

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA MAKING CERTAIN STATEMENTS OF FACT CONCERNING PROPOSED BOND ISSUE AND AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council (the "*City Council*") of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina (the "*City*") is considering the issuance of bonds of the City which shall be for the following purposes and in the following maximum amount:

\$238,300,000 of bonds to provide funds to pay the capital costs of constructing, reconstructing, enlarging, extending and improving certain streets, including streets and roads constituting a part of the State highway system or otherwise the responsibility of the State and including the cost of related studies, streetscape and pedestrian improvements, relocation of utilities, plans and design; acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, widening, extending, paving, milling, resurfacing, grading or improving streets, roads, intersections, parking lots and pedestrian and bicycle paths; acquiring, constructing, reconstructing or improving sidewalks, curbs, gutters, storm drainage, bridges, overpasses, underpasses and grade crossings and providing related landscaping, lighting and traffic controls, signals and markers; and the acquisition of interests in land and rights-of-way required therefor;

\$100,000,000 of bonds to pay the capital costs of housing projects for the benefit of persons of low income, or moderate income, or low and moderate income, including construction of infrastructure improvements related thereto and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way required therefor; and

\$61,700,000 of bonds to provide funds to pay the capital costs of infrastructure improvements for various neighborhoods of the City, including the cost of related studies, plans and design, acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, installing or providing curbs, gutters, storm drainage, sidewalks, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and relocation of utilities; paving, milling, resurfacing, grading or improving streets, roads and intersections, providing public open space, landscaping, lighting and traffic controls, signals and markers, and acquiring any necessary equipment, land, interests in land and rights-of-way therefor.

**WHEREAS**, certain findings of fact by the City Council must be presented to enable the Local Government Commission of the State of North Carolina to make certain determinations as set forth in Section 159-52 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as amended.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council, meeting in open session on the 13th day of May, 2024, has made the following factual findings in regard to this matter:

A. **Facts Regarding Necessity of Proposed Financing.** The proposed bonds are necessary or expedient to pay the capital costs of the transportation projects, the housing projects and the neighborhood improvement projects described above.

B. **Facts Supporting the Amount of Bonds Proposed.** The sums estimated for these bonds are adequate and not excessive for the proposed purposes. Estimates for the proposed projects have been carefully analyzed and determined by persons knowledgeable about the projects.

C. **Past Debt Management Procedures and Policies.** The City's debt management procedures and policies are good and have been carried out in compliance with law. The City employs a Chief Financial Officer to oversee compliance with applicable laws relating to debt management. The City Council requires annual audits of City finances. In connection with these audits, compliance with laws is reviewed. The City is not in default in any of its debt service obligations. The City Attorney reviews all debt-related documents for compliance with laws.

D. **Past Budgetary and Fiscal Management Policies.** The City's budgetary and fiscal management policies have been carried out in compliance with laws. Annual budgets are closely reviewed by the City Council before final approval of budget ordinances. Budget amendments changing a function total or between functions are presented to the City Council at regular City Council meetings. The Chief Financial Officer presents financial information to the City Council which shows budget to actual comparisons annually and otherwise as the City Manager deems necessary or as a member of the City Council may request.

E. **Increase in Taxes; Retirement of Debt.** The increase in taxes, if any, necessary to service the proposed debt will not be excessive. The schedule for issuance anticipates issuing all of the bonds in one or more series during the seven years following the adoption of the bond orders.

F. **Marketing of Bonds.** The proposed bonds can be marketed at reasonable rates of interest.

G. **Estimated Interest.** The assumptions to be used by the City's Chief Financial Officer in preparing the statement of disclosure to be filed with the City Clerk pursuant to Section 159-55.1(a) of the General Statutes of North Carolina are reasonable.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager and the City's Chief Financial Officer, individually and collectively, to file with the Local Government Commission an application for its approval of the General Obligation Transportation Bonds, General Obligation Housing Bonds and General Obligation Neighborhood Improvements Bonds hereinbefore described, on a form prescribed by said Commission, and (1) to request in such application that said Commission approve the City's use of Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, as bond counsel for the City and (2) to state in such application such facts and to attach thereto such exhibits in regard to such General Obligation Transportation Bonds, General Obligation Housing Bonds and General Obligation Neighborhood Improvements Bonds and to the City and its financial condition, as may be required by said Commission.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall become effective on the date of its adoption.

Read, approved and adopted this 13th day of May, 2024.