Bonds shall not be general obligations of the City. No Bonds of any Series shall be subject to acceleration under any circumstances.

- (b) Bonds Held In Book-Entry Form. Principal of and interest on each Bond held in Book-Entry Form is payable in the manner set forth in the Letter of Representations.
- (c) Bonds Not Held In Book-Entry Form. Interest on each Bond not held in Book-Entry Form is payable by electronic transfer on the interest payment date, or by check or draft of the Bond Registrar mailed on the interest payment date to the Registered Owner at the address appearing on the Bond Register on the Record Date. However, the City is not required to make electronic transfers except pursuant to a request by a Registered Owner in writing received on or prior to the Record Date and at the sole expense of the Registered Owner. Principal of each Bond not held in Book-Entry Form is payable upon presentation and surrender (unless waived by the City) of the Bond by the Registered Owner to the Bond Registrar.
- (d) Failure To Pay Bonds. If the principal of any Bond is not paid when the Bond is properly presented at its maturity or date fixed for redemption, the City shall be obligated to pay, solely from the sources pledged herein, interest on that Bond at the same rate provided in the Bond from and after its maturity or date fixed for redemption until that Bond, both principal and interest, is paid in full or until sufficient money for its payment in full is on deposit in the Bond Fund, or in a trust account established to refund or defease the Bond, and the Bond has been called for payment by giving notice of that call to the Registered Owner.

Section 4.02 Redemption and Purchase of Bonds.

- (a) Optional Redemption. Any of the Bonds may be subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity dates at the option of the City at the times and on the terms set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement.
- (b) Mandatory Redemption. Any of the Bonds may be designated as Term Bonds, subject to mandatory redemption on the dates and in the amounts as set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement. If not redeemed or purchased at the City's option prior to maturity, Term Bonds (if any) must be redeemed, at a price equal to one hundred percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest, on the dates and in the years and amounts set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement. If the City optionally redeems or purchases a Term Bond prior to

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maturity, the principal amount of that Term Bond that is so redeemed or purchased (irrespective of its redemption or purchase price) shall be credited against the remaining mandatory redemption requirements for that Term Bond in the manner as directed by the Finance Director. In the absence of direction by the Finance Director, credit shall be allocated to the remaining mandatory redemption requirements for that Term Bond on a *pro rata* basis.

- (c) Extraordinary Redemption. Any of the Bonds may be subject to extraordinary optional or extraordinary mandatory redemption prior to maturity upon the occurrence of an extraordinary event at the prices, in the principal amounts, and on the dates, all as set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement.
- (d) *Purchase of Bonds*. The City reserves the right to purchase any or all of the Bonds available for purchase at any time at any price acceptable to the City plus accrued interest to the date of purchase.
- (e) Selection of Bonds for Redemption; Partial Redemption. If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds of any Series are to be redeemed at the option of the City, the Finance Director shall select the Series and maturity or maturities to be redeemed. If less than all of the principal amount of a maturity of the selected Series is to be redeemed, if such Series is held in Book-Entry Form, the portion of such maturity to be redeemed shall be selected for redemption by the Securities Depository in accordance with the Letter of Representations, and if the Series is not then held in Book-Entry Form, the portion of such maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the Bond Registrar using such method of random selection as the Bond Registrar shall determine. All or a portion of the principal amount of any Bond that is to be redeemed may be redeemed in any applicable Authorized Denomination. If less than all of the outstanding principal amount of any Bond is redeemed, upon surrender of that Bond to the Bond Registrar there shall be issued to the Registered Owner, without charge, a new Bond (or Bonds, at the option of the Registered Owner) of the same Series, seniority, maturity, and interest rate in any Authorized Denomination in the aggregate principal amount to remain outstanding.

Section 4.01 <u>Notice of Redemption; Rescission of Notice</u>.

- Agreement, the City must cause notice of any intended redemption of Bonds to be given not less than 20 nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the Registered Owner of any Bond to be redeemed at the address appearing on the Bond Register on the Record Date, and the requirements of this sentence shall be deemed to have been fulfilled when notice has been mailed as so provided, whether or not it is actually received by the Owner of any Bond. In addition, the redemption notice shall be mailed or sent electronically within the same period to the MSRB (if required under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement), to each Rating Agency, and to such other persons and with such additional information as the Finance Director shall determine, but these additional mailings shall not be a condition precedent to the redemption of any Bond. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notice of redemption of any Bond held in Book-Entry Form shall be given in accordance with the Letter of Representations.
- (b) Rescission of Optional Redemption Notice. In the case of an optional redemption or an extraordinary redemption, the notice of redemption may state that the City retains the right to rescind the redemption notice and the redemption by giving a notice of rescission to the

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affected Registered Owners at any time on or prior to the date fixed for redemption. Any notice of optional redemption that is so rescinded shall be of no effect, and each Bond for which a notice of redemption has been rescinded shall remain outstanding.

(c) Effect of Redemption. Interest on each Bond called for redemption shall cease to accrue on the date fixed for redemption, unless either the notice of optional redemption is rescinded as set forth above, or money sufficient to effect such redemption is not on deposit in the Bond Fund or in a trust account established to refund or defease the Bond.

ARTICLE 5 SECURITY FOR THE BONDS

Section 5.01 Security for the Bonds. The Bonds shall be designated as Parity Bonds and shall be a special limited obligation of the City payable from and secured solely by the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility and by money in the Principal and Interest Account of the Bond Fund. Each Series of the Bonds that is designated as Common Reserve Bonds is further secured by money in the Common Reserve Subaccounts. The Net Revenue is pledged to make the payments into the Bond Fund and the Reserve Account, if any, required by Section 5.02, which pledge shall constitute a lien and charge upon such Net Revenue prior and superior to all other charges whatsoever. Each Series of the Bonds designated as Parity Bonds shall be issued on parity with the Outstanding Parity Bonds and all Future Parity Bonds, without regard to date of issuance or authorization and without preference or priority of right or lien. The Bonds shall not constitute general obligations of the City, the State or any political subdivision of the State or any

Section 5.02 <u>Priority Expenditure of Gross Revenue</u>; <u>Flow of Funds</u>. The City covenants and agrees with the owner of each Bond that it will deposit all Gross Revenue of the Electric Utility into the Electric Fund as collected, and will use, pay out and distribute the Gross Revenue of the Electric Utility in the following order of priority:

- (a) To pay Operation and Maintenance Expenses;
- (b) To meet the debt service requirements with respect to, first, the interest due on and, then, the principal of the Parity Bonds by making the required payments into the Principal and Interest Account;
- (c) To make the required payments, if any, into the Common Reserve Subaccount (including amounts required to repay any draws upon a Reserve Security) and into any other account or subaccount in the Bond Fund; and
- (d) For any of the following purposes, without priority: to meet the debt service requirements with respect to any Subordinate Bonds; to redeem and retire any then Outstanding electric revenue bonds or to purchase any or all of those bonds and obligations in the open market as provided in the ordinance authorizing their issuance; to make necessary betterments and replacements of or repairs, additions or extensions to the Electric Utility; to make deposits into the Rate Stabilization Account; or for any other lawful Electric Utility purpose.

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Section 5.03 The Bond Fund.

