#### **MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**

**ORDINANCE No. 2023-123** 

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY-TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$62,370,000) OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE TO PAY THE COSTS OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE MUNICIPALITY ON APRIL 2, 2024.

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the Request of the

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**WHEREAS**, the existing educational facilities serving the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska (the "Municipality") are in need of building systems renewal, and replacements, planning, design, renovations, upgrades and construction projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Assembly of the Municipality and School Board have identified necessary construction, renovations, replacements, upgrades, planning, design and improvements to school facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to provide funds to perform the necessary construction, renovations, replacements, upgrades, planning, design and improvements as further described in Section 1 of this ordinance (the "Projects"), it is deemed necessary and advisable that the Municipality issue and sell its general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$62,370,000 (the "Bonds"); now, therefore.

#### THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Purpose</u>. The Assembly hereby determines that the education facilities and building systems are in need of construction, renewal, replacement, design, renovation and upgrades (the "Projects"). Specifically, the Projects include roof replacements, structural and seismic upgrades at Alpenglow Elementary School, Central Middle School and Chugiak High School, construction of security vestibules and security improvements at Kasuun, Lake Hood and Klatt Elementary Schools, renovation design for Romig Middle School, replacement of Inlet View Elementary School and planning and design for 2024/2025 projects.

 The Projects are described in more detail in the Assembly Memorandum accompanying this ordinance. The cost of all necessary planning, acquisition of property for, site preparation, construction, installing and equipping of the Projects, architectural, engineering, design, and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative and relocation expenses, costs of issuance of the Bonds (hereinafter defined) and other costs incurred in connection with the Projects shall be deemed to be costs of the approved Projects. The approved Projects may be completed with all necessary equipment and appurtenances.

The School District shall determine the application of available money as between the various Projects set forth above so as to accomplish, as nearly as may be, all of the Projects described or provided for in this section.

If the School District shall determine that it has become impractical to accomplish any portion of the approved Projects by reason of changed conditions or needs, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, the School District shall not be required to accomplish such portions and shall apply Bond proceeds as set forth in this section.

If the approved Projects have been completed in whole or in part, or their completion duly provided for, or their completion found to be impractical, the School District may apply Bond proceeds or any portion thereof to other School District capital improvements as the School Board in its discretion shall determine and, if otherwise, then solely to payment of principal or interest on the Bonds, as provided in the Home Rule Charter. In the event that the proceeds of sale of the Bonds, plus any other money of the School District legally available, are insufficient to accomplish the approved Projects, the School District shall use the available funds for paying the cost of those portions of the approved Projects for which the Bonds were approved deemed by the School Board most necessary and in the best interest of the School Board. No Bond proceeds shall be used by the Municipality for any purpose other than a capital improvement of the Municipality.

For the purpose of providing funds for the undertaking of the Projects, which are hereby found to be a public purpose and in the public interest, the Municipality hereby proposes to issue general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed Sixty-Two Million Three Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$62,370,000) (the "Bonds").

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Details of Bonds</u>. The Bonds shall be sold in such amounts and at such time or times as deemed necessary and advisable by the Assembly and as permitted by law and shall mature over a period of not to exceed 20 years from date of issue. The Bonds shall be issued in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$62,370,000. The Bonds shall bear interest to be fixed at the time of sale or sales thereof. The exact form, terms, conditions, contents, security, options of redemption, and such other matters relating to the issuance and sale of said Bonds

as are deemed necessary and advisable by the Assembly shall be as hereinafter determined and/or delegated by ordinance and/or resolution of the Assembly.

The full faith and credit of the Municipality is pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, and ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property in the Municipality shall be levied without limitation as to rate or amount to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds when due.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Ballot Proposition</u>. The Assembly hereby submits to the qualified voters of the Municipality the proposition of whether or not the Municipality should issue the Bonds for the purpose of financing the costs of the approved Projects at the regular municipal election to be held on April 2, 2024.

The Clerk shall prepare the ballot proposition to be submitted to the voters as provided by this ordinance and the Municipal Code and shall perform all necessary steps in accordance with law to place this proposition before the voters at the regular election. The proposition must receive a majority vote of those in the Municipality voting on the question to be approved. The proposition shall be substantially in the following form:

### PROPOSITION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

For the purpose of providing educational capital improvements, construction, upgrades, planning, design, and renovation of school facilities and educational facility building life extension projects within Anchorage, as provided in AO 2023-123, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$62,370,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

The general obligation bond proceeds will be used to pay costs of constructing, renovating, installing, planning, designing, acquiring and equipping educational capital improvement projects including, but not limited to, roof replacements, structural, and seismic upgrades at Alpenglow Elementary School, Central Middle School and Chugiak High School, construction of security vestibules and security improvements at Kasuun, Lake Hood and Klatt Elementary Schools, renovation design for Romig Middle School, replacement of Inlet View Elementary School and planning and design for 2024/2025 projects.

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the

estimated 2024 assessed valuation) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$12.69 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt will be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide in Anchorage. Anchorage will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

YES NO

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Effective Dates.</u> Section 2 of this ordinance shall become effective only if the proposition described in Section 3 is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the proposition at the regular election held on April 2, 2024. The remaining sections of this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and approval by the Assembly.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Assembly of the Municipality of Anchorage, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

By _	
	Chair of the Assembly

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk