

ORDINANCE NUMBER _____

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois, to borrow funds from the Water Pollution Control Loan Program

WHEREAS, the City of Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois, (the “City”) has a population in excess of 25,000 as determined by the last official census, and the City is a home rule unit and may exercise any power or perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs including, but not limited to, the operation of its sewerage system (“the System”) in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Illinois and the Local Government Debt Reform Act, 30 ILCS 350/1 et seq. (collectively “the Act”); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City (“the Corporate Authorities”) have determined that it is advisable, necessary, and in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare to improve the System, including the following:

Approximately 7 acres of green infrastructure

In-system storage at approximately nine locations

Engineering, flow monitoring, and program management for the above projects together with any land or rights in land and all electrical, mechanical or other services necessary, useful or advisable to the construction and installation (“the Project”), all in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the consulting engineers of the City, which Project has a useful life of 35 years; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of construction and installation of the Project, including engineering, legal, financial and other related expenses is \$32,000,000.00, and there are insufficient funds on hand and lawfully available to pay these costs; and

WHEREAS, the loan shall bear an interest rate as defined by 35 Ill. Adm. Code 365, which does not exceed the maximum rate authorized by the Bond Authorization Act, as amended, 30 ILCS 305/0.01 et seq., at the time of the issuance of the loan; and

WHEREAS, the principal and interest payment shall be payable semi-annually, and the loan shall mature in 20 years, which is within the period of useful life of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the costs are expected to be paid for with a loan to the City from the Water Pollution Control Loan Program through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, the loan to be repaid from revenues of the System and the loan is authorized to be accepted at this time pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the City is authorized to borrow funds from the Water Pollution Control Loan Program in the aggregate principal amount of \$32,000,000.00 to provide funds to pay the costs of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the loan to the City shall be made pursuant to a Loan Agreement, including certain terms and conditions between the City and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Corporate Authorities of the City of Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLES

The Corporate Authorities hereby find that the recitals contained in the preambles are true and correct, and incorporate them into this Ordinance by this reference.

SECTION 2. DETERMINATION TO BORROW FUNDS

It is necessary and in the best interests of the City to construct the Project for the public health, safety, and welfare, in accordance with the plans and specifications, as described; that the System continues to be operated in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/1 et seq.; and that for the purpose of constructing the Project, it is hereby authorized that funds be borrowed by the

City in the aggregate principal amount (which can include construction period interest financed over the term of the loan) not to exceed \$32,000,000.00.

SECTION 3. ADDITIONAL ORDINANCES

The Corporate Authorities may adopt additional ordinances or proceedings supplementing or amending this Ordinance, providing for entering into the Loan Agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, prescribing all the details of the Loan Agreement, and providing for the collection, segregation and distribution of the revenues of the System, so long as the maximum amount of the Loan Agreement as set forth in this Ordinance is not exceeded and there is no material change in the project or purposes described herein. Any additional ordinances or proceedings shall in all instances become effective in accordance with the Act or other applicable laws. This Ordinance, together with such additional ordinances or proceedings, shall constitute complete authority for entering into the Loan Agreement under applicable law.

However, notwithstanding the above, the City may not adopt additional ordinances or amendments which provide for any substantive or material change in the scope and intent of this Ordinance, including but not limited to interest rate, preference or priority of any other ordinance with this Ordinance, parity of any other ordinance with this Ordinance, or otherwise alter or impair the obligation of the City to pay the principal and interest due to the Water Pollution Control Loan Program without the written consent of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

SECTION 4. LOAN NOT INDEBTEDNESS OF THE CITY

Repayment of the loan to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by the City pursuant to this Ordinance is to be solely from the revenue derived from revenues of the System, and the loan does not constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation.

SECTION 5. APPLICATION FOR LOAN

The City Manager is hereby authorized to make application to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for a loan through the Water Pollution Control Loan Program, in accordance with the loan requirements set out in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 365.

SECTION 6. ACCEPTANCE OF LOAN AGREEMENT

The Corporate Authorities hereby authorize acceptance of the offer of a loan through the Water Pollution Control Loan Program, including all terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement as well as all special conditions contained therein and made a part thereof by reference. The Corporate Authorities further agree that the loan funds awarded shall be used solely for the purposes of the project as approved by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement.

SECTION 7. OUTSTANDING BONDS

The City has no outstanding bonds that are payable from revenues of the System.

SECTION 8. AUTHORIZATION OF MAYOR TO EXECUTE LOAN AGREEMENT

The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Loan Agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. The Corporate Authorities may authorize by resolution a person other than the Mayor for the sole purpose of authorizing or executing any documents associated with payment requests or reimbursements from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in connection with this loan.

SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY

If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 10. REPEALER

All ordinances, resolutions, orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.

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PASSED by the Corporate Authorities
on May 25, 2021.

APPROVED May 25, 2021

Mayor
City of Peoria
Peoria, County, Illinois

AYES: _____
NAYS: _____
ABSENT: _____
PUBLISHED in Pamphlet Form on May __, 2021.
RECORDED in the City Records on May __, 2021.

ATTEST:

City Clerk
City of Peoria
Peoria County, Illinois

CERTIFICATION

I, _____, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected, qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Peoria. I do further certify that the above and foregoing, identified as Ordinance Number _____, is a true, complete and correct copy of an ordinance otherwise identified as an Ordinance Authorizing the City of Peoria, Peoria county, Illinois to Borrow Funds From the Water Pollution Control Loan Program, passed by the City Council of the City of Peoria on the ___ day of _____, 20__ , and approved by the Mayor of the City of Peoria on the same said date, the original of which is part of the books and records within my control as Clerk of the City of Peoria.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Clerk of the City of Peoria