

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 2690-22

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT ACQUISITIONS FOR VARIOUS PARKS, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "TOWNSHIP"); APPROPRIATING \$4,500,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,285,714 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be undertaken by the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey (the "Township"). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3 hereof, there is hereby appropriated the amount of \$4,500,000, said amount being inclusive of a down payment in the amount of \$214,286 now available for said improvements or purposes as required by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented (N.J.S.A. §40A:2-1 et seq.) (the "Local Bond Law"), by virtue of an appropriation from the Township's Open Space Trust Fund created pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.1 et seq. (the "Open Space Trust Fund").

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet part of said \$4,500,000 appropriation not provided for by said down payment referred to in Section 1 hereof, negotiable bonds of the

Township are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,285,714 pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Township in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$4,285,714 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, said Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are for capital improvements and equipment acquisitions for various parks within the Township, including, but not limited, the replacement of the turf field and the acquisition and installation of lighting at O'Connor Park.

(b) The improvements and purposes set forth in Section 3(a) above shall also include, as applicable, all engineering and design work, surveying, construction management services, construction planning, preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid documents, construction inspection and contract administration, environmental testing and remediation, and all work, materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(c) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued by the Township for said improvements and purposes is \$4,285,714.

(d) The estimated cost of said improvements and purposes to the Township is \$4,500,000, the excess amount thereof over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor is the down payment in the amount of \$214,286 now available for said improvements and purposes from the Township's Open Space Trust Fund.

SECTION 4. In the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Essex make a contribution or grant in aid to the Township for the improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Township prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Essex. In the event that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and/or the County of Essex shall be received by the Township after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purpose. This Section 4 shall not apply, however, with respect to any contribution or grant in aid received by the Township as a result of using funds from this bond ordinance as “matching local funds” to receive such contribution or grant in aid.

SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township (the “Chief Financial Officer”), provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. § 40A:2-8.1 of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at a public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery

thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 6. The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget of the Township, as applicable. The capital budget or temporary capital budget, as applicable, of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

SECTION 7. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(b) The improvements and purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are improvements and purposes which the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(c) The period of usefulness of said improvements and purposes within the limitations set forth in the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is fifteen (15) years.

(d) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Township and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of

Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$4,285,714. The obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(e) An amount not exceeding \$900,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. § 40A:2-20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes and improvements described in Section 3 hereof.

SECTION 8. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township and, unless paid from other sources, the Township shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the principal of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 9. The Township reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. This Section 9 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Township's official intent to reimburse any expenditure toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. All reimbursement allocations will occur not later than eighteen (18) months after the later of (i) the date the expenditure from a source other than any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance is paid, or (ii) the date the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof are "placed in service" (within the meaning of

Treasury Regulation §1.150-2) or abandoned, but in no event more than three (3) years after the expenditure is paid.

SECTION 10. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of the obligations of the Township authorized herein and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the obligations of the Township, which are authorized herein, and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

SECTION 11. The Township covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under Section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, of the interest on all bonds and notes issued on a tax-exempt basis under this bond ordinance.

SECTION 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication hereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ADOPTED ON FIRST READING
DATED: June 28, 2022

KAREN J. CARNEVALE, Clerk
Township of West Orange

SUSAN MCCARTNEY,
Council President
Township of West Orange

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING
DATED: July 19, 2022

KAREN J. CARNEVALE, Clerk
Township of West Orange

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APPROVAL BY THE MAYOR ON THIS 19th DAY OF July, 2022.

ROBERT D. PARISI, Mayor
Township of West Orange