- (a) Bond Fund Established. The Bond Fund was created by the City pursuant to Ordinance No. 17-85 for the purpose of paying and securing the payment of principal of and interest on the Parity Bonds as the same becomes due and payable. The Bond Fund is divided into two subaccounts, the Principal and Interest Account and the Reserve Account. The Finance Director may create sinking fund subaccounts or other accounts or subaccounts in the Bond Fund for paying or securing the payment of Parity Bonds, as long as the maintenance of such subaccounts does not conflict with the rights of the owners of any Parity Bonds then Outstanding.
- (b) Principal and Interest Account. The Parity Bonds, including the Bonds, are payable (including principal, mandatory redemption requirements, redemption premium, if any, and interest) out of the Principal and Interest Account.
- (c) The Reserve Account. The Reserve Account has been previously created for the purpose of securing the payment of the principal of and interest on all Parity Bonds. Except for withdrawals authorized in this section, the money held in those subaccounts within the Reserve Account that is necessary to satisfy the respective Reserve Requirements for each series of Parity Bonds shall otherwise be held intact. Any deficiency created by reason of such a withdrawal shall be made up from the Net Revenue first available after making necessary provision for the required payments into the Principal and Interest Account. However, to the extent required under the applicable Reserve Security policy, the Reserve Insurer with respect to a Reserve Security that has been drawn upon shall be reimbursed first, before available cash is used to restore the remaining balance of the respective Reserve Requirements. Amounts on deposit in the Reserve Account (or any subaccount therein) that are determined to be in excess of the Reserve Requirement shall be deposited in the Principal and Interest Account or into a Rebate Account, to the extent required under the Code. The City reserves the right to substitute one or more Reserve Securities for money previously deposited in the Common Reserve Subaccount and to withdraw such excess as described in the preceding sentence.
- (d) Reserve Subaccounts. The Reserve Requirement for the Bonds are provided for in subsection (e), below.

In the ordinance authorizing the issuance of any series of Future Parity Bonds, the City shall: (1) determine whether such series is to be designated as a series of Common Reserve Bonds or is to be secured by a standalone Reserve Subaccount or no reserve subaccount, provided that, until the First Parity Covenant Date, each such Reserve Subaccount shall be designated as a Common Reserve Subaccount and, thereafter, such Reserve Subaccount may either: (i) remain a Common Reserve Subaccount; or (ii) become a standalone reserve for which the applicable Reserve Requirement may then be recalculated, reduced or eliminated, as set forth in the relevant authorizing ordinance; (2) establish the Reserve Requirement (if any) for that series of Future Parity Bonds, and (3) covenant to maintain such subaccounts within the Reserve Account as may be necessary to satisfy that future Reserve Requirement.

The Common Reserve Subaccounts shall ratably secure the Common Reserve Bonds. If the money in the Principal and Interest Account is insufficient to meet required payments of either interest on or principal of any Common Reserve Bonds, such deficiency shall be made up by the withdrawal of money (or proceeds of Reserve Securities, if available) from the Common Reserve Subaccounts. Any withdrawals from the Common Reserve Subaccounts shall be made

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on a *pro rata* basis, except when the terms of a Reserve Security require all cash and investments in the Common Reserve Subaccount to be withdrawn before any draw or claim is made on the Reserve Security, or unless the City receives an opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that such *pro rata* withdrawal is not required to maintain the federal tax benefits (if any) of any then-Outstanding Common Reserve Bonds issued as tax-exempt Bonds or Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds. If multiple Reserve Securities are on deposit in the Common Reserve Subaccounts, draws on such Reserve Securities shall be made on a *pro rata* basis.

(e) The 2023 Reserve Requirement. On the Issue Date of each Series of the Bonds, the Finance Director shall cause to be deposited into the Reserve Account (or a Reserve Subaccount created therein for this purpose) an amount which will equal the Reserve Requirement for that Series of the Bonds (if any), which may be funded by any combination of the following methods: (1) in cash deposited on the Issue Date; (2) in cash deposited in approximately equal monthly installments which shall be accumulated by no later than five years from the Issue Date; or (3) by the deposit of one or more Reserve Securities, the face amount of which, together with any cash amount deposited therein, is equal to the Reserve Requirement for the Bonds, if any. The Designated Representative shall determine the Reserve Requirement for each Series of Bonds as of its Issue Date, which shall be set forth in the applicable Bond Purchase Agreement or Pricing Certificate and, as to any Series issued as Tax-Exempt Bonds or Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds, shall be an amount equal to no greater than the Tax Maximum. For so long as the Series remains designated as Common Reserve Bonds the Reserve Requirement shall not be set at a level that would cause the Common Reserve Requirement to exceed the Tax Maximum.

Section 5.04 Required Payments Into the Bond Fund; Investment of Money in the Bond Fund.

- (a) Required Payments Into the Bond Fund. The City covenants to set aside and pay into the Bond Fund out of the Net Revenue, a fixed amount without regard to any fixed proportion, as follows:
 - (1) Into the Principal and Interest Account, on or before each debt service payment date, an amount sufficient (together with other money then on deposit, including investment earnings retained therein) to pay the principal and interest to become due on the Parity Bonds (including required amounts for mandatory redemption of Term Bonds) on that debt service payment date.
 - (2) Into the Reserve Account, such amounts as may be required (if any) to be deposited to the subaccounts therein to satisfy the Reserve Requirements for the Common Reserve Bonds, as set forth in Section 5.03.

When the total amount on deposit in the Bond Fund shall equal the total amount of principal and interest for all Parity Bonds then Outstanding to the last maturity thereof, no further payment need be made into the Bond Fund and the amounts in the Reserve Account shall be deposited in the Principal and Interest Account to be applied against the last Parity Bonds Outstanding.

(b) Failure to Make Payments Into the Bond Fund. If the City fails to set aside and pay into the Bond Fund the amounts set forth above, or fails to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due, in accordance with this ordinance, the owner of any of the Outstanding

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Parity Bonds may bring action against the City to compel the setting aside and payment of the amounts required.

(c) Investment of Money in Bond Fund. Money in the Bond Fund shall, to the fullest extent practicable and reasonable, be invested and reinvested at the direction of the Finance Director solely in, and obligations deposited in such accounts shall consist of, Permitted Investments. Earnings on money and investments in the Principal and Interest Account shall be deposited in and used for the purposes of that fund. Earnings on money and investments in the Reserve Account (and the subaccounts therein) shall be retained in such account or subaccount and credited against amounts required to be deposited therein until the applicable Reserve Requirement is met, and thereafter such earnings shall be deposited in the Principal and Interest Account. In no event shall any money in the Bond Fund or any other money reasonably expected to be used to pay principal of and/or interest on the Bonds be invested at a yield or used in any manner which would cause the Bonds to be arbitrage bonds within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code and applicable regulations thereunder. Any earnings that are subject to a federal tax or rebate requirement may be withdrawn from the Bond Fund for deposit in a Rebate Account as described in Section 7.02.

ARTICLE 6 USE OF BOND PROCEEDS; REFUNDING PLAN

Section 6.01 Disposition and Use of Bond Proceeds.

- (a) Project Fund Deposit. On the Issue Date, the proceeds of the Bonds that are allocated to the financing of the Plan of Additions shall be deposited in the appropriate accounts of the Electric Utility Fund designated by the Finance Director to pay costs of carrying out the Plan of Additions. If required and as determined by the Designated Representative, proceeds of a Series of the Bonds may be deposited in the Reserve Account (or a Reserve Subaccount for that Series) and/or used to purchase a Reserve Security to satisfy the Reserve Requirement for that Series of the Bonds.
- (b) *Refunding Proceeds*. On the Issue Date, the proceeds of the Bonds allocated to the Refunding Plan shall be deposited with the Refunding Trustee in accordance with Section 6.02.
- (c) Costs of Issuance. Bond proceeds to be used to pay costs of issuance may deposited with the Refunding Trustee or may be held in such accounts within the City as the Finance Director may determine pending their use to pay costs of issuance.

Section 6.02 <u>Refunding of Refunded Bonds</u>.

- (a) Appointment of Refunding Trustee. The Designated Representative is authorized and directed to appoint a financial institution to serve as Refunding Trustee and to perform the duties of Refunding Trustee under this ordinance.
- (b) Use of Bond Proceeds for Refunding Plan; Acquisition of Acquired Obligations. On the Issue Date, proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, together with the City Contribution, if any, shall be deposited with the Refunding Trustee and used to discharge the obligations of the City relating to the Refunded Bonds by carrying out the Refunding Plan in accordance with the Refunding Trust Agreement. To the extent practicable, such obligations shall be discharged fully by the Refunding Trustee's simultaneous purchase of the Acquired Obligations, bearing such

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interest and maturing as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times so as to provide, together with a beginning cash balance, if necessary, for the payment of the amount required to be paid by the Refunding Plan. The Acquired Obligations shall be listed and more particularly described in a schedule attached to the Refunding Trust Agreement, but are subject to substitution as set forth below. Any Bond proceeds or other money deposited with the Refunding Trustee and not needed to carry out the Refunding Plan shall be returned to the City for deposit in the Principal and Interest Account to pay interest on the relevant Series of the Bonds on the next upcoming interest payment date.

