

RESOLUTION NO. 6474

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS TO REFUND CERTAIN PENSION OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY, APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A TRUST AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZING JUDICIAL VALIDATION PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS AND AUTHORIZING ACTIONS RELATED THERETO

RESOLVED, by the City Council (the "Council") of the City of Gardena (the "City"), Los Angeles County, State of California, as follows:

WHEREAS, the City has previously elected to become a contracting member of the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("CalPERS");

WHEREAS, the Public Employees' Retirement Law (commencing with section 20000 of the California Government Code) and the contract (the "CalPERS Contract") between the Board of Administration of CalPERS and the City Council of the City (the "City Council") obligate the City to (i) make contributions to CalPERS to fund pension benefits for certain City employees, (ii) amortize the unfunded accrued actuarial liability with respect to such pension benefits, and (iii) appropriate funds for the foregoing purposes;

WHEREAS, as of February 4, 2020, the City's total unfunded accrued actuarial liability to CalPERS was \$100,569,356;

WHEREAS, the City desires to authorize the issuance of its City of Gardena Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds") pursuant to the provisions of Articles 10 and 11 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code, commencing with section 53570 of said Code (the "Bond Law"), for the purpose of refunding all or a portion of the City's obligations to CalPERS, as evidenced by the CalPERS Contract, to pay all or a portion of its accrued actuarial liability with respect to pension benefits under the Public Employees' Retirement Law, and paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds, and for no other purpose;

WHEREAS, the obligations of the City with respect to the Bonds, including the obligation to make all payments of interest and principal on the Bonds when due, will be obligations of the City imposed by law and will be absolute and unconditional, without any right of set-off or counterclaim, the Bonds will not constitute an obligation of the City for which the City is obligated to levy or pledge any form of taxation, neither the Bonds nor the obligations of the City to make payments on the Bonds will constitute an indebtedness of the City, the State of California or any of its political subdivisions in contravention of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction and the Council will be obligated to make appropriations to pay the Bonds from any source of legally available funds of the City;

WHEREAS, the City has determined the advisability of filing an action to determine the validity of the Trust Agreement (hereinafter defined) and the Bonds and the actions proposed to be taken in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 5852.1 of the Government Code, certain information relating to the Bonds is set forth in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution, and such information is hereby disclosed and made public;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED and DETERMINED, as follows:

SECTION 1. Authorization. Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed one hundred one million four hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$101,490,000) are hereby authorized to be issued by the City under and subject to the terms of the Bond Law and this Resolution for the purpose of refunding the City's obligation to CalPERS evidenced by the CalPERS Contract and paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

SECTION 2. Approval of Trust Agreement. The Council hereby approves trust agreement, by and between the City and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, prescribing the terms and provisions of the Bonds and the application of the proceeds of the Bonds in the form on file with the City Clerk (the "Trust Agreement"). The Mayor, the City Manager and the Chief Fiscal Officer (each, an "Authorized Officer"), each acting alone, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to such signatures on, the Trust Agreement for and in the name and on behalf of the City in such form, together with such changes therein, deletions therefrom and additions thereto as the Authorized Officer executing the same shall approve, subject to the advice of Bond Counsel and the City Attorney, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the Trust Agreement. Under no circumstances shall the elected Mayor be authorized to make any such changes on his or her own. The Council hereby authorizes the delivery and performance of the Trust Agreement.

SECTION 3. Offering and Sale of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be offered and sold to investors pursuant to a preliminary official statement the form of which shall be approved by the Council at a future meeting. The Council hereby authorizes the sale of the Bonds to an underwriter to be selected through a competitive process (the "Underwriter") so long as the true interest rate on the Bonds does not exceed 5.056% per annum and so long as the Bonds mature no later than April 1, 2048. The form of bond purchase agreement, by and between the City and the Underwriter, shall be approved by the Council at a future meeting.

SECTION 4. Validation Action. In order to determine the validity of the Trust Agreement and the Bonds and the actions authorized by this Resolution and the Trust Agreement to be taken in connection therewith, the Council hereby authorizes the City Attorney, in concert with Bond Counsel, to prepare and cause to be filed and prosecuted to completion all proceedings required for the judicial validation of the Bonds in the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, under and pursuant to the provisions of sections 860 *et seq.* of the California Code of Civil Procedure. The Council further authorizes the Authorized Officers, the City Clerk, and any and all other officers, employees and agents of the City to take any and all actions, including the execution and delivery or appropriate documentation, as may be required to conclude such judicial validation proceedings.

SECTION 5. Retention of Consultants.

(a) KNN Public Finance, LLC is hereby retained as municipal advisor to the City in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, the compensation for such services, which shall be fully contingent upon the successful conclusion of the financing, shall

be as set forth in the such firm's agreement for municipal advisory services on file with the City Clerk.

(b) Quint & Thimmig LLP is hereby retained as bond counsel and disclosure counsel to the City in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, the compensation for such services, which shall be fully contingent upon the successful conclusion of the financing, shall be as set forth in the such firm's agreement for legal services on file with the City Clerk.

SECTION 6. Official Actions. The Authorized Officers and any and all other officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the City, to do any and all things and take any and all actions, which they, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable in the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds. Whenever in this Resolution any officer of the City is directed to execute or countersign any document or take any action, such execution, countersigning or action may be taken on behalf of such officer by any person designated by such officer to act on his or her behalf in the case such officer is absent or unavailable. All actions heretofore taken by any Authorized Officer or any office, employee or agent of the City with respect to the Bonds, the validation proceedings or in connection with or related to any of the agreements referred to herein are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect from and after the date of its passage and adoption.

SECTION 8. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption hereof.

Passed, approved and adopted this 28th day of July, 2020

Tasha Cerda
TASHA CERDA, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mina Semenza
MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carmen Vasquez
CARMEN VASQUEZ, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 5852.1 DISCLOSURE

The following information consists of estimates that have been provided by the District's municipal advisor which has been represented to have been provided in good faith:

- (A) True Interest Cost of the Bonds: 3.472%
- (B) Finance Charges (Costs of Issuance): \$920,644
- (C) Net Proceeds to be Received for the Bonds (net of finance charges): \$100,569,356
- (D) Total Payment Amount through Maturity: \$147,023,050

The foregoing estimates constitute good faith estimates only.

The principal amount of the Bonds, the true interest cost of the Bonds, the finance charges thereof, the amount of proceeds received therefrom and total payment amount with respect thereto may differ from such good faith estimates due to (a) the actual date of the sale of the Bonds being different than the date assumed for purposes of such estimates, (b) the actual principal amount of Bonds sold being different from the estimated amount used for purposes of such estimates, (c) the actual amortization of the Bonds being different than the amortization assumed for purposes of such estimates, (d) the actual market interest rates at the time of sale of the Bonds being different than those estimated for purposes of such estimates, (e) other market conditions, or (f) alterations in the City's financing plan, or a combination of such factors. The actual date of sale of the Bonds and the actual principal amount of Bonds sold will be determined by the City based on the timing of the need for proceeds of the Bonds and other factors. The actual interest rates with respect to the Bonds will depend on market interest rates at the time of sale thereof. The actual amortization of the Bonds will also depend, in part, on market interest rates at the time of sale thereof. Market interest rates are affected by economic and other factors beyond the control of the City.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF GARDENA)

I, **MINA SEMENZA**, City Clerk of the City of Gardena, do hereby certify that the whole number of members of the City Council of said City is five; that the foregoing Resolution, being **Resolution No. 6474** duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City of Gardena, approved and signed by the Mayor of said City, and attested by the City Clerk, all at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the **28th day of July, 2020**, and that the same was so passed and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS TANAKA AND KASKANIAN, MAYOR PRO TEM
 HENDERSON, COUNCIL MEMBER FRANCIS AND MAYOR CERDA

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Becky Romero

City Clerk of the City of Gardena, California



(SEAL)

TRUST AGREEMENT

Dated as of [December] 1, 2020

by and between the

CITY OF GARDENA

and

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

**City of Gardena
(Los Angeles County, California)
Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020**

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EXHIBIT A FORM OF 2020 BOND

TRUST AGREEMENT

THIS TRUST AGREEMENT made and entered into and dated as of [December] 1, 2020 (the "Trust Agreement") by and between U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking association duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the United States of America, as Trustee (the "Trustee") and the CITY OF GARDENA (the "City"), a duly organized, validly existing and operating municipal corporation and general law city, under the laws of the State of California.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the City is obligated by the Public Employees' Retirement Law, commencing with section 20000 of the California Government Code, as amended (the "Retirement Law"), to make payments to the California Public Employees' Retirement System (the "System") relating to pension benefits accruing to the System's members, including the City;

