CITY OF MCMECHEN WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

BOND ORDINANCE

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CITY OF MCMECHEN

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC WATERWORKS FACILITIES OF THE CITY OF MCMECHEN, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED THEREOF, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF NOT MORE THAN \$7,650,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE) IN ONE OR MORE DEFINING AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND **PROVISIONS** OF BONDS; THE **PROVIDING** GENERALLY FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE HOLDER OF THE BONDS: AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCMECHEN:

ARTICLE I STATUTORY AUTHORITY, FINDINGS AND DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. Authority for this Ordinance. This Ordinance is adopted and enacted pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (the "Act"), and other applicable provisions of law. The City of McMechen (the "Issuer") is a duly created and validly existing municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Marshall County of said State.

<u>Section 1.02.</u> <u>Findings and Determinations.</u> It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

- A. The Issuer currently owns and operates a public waterworks system and desires to acquire, construct and operate certain additional public waterworks facilities consisting of additions, betterments and improvements to such existing waterworks facilities, with all appurtenant facilities.
- B. It is deemed essential, convenient and desirable for the health, welfare, safety, advantage and convenience of the inhabitants of the Issuer and, accordingly, it is hereby ordered, that there be acquired and constructed certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing waterworks system of the Issuer, consisting of a new 1000 gallon per minute water treatment plant, replacement of water lines, rehabilitate and replace

storage tanks, and all necessary appurtenances (the "Project"), particularly described in and according to the plans and specifications prepared by the Consulting Engineer and heretofore filed in the office of the Recorder of the Issuer. The existing waterworks facilities of the Issuer, together with the Project and any further additions, betterments and improvements, are herein called the "System". The acquisition and construction of the Project and the financing hereby authorized and provided for are public purposes of the Issuer and are ordered for the purpose of meeting and serving public convenience and necessity.

- C. The estimated revenues to be derived in each year from the operation of the System after completion of the Project will be sufficient to pay all costs of operation and maintenance of the System, the principal of and interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds and all debt service, reserve fund and other payments provided for herein.
- It is necessary for the Issuer to issue its Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (United States Department of Agriculture) in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$7,650,000 (the "Series 2020 A Bonds"), to permanently finance the cost of acquisition and construction of the Project. The cost of such acquisition and construction shall be deemed to include, without being limited to, the acquisition and construction of the Project; the acquisition of all property rights, easements and franchises deemed necessary or convenient therefor and for the improvements and extensions thereto; interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds prior to and during acquisition and construction, and for a period not exceeding six months after completion of such acquisition or construction, of the Project; engineering, fiscal agents and legal expenses; expenses for estimates of costs and revenues; expenses for plans, specifications and surveys; other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of the Project, administrative expense, and such other expenses as may be necessary or incidental to the acquisition and construction of the Project and the financing authorized hereby; provided, that reimbursement to the Issuer for any amounts expended by it for allowable costs prior to the issuance of the Series 2020 A Bonds or the repayment of indebtedness incurred by the Issuer for such purposes shall be deemed Costs of the Project.
- E. The period of usefulness of the System, as herein defined, after completion of the Project is not less than 40 years.
- F. The Issuer does not have any outstanding obligations which will rank on a parity with the Series 2020 A Bonds as to liens, pledge, source of and security for payment.
- G. It is in the best interest of the Issuer that the Series 2020 A Bonds be sold to the Purchaser, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Letter of Conditions dated December 27, 2016 and any amendments, thereto (collectively, the "Letter of Conditions").
- H. The Issuer has complied with all requirements of law relating to the authorization of the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System, including, without limitation, the imposition of rates and charges, and the issuance of the

Series 2020 A Bonds, or will have so complied prior to issuance of the Series 2020 A Bonds, including, among other things and without limitation, obtaining a certificate of convenience and necessity and approval of the financing and necessary user rates and charges from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia by final order, the time for rehearing and appeal of which have expired or shall have been duly waived or otherwise provided for.

Section 1.03. Bond Legislation Constitutes Contract. In consideration of the acceptance of the Series 2020 A Bonds by those who shall be the Registered Owner of the same from time to time, this Ordinance (the "Bond Legislation") shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract between the Issuer and such Registered Owner, and the covenants and agreements set forth herein to be performed by the Issuer shall be for the benefit, protection and security of the Registered Owner of the Series 2020 A Bonds.

<u>Section 1.04</u>. <u>Definitions</u>. The following terms shall have the following meanings herein unless the text otherwise expressly requires:

"Act" means Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended.

"Bond Legislation" or "Ordinance" means this Ordinance and all ordinances, orders and resolutions supplemental hereto or amendatory hereof.

"Bond Registrar" or "Registrar" means the Issuer, which shall usually so act by its Recorder.

"Bonds" means collectively, the Series 2020 A Bonds and where appropriate, any bonds on a parity herewith subsequently authorized to be issued hereunder or by another ordinance of the Issuer.

"Closing Date" means the date upon which there is an exchange of the Series 2020 A Bonds for the proceeds, or at least a de minimus portion, thereof representing the purchase price of the Series 2020 A Bonds from the Purchaser.

"Commission" means the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission or any other agency of the State of West Virginia that succeeds to the functions of the Commission.

"Consulting Engineer" means The Thrasher Group, Inc., Bridgeport, West Virginia, or any qualified engineer or firm of engineers which shall at any time hereafter be retained by the Issuer as Consulting Engineer for the System.

"Depository Bank" means a bank or trust company which is a member of FDIC (herein defined), and its successors and assigns as designated in the Supplemental Resolution.

"Facilities" or "waterworks facilities" means all the tangible properties of the System and also any tangible properties which may hereafter be added to the System by additions, betterments, extensions and improvements thereto and properties, furniture, fixtures or equipment therefor, hereafter at any time constructed or acquired.

"FDIC" means the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

"Fiscal Year" means each 12-month period beginning on July 1 and ending on the succeeding June 30.

"Governing Body" or "Council" means the Council of the Issuer.

"Government Obligations" means direct obligations of, or obligations the payment of the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by, the United States of America.

"Grant" means any grant monies committed to the Project.

"Herein" or "herein" means in this Bond Legislation.

"Issuer" or "Borrower" means the City of McMechen, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia, in Marshall County, West Virginia, and includes the Governing Body.

"Letter of Conditions" means, collectively, the Letter of Conditions of the Purchaser dated December 27, 2016, and all amendments thereto, if any.

"Mayor" means the Mayor of the Issuer.

"Minimum Reserve" means, as of any date of calculation, the maximum amount of principal and interest which will become due on the Series 2020 A Bonds in the then current or any succeeding year.

"Net Revenues" means the balance of the Gross Revenues, as defined below, remaining after deduction only of Operating Expenses, as defined below.

"Operating Expenses" means the current expenses, paid or accrued, of operation and maintenance of the Project and the System and its facilities, and includes, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, insurance premiums, materials and supplies, pumping costs, salaries, wages and administrative expenses of the Issuer relating and chargeable solely to the Project and the System, the accumulation of appropriate reserves for charges not annually recurrent but which are such as may reasonably be expected to be incurred, and such other reasonable operating costs as are normally and regularly included under recognized accounting principles and retention of a sum not to exceed one-sixth of the budgeted Operating Expenses stated above for the current year as working capital, and language herein requiring payment of Operating Expenses means also retention of not to exceed such sum as working capital, provided, that all monthly amortization payments upon

the Series 2020 A Bonds and into the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account and the Renewal and Replacement Fund have been made to the last monthly date prior to the date of such retention.

"Project" shall have the meaning stated in Section 1.02B above.

"Purchaser" or "Government" means United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, and any successor thereof, acting for and on behalf of the United States of America.

"Qualified Investments" means and includes any investment permitted to be made by a municipality, public service district or public corporation of the State pursuant to State Law, specifically including but not limited to Chapter 8, Article 13, Section 22 of the Code of West Virginia and the West Virginia "consolidated fund" managed by the West Virginia Board of Treasury Investments pursuant to Chapter 12, Article 6C of the Code of West Virginia.

"Recorder" means the Recorder of the Issuer.

"Registered Owner," "Bondholder," "Holder of the Bond" or any similar term means any person who shall be the registered owner of the Series 2020 A Bonds.

"Revenues" or "Gross Revenues" means all rates, rents, fees, charges or other income received by the Issuer, or accrued to the Issuer, or any department, board, agency or instrumentality thereof in control of the management and operation of the System, from the operation of the System, and all parts thereof, all as calculated in accordance with sound accounting practices.

"Series 2020 A Bonds" means the Water Revenue Bonds (United States Department of Agriculture), issued in one or more series authorized by this Ordinance.

"State" means the State of West Virginia.

"Supplemental Resolution" means any resolution, ordinance or order of the Issuer supplementing or amending this Ordinance and, when preceded with the article "the", refers specifically to the supplemental resolution authorizing the sale of the Series 2020 A Bonds; <u>provided</u>, that any matter intended by this Ordinance to be included in the Supplemental Resolution with respect to the Series 2020 A Bonds, and not so included may be included in another supplemental resolution.

"System" means the complete waterworks system of the Issuer and all waterworks facilities owned by the Issuer and all facilities and other property of every nature, real or personal, now or hereafter owned, held or used in connection with the waterworks systems, including the Project, and any and all additions, betterments, improvements, properties or other facilities at any time acquired or constructed for the waterworks system from any source whatsoever.

"Tap Fees" means the fees, if any, paid by prospective customers of the System in order to connect thereto.

Words importing singular number shall include the plural number in each case and vice versa; words importing persons shall include firms and corporations; and words importing the masculine feminine or neutral gender shall include any other gender; and any requirement for execution or attestation of the Series 2020 A Bonds or any certificate or other document by the Mayor or the Recorder shall mean that such Series 2020 A Bonds, certificate or other documents may be executed or attested by an Acting Mayor or Acting Recorder.

ARTICLE II AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROJECT

Section 2.01. Authorization of Acquisition and Construction of the Project There is hereby authorized and ordered the acquisition and construction of the Project, at an estimated cost not to exceed \$7,650,000, in accordance with the plans and specifications which have been prepared by the Consulting Engineers, heretofore filed in the office of the Governing Body. The proceeds of the Series 2020 A Bonds hereby authorized shall be applied as provided in Article IV hereof.

The project is estimated to cost \$7,650,000 which will be received from the proceeds of the Series 2020 A.

ARTICLE III AUTHORIZATION, TERMS, EXECUTION, REGISTRATION AND ISSUE OF BONDS

<u>Section 3.01</u>. <u>Authorization of Bonds</u>. Subject and pursuant to the provisions of this Bond Legislation, the Series 2020 A Bonds of the Issuer, to be known as "Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (United States Department of Agriculture)," are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$7,650,000 for the purpose of permanently financing the cost of the acquisition and construction of the Project.

Section 3.02. Description of Bonds. The Series 2020 A Bonds shall be issued in one or more series, only as a fully registered Bond in an aggregate principal amount to be prescribed in the Supplemental Resolution, and shall be dated on the date of delivery thereof. The Series 2020 A Bonds shall bear interest from date of delivery, payable monthly at the rate not to exceed 3.0% per annum, which interest rate shall be prescribed in the Supplemental Resolution and shall be sold for the par value thereof.

The Series 2020 A Bonds shall be subject to prepayment of scheduled monthly installments, or any portion thereof, at the option of the Issuer, and shall be payable as provided in the Bond form hereinafter set forth.

Section 3.03. Negotiability, Registration, Transfer and Exchange of Bonds. The Series 2020 A Bonds shall be and have all the qualities and incidents of a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia, but the Series 2020 A Bonds, and the right to the principal of and stated interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds, may only be transferred by transfer of the registration thereof upon the books required to be kept pursuant to Section 3.04 hereof, by the party in whose name it is registered, in person or by attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender of the Series 2020 A Bonds for cancellation, accompanied by delivery of a written instrument of transfer, duly executed in a form acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

Whenever the Series 2020 A Bonds shall be surrendered for registration of transfer, the Issuer shall execute and deliver a new Bond or Bonds in authorized denominations, for a like aggregate principal amount. The Bond Registrar shall require the payment by the new owner requesting such transfer of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such transfer, but the Issuer shall pay any other expenses incurred by the Bond Registrar with respect to such transfer.

No registration of transfer of the Series 2020 A Bonds shall be permitted to be made after the 15th day next preceding any installment payment date on the Series 2020 A Bonds.

Section 3.04. Bond Registrar. The Issuer shall be the Bond Registrar and will keep or cause to be kept at its office by its agent, sufficient books for the registration and transfer of the Series 2020 A Bonds, and, upon presentation for such purpose, the Bond Registrar shall, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, register the Series 2020 A Bonds initially issued pursuant hereto and register the transfer, or cause to be registered by its agent, on such books, the transfer of the Series 2020 A Bonds as hereinbefore provided.

The Bond Registrar shall accept the Series 2020 A Bonds for registration of transfer only if ownership thereof is to be registered in the name of the Purchaser, an individual (including joint ownership), a corporation, a partnership or a trust, and only upon receipt of the social security number of each individual, the federal employer identification number of each corporation or partnership or the social security numbers of the settlor and beneficiaries of each trust and the federal employer identification number and date of each trust and the name of the trustee of each trust, and/or such other identifying number and information as may be required by law. The Series 2020 A Bonds shall initially be fully registered as to both principal and interest in the name of the United States of America. So long as the Series 2020 A Bonds shall be registered in the name of the United States of America, the address of the United States of America for registration purposes shall be National Finance Office, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, or such other address as shall be stated in writing to the Issuer by the United States of America.

<u>Section 3.05</u>. <u>Execution of Bonds</u>. The Series 2020 A Bonds shall be executed in the name of the Issuer by the Mayor and the seal of the Issuer shall be affixed thereto and attested by the Recorder. In case any one or more of the officers who shall have

signed or sealed the Series 2020 A Bonds shall cease to be such officer of the Issuer before the Series 2020 A Bonds so signed and sealed has been actually sold and delivered, such Bond may nevertheless be sold and delivered as herein provided and may be issued as if the person who signed or sealed such Series 2020 A Bonds had not ceased to hold such office. The Series 2020 A Bonds may be signed and sealed on behalf of the Issuer by such person as at the actual time of the execution of such Series 2020 A Bonds shall hold the proper office in the Issuer, although at the date of such Bond such person may not have held such office or may not have been so authorized.

Section 3.06. Bonds Mutilated, Destroyed, Stolen or Lost. In case the Series 2020 A Bonds shall become mutilated or be destroyed, stolen or lost, the Issuer may, in its discretion, issue and deliver a new Bond of like tenor as the Bond so mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost, in exchange and substitution for such mutilated Bond or in lieu of and substitution for the Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, and upon the holder's furnishing the Issuer proof of his ownership thereof and complying with such other reasonable regulations and conditions as the Issuer may require. The Series 2020 A Bonds so surrendered shall be canceled and held for the account of the Issuer. If the Series 2020 A Bonds shall have matured or be about to mature, instead of issuing a substitute Series 2020 A Bonds the Issuer may pay the same, and, if such Series 2020 A Bonds be destroyed, stolen or lost, without surrender thereof.

Section 3.07. Bonds Secured by Pledge of Gross Revenues. The payment of the debt service of the Series 2020 A Bonds shall be secured forthwith by a first lien on the Gross Revenues derived from the System, in addition to the statutory mortgage lien on the System hereinafter provided for as to the Series 2020 A Bonds. The Gross Revenues derived from the System, in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds and to make the payments as hereinafter provided, are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds as the same becomes due.

Section 3.08. Form of Bonds. Subject to the provisions hereof, the text of the Series 2020 A Bonds and the other details thereof shall be of substantially the following tenor, with such omissions, insertions and variations as may be authorized or permitted hereby or by any supplemental resolution enacted after the date of enactment hereof and prior to the issuance thereof:

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(FORM OF SERIES 2020 A BOND)

CITY OF MCMECHEN

WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

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No. AR-1	Date:, 2020
FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the CITY "Borrower") promises to pay to the order of the "Government"), or its registered assigns, at its National 63103, or at such other place as the Government may principal sum of	The United States of America (the I Finance Office, St. Louis, Missour by hereafter designate in writing, the DOLLARS incipal balance at the rate of
If the total amount of the loan is not a the loan shall be advanced to Borrower as requested Government and interest shall accrue on the amount of shown on the Record of Advances attached hereto as a p	by Borrower and approved by the each advance from its actual date as
Every payment made on any indebtedn applied first to interest computed to the effective date of	•
Prepayments of scheduled installment made at any time at the option of Borrower. Refunds a regulations of the Government according to the sou payment of interest, be applied to the installments last shall not affect the obligation of Borrower to pay the herein.	and extra payments, as defined in the arce of funds involved, shall, after to become due under this Bond and

thereof, Borrower shall continue to make payments to the Government as collection agent

for the holder.

If the Government at any time assigns this Bond and insures the payment

While this Bond is held by an insured lender, prepayments as above authorized made by Borrower may, at the option of the Government, be remitted by the Government to the holder promptly or, except for final payment, be retained by the Government and remitted to the holder on either a calendar quarter basis or an annual installment due date basis. The effective date of every payment made by Borrower, except payments retained and remitted by the Government on an annual installment due date basis, shall be the date of the United States Treasury check by which the Government remits the payment to the holder. The effective date of any prepayment retained and remitted by the Government to the holder on an annual installment due date basis shall be the date of the prepayment by Borrower and the Government will pay the interest to which the holder is entitled accruing between the effective date of any such prepayment and the date of the Treasury check to the holder.

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

Borrower hereby certifies that it is unable to obtain sufficient credit elsewhere to finance its actual needs at reasonable rates and terms, taking into consideration prevailing private and cooperative rates and terms in or near its community for loans for similar purposes and periods of time.

This Bond, together with any additional bonds ranking on a parity herewith which may be issued and outstanding for the purpose of providing funds for (i) permanently financing the costs of acquisition and construction of additions, betterments and improvements to the waterworks system (the "System") of Borrower, and (ii) paying costs of issuance is payable solely from and secured by the gross revenues to be derived from the operation of the System. This Bond does not in any manner constitute an indebtedness of the Borrower within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision or limitation, nor shall the Borrower be obligated to pay the same or the interest thereon except from the special fund so provided.

Registration of this Bond is transferable by the registered owner hereof in person or by his, her or its attorney duly authorized in writing, at the office of Borrower, as Bond Registrar, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges, if any, provided in the herein defined Ordinance, and upon surrender and cancellation of this Bond. Upon such transfer a new Bond or Bonds, of authorized denomination or denominations, for the like principal amount, will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor.

This Bond, under the provisions of the Act, is and has all the qualities and incidents of a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of

West Virginia, but may only be transferred by transfer of registration hereof with the Bond Registrar.

If at any time it shall appear to the Government that Borrower may be able to obtain a loan from a responsible cooperative or private credit source at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, Borrower will, at the Government's request, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay the Government.

This Bond is given as evidence of a loan to Borrower made or insured by the Government pursuant to the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1965, as amended. This Bond shall be subject to the present regulations of the Government and to its future regulations not inconsistent with the express provisions hereof.

THERE ARE NO OUTSTANDING BONDS OR OBLIGATIONS SECURED BY THE REVENUES OR ASSETS OF THE SYSTEM.

In accordance with the requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Bonds will be in default should any proceeds of the Bonds be used for a purpose that will contribute to excessive erosion of highly erodible land or to the conversion of wetlands to produce an agricultural commodity.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF MCMECHEN has caused this Bond to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed or imprinted hereon and attested by its Recorder, all as of the date hereinabove written.

	CITY OF MCMECHEN
[CORPORATE SEAL]	
	Mayor
ATTEST:	
Recorder	

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

AMOUNT DATE	AMOUNT	DATE
(1) \$	(19)	
(2)	(20)	
(3)	(21)	
(4)	(22)	
(5)	(23)	
(6)	(24)	
(7)	(25)	
(8)	(26)	
(9)	(27)	
(10)	(28)	
(11)	(29)	
(12)	(30)	
(13)	(31)	
(14)	(32)	
(15)	(33)	
(16)	(34)	
(17)	(35)	
(18)	_(36)	

TOTAL \$_____

(Form of Assignment)

ASSIGNMENT

the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint ________, Attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for registration of the within Bond of the said Borrower with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: ________, 20_____.

In presence of:

ARTICLE IV SYSTEM REVENUES AND APPLICATION THEREOF; DISPOSITION OF BOND PROCEEDS; FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

<u>Section 4.01</u>. <u>Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Depository Bank</u>. The following special funds or accounts are created and established with, and shall be held by, the Depository Bank separate and apart from all other funds or accounts of the Depository Bank and from each other:

- (1) Revenue Fund;
- (2) Renewal and Replacement Fund; and
- (3) Project Construction Account.

Section 4.02. <u>Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Commission</u>. The following special funds or accounts are hereby created with and shall be held by, the Commission separate and apart from all other funds or accounts of the Commission and the Issuer and from each other:

(1) Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account.

Section 4.03. Bond Proceeds; Project Construction Account. The proceeds of sale of the Series 2020 A Bonds shall be deposited upon receipt by the Issuer in the Project Construction Account. The monies in the Account in excess of the amount insured by FDIC shall be secured at all times by the Depository Bank by securities or in a manner lawful for the securing of deposits of State and municipal funds under West Virginia law. Monies in the Project Construction Account shall be expended by the Issuer solely for the purposes provided herein.

Monies in the Project Construction Account shall be used solely to pay the cost of acquisition and construction of the Project upon vouchers and other documentation approved by the Purchaser.

Until completion of acquisition and construction of the Project, the Issuer will additionally transfer from the Project Construction Account and pay to the Purchaser on or before the due date, such sums as shall be from time to time required to make the monthly installment payments on the Series 2020 A Bonds if there are not sufficient Gross Revenues to make such monthly payment.

Pending application as provided in this Section 4.03, money and funds in the Project Construction Account shall be invested and reinvested at the direction of the Issuer, to the extent possible in accordance with applicable law, in Qualified Investments.

When acquisition and construction of the Project has been completed and all costs thereof have been paid or provision for such payment has been made, any balance

remaining in the Project Construction Account shall be disposed of in accordance with the regulations of the Purchaser.

Section 4.04. Covenants of the Issuer as to Revenues and Funds. So long as any of the Series 2020 A Bonds shall be outstanding and unpaid, or until there shall have been set apart in the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account, sums sufficient to pay, when due or at the earliest practical prepayment date, the entire principal of the Series 2020 A Bonds remaining unpaid, together with interest accrued to the date of such payment, the Issuer further covenants with the holder of the Series 2020 A Bonds as follows:

- A. REVENUE FUND. The entire Gross Revenues derived from the operation of the System, and all parts thereof, and all Tap Fees received, shall be deposited as collected by the Issuer in the Revenue Fund. The Revenue Fund shall constitute a trust fund for the purposes provided in this Ordinance and shall be kept separate and distinct from all other funds of the Issuer and the Depository Bank and used only for the purposes and in the manner provided in this Ordinance.
- B. DISPOSITION OF REVENUES. All Revenues at any time on deposit in the Revenue Fund shall be disposed of only in the following order and priority:
 - (1) The Issuer shall first, each month, on or before the due date thereof, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit to the National Finance Office, the amounts required to pay interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds over the life of the bond issue.
 - (2) The Issuer shall next, each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and, on or before the due date thereof, remit to the National Finance Office, the amount required to amortize the principal of the Series 2020 A Bonds over the life of the bond issue.
 - (3) The Issuer shall next, each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund beginning on the date specified by the Purchaser, but in any event not later than the 24th monthly anniversary of the Closing Date, thereafter, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit to the Commission for deposit in the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account, an amount equal to 10% of the monthly payment amount each month, until the amount in the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account equals the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Requirement; provided, that no further payments shall be made into the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account when there shall have been deposited therein, and as long as there shall remain on deposit therein, an amount equal to the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Requirement.
 - (4) The Issuer shall next, each month, pay from the Revenue Fund the Operating Expenses of the System.

- (5) The Issuer shall next, on the first day of each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit to the Depository Bank for deposit in the Renewal and Replacement Fund, an amount equal to 2.5% of the Gross Revenues each month, exclusive of any payments for account of any Reserve Account. All funds in the Renewal and Replacement Fund shall be kept apart from all other funds of the Issuer or of the Depository Bank and shall be invested and reinvested in accordance with Article IV hereof. Withdrawals and disbursements may be made from the Renewal and Replacement Fund for replacements, repairs, improvements or extensions to the System; provided, that any deficiencies in any Reserve Accounts (except to the extent such deficiency exists because the required payments into such account have not, as of the date of determination of a deficiency, funded such account to the maximum extent required hereof) shall be promptly eliminated with monies from the Renewal and Replacement Fund.
- (6) After all the foregoing provisions for use of monies in the Revenue Fund have been fully complied with, any monies remaining therein and not permitted to be retained therein may be used to prepay installments of the Bonds, pro rata, or for any lawful purpose of the System.

Whenever the monies in the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account shall be sufficient to prepay the Series 2020 A Bonds in full, it shall be the mandatory duty of the Issuer, anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, to prepay the Series 2020 A Bonds, at the earliest practical date and in accordance with applicable provisions hereof.

The Depository Bank is hereby designated as the Fiscal Agent for the administration of the Renewal and Replacement Fund as herein provided, and all amounts required for the Renewal and Replacement Fund will be deposited therein by the Issuer upon transfers of funds from the Revenue Fund at the times provided herein, together with written directions stating the amount remitted for deposit into each such fund.

The Commission is hereby designated as the Fiscal Agent for the administration of the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account as herein provided, and all amounts required for said account shall be remitted to the Commission from the Revenue Fund by the Issuer at the times provided herein. If required by the Purchaser at anytime, the Issuer shall make the necessary arrangements whereby required payments into said account shall be automatically debited from the Revenue Fund and electronically transferred to the Commission on the dates required hereunder.

The Issuer shall, on the first day of each month (if the first day is not a business day, then the first business day of each month), deposit with the Commission the required reserve account payments with respect to the Bonds and all such payments shall be remitted to the Commission with appropriate instructions as to the custody, use and application thereof consistent with the provisions of this Bond Legislation.

The Revenue Fund and the Renewal and Replacement Fund shall constitute trust funds and shall be used only for the purposes and in the order provided herein, and until so used, the Purchaser shall have a lien thereon for further securing payment of the Series 2020 A Bonds and the interest thereon, but the Depository Bank shall not be a trustee as to such funds.

If on any payment date the Revenues are insufficient to make the payments and transfers as hereinabove provided, the deficiency shall be made up in the subsequent payments and transfers in addition to those which would otherwise be required to be made on the subsequent payment dates.

The Commission and the Depository Bank, at the direction of the Issuer, shall keep the monies in the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account and the Renewal and Replacement Fund invested and reinvested to the fullest extent possible, in accordance with applicable law, and to the extent practicable, in Qualified Investments having maturities consonant with the required use thereof. Investments in any fund or account under this Bond Legislation shall, unless otherwise required by law, be valued at the lower of cost or the then current market value, or at the redemption price thereof if then redeemable at the option of the holder, including value of accrued interest and giving effect to the amortization of discount, or at par if such investment is held by the "consolidated fund" managed by the West Virginia Board of Treasury Investments. Any investment shall be held in and at all times deemed a part of the fund or account in which such monies were originally held, and interest accruing thereon and any profit or loss realized from such investment shall be credited or charged to the appropriate fund or account. Earnings from monies in the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account so long as the Minimum Reserve is on deposit and maintained therein, shall be returned not less than once each year, by the Commission to the Issuer to be deposited in the Revenue Fund.

- C. CHANGE OF DEPOSITORY BANK AND FISCAL AGENT. The Issuer may designate another bank or trust company insured by FDIC as Depository Bank and Fiscal Agent if the Depository Bank should cease for any reason to serve or if the Governing Body determines by resolution that the Depository Bank or its successor should no longer serve as Depository Bank. Upon any such change, the Governing Body will cause notice of the change to be sent by registered or certified mail to the Purchaser.
- D. USER CONTRACTS. The Issuer shall, prior to delivery of the Series 2020 A Bonds, provide evidence of <u>bona fide</u> users upon the System on completion of the Project, in full compliance with the requirements and conditions of the Purchaser.
- E. CHARGES AND FEES. The Issuer shall remit from the Revenue Fund to the Commission or the Depository Bank such additional sums as shall be necessary to pay the charges and fees of the Commission or the Depository Bank then due.
- F. INVESTMENT OF EXCESS BALANCES. The monies in excess of the sum insured by FDIC in any of such funds or accounts shall at all times be secured, to

the full extent thereof in excess of such insured sum, in lawful manner for securing deposits of State and municipal funds under the laws of the State of West Virginia.

- G. REMITTANCES. All remittances made by the Issuer to the Commission or the Depository Bank shall clearly identify the fund or account into which each amount is to be deposited.
- H. GROSS REVENUES. The Gross Revenues of the System shall only be used for purposes of the System.

ARTICLE V GENERAL COVENANTS

Section 5.01. General Statement. So long as the Series 2020 A Bonds shall be outstanding and unpaid, or until there shall have been set apart in the Series 2020 A Bonds Reserve Account a sum sufficient to prepay the entire principal of the Series 2020 A Bonds remaining unpaid, together with interest accrued and to accrue thereon to the date of prepayment, the covenants and agreements contained herein shall be and constitute valid and legally binding covenants between the Issuer and the Holder of the Series 2020 A Bonds.

Section 5.02. Rates. Prior to the issuance of the Series 2020 A Bonds, the Issuer will, in the manner provided in the Act, fix and collect such rates, fees or other charges for the services and facilities of the System, and revise the same from time to time whenever necessary, as will always provide Revenues in each Fiscal Year sufficient to produce Net Revenues equal to not less than 110% of the annual debt service on the Series 2020 A Bonds and sufficient to make the payments required herein into all funds and accounts and all the necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the System during such Fiscal Year and such rates, fees and other charges shall not be reduced so as to be insufficient to provide adequate Revenues for such purposes.

Section 5.03. Sale of the System. So long as the Series 2020 A Bonds are outstanding, the Issuer shall not sell, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of the system, or any part thereof without the prior written consent of the Purchaser. Such consent will provide for the disposition of the proceeds of any such sale.

<u>Section 5.04</u>. <u>Issuance of Additional Parity Bonds or Obligations</u>. No additional Parity Bonds or obligations payable out of the Revenues of the System shall be issued, except with the prior written consent of the Purchaser.

So long as the Series 2020 A Bonds are outstanding, no Parity Bonds shall be issued at any time, however, unless there has been procured and filed with the Recorder a written statement by the Independent Certified Public Accountants, reciting the conclusion that the Net Revenues for the Fiscal Year following the year in which such Parity Bonds are to be issued shall be at least 120% of the average annual debt service requirements on the following:

- (1) The Bonds then Outstanding;
- (2) Any Parity Bonds theretofore issued pursuant to the provisions contained in this Bond Legislation then Outstanding; and
- (3) The Parity Bonds then proposed to be issued.

The foregoing limitation may be waived or modified by the written consent of the Holders of the Series 2020 A Bonds, representing 75% of the then-outstanding principal indebtedness.

Section 5.05. <u>Insurance and Bonds</u>. The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees that it will, as an expense of construction, operation and maintenance of the System, procure, carry and maintain, so long as the Series 2020 A Bonds remain outstanding, insurance with a reputable insurance carrier or carriers covering the following risks and in the following amounts:

A. FIRE, LIGHTNING, VANDALISM, MALICIOUS MISCHIEF AND EXTENDED COVERAGE INSURANCE, to be procured upon acceptance of any part of the Project from the contractor, and immediately upon any portion of the System now in use, on all above-ground structures of the System and mechanical and electrical equipment in place or stored on the site in an amount equal to the actual cost thereof. In the event of any damage to or destruction of any portion of the System, the Issuer will promptly arrange for the application of the insurance proceeds for the repair or reconstruction of such damaged or destroyed portion. The Issuer will itself, or will require each contractor and subcontractor to, obtain and maintain builder's risk insurance to protect the interests of the Issuer during construction of the Project in the full insurable value thereof.

- B. PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE, with limits of not less than \$500,000 for one or more persons injured or killed in one accident to protect the Issuer from claims for bodily injury and/or death, and not less than \$200,000 to protect the Issuer from claims for damage to property of others which may arise from the operation of the System, such insurance to be procured not later than the date of delivery of the Series 2020 A Bonds.
- C. VEHICULAR PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE, in the event the Issuer owns or operates any vehicle in the operation of the System, or in the event that any vehicle not owned by the Issuer is operated at any time or times for the benefit of the Issuer, with limits of not less than \$500,000 for one or more persons injured or killed in one accident to protect the Issuer from claims for bodily injury and/or death, and not less than \$200,000 to protect the Issuer from claims for damage to property of others which may arise from such operation of vehicles, such insurance to be procured prior to acquisition or commencement of operation of any such vehicle for the Issuer.

- D. WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE ISSUER ELIGIBLE THEREFOR AND PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS, such bonds to be in the amounts of 100% of the construction contract, will be required of each prime contractor, and such payment bonds will be filed with the Recorder of the County Commission of said County prior to commencement of construction of the Project in compliance with West Virginia Code Section 38-2-39. Workers' Compensation coverage will be maintained as provided by law.
- E. FLOOD INSURANCE to be procured, to the extent available at reasonable cost to the Issuer; <u>provided</u>, however, if the System is located in a community which has been notified as having special flood or mudslide prone areas, flood insurance must be obtained.
- F. FIDELITY BONDS will be provided as to every member of the Governing Body and as to every officer and employee of the Issuer having custody of the Revenue Fund or of any Revenues or other funds of the Issuer in such amount as may be requested by the Purchaser from time to time.
- G. <u>Provided</u>, however, and in lieu of and notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, during construction of the Project and so long as the Series 2020 A Bonds are outstanding, the Issuer will carry insurance and bonds or cause insurance and bonds to be carried for the protection of the Issuer, and during such construction will require each contractor and subcontractor to carry insurance, of such types and in such amounts as the Purchaser may specify, with insurance carriers or bonding companies acceptable to the Purchaser.
- Section 5.06. Statutory Mortgage Lien. For the further protection of the Holder of the Series 2020 A Bonds, a statutory mortgage lien upon the System is granted and created by the Act, which statutory mortgage lien is hereby recognized and declared to be valid and binding and shall take effect immediately upon the delivery of the Series 2020 A Bonds and shall be for the equal benefit of the Series 2020 A Bonds.
- Section 5.07. Events of Default. Each of the following events is hereby declared an "Event of Default":
- A. Failure to make payment of any monthly amortization installment upon the Series 2020 A Bonds at the date specified for payment thereof; or
- B. Failure to duly and punctually to observe or perform any of the covenants, conditions and agreements on the part of the Issuer contained in the Series 2020 A Bonds or herein, or violation of or failure to observe any provision of any pertinent law.
- Section 5.08. Enforcement. Upon the happening and continuance of any Event of Default, any Registered Owner of a Bond may exercise any available remedy and bring any appropriate action, suit or proceeding to enforce his or her rights and, in particular, (i) bring suit for any unpaid principal or interest then due, (ii) by mandamus or other appropriate proceeding enforce all rights of such Registered Owners including the

right to require the Issuer to perform its duties under the Act and the Bond Legislation relating thereto, including but not limited to the making and collection of sufficient rates or charges for services rendered by the System, (iii) bring suit upon the Series 2020 A Bonds, (iv) by action at law or bill in equity require the Issuer to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for the Registered Owners of the Series 2020 A Bonds, and (v) by action or bill in equity enjoin any acts in violation of the Bond Legislation with respect to the Series 2020 A Bonds, or the rights of such Registered Owners.

Any Registered Owner of the Bonds, by proper legal action, compel the performance of the duties of the Issuer under this Bond Legislation and the Act, including, the completion of the Project and after commencement of operation of the System, the making and collection of sufficient rates and charges for services rendered by the System and segregation of the revenues therefrom and the application thereof. If there be any Event of Default with respect to such Bonds, any Registered Owner of the Bonds shall, in addition to all other remedies or rights, have the right by appropriate legal proceedings to obtain the appointment of a receiver to administer the System or to complete the acquisition and construction of the Project on behalf of the Issuer, with power to charge rates, rentals, fees and other charges sufficient to provide for the payment of Operating Expenses of the System, the payment of the Bonds and interest and the deposits into the funds and accounts hereby established, and to apply such rates, rentals, fees, charges or other revenues in conformity with the provisions of this Bond Legislation and the Act.

The receiver so appointed shall forthwith, directly or by his or her or its agents and attorneys, enter into and upon and take possession of all facilities of said System and shall hold, operate and maintain, manage and control such facilities, and each and every part thereof, and in the name of the Issuer exercise all the rights and powers of the Issuer with respect to said facilities as the Issuer itself might exercise.

Whenever all that is due upon the Bonds and interest thereon and under any covenants of this Bond Legislation for reserve, sinking or other funds and upon any other obligations and interest thereon having a charge, lien or encumbrance upon the revenues of the System shall have been paid and made good, and all defaults under the provisions of this Bond Legislation shall have been cured and made good, possession of the System shall be surrendered to the Issuer upon the entry of an order of the court to that effect. Upon any subsequent default, any Registered Owner of any Bonds shall have the same right to secure the further appointment of a receiver upon any such subsequent default.

Such receiver, in the performance of the powers hereinabove conferred upon him or her or it, shall be under the direction and supervision of the court making such appointment, shall at all times be subject to the orders and decrees of such court and may be removed thereby, and a successor receiver may be appointed in the discretion of such court. Nothing herein contained shall limit or restrict the jurisdiction of such court to enter such other and further orders and decrees as such court may deem necessary or appropriate for the exercise by the receiver of any function not specifically set forth herein.

Any receiver appointed as provided herein shall hold and operate the System in the name of the Issuer and for the joint protection and benefit of the Issuer and

Registered Owners of the Bonds. Such receiver shall have no power to sell, assign, mortgage or otherwise dispose of any assets of any kind or character belonging or pertaining to the System, but the authority of such receiver shall be limited to the completion of the Project and the possession, operation and maintenance of the System for the sole purpose of the protection of both the Issuer and Registered Owners of such Bonds and the curing and making good of any Event of Default with respect thereto under the provisions of this Bond Legislation, and the title to and ownership of the System shall remain in the Issuer, and no court shall have any jurisdiction to enter any order or decree permitting or requiring such receiver to sell, assign, mortgage or otherwise dispose of any assets of the System.

Section 5.09. Fiscal Year; Budget. While the Series 2020 A Bonds are outstanding and unpaid and to the extent not now prohibited by law, the System shall be operated and maintained on a Fiscal Year basis commencing on July 1 of each year and ending on the following June 30, which period shall also constitute the budget year for the operation and maintenance of the System. Not later than thirty days prior to the beginning of each Fiscal Year, the Issuer agrees to adopt the Annual Budget for the ensuing year, and no expenditures for operation and maintenance expenses of the System in excess of the Annual Budget shall be made during such Fiscal Year unless unanimously authorized and directed by the Governing Body. Copies of each Annual Budget shall be delivered to the Purchaser by the beginning of each Fiscal Year.

If for any reason the Issuer shall not have adopted the Annual Budget before the first day of any Fiscal Year, it shall adopt a Budget of Current Expenses from month to month until the adoption of the Annual Budget; <u>provided</u>, however, that no such monthly budget shall exceed the budget for the corresponding month in the year next preceding by more than 10%; and <u>provided</u> further, that adoption of a Budget of Current Expenses shall not constitute compliance with the covenant to adopt an Annual Budget unless failure to adopt an Annual Budget be for a reason beyond the control of the Issuer. Each such Budget of Current Expenses shall be mailed immediately to the Purchaser.

Section 5.10. Covenant to Proceed and Complete. The Issuer hereby covenants to proceed as promptly as possible with the acquisition and construction of the Project to completion thereof in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the Consulting Engineer and on file with the Recorder on the date of adoption hereof, subject to permitted changes.

<u>Section 5.11.</u> <u>Books and Records; Audits.</u> The Issuer will keep books and records of the System, which shall be separate and apart from all other books, records and accounts of the Issuer, in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the System, and the Purchaser shall have the right at all reasonable times to inspect the System and all records, accounts and data of the Issuer relating thereto.

The Issuer shall, at least once a year, cause said books, records and accounts of the System to be properly audited by an independent competent firm of certified public accountants and shall mail a copy of such audit report to the Purchaser. The Issuer shall further comply with the Act with respect to such books, records and accounts.

Section 5.12. <u>Maintenance of System</u>. The Issuer covenants that it will continuously operate, in an economical and efficient manner, and maintain the System as a revenue-producing utility as herein provided so long as the Series 2020 A Bonds are outstanding.

Section 5.13. No Competition. To the extent legally allowable, the Issuer will not permit competition with the System within its boundaries or within the territory served by it and will not grant or cause, consent to or allow the granting of any franchise, permit or other authorization for any person, firm, corporation, public or private body, agency or instrumentality whatsoever to provide any of the services supplied by the System within the boundaries of the Issuer or within the territory served by the System.

ARTICLE VI RATES, ETC.

<u>Section 6.01</u>. <u>Initial Schedule of Rates and Charges; Rules.</u> A. The initial schedule of rates and charges for the services and facilities of the System shall be as set forth in the rate ordinance of the Issuer enacted on October 3, 2019, which rate ordinance is incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof.

- B. There shall not be any discrimination or differential in rates between customers in similar circumstances.
- C. All delinquent fees, rates and charges for services or facilities of the System shall be a lien on the premises served if not paid when due. The Issuer shall have all remedies and powers provided under the Act and other applicable provisions of law with regard to the collection and enforcement of such fees, rates and charges, including, without limitation, any right and power of foreclosure under the Act and/or such other applicable provisions of law.
- D. The Issuer will not render or cause to be rendered any free services of any nature by the System nor any of the facilities; and in the event that the Issuer or any department, agency, officer or employee thereof should avail itself or themselves of the services or facilities of the System, the same fees, rates and charges applicable to other customers receiving like services under similar circumstances shall be charged, such charges shall be paid as they accrue, and revenues so received shall be deposited and accounted for in the same manner as other revenues of the System.
- E. The Issuer may require any applicant for any service by the System to deposit a reasonable and equitable amount to insure payment of all charges for the services rendered by the System, which deposit shall be handled and disposed of under the applicable rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia.
- F. The Issuer shall not be liable to any customer for any damage resulting from bursting or breakage of any pipe, line, main, valve, equipment or part or from

discontinuance of the operation of any part of the System or from failure of any part thereof for any cause whatever.

- G. In case of emergency, the Issuer shall have the right to restrict the use of any part of the System in any reasonable manner for the protection of the System and the inhabitants of the Issuer.
- H. The fees, rates and charges above provided will be increased whenever such increase is necessary in order to comply fully with all provisions hereof, and the Issuer shall always be obligated to and shall fix, establish and collect fees, rates and charges for the services and facilities of the System which shall at all times be sufficient to provide revenues to meet its payments and obligations provided hereunder, but in any event, not less than 110% of the annual debt service on the Bonds outstanding.

ARTICLE VII MISCELLANEOUS

Section 7.01. Payment of Bonds. If the Issuer shall pay or there shall otherwise be paid to the Holder of the Series 2020 A Bonds, the principal of and interest due or to become due thereon, at the times and in the manner stipulated therein and in this Bond Legislation, then with respect to the Series 2020 A Bonds, the pledge of Revenues and other monies and securities pledged under this Bond Legislation and all covenants, agreements and other obligations of the Issuer to the Registered Owner of the Series 2020 A Bonds, shall thereupon cease, terminate and become void and be discharged and satisfied.

Except through such direct payment to the Holder of the Series 2020 A Bonds, the Issuer may not defease the Series 2020 A Bonds or otherwise provide for payment thereof by escrow or like manner.

Section 7.02. <u>Modification or Amendment</u>. Prior to issuance of the Series 2020 A Bonds, this Ordinance may be amended or supplemented in any way by ordinance or resolution. Following issuance of the Series 2020 A Bonds, no modification or amendment of this Ordinance, or any ordinance or resolution amendatory hereof or supplemental hereto, shall be made without the prior written consent of the Purchaser.

Section 7.03. Delivery of Bonds. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Series 2020 A Bonds, hereby awarded to the Purchaser pursuant to prior agreement, to be delivered to the Purchaser as soon as the Purchaser will accept such delivery.

Section 7.04. Severability of Invalid Provisions. If any one or more of the covenants, agreements or provisions hereof should be held contrary to any express provision of law or contrary to the policy of express law, although not expressly prohibited, or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable

from the remaining covenants, agreements or provisions hereof, and shall in no way affect the validity of all the other provisions hereof or the Series 2020 A Bonds.

<u>Section 7.05.</u> <u>Conflicting Provisions Repealed.</u> All ordinances, resolutions and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions hereof are, to the extent of such conflicts, hereby repealed; <u>provided</u>, that this section shall not be applicable to the Loan Resolution (Form FmHA 442-47).

Section 7.06. <u>Table of Contents and Headings</u>. The Table of Contents and headings of the articles, sections and subsections hereof are for convenience only and shall neither control nor affect in any way the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

Section 7.07. Covenant of Due Procedure, Etc. The Issuer covenants that all acts, conditions, things and procedures required to exist, to happen, to be performed or to be taken precedent to and in the adoption and enactment of this Ordinance do exist, have happened, have been performed and have been taken in regular and due time, form and manner as required by and in full compliance with the laws and Constitution of the State of West Virginia applicable thereto; and that the Mayor, Recorder and members of the Governing Body were at all times when any actions in connection with this Ordinance occurred and are duly in office and duly qualified for such office.

Section 7.08. Statutory Notice and Public Hearing. Upon adoption hereof, an abstract of this Bond Legislation, determined by the Council to contain sufficient information as to give notice of the contents hereof, shall be published once a week for two successive weeks within a period of fourteen consecutive days, with at least six full days intervening between each publication, in the *Moundsville Daily Echo Newspaper*, being qualified newspapers of general circulation in the City of McMechen, no newspaper being published therein, together with a notice stating that this Ordinance has been adopted, and that the Issuer contemplates the issuance of the Bond, and that any person interested may appear before the Council upon a date certain, not less than ten days subsequent to the date of the first publication of the said abstract and notice and not prior to the last date of such publication, and present protests, and that a certified copy of the Ordinance is on file in the office of the Recorder of the Issuer for review by interested parties during regular office hours. At such hearing, all objections and suggestions shall be heard and the Council shall take such action as it shall deem proper in the premises.

Section 7.09. Effective Date. This Bond Legislation shall take effect following public hearing hereon in accordance with the Act.

> Passed on First Reading: April 21, 2020

Passed on Second Reading: May 21, 2020

Passed on Final Reading

Following Public Hearing: June 18, 2020

CITY OF MCMECHEN

CERTIFICATION

Certified a true copy of an Ordinance duly enacted by the Council of the City of McMechen on the 18th day of June, 2020.

Dated this 10th day of July, 2020.

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CITY OF MCMECHEN

Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (United States Department of Agriculture)

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION MAKING PROVISIONS AS TO PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, DATE, MATURITY DATE, REDEMPTION PROVISION, INTEREST RATE, INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL PAYMENT DATES, SALE PRICE, AND OTHER TERMS OF THE WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A OF THE CITY OF MCMECHEN, AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS AS TO THE BONDS.

WHEREAS, the council (the "Governing Body") of the City of McMechen (the "Issuer") has duly and officially adopted and enacted a bond ordinance, June 18, 2020 (the "Bond Ordinance"), entitled:

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONS. BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING PUBLIC WATERWORKS FACILITIES OF THE CITY OF MCMECHEN, AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED THEREOF. THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF NOT MORE THAN \$7,650,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE) IN ONE OR MORE SERIES; DEFINING AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING GENERALLY FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE HOLDER OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

WHEREAS, capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Ordinance when used herein;

WHEREAS, the Bond Ordinance provides for the issuance of Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A, of the Issuer (the "Series 2020 A Bonds"), in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,650,000 and has authorized the execution and delivery of the documents relating to the Bonds, all in accordance with Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the "Act");

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to amend the Bond Ordinance through this Supplemental Resolution (collectively, the "Bond Legislation")

WHEREAS, the Governing Body deems it essential and desirable that this supplemental resolution (the "Supplemental Resolution") be adopted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF MCMECHEN:

Section 1. Pursuant to the Bond Ordinance and the Act, this Supplemental Resolution is adopted and there are hereby authorized and ordered to be issued Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (United States Department of Agriculture), of the Issuer, originally represented by a single Bond, numbered AR-1 in the principal amount of \$6,650,000 (the "Series 2020 A Bonds"). The Series 2020 A Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery thereof, shall bear interest at the rate of 1.50% per annum, with interest only payable in annual installments on July 10, 2021 and July 10, 2022. Thereafter, principal and interest are payable in monthly installments of \$19,152 on the 10th day of each month, commencing August 10, 2022 to and including July 10, 2060 (forty years from the date of the Series 2020 A Bonds), provided that the final payment shall be sufficient to pay the entire unpaid principal and interest due on the date thereof. Prepayments may be made as hereinafter provided and as provided in the Series 2020 A Bonds, all such payments to be made at the National Finance Office, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, or at such other place as the Purchaser may designate after issuance of the Series 2020 A Bonds. Prepayments of scheduled installments, or any portion thereof, may be made at any time at the option of the Issuer.

Section 2. The Mayor and the Recorder are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such other documents and certificates required or desirable in connection with the Bonds hereby and by the Bond Ordinance approved and provided for, to the end that the Bonds may be delivered on or about July 10, 2020, to the Purchaser.

Section 3. The Issuer does hereby appoint and designate WesBanco Bank, Inc., McMechen, West Virginia, to serve as Depository Bank under the Bond Ordinance.

Section 4. The Issuer hereby approves and accepts all contracts relating to the financing, acquisition and construction of the Project.

Section 5. The acquisition and construction of the Project and the financing thereof in part with proceeds of the Bonds are in the public interest, serve a public purpose of the Issuer and will promote the health, welfare and safety of the residents of the Issuer.

Section 6. The Mayor and the Recorder are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such other documents, agreements, instruments and certificates required or desirable, including but not limited to, any amendments to the Letter of Conditions, Loan Resolutions, and any USDA forms relating to the USDA loan to be used to fund a portion of the Project.

Section 7. This Supplemental Resolution shall be effective immediately following adoption hereof.

Adopted this 2nd day of July, 2020.

CITY OF MCMECHEN

Mayor

CERTIFICATION

Certified a true copy of a Supplemental Resolution and Conformed Ordinance duly adopted by the Council of the City of McMechen on the 2nd day of July, 2020.

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Dated: July 10, 2020.

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CITY OF MCMECHEN



WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

\$6,650,000

No. AR-1 Date: July 10, 2020

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the CITY OF MCMECHEN (herein called "Borrower") promises to pay to the order of the United States of America (the "Government"), or its registered assigns, at its National Finance Office, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, or at such other place as the Government may hereafter designate in writing, the principal sum of SIX MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,650,000), plus interest on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of 1.50% per annum. The said principal and interest shall be paid in the following installments on the following dates: Annual installments of interest only, on July 10, 2021 and July 10, 2022 (the first twenty-four months after the date hereof), and thereafter monthly installments of \$19,152, covering principal and interest, commencing August 10, 2022 to and including July 10, 2060 (40 years from the date of this Bond). Prepayments may be made as provided herein below. The consideration herefor shall support any agreement modifying the foregoing schedule of payments.

If the total amount of the loan is not advanced at the time of loan closing, the loan shall be advanced to Borrower as requested by Borrower and approved by the Government and interest shall accrue on the amount of each advance from its actual date as shown on the Record of Advances attached hereto as a part hereof.

Every payment made on any indebtedness evidenced by this Bond shall be applied first to interest computed to the effective date of the payment and then to principal.

Prepayments of scheduled installments, or any portion thereof, may be made at any time at the option of Borrower. Refunds and extra payments, as defined in the regulations of the Government according to the source of funds involved, shall, after payment of interest, be applied to the installments last to become due under this Bond and shall not affect the obligation of Borrower to pay the remaining installments as scheduled herein.

If the Government at any time assigns this Bond and insures the payment thereof, Borrower shall continue to make payments to the Government as collection agent for the holder.

While this Bond is held by an insured lender, prepayments as above authorized made by Borrower may, at the option of the Government, be remitted by the Government to the holder promptly or, except for final payment, be retained by the Government and remitted to the holder on either a calendar quarter basis or an annual installment due date basis. The effective date of every payment made by Borrower, except payments retained and remitted by the Government on an annual installment due date basis, shall be the date of the United States Treasury check by which the Government remits the payment to the holder. The effective date of any prepayment retained and remitted by the Government to the holder

on an annual installment due date basis shall be the date of the prepayment by Borrower and the Government will pay the interest to which the holder is entitled accruing between the effective date of any such prepayment and the date of the Treasury check to the holder.

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

Borrower hereby certifies that it is unable to obtain sufficient credit elsewhere to finance its actual needs at reasonable rates and terms, taking into consideration prevailing private and cooperative rates and terms in or near its community for loans for similar purposes and periods of time.

This Bond, together with any additional bonds ranking on a parity herewith which may be issued and outstanding for the purpose of providing funds for (i) permanently financing the costs of acquisition and construction of additions, betterments and improvements to the waterworks system (the "System") of Borrower, and (ii) paying costs of issuance is payable solely from and secured by the gross revenues to be derived from the operation of the System. This Bond does not in any manner constitute an indebtedness of the Borrower within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision or limitation, nor shall the Borrower be obligated to pay the same or the interest thereon except from the special fund so provided.

Registration of this Bond is transferable by the registered owner hereof in person or by his, her or its attorney duly authorized in writing, at the office of Borrower, as Bond Registrar, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges, if any, provided in the herein defined Ordinance, and upon surrender and cancellation of this Bond. Upon such transfer a new Bond or Bonds, of authorized denomination or denominations, for the like principal amount, will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor.

This Bond, under the provisions of the Act, is and has all the qualities and incidents of a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia, but may only be transferred by transfer of registration hereof with the Bond Registrar.

This Bond has been issued under and in full compliance with the Constitution and statutes of the State of West Virginia, including, among others, Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (herein called the "Act"), an Ordinance of Borrower duly enacted on June 18, 2020, and a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on July 2, 2020 authorizing issuance of this Bond (collectively, the "Ordinance").

If at any time it shall appear to the Government that Borrower may be able to obtain a loan from a responsible cooperative or private credit source at reasonable rates and terms for loans for similar purposes and periods of time, Borrower will, at the Government's request, apply for and accept such loan in sufficient amount to repay the Government.

This Bond is given as evidence of a loan to Borrower made or insured by the Government pursuant to the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1965, as amended. This Bond shall be

subject to the present regulations of the Government and to its future regulations not inconsistent with the express provisions hereof.

THERE ARE NO OUTSTANDING BONDS OR OBLIGATIONS SECURED BY THE REVENUES OR ASSETS OF THE SYSTEM.

In accordance with the requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture, the Bonds will be in default should any proceeds of the Bonds be used for a purpose that will contribute to excessive erosion of highly erodible land or to the conversion of wetlands to produce an agricultural commodity.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF MCMECHEN has caused this Bond to be executed by its Mayor and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed or imprinted hereon and attested by its Recorder, all as of the date hereinabove written.

CITY OF MCMECHEN

[CORPORATE SEAL]

ATTEST:

Recorder

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

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CITY OF MCMECHEN

WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2020 A (UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE)

\$6,650,000

REGISTRATION BOOKS

(No writing on these Books except by the Issuer as Registrar)

Bond No.	Date of Registration	In Whose Name Registered	Signature of Secretary of Registrar			
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NEW ISSUE REPORT FORM

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Phone:(304) 558-3971 FAX: (304) 558-1280 mbc.wv.gov Date of Report: 7/10/2020 ISSUE: City of McMechen Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (USDA) COUNTY: Marshall ADDRESS: 325 Logan Street, McMechen, WV 26040 x New Money PURPOSE OF ISSUE: Refunding Refunding issue(s) dated: 7/10/2020 ISSUE DATE: RATE: 1.500% ADMIN FEE: NA ISSUE AMOUNT: \$6,650,000 NA ____ 1st DEBT SERVICE DUE: 1st PRINCIPAL DUE: NA 1st DEBT SERVICE AMOUNT: NA PAYING AGENT: Issuer BOND COUNSEL: Steptoe & Johnson PLLC UNDERWRITERS COUNSEL: Contact Name: John Stump, Esquire Contact Name: Phone: 304.353.8196 Phone: Email: john.stump@steptoe-johnson.com Email: _____ CLOSING BANK: WesBanco Bank, Inc. ESCROW TRUSTEE: Contact Name: Taylor Lum Contact Name: Phone: 304.234.9244 Phone: Email: Email: _____ KNOWLEDGEABLE ISSUER CONTACT: OTHER: Contact Name: David Goddard Contact Name: Virginia McDonald Title: Mayor Title: Rural Development Specialist Phone: 304.232.3140 Phone: 304.372.6231 Email: cityclerkmcmechen304@gmail.com Email: virginia.mcdonald@usda.gov DEPOSITS TO MBC AT CLOSE: Accrued Interest: Wire ____ Capitalized Interest: By: Reserve Account: Check Other: In-house Transfer To Escrow Trustee: REFUNDS & TRANSFERS BY MBC AT CLOSE: To Issuer: By: Wire To Cons.Invest Fund: Check IGT To Other: ISSUER NUMBERS: BANK ID NUMBER: _____ CUSIP: _____ ACCOUNT NUMBER: PROGRAM NUMBER: NOTES: Monthly DS payments will be made by the City directly to the NFO. The MBC will only hold the Series 2020 A Reserve Account. Payments into the Reserve Account will commence 24 months following closing. FOR MUNIICPAL BOND COMMISSION USE ONLY: Documents Required: Transfers Required:



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July 10, 2020

City of McMechen Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (United States Department of Agriculture)

City of McMechen McMechen, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture Ripley, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as bond counsel in connection with the issuance by the City of McMechen, in Marshall County, West Virginia (the "Issuer"), of its \$6,650,000 Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (United States Department of Agriculture), dated the date hereof (the "Series 2020 A Bonds"), pursuant to Chapter 8, Article 19 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (the "Act"), and a Bond Ordinance of the Issuer duly enacted on June 18, 2020, as supplemented by Supplemental Resolution duly adopted on July 2, 2020 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation"). We have examined the law and such certified proceedings and other papers as we deem necessary to render this opinion.

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon the representations of the Issuer contained in the Bond Legislation and in the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials furnished to us without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion, under existing law, as follows:

- 1. The Issuer is duly created and validly existing as a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia with full power and authority to adopt and enact the Bond Legislation, perform the agreements on its part contained therein and issue and sell the Series 2020 A Bonds, pursuant to the provisions of the Act and other applicable provisions of law.
- 2. The Bond Legislation has been duly adopted and enacted by the Issuer and constitutes a valid and binding obligation of the Issuer enforceable upon the Issuer.
- 3. The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) paying the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public waterworks system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) paying costs of issuance and related costs.
- 4. Pursuant to the Act, the Bond Legislation creates a valid lien on the Gross Revenues of the System for the security of the Series 2020 A Bonds. There are no other outstanding bonds or obligations of the Issuer which rank prior to or on a parity with the Series 2020 A Bonds as to liens, pledge and/or source of and security for payment.



- 5. The Series 2020 A Bonds have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Issuer and is a valid and binding special obligation of the Issuer, payable solely from the sources provided therefor in the Bond Legislation.
- 6. The Series 2020 A Bonds have not been issued on the basis that the interest, if any, thereon is or will be excluded from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes; therefore, the interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds is not excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. We express no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Series 2020 A Bonds.
- 7. The Series 2020 A Bonds are, under the Act, exempt from all taxation by the State of West Virginia, and the other taxing bodies of said State, and interest on the Series 2020 A Bonds is exempt from personal and corporate net income taxes imposed directly thereon by the State of West Virginia.

It is to be understood that the rights of the holder of the Series 2020 A Bonds and the enforceability of the Series 2020 A Bonds, the Bond Legislation and the liens and pledges set forth therein may be subject to and limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable and that the enforcement thereof may also be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

Very truly yours,

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July 10, 2020

City of McMechen Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 A (United States Department of Agriculture)

City of McMechen McMechen, West Virginia

United States Department of Agriculture Ripley, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are Special PSC Counsel to the City of McMechen, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Marshall County of said State (the "Issuer"). As such counsel, we have represented the Issuer before the Public Service Commission of West Virginia in connection with the issuance of the above-referenced bonds, and the acquisition and construction of the Project.

We are of the opinion that:

- The Issuer has duly taken any other action required for the imposition of such rates and charges, including, without limitation, the enactment of an ordinance on October 3, 2019 prescribing such rates and charges. The time for appeal of such rate ordinance has expired prior to the date hereof without any appeal.
- 2. We are of the opinion that the Issuer has received all orders and approvals from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, including the Recommended Decision dated May 2, 2019 which became a Final Order on May 22, 2019, in Case No. 18-1271-W-CN granting a certificate of convenience and necessity for the Project and approving the financing for the Project. The Order is in full force and effect.

All counsel to this transaction may rely upon this opinion as if specifically addressed to them.

Sincerely

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