- (c) Substitution of Acquired Obligations. The City reserves the right at any time to substitute cash or other direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America ("Substitute Obligations") for any of the Acquired Obligations if the City obtains: (1) an opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that the interest on the Bonds and the Refunded Bonds will remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Sections 103, 148 and 149(d) of the Code; and (2) a verification by a nationally recognized independent certified public accounting firm that such substitution will not impair the timely payment of the amounts required to be paid by the Refunding Plan. Any surplus money resulting from the sale, transfer, other disposition or redemption of the Acquired Obligations and the substitutions therefor shall be released from the trust estate and transferred to the City to be used for any lawful purpose.
- Representative is authorized and directed to execute a Refunding Plan. The Designated Representative is authorized and directed to execute a Refunding Trust Agreement setting forth the duties, obligations and responsibilities of the Refunding Trustee in connection with carrying out the Refunding Plan. The Refunding Trust Agreement shall, among other things, authorize and direct the Refunding Trustee to purchase the Acquired Obligations (or Substitute Obligations) and to make the payments required to be made by the Refunding Plan. All Acquired Obligations (or Substitute Obligations) and the money deposited with the Refunding Trustee and any income therefrom shall be held irrevocably, invested and applied in accordance with the provisions of the Refunded Bond Ordinance, this ordinance, chapter 39.53 RCW and other applicable State law. All administrative costs (including without limitation all necessary and proper fees, compensation, and expenses of the Refunding Trustee for the Bonds and all other costs incidental to the setting up of the escrow to accomplish the Refunding Plan) and costs of issuance of the Bonds may be paid out of the amounts deposited with the Refunding Trustee, in accordance with the Refunding Trust Agreement.
- (e) Call for Redemption of the Refunded Bonds. The Designated Representative is authorized to call the Refunded Bonds for redemption on the Redemption Date at par, plus accrued interest. Such call for redemption shall identify the Refunded Bonds, the maturity dates, the Redemption Date and redemption price (expressed as a percentage of par, plus accrued interest), and shall be irrevocable after the Bonds are delivered to the Purchaser. The Designated Representative is authorized and directed to give or cause to be given such notices as required, at the times and in the manner required, pursuant to the Refunded Bond Ordinance, and to take all other actions necessary to effect the redemption of the Refunded Bonds on their applicable Redemption Dates.

Section 6.03 <u>Parameters for Approving the Refunding; Minimum Savings</u>. Prior to approving the Bond Sale Terms for the Bonds allocable to the Refunding Plan, the Designated

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Representative must determine that conditions set forth in item (i)(3) of the parameters set forth in Exhibit A have been (or as of the Issue Date will have been) met or satisfied.

ARTICLE 7 BOND COVENANTS; FUTURE PARITY BONDS

Section 7.01 <u>Bond Covenants</u>. The City covenants and agrees with the Owner of each Bond at any time Outstanding, as follows:

- (a) It will establish, maintain and collect rates and charges sufficient to meet the Coverage Requirement.
- (b) It will at all times maintain and keep the Electric Utility in good repair, working order and condition, and also will at all times operate that utility, and the business in connection therewith, in an efficient manner and at a reasonable cost.
- (c) It will not sell, lease, mortgage, or in any manner encumber or dispose of all, or substantially all, of the property of the Electric Utility unless provision is made for the payment into the Bond Fund of sums sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Parity Bonds then Outstanding. Furthermore, it will not sell, lease, mortgage, or in any manner encumber or dispose of, in any year, more than 5% of the property of the Electric Utility that is used, useful and material to the operation thereof, unless provision is made for replacement thereof, or for payment into the Bond Fund of the total amount of the proceeds of such sales, leases, mortgages, encumbrances or dispositions. Any such money so paid into the Bond Fund shall be used to retire the Parity Bonds then Outstanding at the earliest possible date. In addition, it will not contract with another entity operating an electric utility to surrender any substantial territory which the Electric Utility serves or plans to serve with electricity without replacing the Gross Revenue received, or expected to be received, from that territory with revenue from another source or other equivalent compensation.
- (d) It will, while any of the Bonds remain Outstanding, keep proper and separate accounts and records in which complete and separate entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the Electric Utility, and it will furnish, at the written request of the owners of \$1,000,000 in Outstanding principal amount of the Bonds, complete operating and income statements of the Electric Utility in reasonable detail covering any calendar year not more than 90 days after the close of such calendar year. Upon request of any owner or owners of any of the Bonds, it will also furnish to such owner or owners a copy of the most recently completed audit of the City's accounts by the State Auditor of Washington, or such other audit as is authorized by law in lieu thereof.
- (e) Except to aid the poor and infirm consistent with the state constitution, it will not furnish municipal electric service to any customer (including the City) whatsoever free of charge and will promptly take legal action to enforce collection of all delinquent accounts.
- (f) It will carry the type of insurance on its Electric Utility property in the amounts normally carried by private electric utility companies engaged in the operation of electric utility systems, or in the alternative, it may self-insure or, through an association of other municipalities, insure such property in similar amounts. The cost of such insurance or self-insurance shall be considered part of Operation and Maintenance Expenses of the Electric Utility.

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- (g) It will pay, out of Gross Revenue, all Operation and Maintenance Expenses and the debt service requirements of the Parity Bonds, and will otherwise meet the obligations of the City as herein set forth.
- (h) It will not permit or enter into any obligation which is to have a prior or equal claim or lien on the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility except as permitted in Section 7.05 of this ordinance and in compliance with the Parity Bond Test.

Section 7.02 Rebate Account. The Finance Director is authorized to establish and maintain a special fund or account for the purpose of complying with the covenants set forth in Section 8.01(a) relating to arbitrage rebate requirements. All earnings from the investment of Tax-Exempt Bond proceeds, or money treated as Tax-Exempt Bond proceeds under the Code, including money in the Common Reserve Subaccount and allocated to a Tax-Exempt Series of Bonds, in excess of the earnings invested at the yield on such Bonds determined under the Code, shall be deposited in such fund or account, and any earnings therefrom shall be retained therein until required by the Code to be paid to the United States government or until it shall be determined that such money is not required to be so paid. Such fund or account shall be a trust fund established for the benefit of the United States government.

Section 7.03 Rate Stabilization Account. The Finance Director may, at any time consistent with the flow of funds set forth in Section 5.02 of this ordinance, deposit Net Revenue (and any other available money of the City, excluding principal proceeds of any Future Parity Bonds or other borrowing) into the Rate Stabilization Account. The City may, upon authorization by ordinance, at any time withdraw money from the Rate Stabilization Account for inclusion in the Adjusted Net Revenue for the current Fiscal Year, except that the total amount withdrawn from the Rate Stabilization Account in any Fiscal Year may not exceed an amount equal to the total debt service of the Electric Utility in that year. Such deposits or withdrawals may be made up to and including the date 90 days after the end of the Fiscal Year for which the deposit or withdrawal will be included as Adjusted Net Revenue. Earnings from investments in the Rate Stabilization Account shall be retained in that account and shall not be included as Net Revenue unless and until withdrawn from that account as provided herein. The City may deposit earnings from investments in the Rate Stabilization Account into any Electric Utility fund or account as authorized by ordinance, and such deposits shall be included as Adjusted Net Revenue in the year of deposit. No deposit of Net Revenue shall be made into the Rate Stabilization Account to the extent that such deposit would prevent the City from meeting the Coverage Requirement in the relevant Fiscal Year.

Section 7.04 <u>Contract Resource Obligations</u>. The City may at any time enter into one or more Contract Resource Obligations for the acquisition, from facilities to be constructed, of electric energy supply, transmission or other commodity or service relating to the Electric Utility. The City may determine that, and may agree under a Contract Resource Obligation to provide that, all payments under that Contract Resource Obligation (including payments prior to the time that electric energy supply or transmission or other commodity or service is being provided, or during a suspension or after termination of supply or service) shall be Operation and Maintenance Expenses if the payments required to be made under the Contract Resource Obligation are not subject to acceleration and the following additional requirements are met at

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the time such a Contract Resource Obligation is entered into or is deemed to be a Contract Resource Obligation hereunder:

- (a) No event of default has occurred and is continuing under the terms of any debt obligation of the City in respect of the Electric Utility; and
- (b) There shall be on file a certificate of an independent licensed professional engineer or engineering firm stating that in his, her or its professional opinion:
 - (1) the payments to be made by the City in connection with the Contract Resource Obligation are reasonable for the supply or transmission rendered;
 - (2) the source of any new supply, and any facilities to be constructed to provide the supply or transmission, are sound from an electric energy or other commodity supply or transmission planning standpoint, are technically and economically feasible in accordance with prudent utility practice, and are likely to provide supply or transmission no later than a date set forth in the independent licensed professional engineer's certification; and
 - (3) the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility will be sufficient to meet the Coverage Requirement for each of the five Fiscal Years following the year in which the Contract Resource Obligation is incurred, where the calculation of Net Revenue: (i) takes into account the adjustments to Gross Revenue permitted under the Parity Bond Test; and (ii) adjusts the Operation of Maintenance Expenses by the independent licensed professional engineer's estimate of the payments to be made in accordance with the Contract Resource Obligation.

Nothing in this section shall prevent the City from entering into other agreements for the acquisition of electric energy supply, transmission or other commodity or service relating to the Electric Utility from existing facilities and from treating those payments as Operation and Maintenance Expenses. Nothing in this section shall prevent the City from entering into other agreements for the acquisition of electric energy supply, transmission or other commodity or service from facilities to be constructed and from agreeing to make payments with respect thereto, such payments constituting a lien and charge on the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility subordinate to that of the Parity Bonds.

Section 7.05 Future Parity Bonds; Subordinate Bonds. The City covenants with the owner of each of the Bonds for as long as any of the same are Outstanding that it will not create any special fund or funds for the payment of the principal of and interest on any additional electric revenue bonds or incur any other obligation that will have any priority over the payments that are required by this ordinance to be made into the Bond Fund out of the Net Revenue. With respect to Future Parity Bonds, the City covenants that it will issue Future Parity Bonds only if the Parity Bond Test is met and complied with at the time of issuance of such Future Parity Bonds. If the Parity Bond Test is met and complied with at the time of the issuance of such Future Parity Bonds, then payments into the Bond Fund with respect to such Future Parity Bonds shall rank equally with the payments out of the Net Revenue required to be made into the Bond Fund by the ordinances authorizing the issuance of Outstanding Parity Bonds and this ordinance. Nothing in this ordinance shall prevent the City from issuing Subordinate Bonds.

ARTICLE 8 FEDERAL TAX AND DISCLOSURE MATTERS.

- Section 8.01 <u>Federal Tax Matters</u>. For each Series of the Bonds, the City's Designated Representative shall determine whether such Series is to be issued as Tax-Exempt Bonds, Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds or Taxable Bonds, and may approve such additional terms and covenants relating to federal tax matters as the Designated Representative deems necessary or appropriate, including the following:
- (a) Tax-Exempt Bonds. For each Series of the Bonds issued as Tax-Exempt Bonds, the City covenants that it will take all actions that are reasonably within its power and necessary to prevent interest on that Series from being included in gross income for federal income tax purposes. The City further covenants that it will neither take any action nor make or permit any use of gross proceeds of that Series (or other funds of the City treated as gross proceeds of that Series) at any time during the term of such Series that will cause interest on such Series to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes. The City also covenants that, to the extent the arbitrage rebate requirement of Section 148 of the Code is applicable to any Series issued as Tax-Exempt Bonds, it will take all actions necessary to comply (or to be treated as having complied) with that requirement in connection with that Series (including the calculation and payment of any penalties that the City may elect to pay as an alternative to calculating rebatable arbitrage and the payment of any other penalties if required under Section 148 of the Code) to prevent interest on such Series from being included in gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- (b) Taxable Bonds; Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds. For each Series of the Bonds issued as Taxable bonds or as Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds, if any, the Designated Representative is authorized to make provision in the Bonds and related documents, to execute additional written agreements, and to make additional covenants on behalf of the City, all as he or she may deem necessary or appropriate in order to obtain, maintain, and administer such tax status. In the case of Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds, such additional covenants and agreement may include (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) those necessary in order for the City: (i) to receive from the United States Treasury the applicable Tax Credit Subsidy Payments in respect of such Tax Credit Subsidy Bonds; and (ii) to ensure that such Series otherwise become and remain eligible for tax benefits under the Code.
- (b) Post-Issuance Compliance. The Finance Director is authorized and directed to review and update the City's written procedures to facilitate compliance by the City with the covenants in this ordinance and the applicable requirements of the Code that must be satisfied after the Issue Date to prevent interest on the Bonds from being included in gross income for federal tax purposes.

Section 8.02 Official Statement; Continuing Disclosure.

(a) Preliminary Official Statement. The Designated Representative and other appropriate City officials are directed to cause the preparation of and review the form of a preliminary Official Statement in connection with each sale of one or more Series to the public. For the sole purpose of an underwriter's compliance with paragraph (b)(1) of Rule 15c2-12, if applicable, the Designated Representative is authorized to deem that preliminary Official Statement final as of its date, except for the omission of information permitted to be omitted by

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- Rule 15c2-12. The City approves the distribution to potential purchasers of the Bonds of a preliminary Official Statement that has been deemed final in accordance with this subsection.
- (b) Final Official Statement. The City approves the preparation of a final Official Statement for the Bonds to be sold to the public in the form of the preliminary Official Statement that has been deemed final in accordance with subsection (a), with such modifications and amendments as the Designated Representative deems necessary or desirable, and further authorizes the Designated Representative to execute and deliver such final Official Statement to the Purchaser, if required under Rule 15c2-12. The City authorizes and approves the distribution by the Purchaser of the final Official Statement so executed and delivered to purchasers and potential purchasers of the Bonds.
- (c) Agreement to Provide Continuing Disclosure. If necessary to meet the requirements of paragraph (b)(5) of Rule 15c2-12, as applicable to the Purchaser acting as a participating underwriter for the Bonds, the Designated Representative is authorized to execute a written undertaking to provide continuing disclosure for the benefit of holders of the Bonds (the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement") in substantially the form attached as Exhibit D.

ARTICLE 9 AMENDMENTS; DEFAULTS AND REMEDIES

- Section 9.01 <u>Amendatory Ordinances</u>. This ordinance shall not be modified or amended in any respect subsequent to the initial issuance of the Bonds, except as provided in and in accordance with and subject to the provisions of this section. Ordinances authorizing the issuance of Future Parity Bonds shall not be deemed to be supplemental or amendatory ordinances described in this section.
- (a) Amendments Not Requiring Consent. The City may from time to time and at any time, without the consent of or notice to the Registered Owners of the Parity Bonds at the time Outstanding, pass amendatory ordinances as set forth below. Before the City shall pass any such amendatory ordinance pursuant to this subsection (b), there shall have been delivered to the City an opinion of Bond Counsel, stating that such amendatory ordinance is authorized or permitted by this ordinance and will, upon the execution and delivery thereof, be valid and binding upon the City in accordance with its terms and will not adversely affect the exemption from federal income taxation of interest on any Parity Bonds issued as tax-exempt bonds.
 - (1) to cure any formal defect, omission, inconsistency or ambiguity in this ordinance in a manner not adverse to the Owner of any Parity Bond;
 - (2) to impose upon the Bond Registrar (with its consent) for the benefit of the Owners of the Bonds any additional rights, remedies, powers, authority, security, liabilities or duties which may lawfully be granted, conferred or imposed and which are not contrary to or inconsistent with this ordinance as theretofore in effect;
 - (3) to add to the covenants and agreements of, and limitations and restrictions upon, the City in this ordinance other covenants, agreements, limitations and restrictions to be observed by the City which are not contrary to or inconsistent with this ordinance as theretofore in effect;

- (4) to confirm, as further assurance, any pledge under, and to subject to any claim, lien or pledge created or to be created by, this ordinance any other money, securities or funds;
- (5) to authorize different denominations of the Bonds and to make correlative amendments and modifications to this ordinance regarding exchangeability of Outstanding Bonds of different authorized denominations, redemptions of portions of Bonds of particular authorized denominations and similar amendments and modifications of a technical nature; and
- (6) to modify, alter, amend or supplement this ordinance in any other respect which is not materially adverse to the Owners of the Parity Bonds at the time Outstanding, and which does not involve a change described in subsection (c) of this section.
- (b) Amendments Requiring Supermajority Consent. In addition to an amendatory ordinance passed pursuant to subsection (b) above, the Registered Owners of not less than 60% in aggregate principal amount of Parity Bonds then Outstanding shall have the right from time to time to consent to and approve the passage by the City of any amendatory ordinance deemed necessary or desirable by the City Council for the purpose of amending or supplementing, in any particular, any of the terms or provisions contained in this ordinance, as follows:
 - (1) Prior to passage of the proposed amendatory ordinance, the City shall cause notice of the proposed amendatory ordinance to be given by first class United States mail to all Registered Owners of the Parity Bonds then Outstanding, to any Bond Insurer providing a bond insurance policy then in effect with respect to an issue of Parity Bonds, to the extent required under such policy, and each Rating Agency. Such notice shall briefly set forth the nature of the proposed amendatory ordinance and shall state that a copy thereof is on file at the office of the City Clerk for inspection by all Registered Owners of the Outstanding Bonds.
 - (2) Within two years after the date of the mailing of such notice, the City may pass such amendatory ordinance in substantially the form described in such notice, but only if there shall have first been delivered to the Bond Registrar (i) the required consents, in writing, of the Registered Owners of the Bonds, and (ii) an opinion of Bond Counsel stating that such amendatory ordinance is authorized or permitted by this ordinance and, upon the execution and delivery thereof, will be valid and binding upon the City in accordance with its terms and will not adversely affect the exemption from federal income taxation of the interest on the Bonds.
 - (3) If Registered Owners of not less than 60% of Parity Bonds then Outstanding have consented to the passage of the amendatory ordinance as herein provided, no owner of the Bonds shall have any right to object to the passage of such amendatory 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 from passing the same or from taking any action pursuant thereto.

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- (c) Amendments Requiring Unanimous Consent. Nothing contained in this section shall permit, or be construed as permitting, except upon consent of all of the Registered Owners of the Parity Bonds then Outstanding: (i) a change in the times, amounts or currency of payment of the principal of or interest on any Parity Bond then Outstanding, or a reduction in the principal amount or redemption price of any Parity Bond then Outstanding, or a change in the method of redemption or redemption price of any Parity Bond then Outstanding, or a change in the method of determining the rate of interest thereon; (ii) a preference or priority of any bond or bonds over any other bond or bonds; or (iii) a reduction in the aggregate principal amount of Parity Bonds.
- (d) Effect of Amendment. Upon the passage of any amendatory ordinance pursuant to the provisions of this section, this ordinance shall be, and be deemed to be, modified and amended in accordance therewith, and the respective rights, duties and obligations under this ordinance of the City and all Registered Owners of Bonds then Outstanding shall thereafter be determined, exercised and enforced under this ordinance subject in all respects to such amendments.

Section 9.02 <u>Defaults and Remedies</u>. The following Section 9.02 shall go into effect as of the First Parity Covenant Date:

- (a) Events of Default. The following shall constitute "Events of Default" with respect to the Bonds:
 - (1) If a default is made in the payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Bonds when the same shall become due and payable; or
 - (2) If the City defaults in the observance and performance of any other of the covenants, conditions and agreements on the part of the City set forth in this ordinance or any covenants, conditions or agreements on the part of the City contained in any Parity Bond authorizing ordinance and such default or defaults have continued for a period of six months after they have received from the Bondowners' Trustee (as defined below) or from the registered owners of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Parity Bonds, a written notice specifying and demanding the cure of such default. However, if the default in the observance and performance of any other of the covenants, conditions and agreements is one which cannot be completely remedied within the six months after written notice has been given, it shall not be an Event of Default with respect to the Bonds as long as the City has taken active steps within 90 days after written notice has been given to remedy the default and is diligently pursuing such remedy.
 - (3) If the City files a petition in bankruptcy or is placed in receivership under any state or federal bankruptcy or insolvency law.
- (b) Bondowners' Trustee. So long as such Event of Default has not been remedied, a bondowners' trustee (the "Bondowners' Trustee") may be appointed by the registered owners of 25% in principal amount of the Parity Bonds then outstanding, by an instrument or concurrent instruments in writing signed and acknowledged by such registered owners of the Parity Bonds or by their attorneys-in-fact duly authorized and delivered to such Bondowners' Trustee, notification thereof being given to the City. That appointment shall become effective immediately upon acceptance thereof by the Bondowners' Trustee. Any Bondowners' Trustee appointed under the provisions of this section shall be a bank or trust company organized under the laws of

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the State of Washington or the State of New York or a national banking association. The bank or trust company acting as Bondowners' Trustee may be removed at any time, and a successor Bondowners' Trustee may be appointed, by the registered owners of a majority in principal amount of the Parity Bonds, by an instrument or concurrent instruments in writing signed and acknowledged by such registered owners of the Bonds or by their attorneys-in-fact duly authorized. The Bondowners' Trustee may require such security and indemnity as may be reasonable against the costs, expenses and liabilities that may be incurred in the performance of its duties. If any Event of Default is, in the sole judgment of the Bondowners' Trustee, cured and the Bondowners' Trustee furnishes to the City a certificate so stating, that Event of Default shall be conclusively deemed to be cured and the City, the Bondowners' Trustee and the registered owners of the Parity Bonds shall be restored to the same rights and position which they would have held if no Event of Default had occurred. The Bondowners' Trustee appointed in the manner herein provided, and each successor thereto, is declared to be a trustee for the registered owners of all the Parity Bonds and is empowered to exercise all the rights and powers herein conferred on the Bondowners' Trustee.

- Suits at Law or in Equity. Upon the happening of an Event of Default and during the continuance thereof, the Bondowners' Trustee may (and, upon the written request of the registered owners of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Parity Bonds outstanding, must) take such steps and institute such suits, actions or other proceedings, all as it may deem appropriate for the protection and enforcement of the rights of the registered owners of the Parity Bonds, to collect any amounts due and owing to or from the City, or to obtain other appropriate relief, and may enforce the specific performance of any covenant, agreement or condition contained in this ordinance or in any of the Parity Bonds. Any action, suit or other proceedings instituted by the Bondowners' Trustee hereunder shall be brought in its name as trustee for the owners of the Parity Bonds and all such rights of action upon or under any of the Parity Bonds or the provisions of this ordinance may be enforced by the Bondowners' Trustee without the possession of any of those Parity Bonds and without the production of the same at any trial or proceedings relative thereto except where otherwise required by law. Any such suit, action or proceeding instituted by the Bondowners' Trustee shall be brought for the ratable benefit of all of the owners of those Parity Bonds, subject to the provisions of this ordinance. The respective owners of the Parity Bonds, by taking and holding the same, shall be conclusively deemed irrevocably to appoint the Bondowners' Trustee the true and lawful trustee of the respective owners of those Parity Bonds, with authority to institute any such action, suit or proceeding; to receive as trustee and deposit in trust any sums becoming distributable on account of those Parity Bonds; to execute any paper or documents for the receipt of money; and to do all acts with respect thereto that the registered owner himself or herself might have done in person. Nothing herein shall be deemed to authorize or empower the Bondowners' Trustee to consent to accept or adopt, on behalf of any registered owner of the Parity Bonds, any plan of reorganization or adjustment affecting the Parity Bonds or any right of any registered owner thereof, or to authorize or empower the Bondowners' Trustee to vote the claims of the registered owners thereof in any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization or other proceeding to which the City is a party.
- (d) No Acceleration. Nothing contained in this section shall, in any event or under any circumstance, be deemed to authorize the acceleration of maturity of principal on the Parity Bonds, and the remedy of acceleration is expressly denied to the owners of the Parity Bonds

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under any circumstances including, without limitation, upon the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default.

- (e) Application of Money Collected by Bondowners' Trustee. Any money collected by the Bondowners' Trustee at any time pursuant to this section shall be applied in the following order of priority:
 - (1) First, to the payment of the charges, expenses, advances and compensation of the Bondowners' Trustee and the charges, expenses, counsel fees, disbursements and compensation of its agents and attorneys.
 - (2) Second, to the payment to the persons entitled thereto of all installments of interest then due on the Parity Bonds in the order of maturity of such installments and, if the amount available shall not be sufficient to pay in full any installment or installments maturing on the same date, then to the payment thereof ratably, according to the amounts due thereon to the persons entitled thereto, without any discrimination or preference.
 - (3) Third, to the payment to the persons entitled thereto of the unpaid principal amounts of any Parity Bonds which shall have become due (other than Parity Bonds previously called for redemption for the payment of which money is held pursuant to the provisions hereto), whether at maturity or by proceedings for redemption or otherwise, in the order of their due dates and, if the amount available shall not be sufficient to pay in full the principal amounts due on the same date, then to the payment thereof ratably, according to the principal amounts due thereon to the persons entitled thereto, without any discrimination or preference.
- Duties and Obligations of Bondowners' Trustee. The Bondowners' Trustee shall not be liable except for the performance of such duties as are specifically set forth herein. During an Event of Default, the Bondowners' Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it hereby, and shall use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his or her own affairs. The Bondowners' Trustee shall have no liability for any act or omission to act hereunder except for the Bondowners' Trustee's own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct. The duties and obligations of the Bondowners' Trustee shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this ordinance, and no implied powers, duties or obligations of the Bondowners' Trustee shall be read into this ordinance. The Bondowners' Trustee shall not be required to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur individual liability in the performance of any of its duties or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers as the Bondowners' Trustee, except as may result from its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct. The Bondowners' Trustee shall not be bound to recognize any person as a registered owner of any Bond until his or her title thereto, if disputed, has been established to its reasonable satisfaction. The Bondowners' Trustee may consult with counsel and the opinion of such counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or suffered by it hereunder in good faith and in accordance with the opinion of such counsel. The Bondowners' Trustee shall not be answerable for any neglect or default of any person, firm or corporation employed and selected by it with reasonable care.

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- (g) Suits by Individual Bondowners Restricted. Neither the registered owner nor the beneficial owner of any one or more of Parity Bonds shall have any right to institute any action, suit or proceeding at law or in equity for the enforcement of same unless:
 - (1) an Event of Default has happened and is continuing; and
 - (2) a Bondowners' Trustee has been appointed; and
 - (3) such owner previously shall have given to the Bondowners' Trustee written notice of the Event of Default on account of which such suit, action or proceeding is to be instituted; and
 - (4) the registered owners of 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Parity Bonds have made, after the occurrence of such Event of Default, written request of the Bondowners' Trustee and have afforded the Bondowners' Trustee a reasonable opportunity to institute such suit, action or proceeding; and
 - (5) there have been offered to the Bondowners' Trustee security and indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred therein or thereby; and
 - (6) the Bondowners' Trustee has refused or neglected to comply with such request within a reasonable time.

No registered owner or beneficial owner of any Parity Bond shall have any right in any manner whatever by his or her action to affect or impair the obligation of the City to pay from the Net Revenue the principal of and interest on such Parity Bonds to the respective owners thereof when due.

ARTICLE 10 MISCELLANEOUS

Section 10.01 Refunding or Defeasance of the Bonds. The City may issue refunding bonds pursuant to State law or use money available from any other lawful source to carry out a refunding or defeasance plan, which may include: (a) paying when due the principal of and interest on any or all of the Bonds (the "defeased Bonds"); (b) redeeming the defeased Bonds prior to their maturity; and (c) paying the costs of the refunding or defeasance. If the City sets aside in a special trust fund or escrow account irrevocably pledged to that redemption or defeasance (the "trust account") money and/or Government Obligations maturing at a time or times and bearing interest in amounts sufficient to redeem, refund or defease the defeased Bonds in accordance with their terms, then all right and interest of the Owners of the defeased Bonds in the covenants of this ordinance and (except as hereinafter provided) in the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility, funds and accounts obligated to the payment of the defeased Bonds shall cease and become void. Thereafter, the Owners of defeased Bonds shall have the right to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the defeased Bonds from the trust account and, if funds in the trust account are not available for such payment, shall have the residual right to receive payment of the principal of and interest on the defeased Bonds from the Net Revenue of the Electric Utility without any priority of lien or charge against that revenue or covenants with respect thereto except to be paid therefrom. After the establishing and full funding of such a trust account, the City may then apply any money in any other fund or account established for the

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payment or redemption of the defeased Bonds to any lawful purposes as it shall determine, subject only to the rights of the owners of any other Parity Bonds then Outstanding.

Unless otherwise specified by the City in a refunding or defeasance plan, notice of refunding or defeasance shall be given, and selection of Bonds for any partial refunding or defeasance shall be conducted, in the manner prescribed in this ordinance for the redemption of Bonds.

If the refunding or defeasance plan provides that the defeased Bonds or the refunding bonds to be issued be secured by money and/or Government Obligations pending the prior redemption of the defeased Bonds and if such refunding plan also provides that certain money and/or Government Obligations are pledged irrevocably for the prior redemption of the defeased Bonds included in that refunding plan, then only the debt service on the Bonds which are not defeased Bonds and the refunding bonds, the payment of which is not so secured by the refunding plan, shall be included in the computation of the Coverage Requirement for the issuance of Future Parity Bonds and the annual computation of coverage for determining compliance with the rate covenants.

Section 10.02 <u>Sale and Delivery of the Bonds</u>.

- (a) Manner of Sale of Bonds; Delivery of Bonds. The Designated Representative is authorized to sell each Series of Bonds by negotiated sale, direct placement or competitive sale, based on the assessment of the Designated Representative of market conditions, in consultation with appropriate City officials, staff, municipal advisors, Bond Counsel and other advisors. In determining the method of sale and accepting the Bond Sale Terms, the Designated Representative shall take into account those factors that, in the judgment of the Designated Representative, may be expected to result in the lowest true interest cost to the City.
- (b) Procedure for Negotiated Sale or Direct Placement. If the Designated Representative determines that a Series of Bonds is to be sold by negotiated sale or direct placement, the Designated Representative shall select one or more Purchasers with which to negotiate such sale. The Bond Purchase Agreement shall set forth the Bond Sale Terms. The Designated Representative is authorized to execute and deliver the Bond Purchase Agreement on behalf of the City, so long as the terms provided therein are consistent with the terms of this ordinance.
- a Series of Bonds are to be sold by competitive sale, the Designated Representative shall cause the preparation of an official notice of bond sale setting forth bid parameters that the Designated Representative deems appropriate consistent with this ordinance. Bids for the purchase of the Bonds shall be received at such time or place and by such means as the Designated Representative directs. On the date and time established for the receipt of bids, the Designated Representative (or the designee of the Designated Representative) shall accept bids and shall cause the bids to be mathematically verified. The Designated Representative is authorized to award, on behalf of the City, the winning bid and to accept the winning bidder's offer to purchase the Bonds with such adjustments to the aggregate principal amount and principal amount per maturity as the Designated Representative deems appropriate consistent with the terms of this ordinance. The Designated Representative may reject any or all bids submitted and may waive any formality or irregularity in any bid or in the bidding process if the Designated Representative

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deems it to be in the City's best interest to do so. If all bids are rejected, the Bonds may be sold pursuant to negotiated sale or in any manner provided by law as the Designated Representative determines is in the best interest of the City, within the parameters set forth in this ordinance.

(d) Preparation, Execution and Delivery of the Bonds. The Bonds will be prepared at City expense and will be delivered to the Purchaser in accordance with the Bond Purchase Agreement, together with the approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel regarding the Bonds.

Section 10.03 General Authorization and Ratification. The Designated Representative and other appropriate officers of the City are severally authorized to take such actions and to execute such documents as in their judgment may be necessary or desirable to carry out the transactions contemplated in connection with this ordinance, and to do everything necessary for the prompt delivery of each Series of Bonds to the Purchaser and for the proper application, use and investment of the proceeds of the Bonds. All actions taken prior to the effective date of this ordinance in furtherance of the purposes described in this ordinance and not inconsistent with the terms of this ordinance are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

Section 10.04 Severability. The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be separate and severable. If a court of competent jurisdiction, all appeals having been exhausted or all appeal periods having run, finds any provision of this ordinance to be invalid or unenforceable as to any person or circumstance, such offending provision shall, if feasible, be deemed to be modified to be within the limits of enforceability or validity. However, if the offending provision cannot be so modified, it shall be null and void with respect to the particular person or circumstance, and all other provisions of this ordinance in all other respects, and the offending provision with respect to all other persons and all other circumstances, shall remain valid and enforceable.

Section 10.05 <u>Effective Date of Ordinance</u>. This ordinance shall take effect the day following its publication in the official newspaper of the City of Richland.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 18th of April, 2023.

Perry Christensen, Mayor

Heather Kintzley, City Attorne

Attest:

Approved as to Form:

First Reading: April 4, 2023 Second Reading: April 18, 2023

Date Published: April 23, 2023

Exhibit A - PARAMETERS FOR BOND SALE TERMS

(a) Principal Amount. The maximum aggregate principal amount of Bonds of all Series authorized by this ordinance shall not exceed \$23,000,000.

Date or Dates. Each Bond shall be dated its Issue Date, as determined by the Designated Representative, which date may not be later than one year after the effective date of this ordinance.

The Bonds shall be issued in Authorized Denominations and shall be numbered separately in the manner and shall bear any name and additional designation as deemed necessary or appropriate by the Designated Representative.

Each Bond shall bear interest from its Issue Date or from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or duly provided, whichever is later, unless otherwise provided in the Bond Purchase Agreement and the Bonds. Each Series of the Bonds shall bear interest at one or more fixed interest rates. The true interest cost for any fixed rate Series may not exceed a rate of 5.50% per annum.

Interest shall be payable on dates acceptable to the Designated Representative, which shall include payment at the maturity of each Bond, on any mandatory redemption date for Term Bonds, and on any other redemption date. Principal payments shall commence on a date acceptable to the Designated Representative and shall be payable at maturity and in mandatory redemption installments for Term Bonds on dates acceptable to the Designated Representative.

The final maturity of the Bonds allocated to the Plan of Additions shall mature no later than the next annual principal payment date occurring 31 years after their Issue Date. The final maturity of the Bonds allocated to the Refunding Plan may not be later than twelve months after the date of final maturity of the Refunded Bonds.

The Designated Representative may approve in the Bond Purchase Agreement provisions for the optional and mandatory redemption of Bonds, subject to the following:

- (1) Optional Redemption. The Designated Representative may designate any Bond as subject to optional redemption prior to its maturity. Any Bond that is subject to optional redemption prior to maturity must be callable on at least one or more date(s) occurring not more than 10½ years after the Issue Date, consistent with Section 4.02(a).
- (2) <u>Mandatory Redemption</u>. The Designated Representative may designate any Bond as a Term Bond, subject to mandatory redemption prior to its maturity on the dates and in principal payment amounts set forth in mandatory redemption payments, consistent with Section 4.02(b).

(c) Denominations, Name, etc.

Interest Rate(s).

(b)

(d)

(e) Payment Dates.

(f) Maturities; Final Maturity.

(g) Redemption Prior to Maturity.

(3) Extraordinary Redemption. The Designated Representative may designate any Bond as subject to extraordinary optional redemption or extraordinary mandatory redemption upon the occurrence of an extraordinary event, as such event or events may be set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement and related documents, consistent with Section 4.02(c).

(h) Price.

- (i) Other Terms and Conditions.
- The purchase price for any Series of Bonds may not be less than 98% or more than 135% of the stated principal amount of that Series.
- (1) Expected Life of Capital Facilities. As of the Issue Date of each Series, the Designated Representative must find to his or her satisfaction that the average expected life of the capital facilities to be financed with the proceeds (or allocable share of proceeds) of that Series must exceed the weighted average maturity of such Series (or share thereof allocated to financing those capital facilities).
- (2) <u>Satisfaction of Parity Bond Test</u>. The Designated Representative must determine that the Parity Bond Test has been met or satisfied by the Issue Date.
- (3) <u>Refunding Conditions</u>. The Designated Representative shall select the Refunded Bonds from among the Refunding Candidates. The Designated Representative must find that:
 - (a) The net present value savings that will be effected (as measured by the difference between the principal and interest cost over the life of the Bonds allocable to the Refunding Plan and the principal and interest cost over the life of the Refunded Bonds, but for such refunding) shall be not less than 0.0%. In making such determination, the Designated Representative shall give consideration to the fixed maturities of the Bonds and the Refunded Bonds, the costs of issuance of the Bonds and the known earned income from the investment of the proceeds of the Bonds pending redemption of the Refunded Bonds.
 - (b) The Refunding Plan will provide sufficient funds to discharge and satisfy the obligations of the City with respect to the Refunded Bonds under the Refunded Bond Ordinance. In making such determination, the Designated Representative may rely upon a certification or verification by a nationally recognized independent certified public accounting firm or a certification provided by the City's municipal advisor.
- (4) Additional Credit Enhancement, Terms, Conditions and Agreements. The Designated Representative may determine whether it is in the City's best interest to provide for bond insurance or other credit enhancement or for the purchase of a Reserve Security; and may accept such additional terms, conditions and covenants as he or she may determine are in the best interests of the City, consistent with this ordinance.

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Exhibit B – PARITY BOND TEST

The following conditions must be satisfied at the time of issuance of any Future Parity Bonds:

- (a) There may be no deficiency in the Principal and Interest Account, in any subaccount within the Reserve Account (or the subaccounts therein), or in any other account required to be funded within the Bond Fund.
- (b) The ordinance authorizing any Future Parity Bonds must determine whether such Future Parity Bonds will be designated as Common Reserve Bonds, set the Reserve Requirement (which may be zero) for such Future Parity Bonds, and provide for the satisfaction of that Reserve Requirement.
 - (c) The City must have on file with the City Clerk either:
- (1) a certificate of the Finance Director of the City, supported by the Electric Utility financial statements, demonstrating that the Adjusted Net Revenue of the Electric Utility for any twelve consecutive months out of the 24 months preceding the dated date of the proposed bonds will be sufficient to satisfy the Coverage Requirement with respect to the Parity Bonds then Outstanding, plus the Future Parity Bonds proposed to be issued; or
- (2) a certificate from an independent licensed professional engineer or engineering firm showing that in his, her or its professional opinion the Adjusted Net Revenue of the Electric Utility, which will be available in each succeeding year for the payment of principal of and interest on all Parity Bonds then Outstanding and the Future Parity Bonds, will be sufficient to satisfy the Coverage Requirement with respect to the Parity Bonds then Outstanding, plus the Future Parity Bonds proposed to be issued. Computation of estimated future Adjusted Net Revenue of the Electric Utility shall be based upon income and expense statements of the Electric Utility for any twelve consecutive months out of the 24 months preceding the dated date of the proposed bonds, plus additional adjustments, which may reflect:
 - (i) any current changes in Net Revenue of the Electric Utility for the base period which would have occurred if the schedule of rates and charges in effect at the time of the computation (or approved by the City Council as of the time of such computation and to become effective within 30 days thereof) had been in effect during the portion of the period in which such schedule was not in effect:
 - (ii) a full twelve months of revenue from any customers of the Electric Utility added prior to the computation date;
 - (iii) the loss of customers since that period;
 - (iv) any changes in Net Revenue of the Electric Utility estimated to be received as a result of, and upon completion of, any facilities under construction or to be acquired, constructed or installed as a part of the Electric Utility which are not reflected fully in the base period statement; and
 - (v) Annualized net revenue from the improvements to be financed from the proceeds of the proposed Future Parity Bonds.

(d) If the Future Parity Bonds proposed to be issued are for the sole purpose of refunding any Parity Bonds then Outstanding, the certificate referred to in paragraph (c), above, shall not be required, so long as the Maximum Annual Debt Service for the proposed Future Parity Bonds is less than the Maximum Annual Debt Service for the Parity Bonds to be refunded, and the final maturity of the proposed Future Parity Bonds is not extended beyond the final maturity of the Parity Bonds to be refunded.

Prior: Ordinance No. 06-13, Section 8.01 Ordinance No. 46-15, Exhibit B Ordinance No. 08-18, Exhibit B Ordinance No. 54-19, Exhibit B Ordinance No. 30-21, Exhibit B

Exhibit C - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN OF ADDITIONS

The Plan of Additions consists of those planned additions and betterments to and extensions of the Electric Utility consist of those Electric Utility projects set forth in the City's 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Plan approved as part of the 2023 budget by Ordinance No. 2022-39, passed on November 15, 2022, as such plan may be amended from time to time.

A summary of the capital expenditures expected to be financed, in whole or in part, with proceeds of the Bonds is as follows:

- 2023 City View Bank 2 Substation Addition
- 2023 Renewal and Replacement Infrastructure Projects
- 2024 Stevens Bank 1 Substation Replacement
- 2024 Thayer Bank 1 Substation Replacement
- 2024 Renewal and Replacement Infrastructure Projects

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[Form of] CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

City of Richland, Washington Electric Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, 2023

For the sole purpose of assisting the Purchaser in meeting the requirements of paragraph (b)(5) of Rule 15c2-12, as applicable to a participating underwriter for the Bonds, the City of Richland, Washington (the "City"), makes the following written undertaking for the benefit of holders of the Owners of the City's Electric Revenue Improvement and Refunding Bonds, 2023 (the "Bonds").

Capitalized terms used but not defined below shall have the meanings given in Ordinance No. of the City (the "Bond Ordinance").

- (a) <u>Undertaking to Provide Annual Financial Information and Notice of Listed Events</u>. The City undertakes to provide or cause to be provided, either directly or through a designated agent, to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"), in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB:
 - (i) Annual financial information and operating data of the type included in the final official statement for the Bonds and described in paragraph (b) ("Annual Financial Information"). If audited financial statements are unavailable, the timely filing of unaudited financial statements shall satisfy the requirements and filing deadlines set forth in subsection (b), and the City agrees to file audited financial statements if and when they are otherwise prepared and available to the City.
 - (ii) Timely notice (not in excess of 10 business days after the occurrence of the event) of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notice of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701 – TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material; (8) bond calls (other than scheduled mandatory redemptions of Term Bonds), if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the City, as such "Bankruptcy Events" are defined in Rule 15c2-12; (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the City or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the City other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the

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termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material; (15) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation (as such term is defined below) of the City, any of which reflect financial difficulties; and (16) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the City or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the City, any of which affect security holders.

"Financial Obligation" means: (a) a debt obligation; (b) a derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) guarantee of (a) or (b). The term "Financial Obligation" does not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with Rule 15c2-12 and the issuer thereof has entered into a continuing disclosure undertaking for such municipal securities.

- (iii) Timely notice of a failure by the City to provide required annual financial information on or before the dates specified in paragraph (b) below.
- (b) Type of Annual Financial Information Undertaken to be Provided.
- (i) The annual financial information that the City undertakes to provide in paragraph (a) shall consist of: (1) annual financial statements prepared (except as noted in the financial statements) in accordance with applicable generally accepted accounting principles applicable to local governmental units of the State such as the City, as such principles may be changed from time to time, which statements may be unaudited, provided, however, that if and when audited financial statements are prepared and available they will be provided; (2) a statement of the total amount of outstanding Parity Bonds, (3) debt service coverage ratios, and (4) general customer statistics for the Electric Utility. [Subject to revision to conform to the information to be provided in the Official Statement.]
- (ii) The Annual Financial Information shall be provided not later than the last day of the ninth month after the end of each Fiscal Year of the City (currently, a fiscal year ending December 31), as such Fiscal Year may be changed as required or permitted by State law, commencing with the City's Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2023.
- (iii) The Annual Financial Information may be provided in a single or multiple documents, and may be incorporated by specific reference to documents available to the public on the Internet website of the MSRB or filed with the SEC.
- (c) <u>Amendment of Continuing Disclosure Agreement</u>. This Continuing Disclosure Agreement is subject to amendment after the primary offering of the Bonds without the consent of any Owner or holder of any Bond, or of any broker, dealer, municipal securities dealer, participating underwriter, rating agency or the MSRB, under the circumstances and in the manner permitted by Rule 15c2-12, including: (i) the amendment may only be made in

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connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature, or status of the City, or type of business conducted; (ii) the undertaking, as amended, would have complied with the requirements of the rule at the time of the primary offering, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and (iii) the amendment does not materially impair the interests of holders, as determined either by parties unaffiliated with the City (e.g., bond counsel or other counsel familiar with federal securities laws), or by approving vote of bondholders pursuant to the terms of the Bond Ordinance at the time of the amendment.

The City will give notice to the MSRB of the substance (or provide a copy) of any amendment to this Continuing Disclosure Agreement and a brief statement of the reasons for the amendment. If the amendment changes the type of annual financial information to be provided, the annual financial information containing the amended financial information will include a narrative explanation of the effect of that change on the type of information to be provided.

- (d) <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the City and the Beneficial Owner of each Bond, and shall not inure to the benefit of or create any rights in any other person.
- (e) <u>Termination of Continuing Disclosure Agreement</u>. The City's obligations under this Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds. In addition, the City's obligations under this Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall terminate if the provisions of Rule 15c2-12 that require the City to comply with this Continuing Disclosure Agreement become legally inapplicable in respect of the Bonds for any reason, as confirmed by an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel familiar with federal securities laws delivered to the City, and the City provides timely notice of such termination to the MSRB.
- (f) Remedy for Failure to Comply with Continuing Disclosure Agreement. As soon as practicable after the City learns of any material failure to comply with this Continuing Disclosure Agreement, the City will proceed with due diligence to cause such noncompliance to be corrected. No failure by the City or other obligated person to comply with this Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall constitute a default in respect of the Bonds. The sole remedy of any Owner of a Bond shall be to take such actions as that Owner deems necessary, including seeking an order of specific performance from an appropriate court, to compel the City or other obligated person to comply with this Continuing Disclosure Agreement.
- (g) <u>Designation of Official Responsible to Administer Continuing Disclosure Agreement</u>. The Finance Director or his or her designee is the person designated, in accordance with the Bond Ordinance, to carry out the Continuing Disclosure Agreement of the City in respect of the Bonds set forth in this section and in accordance with Rule 15c2-12, including, without limitation, the following actions:
 - (i) Preparing and filing the annual financial information undertaken to be provided;
 - (ii) Determining whether any event specified in paragraph (a) has occurred, assessing its materiality, where necessary, with respect to the Bonds, and preparing and disseminating any required notice of its occurrence;
 - (iii) Determining whether any person other than the City is an "obligated person" within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 with respect to the Bonds, and obtaining

- from such person an Continuing Disclosure Agreement to provide any annual financial information and notice of listed events for that person required under Rule 15c2-12;
- (iv) Selecting, engaging and compensating designated agents and consultants, including municipal advisors and legal counsel, to assist and advise the City in carrying out this Continuing Disclosure Agreement; and
- (v) Effecting any necessary amendment of this Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

CERTIFICATION

- I, the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Richland, Washington (the "City"), hereby certify as follows:
- 1. The attached copy of Ordinance No. 2023-06 (the "Ordinance") is a full, true and correct copy of an ordinance duly passed at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City held at the regular meeting place thereof on April 18, 2023, as that ordinance appears on the minute book of the City.
- 2. A quorum of the members of the City Council was present throughout the meeting and a majority of the members voted in the proper manner for the passage of the Ordinance.

Dated: 18, , 2023.

CITY OF RICHLAND, WASHINGTON

Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk