## **ORDINANCE NO. 1032**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF TAX SUPPORTED MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2024, OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED FIVE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,450,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO BE OWNED BY THE CITY; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SAID BONDS; PLEDGING FUNDS TO BE RECEIVED BY A SALES AND USE TAX AND PROPERTY TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF SAID TAXES TO PAY THE SAME; PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS TO THE PURCHASER; PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF BOND PROCEEDS; AND ORDERING THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN PAMPHLET OR ELECTRONIC FORM.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA:

- Section 1. The Mayor and City Council (the "Council") of the City of Gothenburg, Nebraska (the "City"), hereby find and determine that:
  - (a) The City imposes a sales and use tax in the amount of 1.50% (the "Pledged Sales Tax") upon the same transactions within the City on which the State of Nebraska is authorized to impose a tax pursuant to the Local Option Revenue Act (Sections 77-27,142 to 77-27,148, R.R.S. Neb., as amended, the "Act").
  - (b) The City is authorized to issue bonds pursuant to the Act for any municipal purpose, including payment of the cost of water, sewer and paving infrastructure improvements and other related improvements in the City, (together, the "Project") and to pledge receipts of the Pledged Sales Tax and dedicate a portion of its property tax levy authority as provided in Section 77-3442, R.R.S. Neb., as amended, for payment of such bonds.
  - (c) All conditions, acts and things required to exist or to be done precedent to the issuance of Tax Supported Municipal Improvement Bonds, Series 2024, (or such other title as determined in a Designation as described below, the "Bonds") of the City of Gothenburg, Nebraska, in one or more series in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed Five Million Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$5,450,000) pursuant to the Act to provide financing for a portion of the cost of the Project do exist and have been done as required by law.
- Section 2. (a) To provide funds for the purpose of paying and reimbursing the costs of the Project as set forth in Section 1 hereof, there shall be and there are hereby ordered issued the Tax Supported Municipal Improvement Bonds of the City in one or more series, in the aggregate stated principal amount of not to exceed Five Million Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$5,450,000); provided, however, such amount may be increased as necessary to the extent the Bonds are sold at a net original issue discount.

(b) The Bonds or any portion thereof are hereby authorized to be sold pursuant to a negotiated sale with Northland Securities, Inc., as initial purchaser (the "Underwriter"). In connection with such sale, the Mayor, City Clerk and City Administrator (each, an "Authorized Officer") are hereby authorized to specify, determine, designate, establish and appoint, as the case may be, in one or more written designations which may be included in a bond purchase agreement (each, a "Designation"), the following with respect to the Bonds: (i) the aggregate purchase price of the Bonds and the underwriting discount which shall not exceed 1.25% of the aggregate stated principal amount thereof; (ii) the form and contents of any bond purchase agreement in connection with such sale; (iii) for each series, the title, dated date, aggregate principal amount (which aggregate stated principal amount shall not exceed \$5,450,000; provided, however, such amount may be increased as necessary to the extent the Bonds are sold at a net original issue discount); (iv) the final maturity date, which shall not be later than December 31, 2044, provided that any or all portions of the maturity schedules may be structured such that the amortization period and future repayment schedule (after refinancing) is longer than the initial term of the financing (commonly referred to as a balloon payment); (v) the principal amounts maturing in each year and whether maturities will be issued as serial or term bonds; (vi) the rate or rates of interest to be borne by each principal maturity, and any original issue premium or original issue discount, provided that the true interest cost of the Bonds shall not exceed 5.50%; (vii) the principal payment dates and interest payment dates; (viii) whether to establish a debt service reserve fund for each series of Bonds, and the amount and provisions related such debt service reserve fund; (ix) the prepayment provisions whether the Bonds will be subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity, and if subject to such optional redemption, the provisions governing such redemption, including a redemption price not to exceed 104% of the principal amount then being redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption; (x) the amount and due date of each sinking fund installment for any of the Bonds issued as term Bonds; (xi) the designation of the Paying Agent and Registrar and the form and content of any agreement between the City and such entity; and (xii) all other terms and provisions of the Bonds not otherwise specified or fixed by this Ordinance.

The Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form in the denomination of \$5,000 or any (c) integral multiple thereof. The date of original issue for the Bonds shall be date of original delivery. Interest on the Bonds, at the respective rates for each maturity, shall be payable on such dates as determined in the Designation, each an "Interest Payment Date", and the Bonds shall bear interest from the date of original issue or the most recent Interest Payment Date, whichever is later. The interest due on each Interest Payment Date shall be payable to the registered owners of record as of the fifteenth day immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date (the "Record Date"), subject to the provisions of Section 4 hereof. The Bonds shall be numbered from 1 upwards in the order of their issuance. No Bond shall be issued originally or upon transfer or partial redemption having more than one principal maturity. The initial bond numbering and principal amounts for each of the Bonds issued shall be as directed by the initial purchaser thereof. Payments of interest due on the Bonds prior to maturity or earlier redemption shall be made by the Paying Agent and Registrar, as designated pursuant to Section 3 hereof, by mailing a check or draft in the amount due for such interest on each Interest Payment Date to the registered owner of each Bond, as of the Record Date for such Interest Payment Date, to such owner's registered address as shown on the books of registration as required to be maintained in Section 3 hereof. Payments of principal due at maturity or at any date fixed for redemption prior to maturity, together with unpaid accrued interest thereon, shall be made by said Paying Agent and Registrar to the registered owners upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds to said Paying Agent and Registrar. The City and said Paying Agent and Registrar may treat the registered owner of any Bond as the absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of making payments thereon and for all other purposes and neither the City nor the Paying Agent and Registrar shall be affected by any notice or knowledge to the contrary, whether such Bond or any installment of interest due thereon shall be overdue or not. All payments on account of interest or principal made to the registered owner of any Bond in accordance with the terms of this Ordinance shall be valid and effectual and shall be a discharge of the City and said Paying Agent and Registrar, in respect of the liability upon the Bonds or claims for interest to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

Section 3. The Authorized Officers are hereby authorized to designate the Paying Agent and Registrar for the Bonds in a Designation, which Paying Agent and Registrar may be a bank or trust company. If a bank or trust company is designated, such bank or trust company shall serve as Paying Agent and Registrar in such capacities under the terms of an agreement entitled "Paying Agent and Registrar's Agreement" between the City and said Paying Agent and Registrar, the form of which is hereby approved. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the City in the form as an Authorized Officer shall deem appropriate on behalf of the City. The Paying Agent and Registrar shall keep and maintain for the City books for the registration and transfer of the Bonds at its office. The names and registered addresses of registered owner or owners of the Bonds shall at all times be recorded in such books. Any Bond may be transferred pursuant to its provisions at the office of said Paying Agent and Registrar by surrender of such bond for cancellation, accompanied by a written instrument of transfer, in form satisfactory to said Paying Agent and Registrar, duly executed by the registered owner in person or by such owner's duly authorized agent, and thereupon the Paying Agent and Registrar on behalf of the City will deliver at its office (or send by registered mail to the transferee owner or owners thereof at such transferee owner's or owners' risk and expense), registered in the name of such transferee owner or owners, a new Bond or Bonds of the same interest rate, aggregate principal amount and maturity. To the extent of the denominations authorized for the Bonds by this ordinance, one such bond may be transferred for several such bonds of the same interest rate and maturity, and for a like aggregate principal amount, and several such bonds may be transferred for one or several such bonds, respectively, of the same interest rate and maturity and for a like aggregate principal amount. In every case of transfer of a Bond, the surrendered Bond shall be canceled and destroyed. All Bonds issued upon transfer of the Bonds so surrendered shall be valid obligations of the City evidencing the same obligation as the Bonds surrendered and shall be entitled to all the benefits and protection of this Ordinance to the same extent as the Bonds upon transfer of which they were delivered. The City as said Paying Agent and Registrar shall not be required to transfer any Bond during any period from any Record Date until its immediately following Interest Payment Date

or to transfer any Bond called for redemption for a period of 30 days next preceding the date fixed for redemption.

Section 4. In the event that payments of interest due on the Bonds on an Interest Payment Date are not timely made, such interest shall cease to be payable to the registered owners as of the Record Date for such Interest Payment Date and shall be payable to the registered owners of the Bonds as of a special date of record for payment of such defaulted interest as shall be designated by the Paying Agent and Registrar whenever monies for the purpose of paying such defaulted interest become available.

Section 5. Bonds shall be subject to redemption, in whole or in part, prior to maturity at any time on or after the fifth anniversary of the date of original issue thereof at par plus accrued interest on the principal amount redeemed to the date fixed for redemption (or such other date as may be determined in the Designation). The City may select the Bonds to be redeemed for optional redemption in its sole discretion. Bonds for mandatory redemption shall be selected by the Paying Agent and Registrar using any random method of selection determined appropriate by the Paying Agent and Registrar. Bonds redeemed pursuant to the requirements for mandatory redemption shall be redeemed at par plus accrued interest on the principal amount redeemed. The Bonds shall be redeemed only in amounts of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. Bonds redeemed in part only shall be surrendered to said Paying Agent and Registrar in exchange for a new Bond evidencing the unredeemed principal thereof. Notice of redemption of any Bond called for redemption shall be given, at the direction of the City in the case of optional redemption and without further direction in the case of mandatory redemption, by said Paying Agent and Registrar by mail not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, first class, postage prepaid, sent to the registered owner of such Bond at said owner's registered address. Such notice shall designate the Bond or Bonds to be redeemed by maturity or otherwise, the date of original issue, series and the date fixed for redemption and shall state that such Bond or Bonds are to be presented for prepayment at the office of said Paying Agent and Registrar. In case of any Bond partially redeemed, such notice shall specify the portion of the principal amount of such Bond to be redeemed. No defect in the mailing of notice for any Bond shall affect the sufficiency of the proceedings of the City designating the Bonds called for redemption or the effectiveness of such call for Bonds for which

notice by mail has been properly given and the City shall have the right to further direct notice of redemption for any such Bond for which defective notice has been given.

Section 6. If the date for payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in Gothenburg, Nebraska, are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which such banking institutions are authorized to close, and payment on such day shall have the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of payment.

Section 7. The Bonds shall be in substantially the following form:

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF NEBRASKA COUNTY OF DAWSON

## CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT BOND SERIES 2024

No		•	\$
Interest Rate %	Maturity Date, 20	<u>Date of Original Issue</u> , 2024	<u>CUSIP</u>
Registered Owner: Cede	& Co.		
Principal Amount:			
for value received promise Principal Amount specified specified above with interes year consisting of twelve 30 Date, whichever is later, at and of each year, be Principal Amount hereof, to payable upon presentation and Registrar, in will be paid on each Interest the registered owner of this Registrar, at the close of bus such owner's registered add cease to be payable to the perpayable to the person who is	s to pay to the Register above in lawful money thereon to maturity (or co-day months from the Deginning, 20	A (the "City"), hereby acknowle ed Owner specified above, or rof the United States of America earlier redemption) computed on the Oate of Original Issue or most ream specified above, payable sem (each of such dates an "Interest ed interest due at maturity or upon at the office of the on this bond due prior to maturity or device of the Paying Abooks of record maintained by the process of the record date such interest was this bond (or of one or more predulted interest as shall be fixed by a available.	egistered assigns, the on the Maturity Date the basis of a 360-day cent Interest Payment iannually on Payment Date"). The earlier redemption, is a the Paying Agent or earlier redemption Agent and Registrar to the Paying Agent and erest Payment Date, to ot so timely paid shall be lecessor bonds hereto)
date of maturity, rate of interof the cost of water, sewer City. The issuance of such passed and approved by the	rest and denomination whand paving infrastructure bonds has been authorized Mayor and Council of the ect to redemption at the date of delivery, at par particular and particular and council of the date of delivery, at par particular and continuous and continuous and continuous and continuous at the date of delivery, at particular and continuous and continuous and continuous and continuous at the continuous and continuous and continuous and continuous and continuous at the cont	ed bonds (the "Bonds") of the tot (\$), of even date and I nich were issued by the City for the improvements and other related zed by proceedings duly had and e City (the "Ordinance").  option of the City, in whole or is lus interest accrued on the princi	ike tenor except as to ne purpose of payment I improvements in the I an ordinance legally n part, at any time on
[In addition, the Boonds being redeemed at page 2016]		mandatory sinking fund redems follows:	ption payments (with
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\$\_\_\_\_\_ to be called December 15, 20\_\_ \$\_\_\_\_ Payable December 15, 20\_\_]

Notice of redemption shall be given by mail to the registered owner of any Bond to be redeemed at such registered owner's address in the manner specified in the Ordinance authorizing the Bonds. Individual Bonds may be redeemed in part but only in \$5,000 amounts or integral multiples thereof.

This Bond is transferable by the Registered Owner or such owner's attorney duly authorizing in writing at the office of the Paying Agent and Registrar upon surrender and cancellation of this Bond, and thereupon a new Bond or Bonds of the same aggregate principal amount, interest rate and maturity will be issued to the transferee as provided in the Ordinance, subject to the limitations therein prescribed. The City, the Paying Agent and Registrar and any other person may treat the person in whose name this Bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment due hereunder and for all purposes and shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary, whether this Bond be overdue or not.

If the date for payment of the principal of or interest on this Bond shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in the City are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which such banking institutions are authorized to close, and payment on such day shall have the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of payment.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED AND WARRANTED that all conditions, acts and things required by law to exist or to be done precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond did exist, did happen and were done and performed in regular and due form and time as required by law and that the indebtedness of said City, including this Bond, does not exceed any limitation imposed by law. For the prompt payment of the principal and interest on this bond and the other bonds of the same issue, The Bonds are special obligations of the City payable from, and secured as to the payment of principal and interest by a pledge of the Pledged Sales Tax, as defined and described in Section 1 of the Ordinance. The City has pledged the Pledged Sales Tax to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, and has further agreed that it shall dedicate such portion of its property tax levy authority (as provided in Section 77-3442, R.R.S. Neb., as amended) as is necessary to provide funds which, together with receipts from the Pledged Sales Tax as pledged to the payment of the Bonds and any other monies made available and used for such purpose, will be sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same fall due (including mandatory sinking fund redemptions).

AS PROVIDED IN THE ORDINANCE REFERRED TO HEREIN, UNTIL THE TERMINATION OF THE SYSTEM OF BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY TRANSFERS THROUGH THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY, NEW YORK, NEW YORK (TOGETHER WITH ANY SUCCESSOR SECURITIES DEPOSITORY APPOINTED PURSUANT TO THE ORDINANCE, "DTC"), AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE TO THE CONTRARY, A PORTION OF THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THIS BOND MAY BE PAID OR REDEEMED WITHOUT SURRENDER HEREOF TO THE REGISTRAR. DTC OR A NOMINEE, TRANSFEREE OR ASSIGNEE OF DTC OF THIS BOND MAY NOT RELY UPON THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT INDICATED HEREON AS THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT HEREOF OUTSTANDING AND UNPAID. THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT HEREOF OUTSTANDING AND UNPAID SHALL FOR ALL PURPOSES BE THE AMOUNT DETERMINED IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN THE ORDINANCE.

UNLESS THIS BOND IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED OFFICER OF DTC (A) TO THE REGISTRAR FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER OR EXCHANGE OR (B) TO THE REGISTRAR FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL, AND ANY BOND ISSUED IN REPLACEMENT HEREOF OR SUBSTITUTION HEREFOR IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF DTC AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO DTC OR ITS NOMINEE, ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR

VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL BECAUSE ONLY THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, DTC OR ITS NOMINEE, HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

This Bond shall not be valid and binding on the City until authenticated by the Paying Agent and Registrar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Mayor and Council of the City have caused this Bond to be executed on behalf of the City with the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the Clerk and by causing the official seal of the City to be impressed or imprinted hereon, all as of the date of original issue specified above.

CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA

ATTEST:	(facsimile signature) Mayor
(facsimile signature)	_
Clerk	
(SEAL)	

## CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Bonds authorized by Gothenburg, Nebraska, described in the foregoing Bond	Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of l.
	, Nebraska, Paying Agent and Registrar
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FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned	hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto
Print or Type Name, Address a	and Social Security Number
or other Taxpayer Identificat	•
the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby i agent to transf the Paying Agent for the registration thereof, with full	Fer the within Bond on the Bond Register kept by
the raying Agent for the registration thereof, with full	power of substitution in the premises.
Dated:	
	NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name of the Registered Owner as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular.
	Medallion Signature Guarantee:

Section 8. Each of the Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the City with the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and City Clerk of the City. The Bonds shall be issued initially as "bookentry-only" bonds using the services of The Depository Trust Company (the "Depository"), with one typewritten bond per maturity being issued to the Depository. In such connection said officers are authorized to execute and deliver a letter of representations (the "Letter of Representations") in the form required by the Depository, for and on behalf of the City, which shall thereafter govern matters with respect to registration, transfer, payment and redemption of the Bonds. Upon the issuance of the Bonds as "book-entry-only" bonds, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) The City and the Paying Agent and Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any broker-dealer, bank or other financial institution for which the Depository holds Bonds as securities depository (each, a "Bond Participant") or to any person who is an actual purchaser of a Bond from a Bond Participant while the Bonds are in book-entry form (each, a "Beneficial Owner") with respect to the following:
  - (i) the accuracy of the records of the Depository, any nominees of the Depository or any Bond Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds,
  - (ii) the delivery to any Bond Participant, any Beneficial Owner or any other person, other than the Depository, of any notice with respect to the Bonds, including any notice of redemption, or
  - (iii) the payment to any Bond Participant, any Beneficial Owner or any other person, other than the Depository, of any amount with respect to the Bonds.

The Paying Agent and Registrar shall make payments with respect to the Bonds only to or upon the order of the Depository or its nominee, and all such payments shall be valid and effective fully to satisfy and discharge the obligations with respect to such Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than the Depository shall receive an authenticated Bond, except as provided in (e) below.

(b) Upon receipt by the Paying Agent and Registrar of written notice from the Depository to the effect that the Depository is unable or unwilling to discharge its responsibilities, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall issue, transfer and exchange Bonds requested by the Depository in appropriate amounts. Whenever the Depository requests the Paying Agent and Registrar to do so, the Paying Agent and Registrar will cooperate with the Depository in taking appropriate action after reasonable notice (i) to arrange, with the prior written consent of the City, for a substitute depository willing and able upon reasonable and customary terms to maintain custody of the Bonds or (ii) to make available Bonds registered in whatever name or names the Beneficial Owners transferring or exchanging such Bonds shall designate.

- (c) If the City determines that it is desirable that certificates representing the Bonds be delivered to the Bond Participants and/or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds and so notifies the Paying Agent and Registrar in writing, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall so notify the Depository, whereupon the Depository will notify the Bond Participants of the availability through the Depository of bond certificates representing the Bonds. In such event, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall issue, transfer and exchange bond certificates representing the Bonds as requested by the Depository in appropriate amounts and in authorized denominations.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of the Depository or any nominee thereof, all payments with respect to such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bond shall be made and given, respectively, to the Depository as provided in the Letter of Representations.
- (e) Registered ownership of the Bonds may be transferred on the books of registration maintained by the Paying Agent and Registrar, and the Series 2024 Bonds may be delivered in physical form to the following:
  - (i) any successor securities depository or its nominee;
  - (ii) any person, upon (A) the resignation of the Depository from its functions as depository or (B) termination of the use of the Depository pursuant to this Section.
- (f) In the event of any partial redemption of a Bond unless and until such partially redeemed Bond has been replaced in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance, the books and records of the Paying Agent and Registrar shall govern and establish the principal amount of such Bond as is then outstanding and all of the Bonds issued to the Depository or its nominee shall contain a legend to such effect.

If for any reason the Depository resigns and is not replaced or upon termination by the City of book-entry-only form, the City shall immediately provide a supply of bond certificates for issuance upon subsequent transfers or in the event of partial redemption. In the event that such supply of certificates shall be insufficient to meet the requirements of the Paying Agent and Registrar for issuance of replacement bond certificates upon transfer or partial redemption, the City agrees to order printed an additional supply of bond certificates and to direct their execution by manual or facsimile signature of its then duly qualified and acting officers. In case any officer whose signature or facsimile thereof shall appear on any Bond shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Bond (including any bond certificates delivered to the Paying Agent and Registrar for issuance upon transfer or partial redemption) such signature or such facsimile signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer or officers had remained in office until the delivery of such Bond. After being executed by the Mayor and City Clerk, said Bonds shall be delivered to

the Treasurer of the City who shall be responsible therefor under his/her official bond and such Treasurer shall maintain a record of information with respect to said Bonds in accordance with the requirements of Section 10-140, R.R.S. Neb., as amended, and shall cause the same to be filed with the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Nebraska. The Bonds shall not be valid and binding on the City until authenticated by the Paying Agent and Registrar. The Bonds shall be delivered to the Paying Agent and Registrar for registration and authentication. Upon execution, registration and authentication of the Bonds, they shall be delivered to the City Treasurer, who is authorized to deliver them to the Underwriter, as initial purchaser thereof, upon receipt of the purchase price thereof plus accrued interest thereon to date of payment of the Bonds. Such initial purchaser shall have the right to direct the registration of the Bonds and the denominations thereof within each maturity, subject to the restrictions of this Ordinance. The Underwriter and its agents, representatives and counsel (including the City's bond counsel) are hereby authorized to take such actions on behalf of the City as are necessary to effectuate the closing of the issuance and sale of the Bonds, including, without limitation, authorizing the release of the Bonds by the Depository at closing. The Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement") to be entered into between the City and the Underwriter with respect to the purchase of the Bonds from the City, in such form as the Authorized Officer executing the Purchase Agreement shall in the exercise of his or her own independent judgment and absolute discretion determine to be necessary, proper, appropriate, advisable, or desirable in order to effectuate the issuance, sale, and delivery of the Bonds, be and the same is hereby in all respects authorized, adopted, specified, accepted, ratified, approved and confirmed.

Section 9. The City Clerk is directed to make and certify a transcript or transcripts of the proceedings of the Mayor and City Council precedent to the issuance of said Bonds, a copy of which shall be delivered to the Underwriter.

Section 10. The proceeds of the Bonds shall be applied to the costs of the Project as described in Section 1 hereof, including payment of any related warrant indebtedness and issuance expenses for the Bonds. Pending such application the City Treasurer shall hold such proceeds.

Section 11. The Bonds are special obligations of the City payable from, and secured as to the payment of principal and interest by a pledge of the Pledged Sales Tax, as defined and described in Section 1 of this Ordinance. The City hereby pledges the Pledged Sales Tax to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The City hereby further agrees that it shall dedicate such portion of its property tax levy authority (as provided in Section 77-3442, R.R.S. Neb., as amended) as is necessary to provide funds which, together with receipts from the Pledged Sales Tax as pledged to the payment of the Bonds and any other monies made available and used for such purpose, will be sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same fall due (including mandatory sinking fund redemptions). The pledge of the Pledged Sales Tax provided for in this Section 11 for the Bonds shall not prevent the City from otherwise applying receipts from the Pledged Sales Tax in any year so long as sufficient receipts from such fund have been set aside for the payment of principal and interest falling due in such year on the Bonds. In addition, the City further reserves the right to issue additional bonds payable on par with the Bonds equally and ratably secured by a pledge of receipts from the Pledged Sales Tax.

Section 12. The Mayor and City Council hereby authorize the Authorized Officers, or each individually, to approve and deem final, within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, a Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Bonds and the information therein contained and to approve and deliver a final Official Statement for and on behalf of the City. The Authorized Officers, or any one or more of them, are hereby further authorized to take any and all actions and enter into any and all agreements and execute any documents deemed necessary or appropriate in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, and any such actions previously taken are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 13. The City hereby (a) authorizes and directs that an Authorized Officer execute and deliver, on the date of issue of the Bonds, a continuing disclosure undertaking (the "Continuing Disclosure Undertaking") in such form as shall be satisfactory to the City and in compliance with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and (b) covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking. Notwithstanding any other provision of this

resolution, failure of the City to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking shall not be considered an event of default hereunder; however, any Participating Underwriter (as such term is defined in the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking) or any Beneficial Owner or any Registered Owner of a Bond (as such terms are defined in the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking) may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the City to comply with its obligations under this section.

Section 14. The City hereby covenants with the purchasers and holders of the Bonds herein authorized that it will make no use of the proceeds of said issue, including monies held in any sinking fund for the payment of principal and interest on said Bonds, which would cause said Bonds to be arbitrage bonds within the meaning of Sections 103 and 148 and other related sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and further covenants to comply with said Sections 103 and 148 and related sections and all applicable regulations thereunder throughout the term of said issue. The City hereby covenants and agrees to take all actions necessary under the Code to maintain the tax exempt status (as to taxpayers generally) of interest payable on the Bonds. The City hereby authorizes the Authorized Officers, or any one or more of them, as, if and to the extent appropriate, to designate the Bonds as its "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i)(III) of the Code and covenant and warrant on behalf of the City that the City does not reasonably expect to issue tax-exempt bonds or other tax-exempt interest bearing obligations aggregating in principal amount more than \$10,000,000 during the calendar year in which the Bonds are issued (taking into consideration the exception for current refunding issues). The City agrees to take all further actions, if any, necessary and appropriate to qualify the Bonds herein authorized as such "qualified tax-exempt obligations" as and to the extent permitted by law.

Section 15. The City's obligations under this Ordinance with respect to any or all of the Bonds herein authorized shall be fully discharged and satisfied as to any or all of such Bonds and any such Bond shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding hereunder if such Bond has been purchased by the City and canceled or when the payment of principal of and interest thereon to the respective date of maturity or redemption (a) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof, (b) shall have

been provided for by depositing with a national or state bank having trust powers, or trust company, in trust, solely for such payment (i) sufficient money to make such payment and/or (ii) direct general obligations (including obligations issued or held in book entry form on the books of the Department of Treasury of the United States of America) of or obligations the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America (herein referred to as "U.S. Government Obligations") in such amount and bearing interest payable and maturing or redeemable at stated fixed prices at the option of the holder as to principal, at such time or times, as will ensure the availability of sufficient money to make such payments; provided, however, that with respect to any Bond to be paid prior to maturity, the City shall have duly called such Bond for redemption and given notice of such redemption as provided by law or made irrevocable provision for the giving of such notice. Any money so deposited with such bank or trust company in excess of the amount required to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds for which such monies or U.S. Government Obligations were deposited shall be paid over to the City as and when collected.

Section 16. All documents, agreements, certificates, and instruments related to the Bonds shall be valid, binding, and enforceable against the City when executed and delivered by means of (i) an original manual signature; (ii) a faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature, or (iii) any other electronic signature permitted by electronic signatures laws, including any relevant provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code, in each case to the extent applicable. Each faxed, scanned, or photocopied manual signature, or other electronic signature, shall for all purposes have the same validity, legal effect, and admissibility in evidence as an original manual signature. Each document, agreement, certificate, and instrument related to the Bonds may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but such counterparts shall, together, constitute one and the same document, agreement, certificate, or instrument, as applicable.

Section 17. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in pamphlet or electronic form as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of April, 2024.

THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA

By: \_\_\_\_\_Mayor

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