WHEREAS, the City is obligated specifically to make certain payments to the System in respect of current and retired public safety employees and miscellaneous employees under the pension programs of the System that amortize such obligations over a fixed period of time, including normal costs (collectively, the "Pension Obligation");

WHEREAS, the Pension Obligation is evidenced by a contract or contracts with the System with respect to public safety employees and miscellaneous employees of the City, as heretofore and hereafter amended from time to time (collectively, the "CalPERS Contract");

WHEREAS, the City is authorized pursuant to Articles 10 and 11 (commencing with section 53570) of Chapter 3 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code (the "Act") to issue bonds for the purpose of refunding any evidence of indebtedness of the City;

WHEREAS, for the purpose of refunding the City's obligations to the System evidenced by the CalPERS Contract and thereby providing funds to the System in payment of the Pension Obligation, the City has determined to issue an initial Series of Bonds hereunder, captioned the "City of Gardena (Los Angeles County, California) Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020" in the aggregate principal amount of \$_____ (the "2020 Bonds"), all pursuant to and secured by this Trust Agreement providing for the issuance of the 2020 Bonds and, collectively with Additional Bonds, the "Bonds," all in the manner provided herein;

WHEREAS, the City filed a complaint in the Superior Court of the State for the County of Los Angeles pursuant to the procedures available to it under section 860 *et seq.* of the California Code of Civil Procedure and following, seeking judicial validation of the transactions relating to the issuance of the Bonds;

WHEREAS, on _____, 2020, the court entered a default judgment to the effect, among other things, that the CalPERS Contract, this Trust Agreement and the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the City under the Constitution and laws of the State;

WHEREAS, to provide for the authentication and delivery of the Bonds, to establish and declare the terms and conditions upon which the Bonds are to be issued and to secure the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon, the City has authorized the execution and delivery of this Trust Agreement; and

WHEREAS, all acts and proceedings required by law necessary to make the Bonds, when executed by the City, authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and duly issued, the valid,

binding and legal obligations of the City payable in accordance with their terms, and to constitute this Trust Agreement a valid and binding agreement of the parties hereto for the uses and purposes herein set forth in accordance with its terms, have been done and taken, and the execution and delivery of this Trust Agreement have been in all respects duly authorized;

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS TRUST AGREEMENT WITNESSETH, that in order to secure the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and the interest on all Bonds at any time issued and outstanding under this Trust Agreement, according to their tenor, and to secure the performance and observance of all the covenants and conditions therein and herein set forth, and to declare the terms and conditions upon and subject to which the Bonds are to be issued and received, and in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants herein contained and of the purchase and acceptance of the Bonds by the Owners thereof, and for other valuable considerations, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the City does hereby covenant and agree with the Trustee, for the benefit of the respective Owners from time to time of the Bonds, as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS; EQUAL SECURITY

Section 1.01. Definitions. Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in this section shall for all purposes hereof and of any Supplemental Trust Agreement and of any certificate, opinion, request or other document herein or therein mentioned have the meanings herein specified:

"Act" means Articles 10 and 11 (commencing with section 53570) of Chapter 3 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code.

"Additional Bonds" means all Bonds of the City authorized by and at any time Outstanding pursuant hereto and executed, issued and delivered in accordance with Article III.

"Aggregate Principal Amount" means, as of any date of calculation, the principal amount of the Bonds referred to.

"Authorized Denominations" means \$5,000 principal amount or any integral multiple thereof.

"Authorized Representative" means the Mayor, the City Manager of the City of Gardena and his or her respective designees designated in writing to the Trustee.

"Beneficial Owner" means the beneficial owner of each such Bond, determined under the rules of DTC.

"Bond Fund" means the Bond Fund established in Section 4.01(a) of the Trust Agreement.

"Bond Insurance Policy" means the municipal bond insurance policy issued by the Bond Insurer, if any, insuring the payment when due of principal of and interest on a Series of Bonds as provided therein.

"Bond Insurer" shall mean the provider, if any, of a Bond Insurance Policy, or any successor thereto.

"Bonds" means the 2020 Bonds and all Additional Bonds.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday or Sunday or day upon which the Trustee is authorized by law to remain closed.

"CalPERS Contract" means the contracts relating to the Safety Plan (ID _____) and the Miscellaneous Plan (ID _____), each between the City and the System, as heretofore and hereafter amended from time to time.

"Certificate of the City" means an instrument in writing signed by any one of the Authorized Representatives of the City or such officer's designee, or by any other officer of the City duly authorized by the City Council of the City in writing to the Trustee for that purpose. If and to the extent required by the provisions of Section 10.07, each Certificate of the City shall include the statements provided for in Section 10.07.

"City" means the City of Gardena, California.

"Closing Date" means the date on which the 2020 Bonds are delivered to the original purchaser for the 2020 Bonds.

"Continuing Disclosure Certificate" means that certain Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the City dated the date of issuance and delivery of the 2020 Bonds, as originally executed and as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Corporate Trust Office" means such corporate trust office of the Trustee as may be designated from time to time by written notice from the Trustee to the City, initially being in Los Angeles, California. The Trustee may designate in writing to the City and the Owner such other office or agency from time to time for purposes of registration, transfer, exchange, payment or redemption of Bonds.

"Costs of Issuance" means all items of expense directly or indirectly payable by or reimbursable to the City and related to the Bonds, including, but not limited to, costs of preparation and reproduction of documents, costs of rating agencies and costs to provide information required by rating agencies, filing and recording fees, initial fees and charges of the Trustee, legal fees and charges, fees and disbursements of consultants and professionals, fees and expenses of the Underwriter or placement agent, fees and charges for preparation, execution and safekeeping of the Bonds, premiums for bond insurance, if any, and any other cost, charge or fee in connection with the original execution and delivery of the Bonds.

"Costs of Issuance Fund" means the Costs of Issuance Fund established in Section 2.12(b).

"Defeasance Securities" means:

(a) Cash; and

(b) Obligations of or obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by, the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof, when such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, including:

- U.S. Treasury obligations
- All direct or fully guaranteed obligations
- Farmers Home Administration
- General Services Administration
- Guaranteed Title XI financing
- Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA)
- State and Local Government Series

Any security used for defeasance must provide for the timely payment of principal and interest and cannot be callable or prepayable prior to maturity or earlier redemption of the rated debt (excluding securities that do not have a fixed par value and/or whose terms do not promise a fixed dollar amount at maturity or call date).

"DTC" means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, a limited-purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, and its successors as securities depository for the Bonds including any such successor appointed pursuant to Section 2.07 hereof.

"Fiscal Year" means the twelve-month period terminating on June 30 of each year, or any other annual accounting period hereafter selected and designated by the City as its fiscal year in accordance with applicable law.

"Independent Certified Public Accountant" means any certified public accountant or firm of such accountants duly licensed and entitled to practice and practicing as such under the laws of the State or a comparable successor, appointed and paid by the City, and who, or each of whom

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(a) is in fact independent according to the Statement of Auditing Standards No. 1 and not under the domination of the City;

(b) does not have a substantial financial interest, direct or indirect, in the operations of the City; and

(c) is not connected with the City as a member, officer or employee of the City, but who may be regularly retained to audit the accounting records of and make reports thereon to the City.

"Interest Account" means the account by that name established in Section 4.02.

"Interest Payment Date" means each April 1 and October 1, commencing April 1, 2021.

"MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board or any other entity designated or authorized by the Securities and Exchange Commission to receive reports pursuant to the Rule. Until otherwise designated by the MSRB or the Securities and Exchange Commission, filings with the MSRB are to be made through the Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) website of the MSRB, currently located at <http://emma.msrb.org>.

"Opinion of Counsel" means a written opinion of counsel of recognized national standing in the field of law relating to municipal bonds, appointed and paid by the City.

"Outstanding," when used as of any particular time with reference to Bonds, means (subject to the provisions of Section 7.02) all Bonds except

(a) Bonds theretofore cancelled by the Trustee or surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation;

(b) Bonds paid or deemed to have been paid within the meaning of Section 9.01; and

(c) Bonds in lieu of or in substitution for which other Bonds shall have been executed, issued and delivered by the City pursuant hereto.

"Owner" means any person who shall be the registered owner of any Outstanding Bond.

"Permitted Investments" means any of the following to the extent permitted by the laws of the State:

(a) Defeasance Securities;

(b) Obligations of any of the following federal agencies which obligations represent the full faith and credit of the United States of America, including:

- Export-Import Bank
- Rural Economic Community Development Administration
- U.S. Maritime Administration
- Small Business Administration
- U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (PHA's)
- Federal Housing Administration
- Federal Financing Bank;

(c) Direct obligations of any of the following federal agencies which obligations are not fully guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America:

- Senior debt obligations issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC)
- Obligations of the Resolution Funding Corporation (REFCORP)
- Senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System
- Senior debt obligations of other Government Sponsored Agencies approved by the Bond Insurer;

(d) U.S. dollar denominated deposit accounts, federal funds and bankers' acceptances with domestic commercial banks (including the Trustee and its affiliates) which have a rating on their short-term certificates of deposit on the date of purchase of "A-1" or "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services and which mature not more than three hundred sixty (360) calendar days after the date of purchase. (Ratings on holding companies are not considered as the rating of the bank);

(e) Commercial paper which is rated at the time of purchase in the single highest classification, "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services and which matures not more than two hundred seventy (270) calendar days after the date of purchase;

(f) Investments in a money market fund rated at the time of purchase "AAAm" or "AAAm-G" or better by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, including funds for which the Trustee or its affiliates receives and retains a fee for services provided to the fund, whether as a custodian, transfer agent, investment advisor or otherwise;

(g) Pre-refunded municipal obligations defined as follows: Any bonds or other obligations of any state of the United States of America or of any agency, instrumentality or local governmental unit of any such state which are not callable at the option of the obligor prior to maturity or as to which irrevocable instructions have been given by the obligor to call on the date specified in the notice; and

(i) which are rated at the time of purchase, based on an irrevocable escrow account or fund (the "escrow"), in the highest rating category of Standard & Poor's Ratings Services or any successors thereto; or

(ii) which are fully secured as to interest and principal and redemption premiums, if any, by an escrow consisting only of cash or obligations described in paragraph (2) of the definition of Defeasance Securities, which escrow may be applied only to the payment of such interest and principal and redemption premiums, if any, on such bonds or other obligations on the maturity date or dates thereof or the specified redemption date or dates pursuant to such irrevocable instructions, as appropriate, and (ii) which escrow is sufficient, as verified by a nationally recognized independent certified public accountant, to pay principal of and interest and redemption premiums, if any, on the bonds or other obligations described in this paragraph on the maturity date or dates specified in the irrevocable instructions referred to above, as appropriate;

(h) Municipal obligations rated at the time of purchase "Aaa/AAA" or general obligations of States with a rating of "A2/A" or higher by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services; and

(i) The Local Agency Investment Fund (as that term is defined in section 16429.1 of the California Government Code, as such section may be amended or re-codified from time to time).

The value of the above investments shall be determined as follows:

(a) For the purpose of determining the amount in any fund, all Permitted Investments credited to such fund shall be valued at fair market value. The Trustee shall have no duty in connection with the determination of fair market value other than to follow: (i) its normal practices in the purchase, sale and determining the value of Permitted Investments; and (ii) the investment directions of the City. The Trustee may utilize and rely on computerized securities pricing services that may be available to it, including those available through its regular accounting system;

(b) As to certificates of deposit and bankers' acceptances, the face amount thereof; and

(c) As to any investment not specified above, the value thereof established by prior agreement among the City, the Trustee and, if applicable, the Bond Insurer.

"Principal Account" means the account by that name established in Section 4.02.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, firm, association, partnership, trust, or other legal entity or group of entities, including a governmental entity or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Principal Amount" means as to any Bond, the principal amount thereof.

"Principal Payment Date" means each April 1, commencing April 1, 2021.

"Rating Agencies" means S&P Global Ratings or, if S&P Global Ratings no longer maintains a rating on the Bonds, any other nationally recognized bond rating agency then maintaining a rating on the Bonds, but, in each instance, only so long as S&P Global Ratings or other nationally recognized rating agency then maintains a rating on the Bonds.

"Record Date" means the close of business on the 15th day of the month preceding any Interest Payment Date, whether or not such day is a Business Day.

"Refunding Fund" means the fund by that name established in Section 2.12(a).

"Representation Letter" means the Letter of Representations from the City and the Trustee to DTC, or any successor securities depository for the Bonds.

"Retirement Law" means the Public Employees' Retirement Law, commencing with section 20000 of the California Government Code, as amended.

"Serial Bonds" means Bonds for which no sinking fund payments are provided.

"Series" means all of the Bonds designated as being within a certain series, regardless of variations in maturity date, interest rate, redemption and other provisions, and any Bonds thereafter issued in transfer or exchange for such Bonds pursuant to this Trust Agreement.

"State" means the State of California.

"Surplus Account" means the account by that name established in Section 4.02.

"Supplemental Trust Agreement" means any trust agreement then in full force and effect which has been duly executed and delivered by the City and the Trustee amendatory hereof or supplemental hereto; but only if and to the extent that such Supplemental Trust Agreement is specifically authorized hereunder.

"System" means the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

"Term Bonds" means Bonds which are payable on or before their specified maturity dates from sinking fund payments established for that purpose and calculated to retire such Bonds on or before their specified maturity dates.

"Trust Agreement" means this Trust Agreement, dated as of [December] 1, 2020, between the City and the Trustee, as originally executed and as it may from time to time be amended or supplemented by all Supplemental Trust Agreements executed pursuant to the provisions hereof.

"Trustee" means U.S. Bank National Association, or any other association or corporation which may at any time be substituted in its place as provided in Section 6.01.

"2020 Bonds" means the City of Gardena (Los Angeles County, California) Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020.

"Underwriter" means, for the 2020 Bonds, _____, and for any Additional Bonds, the underwriter for such Additional Bonds.

"Written Request of the City" means an instrument in writing signed by any one of the Authorized Representatives of the City or such officer's designee, or by any other officer of the City duly authorized by the City Council of the City in writing to the Trustee for that purpose.

Section 1.02. Trust Agreement Constitutes Contract. In consideration of the acceptance of the Bonds by the Owners thereof, the Trust Agreement shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract among the City, the Trustee and the Owners from time to time of all Bonds authorized, executed, issued and delivered hereunder and then Outstanding to provide for the

payment of the interest on, principal of, and redemption premium (if any) on, all Bonds which may from time to time be authorized, executed, issued and delivered hereunder, subject to the agreements, conditions, covenants and provisions contained herein; and all agreements and covenants set forth herein to be performed by or on behalf of the City shall be for the equal and proportionate benefit, protection and security of all Owners of the Bonds without distinction, preference or priority as to security or otherwise of any Bonds over any other Bonds by reason of the number or date thereof or the time of authorization, sale, execution, issuance or delivery thereof or for any cause whatsoever, except as expressly provided herein or therein.

ARTICLE II

ISSUANCE OF 2020 BONDS; GENERAL BOND PROVISIONS

Section 2.01. Authorization and Purpose of Bonds. The City has reviewed all proceedings heretofore taken relative to the authorization of the Bonds and has found, as a result of such review, and hereby finds and determines that all acts, conditions and things required by law to exist, to have happened and to have been performed precedent to and in the issuance of the Bonds do exist, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the City is now duly authorized, pursuant to each and every requirement of the Act, to issue the Bonds in the form and manner and for the purpose provided herein and that the Bonds shall be entitled to the benefit, protection and security of the provisions hereof.

The obligations of the City under the Bonds, including the obligation to make all payments of interest and principal when due, are obligations of the City imposed by law and are absolute and unconditional, without any right of set-off or counterclaim. Neither the Bonds nor the obligation of the City to make payments on the Bonds constitute an indebtedness of the City, the State or any of its political subdivisions within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction.

Section 2.02. Terms of the 2020 Bonds; General Bond Provisions. The 2020 Bonds shall be designated "City of Gardena (Los Angeles County, California) Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020" and shall be in the aggregate principal amount of \$_____. The 2020 Bonds shall be dated the date of original delivery, shall be issued only in fully registered form in denominations of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or any integral multiple of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) (not exceeding the principal amount of 2020 Bonds maturing at any one time), and shall mature on the dates and in the principal amounts and bear interest at the rates as set forth in the following table:

Payment Date (April 1)	Principal Amount	Rate of Interest %
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The Bonds shall bear interest at the rates (based on a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) set forth above, payable on the Interest Payment Dates for the Bonds. The Bonds shall bear interest from the Interest Payment Date next preceding the date of authentication thereof, unless such date of authentication is an Interest Payment Date or during the period from the sixteenth day of the month preceding an Interest Payment Date to such Interest Payment Date, in which event they shall bear interest from such Interest Payment Date, or unless such date of authentication is prior to the first Record Date, in which event they shall bear interest from their dated date; provided, however, that if at the time of authentication of any Bond interest is then in default on the Outstanding Bonds, such Bond shall bear interest from the Interest Payment Date to which interest has previously been paid or made available for payment on the Outstanding Bonds. Payment of interest on the Bonds due on or before the maturity or prior redemption thereof shall be made to the person whose name appears in the 2020 Bonds registration books kept by the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.08 as the registered owner thereof as

of the close of business on the Record Date for an Interest Payment Date, whether or not such day is a Business Day, such interest to be paid by check mailed on the Interest Payment Date by first-class mail to such registered owner at the address as it appears in such books; provided, that upon the written request of an Owner of \$1,000,000 or more in aggregate principal amount of Bonds received by the Trustee prior to the applicable Record Date, interest shall be paid by wire transfer in immediately available funds. Any such written request shall remain in effect until rescinded in writing by the Owner.

The principal of the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee. Payment of the principal of the Bonds shall be made upon the surrender thereof at maturity or on redemption prior to maturity at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

Section 2.03. Redemption of 2020 Bonds.

(a) *Optional Redemption.* The 2020 Bonds maturing on or before April 1, 20__ shall not be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity. The 2020 Bonds maturing on or after April 1, 20__ shall be subject to redemption prior to their maturity date, at the option of the City, pro rata within a maturity on any date on or after April 1, 20__, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the 2020 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption, without premium. In the event of a redemption of the 2020 Bonds pursuant to this Section 2.03(a), the City shall provide the Trustee with a revised sinking fund schedule giving effect to the redemption so completed.

(b) *Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption.* The 2020 Term Bonds maturing on April 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption on the dates and in the amounts specified below, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, without premium. The principal amount of such term bonds to be so redeemed and the dates therefor shall be as follows:

Redemption Date (April 1)	Principal Amount

† Maturity Date

The 2020 Term Bonds maturing on April 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption on the dates and in the amounts specified below, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, without premium. The principal amount of such term bonds to be so redeemed and the dates therefor shall be as follows:

Redemption Date (April 1)	Principal Amount

† Maturity Date

(c) *Selection of Bonds for Redemption.* If less than all of the outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed prior to maturity, redemption payments will be made on a pro rata basis within a

maturity to each Owner in whose name such Bonds are registered at the close of business on the 15th day of the calendar month immediately preceding the redemption date.

So long as the Bonds are held in book-entry form, Bonds equal to \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof will be redeemed within a maturity on a pro rata pass-through distribution of principal basis in accordance with DTC procedures; and, if the DTC operational arrangements do not allow for redemption on a pro rata pass-through distribution of principal basis, the portions of the Bonds will be selected for redemption, in accordance with DTC procedures, by lot.

It is the City's intent that the redemption allocations described in this Trust Agreement with respect to the Bonds within a maturity be made on a pro rata pass-through distribution of principal basis. However, the City can provide no assurance that DTC, the Participants or any other intermediaries will allocate redemptions among Beneficial Owners on such basis.

"Pro rata" means, in connection with any optional redemption in part, with respect to the allocation of amounts to be redeemed, the application to such amounts of a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to the amount of the specific maturity of the Bonds held by an Owner of such Bonds, and the denominator of which is equal to the total amount of such maturity of Bonds, then Outstanding.

(d) *Notice of Redemption.* If the City elects to redeem Bonds as provided above, the City shall, at least 45 days (or such lesser number of days acceptable to the Trustee) prior to the redemption date, give written notice to the Trustee of its election to so redeem, the redemption date and the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed. Notice of redemption shall be mailed by first class mail or electronically transmitted by the Trustee, on behalf and at the expense of the City, not less than 20 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date to the respective Owners of Bonds designated for redemption at their addresses appearing on the bond registration books of the Trustee. The Trustee shall also provide such additional notice of redemption of Bonds at the time and as may be required by the MSRB. Each notice of redemption shall state the date of such notice, the Bonds to be redeemed, the Series and date of issue of such Bonds, the redemption date, the redemption price, the place or places of redemption (including the name and appropriate address or addresses), the CUSIP number (if any) of the maturity or maturities, and, if less than all of any such maturity are to be redeemed, the distinctive certificate numbers of the Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed and, in the case of Bonds to be redeemed in part only, the respective portions of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. Each notice of optional redemption shall also state that such optional redemption may be rescinded by the City and that, unless such redemption is so rescinded, and provided that on said date funds are available for payment in full of the Bonds then called for redemption, on said date there will become due and payable on each of such Bonds the redemption price thereof or of said specified portion of the principal amount thereof in the case of a Bond to be redeemed in part only, together with interest accrued thereon to the redemption date, and that from and after such redemption date interest thereon shall cease to accrue, and shall require that such Bonds be then surrendered at the address or addresses of the Trustee specified in the redemption notice.

Failure by the Trustee to give notice pursuant to this Section 2.03 to any one or more of the Information Services or Securities Depositories, or the insufficiency of any such notice shall not affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for redemption. The failure of any Owner to receive any redemption notice mailed to such Owner and any defect in the notice so mailed shall not affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for redemption.

The City shall have the right to rescind any optional redemption by providing the Trustee with written notice of such rescission at least two Business Day prior to the date fixed for redemption. Any notice of redemption shall be cancelled and annulled if for any reason funds are

not available on the date fixed for redemption for the payment in full of the Bonds then called for redemption, and such cancellation shall not constitute an Event of Default hereunder. The Trustee shall mail notice of such rescission of redemption in the same manner as the original notice of redemption was sent.

Section 2.04. Form of Bonds. The Bonds and the authentication endorsement and assignment to appear thereon shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A.

Section 2.05. Execution of Bonds. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute each of the Bonds on behalf of the City, and the Assistant City Clerk of the City is hereby authorized and directed to countersign each of the Bonds on behalf of the City. The signature of the Mayor and the City Clerk may be by printed or otherwise reproduced by facsimile reproduction. In case any officer whose signature appears on the Bonds shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the Bonds to the purchaser thereof, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if such officer had remained in office until such delivery of the Bonds.

Only those Bonds bearing thereon a certificate of authentication in the form provided for herein, executed manually or electronically transmitted and dated by the Trustee, shall be entitled to any benefit, protection or security hereunder or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, and such certificate of the Trustee shall be conclusive evidence that the Bonds so authenticated have been duly authorized, executed, issued and delivered hereunder and are entitled to the benefit, protection and security hereof.

Section 2.06. Transfer and Payment of Bonds. Any Bond may, in accordance with its terms, be transferred in the books required to be kept pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.08 by the person in whose name it is registered, in person or by his duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of such Bonds for cancellation at the Corporate Trustee Office of the Trustee, accompanied by delivery of a duly executed written instrument of transfer in a form acceptable to the Trustee. Whenever any Bond or Bonds shall be surrendered for transfer, the City shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the transferee a new Bond or Bonds of the same series and maturity for a like aggregate principal amount. The cost of printing Bonds and any services rendered or expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with any transfer shall be paid by the City. The Trustee shall require the payment by the Owner requesting such transfer of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such transfer as a condition precedent to the exercise of such privilege.

The City and the Trustee may deem and treat the registered owner of any Bond as the absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of receiving payment thereof and for all other purposes, whether such Bonds shall be overdue or not, and neither the City nor the Trustee shall be affected by any notice or knowledge to the contrary; and payment of the interest on, principal of, and redemption premium (if any) on, such Bonds shall be made only to such registered owner, which payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge liability on such Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

The Trustee shall not be required to register the transfer of or exchange any Bond which has been selected for redemption in whole or in part, from and after the day of mailing of a notice of redemption of such Bond selected for redemption in whole or in part as provided in Section 2.03.

Section 2.07. Book-Entry Bonds. Notwithstanding any provision of this Trust Agreement to the contrary, the transfer provisions of Section 2.06 hereof do not apply if the ownership of the Bonds is in book-entry form.

(a) Except as provided in subparagraph (d) of this Section 2.07, the registered Owner of all of the Bonds shall be DTC, and the Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Trust Agreement, payment of interest with respect to any Bond registered as of each Record Date in the name of Cede & Co. shall be made by wire transfer of same-day funds to the account of Cede & Co. on the Interest Payment Date for the Bonds at the address indicated on the Record Date or special record date for Cede & Co. in the Bond registration books required to be kept by the Trustee pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.09 hereof or as otherwise provided in the Representation Letter.

(b) The Bonds shall be initially executed and delivered in the form of separate single fully registered Bonds in the amount of each separate stated maturity of the Bonds. Upon initial execution and delivery, the ownership of such Bonds shall be registered in the Bond registration books required to be kept by the Trustee pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.09 hereof in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. The Trustee and the City shall treat DTC (or its nominee) as the sole and exclusive Owner of the Bonds registered in its name for the purposes of payment of the principal, premium, if any, or interest with respect to the Bonds, selecting the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, giving any notice permitted or required to be given to Owners under this Trust Agreement, registering the transfer of Bonds, obtaining any consent or other action to be taken by Owners and for all other purposes whatsoever, and neither the Trustee nor the City shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. Neither the Trustee nor the City shall have any responsibility or obligation to any person claiming a beneficial ownership interest in the Bonds under or through DTC, or any other person which is not shown on the Bond registration books required to be kept by the Trustee pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.09 hereof as being an Owner, with respect to (i) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC; (ii) the payment by DTC of any amount of the principal, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds; (iii) any notice which is permitted or required to be given to Owners under this Trust Agreement or the selection by DTC of any person to receive payment in the event of a partial redemption of the Bonds; or (iv) any consent given or other action taken by DTC as Owner. The Trustee shall pay all principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds only to DTC, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge the City's obligations with respect to the principal, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. Except under the conditions of (d) below, no person other than DTC shall receive an executed Bond representing the right to receive principal, premium, if any and interest pursuant to this Trust Agreement. Upon delivery by DTC to the Trustee of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede & Co., and subject to the provisions herein with respect to Record Dates, the term "Cede & Co." in this Trust Agreement shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

(c) To qualify the Bonds for DTC's book-entry system, the City and the Trustee (if required) will execute, countersign and deliver to DTC the Representation Letter. The execution and delivery of the Representation Letter shall not in any way limit the provisions of this Section 2.07 or in any other way impose upon the Trustee or the City any obligation whatsoever with respect to persons having interests in the Bonds other than the Owners, as shown on the Bond registration books required to be kept by the Trustee pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.08 hereof.

(d) If (i) DTC, including any successor as securities depository for the Bonds, determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds, or (ii) the City determines that the incumbent securities depository shall no longer so act and delivers a written certificate to the Trustee to that effect, then the City will discontinue the book-entry system with the incumbent securities depository for the Bonds. If the City determines to replace the incumbent securities depository for the Bonds with another qualified securities depository, the City shall prepare or

direct the preparation of a new single, separate fully registered Bond for the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Bonds of each maturity, registered in the name of such successor or substitute qualified securities depository, or its nominee, or make such other arrangement acceptable to the City, the Trustee and the successor securities depository for the Bonds as are not inconsistent with the terms of this Trust Agreement. If the City fails to identify another qualified successor securities depository for the Bonds to replace the incumbent securities depository, then the Bonds shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the Bond registration books required to be kept by the Trustee pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.08 hereof in the name of the incumbent securities depository or its nominee, but shall be registered in whatever name or names the incumbent securities depository for the Bonds, or its nominee, shall designate. In such event the City shall execute and deliver a sufficient quantity of Bonds as to carry out the transfers and exchanges provided in this Section 2.07 and Sections 2.06 and 2.10 hereof. All such Bonds shall be in fully registered form in denominations authorized by this Trust Agreement.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Trust Agreement to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of DTC, or its nominee, all payments with respect to the principal, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bonds shall be made and given, respectively, as provided in the Representation Letter.

(f) In connection with any notice or other communication to be provided to Owners pursuant to this Trust Agreement by the City or the Trustee with respect to any consent or other action to be taken by Owner, the City or the Trustee, as the case may be, shall establish a record date for such consent or other action and give DTC notice of such record date not less than 15 calendar days in advance of such record date to the extent possible.

Section 2.08. Exchange of Bonds. Bonds may be exchanged at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds of the same series and maturity of other Authorized Denominations. The cost of printing Bonds and any services rendered or expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with any exchange shall be paid by the City. The Trustee shall require the payment by the Owner requesting such exchange of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange as a condition precedent to the exercise of such privilege. The Trustee shall not be required to exchange any Bond which has been selected for redemption in whole or in part, from and after the day of mailing of a notice of redemption of such Bond selected for redemption in whole or in part as provided in Section 2.03.

Section 2.09. Bond Registration Books. The Trustee will keep at its Corporate Trust Office sufficient books for the registration and transfer of the Bonds which shall during normal business hours be open to inspection by the City, and upon presentation for such purpose the Trustee shall, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, register or transfer the Bonds in such books as hereinabove provided.

Section 2.10. Mutilated, Destroyed, Stolen or Lost Bonds. If any Bond shall become mutilated the Trustee at the expense of the Owner shall thereupon authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like tenor and amount in exchange and substitution for the Bond so mutilated, but only upon surrender to the Trustee of the Bond so mutilated. Every mutilated Bond so surrendered to the Trustee shall be cancelled. If any Bond shall be lost, destroyed or stolen, evidence of such loss, destruction or theft may be submitted to the Trustee and, if such evidence be satisfactory to the Trustee and indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee shall be given, the Trustee, at the expense of the Owner, shall thereupon authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like tenor in lieu of and in substitution for the Bond so lost, destroyed or stolen. The Trustee may require payment of a reasonable sum for each new Bond issued under this Section 2.10 and of the expenses which may be incurred by the City and the Trustee in the premises. Any Bond issued

under the provisions of this Section 2.10 in lieu of any Bond alleged to be lost, destroyed or stolen shall be equally and proportionately entitled to the benefits of this Trust Agreement with all other Bonds of the same series secured by this Trust Agreement. Neither the City nor the Trustee shall be required to treat both the original Bond and any replacement Bond as being Outstanding for the purpose of determining the principal amount of Bonds which may be issued hereunder or for the purpose of determining any percentage of Bonds Outstanding hereunder, but both the original and replacement Bond shall be treated as one and the same.

Section 2.11. Temporary Bonds. The Bonds issued under this Trust Agreement may be initially issued in temporary form exchangeable for definitive Bonds when ready for delivery. The temporary Bonds may be printed or typewritten, shall be of such denominations as may be determined by the City, shall be in fully registered form and may contain such reference to any of the provisions of this Trust Agreement as may be appropriate. Every temporary Bond shall be executed and authenticated as authorized by the City, in accordance with the terms of the Act. If the City issues temporary Bonds it will execute and furnish definitive Bonds without delay and thereupon the temporary Bonds may be surrendered, for cancellation, in exchange therefor at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, and the Trustee shall deliver in exchange for such temporary Bonds an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive Bonds of Authorized Denominations. Until so exchanged, the temporary Bonds shall be entitled to the same benefits under this Trust Agreement as definitive Bonds delivered hereunder.

Section 2.12. Procedure for the Issuance of 2020 Bonds; Application of Bond Proceeds. At any time after the sale of the 2020 Bonds in accordance with the Act, the City shall execute the 2020 Bonds for issuance hereunder and shall deliver them to the Trustee, and thereupon the 2020 Bonds shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee to the Underwriter of the 2020 Bonds upon the Certificate of the City. The proceeds of the purchase of the 2020 Bonds shall be applied to pay Costs of Issuance and the obligation of the City to the System pursuant to the Retirement Law, as set forth in the Certificate of the City.

(a) The Trustee shall deposit \$_____ of the proceeds of the 2020 Bonds in the Refunding Fund. On the Closing Date for the 2020 Bonds, the Trustee shall transfer all amounts in the Refunding Fund to the System pursuant to written instructions from an Authorized Representative.

(b) The Trustee shall deposit \$_____ of the proceeds of the 2020 Bonds in the Costs of Issuance Fund, which fund the City hereby agrees to maintain with the Trustee. All money in the Costs of Issuance Fund shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee to pay or reimburse the Costs of Issuance of the 2020 Bonds upon receipt of a Written Request of the City filed with the Trustee, each of which shall be sequentially numbered and shall state the person to whom payment is to be made, the amount to be paid, instructions for making the payment, the purpose for which the obligation was incurred and that such payment is a proper charge against said fund. Each such Written Request of the City shall be sufficient evidence to the Trustee of the facts stated therein and the Trustee shall have no duty to confirm the accuracy of such facts.

On the date which is three months following the Closing Date for the 2020 Bonds or upon the earlier Written Request of the City, any remaining balance in the Costs of Issuance Fund shall be transferred to the Interest Account.

Upon receipt of the purchase price of Additional Bonds, if any, the Trustee shall set aside and deposit the proceeds received from such sale as set forth in the Supplemental Trust Agreement authorizing such Additional Bonds, which proceeds may be deposited in the following respective accounts or funds:

(i) The Trustee shall deposit the amount, if any, set forth in the Supplemental Trust Agreement authorizing such Additional Bonds in the respective Refunding Fund. On the Closing Date for such Bonds, the Trustee shall promptly transfer all amounts in the respective Refunding Fund to the System or to refund Bonds, as set forth in the Supplemental Trust Agreement authorizing such Additional Bonds.

(ii) The Trustee shall deposit the amount, if any, set forth in the Supplemental Trust Agreement authorizing such Additional Bonds in the respective Costs of Issuance Fund, which fund the City hereby agrees to maintain with the Trustee. All money in the Costs of Issuance Fund shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee to pay or reimburse the respective Costs of Issuance of the Additional Bonds upon receipt of a Written Request of the City filed with the Trustee, each of which shall be sequentially numbered and shall state the person to whom payment is to be made, the amount to be paid, instructions for making the payment, the purpose for which the obligation was incurred and that such payment is a proper charge against said fund. Each such Written Request of the City shall be sufficient evidence to the Trustee of the facts stated therein and the Trustee shall have no duty to confirm the accuracy of such facts. On the date which is six months following the Closing Date for the Additional Bonds or upon the earlier Written Request of the City, any remaining balance in the respective Costs of Issuance Fund shall be transferred to the Interest Account.

Section 2.13. Validity of Bonds. The recital contained in the Bonds that the same are issued pursuant to the Act and pursuant hereto shall be conclusive evidence of their validity and of the regularity of their issuance, and all Bonds shall be incontestable from and after their issuance. The Bonds shall be deemed to be issued, within the meaning hereof, whenever the definitive Bonds (or any temporary Bonds exchangeable therefor) shall have been delivered to the purchaser thereof and the proceeds of sale thereof received.

ARTICLE III

ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL BONDS

Section 3.01. Conditions for the Issuance of Additional Bonds. The City may at any time issue Additional Bonds on a parity with the 2020 Bonds, but only subject to the following specific conditions, which are hereby made conditions precedent to the issuance of any such Additional Bonds:

(a) The City shall be in compliance with all agreements and covenants contained herein.

(b) The issuance of such Additional Bonds shall have been authorized pursuant to the Act and shall have been provided for by a Supplemental Trust Agreement which shall specify the following:

(i) The purpose for which such Additional Bonds are to be issued; provided, that such Additional Bonds shall be applied solely for (i) the purpose of satisfying any obligation to make payments to the System pursuant to the Retirement Law relating to pension benefits accruing to the System's members, and/or for payment of all costs incidental to or connected with the issuance of Additional Bonds for such purpose, and/or (ii) the purpose of refunding any Bonds then Outstanding, including payment of all costs incidental to or connected with such refunding;

(ii) The authorized principal amount and designation of such Additional Bonds;

(iii) The date and the maturity dates of and the sinking fund payment dates, if any, for such Additional Bonds;

(iv) The interest payment dates for such Additional Bonds;

(v) The denomination or denominations of and method of numbering such Additional Bonds;

(vi) The redemption premiums, if any, and the redemption terms, if any, for such Additional Bonds;

(vii) The amount, if any, to be deposited from the proceeds of sale of such Additional Bonds in the Interest Account hereinafter referred to; and

(viii) Such other provisions (including the requirements of a book-entry Bond registration system, if any) as are necessary or appropriate and not inconsistent herewith.

Section 3.02. Procedure for the Issuance of Additional Bonds. At any time after the sale of any Additional Bonds in accordance with the Act, the City shall execute such Additional Bonds for issuance hereunder and shall deliver them to the Trustee, and thereupon such Additional Bonds shall be delivered by the Trustee to the purchaser thereof upon the Written Request of the City, but only upon receipt by the Trustee of the following documents or money or securities, all of such documents dated or certified, as the case may be, as of the date of delivery of such Additional Bonds by the Trustee:

(a) An executed copy of the Supplemental Trust Agreement authorizing the issuance of such Additional Bonds;

(b) A Written Request of the City as to the delivery of such Additional Bonds;

(c) An Opinion of Counsel to the effect that (1) the City has executed and delivered the Supplemental Trust Agreement, and the Supplemental Trust Agreement is valid and binding upon the City and (2) such Additional Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the City;

(d) A Certificate of the City stating that all requirements of Article III have been complied with and containing any other such statements as may be reasonably necessary to show compliance with the conditions for the issuance of such Additional Bonds contained herein;

(e) Such further documents, money or securities as are required by the provisions of the Supplemental Trust Agreement providing for the issuance of such Additional Bonds.

ARTICLE IV

SECURITY FOR THE BONDS; FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

Section 4.01. Assignment and Pledge for the Bonds; Bond Fund; Deposits to Bond Fund.

(a) There is hereby created a special trust fund designated as the "Bond Fund" that shall be held and administered by the Trustee as provided in this Trust Agreement. The Bonds shall be payable by the City from any source of legally available funds. The City hereby irrevocably assigns and pledges to the Trustee, in trust for the security of the Owners on the terms hereof, all the City's rights, title and interest in and to all money and securities for deposit in, or deposited in, the Bond Fund and any investment earnings thereon, and any collateral security for, and all proceeds of, any of the foregoing.

(b) The Trustee shall hold all the rights, title and interest received under this Section 4.01 and all money and securities (exclusive of money to which the Trustee is entitled in its own right as fees, indemnity, reimbursement or otherwise) received from the City or derived from the exercise of the City's powers hereunder in trust for the security of the Owners in accordance with the provisions hereof. The City shall from time to time execute, deliver, file and record such instruments as the Trustee may reasonably require to confirm, perfect or maintain the security created hereby and the assignment and pledge hereby of the rights, title and interest assigned and pledged by the City to the Trustee hereunder.

(c) The City shall promptly deposit or cause to be deposited with the Trustee for deposit in the Bond Fund (i) on or before March 25 of each Fiscal Year (or such other date as provided in a Supplemental Trust Agreement) the amount which, together with moneys transferred pursuant to Section 4.02(c) hereof, is sufficient to pay the principal and interest coming due on the April 1 Interest Payment Date; and (ii) on or before September 25 of each Fiscal Year (or such other date as provided in a Supplemental Trust Agreement) the amount which is sufficient to pay the interest coming due on the October Interest Payment Date.

Section 4.02. Allocation of Moneys in Bond Fund. On or before each Interest Payment Date or date fixed for redemption of Bonds, the Trustee shall transfer from the Bond Fund, in immediately available funds, for deposit into the following respective accounts (each of which is hereby created and which the Trustee shall maintain in trust separate and distinct from the other funds and accounts established hereunder), the following amounts in the following order of priority, the requirements of each such account (including the making up of any deficiencies in any such account resulting from lack of funds sufficient to make any earlier required deposit) at the time of deposit to be satisfied before any deposit is made to any account subsequent in priority:

(a) *Interest Account.* On each Interest Payment Date, the Trustee shall set aside from the Bond Fund and deposit in the Interest Account that amount of money which is equal to the amount of interest becoming due and payable on all Outstanding Bonds on such Interest Payment Date. No deposit need be made in the Interest Account if the amount contained therein is at least equal to the aggregate amount of interest becoming due and payable on all Outstanding Bonds on such Interest Payment Date. All money in the Interest Account shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee solely for the purpose of paying the interest on the Bonds as it shall become due and payable (including accrued interest on any Bonds purchased or redeemed prior to maturity).

(b) *Principal Account.* On or before each Principal Payment Date, the Trustee shall set aside from the Bond Fund and deposit in the Principal Account an amount of money equal to the amount of all sinking fund payments required to be made on such Principal Payment Date into

the respective sinking fund accounts for all Outstanding Term Bonds and the principal amount of all Outstanding Serial Bonds maturing on such Principal Payment Date.

All money in each of such accounts shall be held in trust by the Trustee and shall be applied, used and withdrawn only for the purposes hereinafter authorized in this Section 4.02.

No deposit need be made in the Principal Account if the amount contained therein is at least equal to the aggregate amount of the principal of all Outstanding Serial Bonds maturing by their terms on such Principal Payment Date plus the aggregate amount of all sinking fund payments required to be made on such Principal Payment Date for all Outstanding Term Bonds.

The Trustee shall establish and maintain within the Principal Account a separate subaccount for the Term Bonds of each series and maturity, designated as the "Sinking Account" (the "Sinking Account"), inserting therein the series and maturity (if more than one such account is established for such series) designation of such Bonds. With respect to each Sinking Account, on each mandatory sinking account payment date established for such Sinking Account, the Trustee shall apply the mandatory sinking account payment required on that date to the redemption (or payment at maturity, as the case may be) of Term Bonds of the series and maturity for which such Sinking Account was established, upon the notice and in the manner provided in Article II; provided that, at any time prior to giving such notice of such redemption, the Trustee may upon the Written Request of the City, apply moneys in such Sinking Account to the purchase for cancellation of Term Bonds of such series and maturity at public or private sale, as and when and at such prices (including brokerage and other charges, but excluding accrued interest, which is payable from the Interest Account), as may be directed by the City, except that the purchase price (excluding accrued interest) shall not exceed the redemption price that would be payable for such Bonds upon redemption by application of such Mandatory Sinking Account Payment. If, during the twelve-month period immediately preceding such mandatory sinking account payment date, the Trustee has purchased Term Bonds of such series and maturity with moneys in such Sinking Account, such Bonds so purchased shall be applied, to the extent of the full principal amount thereof, as applicable, to reduce such mandatory sinking account payment.

All money in the Principal Account shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee solely for the purpose of paying the principal of the Bonds, as applicable, as they shall become due and payable, whether at maturity or redemption, except that any money in any sinking fund account shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee only to purchase or to redeem or to pay Term Bonds for which such Sinking Account was created.

(c) *Surplus Account.* On the Business Day following each April 1 Interest Payment Date, or on such other date as provided in a Supplemental Trust Agreement, any moneys remaining in the Bond Fund shall be deposited by the Trustee in the Surplus Account. So long as no event of default has occurred and is continuing, moneys deposited in the Surplus Account shall be transferred by the Trustee to or upon the order of the City, as specified in a Written Request of the City.

Section 4.03. Deposit and Investments of Money in Accounts and Funds. All money held by the Trustee in any of the accounts or funds established pursuant hereto shall be invested in Permitted Investments at the Written Request of the City. If no Written Request of the City is received, the Trustee shall hold such funds uninvested. Such investments shall, as nearly as practicable, mature on or before the dates on which such money is anticipated to be needed for disbursement hereunder. All interest, profits and other income received from any money so invested shall be deposited in the Bond Fund. The Trustee shall have no liability or responsibility for any loss resulting from any investment made or sold in accordance with the provisions of this Article IV, except for any loss due to the negligence or willful misconduct of the Trustee. The

Trustee may act as principal or agent in the acquisition or disposition of any investment and may impose its customary charge therefor.

The City acknowledges that to the extent regulations of the Comptroller of the Currency or other applicable regulatory entity grant the City the right to receive brokerage confirmations of security transactions as they occur, the City agrees it will not receive such confirmations from the Trustee to the extent permitted by law. The Trustee will furnish the City periodic cash transaction statements which shall include detail for all investment transactions made by the Trustee hereunder.

ARTICLE V

COVENANTS OF THE CITY

Section 5.01. Punctual Payment and Performance. The City will punctually pay the interest on and the principal of and redemption premiums, if any, to become due on every Bond issued hereunder in strict conformity with the terms hereof and of the Bonds, and will faithfully observe and perform all the agreements and covenants to be observed or performed by the City contained herein and in the Bonds.

Section 5.02. Extension of Payment of Bonds. The City shall not directly or indirectly extend or assent to the extension of the maturity of any of the Bonds or the time of payment of any claims for interest by the purchase of such Bonds or by any other arrangement, and in case the maturity of any of the Bonds or the time of payment of any such claims for interest shall be extended, such Bonds or claims for interest shall not be entitled, in case of any default hereunder, to the benefits of this Trust Agreement, except subject to the prior payment in full of the principal of all of the Bonds then Outstanding and of all claims for interest thereon which shall not have been so extended. Nothing in this Section 5.02 shall be deemed to limit the right of the City to issue Bonds for the purpose of refunding any Outstanding Bonds, and such issuance shall not be deemed to constitute an extension of maturity of the Bonds.

Section 5.03. Additional Debt. The City expressly reserves the right to enter into one or more other agreements or indentures for any of its purposes and reserves the right to issue other obligations for such purposes.

Section 5.04. Power to Issue Bonds. The City is duly authorized pursuant to law to issue the Bonds and to enter into this Trust Agreement. The Bonds and the provisions of this Trust Agreement are the legal, valid and binding obligations of the City in accordance with their terms. The Bonds and any Additional Bonds shall constitute obligations imposed by law.

Section 5.05. Accounting Records and Reports. The City will keep or cause to be kept proper books of record and accounts in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the receipts, disbursements, allocation and application of moneys on deposit in the funds and accounts established hereunder.

Section 5.06. Prosecution and Defense of Suits. The City will defend against every suit, action or proceeding at any time brought against the Trustee upon any claim to the extent involving the failure of the City to fulfill its obligations hereunder; provided that the Trustee or any affected Owner at its election may appear in and defend any such suit, action or proceeding. The City, to the extent permitted by law, will indemnify and hold harmless the Trustee against any and all liability claimed or asserted by any person to the extent arising out of such failure by the City, and will indemnify and hold harmless the Trustee against any attorney's fees or other expenses which it may incur in connection with any litigation to which it may become a party by reason of its actions hereunder, except for any loss, cost, damage or expense resulting from the negligence, willful misconduct or breach of duty by the Trustee. Notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof, this covenant shall remain in full force and effect even though all Bonds secured hereby may have been fully paid and satisfied.

Section 5.07. Further Assurances. Whenever and so often as reasonably requested to do so by the Trustee or any Owner, the City will promptly execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered all such other and further assurances, documents or instruments, and promptly do or cause to be done all such other and further things as may be necessary or reasonably required in order to further and more fully vest in the Owners all rights, interests,

powers, benefits, privileges and advantages conferred or intended to be conferred upon them hereby.

Section 5.08. Waiver of Laws. The City shall not at any time insist upon or plead in any manner whatsoever, or claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law now or at any time hereafter in force that may affect the covenants and agreements contained in this Trust Agreement or in the Bonds, and all benefit or advantage of any such law or laws is hereby expressly waived by the City to the extent permitted by law.

Section 5.09. Compliance with Continuing Disclosure Certificate. The City has undertaken responsibility for compliance with continuing disclosure requirements with respect to S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Trust Agreement, failure of the City to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate shall not be considered an Event of Default; however, the Trustee may (and, at the request of any Participating Underwriter (as defined in the Continuing Disclosure Certificate) or the Owners of at least 25% aggregate principal amount in Outstanding Bonds, and upon receipt of indemnification satisfactory to it, shall) or any Owner or Beneficial Owner may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the City to comply with its obligations under this Section 5.09.

ARTICLE VI

THE TRUSTEE

Section 6.01. The Trustee. U.S. Bank National Association, shall serve as the Trustee for the Bonds for the purpose of receiving all money which the City is required to deposit with the Trustee hereunder and for the purpose of allocating, applying and using such money as provided herein and for the purpose of paying the interest on and principal of and redemption premiums, if any, on the Bonds presented for payment at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee with the rights and obligations provided herein. The City agrees that it will at all times maintain a Trustee having a corporate trust office in the State.

The City may at any time, unless there exists any event of default as defined in Section 8.01, with 30 days prior notice remove the Trustee initially appointed and any successor thereto and may appoint a successor or successors thereto by an instrument in writing; provided that any such successor shall be a bank, trust company or national banking association doing business and having a corporate trust office in Los Angeles or San Francisco, California, having a combined capital (exclusive of borrowed capital) and surplus of at least seventy-five million dollars (\$75,000,000) and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority. If such bank, national banking association or trust company publishes a report of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of any supervising or examining authority above referred to, then for the purpose of this section the combined capital and surplus of such bank, national banking association or trust company shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. The Trustee may at any time resign by giving written notice of such resignation to the City and by mailing to the Owners notice of such resignation. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the City shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee by an instrument in writing. Any removal or resignation of a Trustee and appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective only upon the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee. If, within thirty (30) days after notice of the removal or resignation of the Trustee no successor Trustee shall have been appointed and shall have accepted such appointment, the removed or resigning Trustee may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee, which court may thereupon, after such notice, if any, as it may deem proper and prescribe and as may be required by law, appoint a successor Trustee having the qualifications required hereby.

The Trustee is hereby authorized to pay or redeem the Bonds when duly presented for payment at maturity or on redemption prior to maturity. The Trustee shall cancel all Bonds upon payment thereof or upon the surrender thereof by the City and shall destroy such Bonds and a certificate of destruction shall be delivered to the City. The Trustee shall keep accurate records of all Bonds paid and discharged and cancelled by it.

The Trustee shall, prior to an event of default, and after the curing or waiver of all events of default that may have occurred, perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Trust Agreement and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Trust Agreement. The Trustee shall, during the existence of any event of default (that has not been cured or waived), exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Trust Agreement, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs.

Section 6.02. Liability of Trustee. The recitals of facts, agreements and covenants herein and in the Bonds shall be taken as recitals of facts, agreements and covenants of the City, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for the correctness of the same or makes any representation as to the sufficiency or validity hereof or of the Bonds, or shall incur any responsibility in respect

thereof other than in connection with the rights or obligations assigned to or imposed upon it herein, in the Bonds or in law or equity. The Trustee shall not be bound to recognize any person as the Owner of a Bond unless and until such Bond is submitted for inspection, if required, and such Owner's title thereto satisfactorily established, if disputed.

The Trustee shall not be liable in connection with the performance of its duties hereunder except for its own negligence or willful misconduct. The Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a responsible officer, unless it shall be proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts.

The Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Owners of not less than a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Bonds at the time Outstanding, relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee under this Trust Agreement.

The Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Trust Agreement at the request, order or direction of any of the Owners pursuant to the provisions of this Trust Agreement unless such Owners shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities that may be incurred therein or thereby. The Trustee has no obligation or liability to the Owners for the payment of interest on, principal of or redemption premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds from its own funds; but rather the Trustee's obligations shall be limited to the performance of its duties hereunder.

The Trustee shall not be bound to ascertain or inquire as to the performance or observance of any of the terms, conditions, covenants or agreements herein or of any of the documents executed in connection with the Bonds, or as to the existence of a default or event of default thereunder. The Trustee shall not be responsible for the validity or effectiveness of any collateral given to or held by it.

The Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through attorneys-in-fact, agents or receivers, shall not be answerable for the negligence or misconduct or any such attorney-in-fact, agent or receiver appointed by it in accordance with the standards specified above. The Trustee shall be entitled to advice of counsel and other professionals concerning all matters of trust and its duty hereunder, but the Trustee shall not be answerable for the professional malpractice of any attorney or certified public accountant in connection with the rendering of his professional advice in accordance with the terms of this Trust Agreement, if such attorney or certified public accountant was selected by the Trustee with due care.

Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Trust Agreement, or related documents relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this Article.

The Trustee shall be protected in acting upon any notice, resolution, requisition, request (including any Written Request of the City), consent, order, certificate, report, opinion, bond or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties. The Trustee may consult with counsel, who may be counsel of or to the City, with regard to legal questions, and the opinion of such counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or suffered by it hereunder in good faith and in accordance therewith.

Whenever in the administration of its rights and obligations hereunder the Trustee shall deem it necessary or desirable that a matter be established or proved prior to taking or suffering any action hereunder, such matter (unless other evidence in respect thereof be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on the part of the Trustee, be deemed to be conclusively proved and established by a Certificate of the City, which certificate shall be full warrant to the Trustee for any action taken or suffered under the provisions hereof upon the faith thereof, but in its discretion the Trustee may in lieu thereof accept other evidence of such matter or may require such additional evidence as it may deem reasonable.

No provision of this Trust Agreement shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance or exercise of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of its rights or powers. The Trustee shall have no responsibility, opinion, or liability with respect to any information, statement or recital in any offering memorandum or other disclosure material prepared or distributed with respect to the issuance of the Bonds. All immunities, indemnifications and releases from liability granted herein to the Trustee shall extend to the directors, employees, officers and agents thereof. The Trustee shall not be deemed to have knowledge of any Event of Default unless and until it shall have actual knowledge thereof by receipt of written notice thereof at its Corporate Trust Office.

Any company into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated or any company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which it shall be a party or any company to which the Trustee may sell or transfer all or substantially all of its corporate trust business, provided that such company shall meet the requirements set forth in Section 6.01, shall be the successor to the Trustee hereunder and vested with all of the title to the trust estate and all of the trusts, powers, discretions, immunities, privileges and all other matters as was its predecessor hereunder, without the execution or filing of any paper or further act, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 6.03. Compensation and Indemnification of Trustee. The City covenants to pay to the Trustee from time to time, and the Trustee shall be entitled to, reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it in the exercise and performance of any of the powers and duties hereunder of the Trustee, and the City will pay or reimburse the Trustee upon its request for all expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Trustee in accordance with any of the provisions of this Trust Agreement (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its counsel and of all persons not regularly in its employ) except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may arise from its negligence or willful misconduct, including the negligence or willful misconduct of any of its officers, directors, agents or employees.

The City, to the extent permitted by law, shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Trustee against any loss, damages, liability or expense including legal fees and expenses incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on the part of the Trustee, (i) arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of the trusts created hereby or the exercise or performance of any of its powers or duties hereunder, and (ii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading in any official statement or other offering circular utilized in connection with the sale of the Bonds, including costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending itself against any claim or liability in connection with the exercise or performance of any of its powers hereunder. The rights of the Trustee and the obligations of the City under this Section 6.03 shall survive the discharge of the Bonds and this Trust Agreement and the resignation or removal of the Trustee.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENT OF THE TRUST AGREEMENT; SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST AGREEMENT

Section 7.01. Amendment of the Trust Agreement.

(a) This Trust Agreement and the rights and obligations of the City and of the Owners may be amended at any time by a Supplemental Trust Agreement which shall become binding when the written consents of the Owners of a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Bonds then Outstanding, exclusive of Bonds disqualified as provided in Section 7.02, are filed with the Trustee. No such amendment shall (1) extend the maturity of or reduce the interest rate on or amount of interest on or principal of or redemption premium, if any, or extend the time of payment on any Bond without the express written consent of the Owner of such Bond, or (2) reduce the percentage of Bonds required for the written consent to any such amendment.

(b) This Trust Agreement and the rights and obligations of the City and of the Owners may also be amended at any time by a Supplemental Trust Agreement which shall become binding upon adoption without the consent of, or notice to, any of the Owners for any one or more of the following purposes:

(i) to add to the agreements and covenants required herein to be performed by the City other agreements and covenants thereafter to be performed by the City, to pledge or assign additional security for the Bonds (or any portion thereof), or to surrender any right or power reserved herein to or conferred herein on the City;

(ii) to make such provisions for the purpose of curing any ambiguity or of correcting, curing or supplementing any defective provision contained herein and in any Supplemental Trust Agreement or in regard to questions arising hereunder which the City may deem desirable or necessary and not inconsistent herewith;

(iii) to provide for the issuance of any Additional Bonds and to provide the terms of such Additional Bonds, subject to the conditions and upon compliance with the procedure set forth in Article III (which shall be deemed not to adversely affect Owners);

(iv) to modify, amend or add to the provisions herein or in any Supplemental Trust Agreement to permit the qualification thereof under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or any similar federal statutes hereafter in effect, and to add such other terms, conditions and provisions as may be permitted by such statute or similar statute; or

(v) to modify, amend or supplement this Trust Agreement and any Supplemental Trust Agreement in any manner that does not materially adversely affect the interest of Owners of Bonds.

Section 7.02. Disqualified Bonds. Bonds owned or held by or for the account of the City shall not be deemed Outstanding for the purpose of any consent or other action or any calculation of Outstanding Bonds provided in this article and shall not be entitled to consent to or take any other action provided in this article. Upon request of the Trustee, the City shall specify in a certificate to the Trustee those Bonds disqualified pursuant to this Section 7.02 and the Trustee may conclusively rely on such certificate.

Section 7.03. Endorsement or Replacement of Bonds After Amendment. After the effective date of any action taken as hereinabove provided, the City may determine that the Bonds

may bear a notation by endorsement in form approved by the City as to such action, and in that case upon demand of the Owner of any Outstanding Bonds and presentation of his Bond for such purpose at the office of the Trustee a suitable notation as to such action shall be made on such Bond. If the City shall so determine, new Bonds so modified as, in the opinion of the City, shall be necessary to conform to such action shall be prepared and executed, and in that case upon demand of the Owner of any Outstanding Bond a new Bond or Bonds shall be exchanged at the office of the Trustee without cost to each Owner for its Bond or Bonds then Outstanding upon surrender of such Outstanding Bonds.

Section 7.04. Amendment by Mutual Consent. The provisions of this article shall not prevent any Owner from accepting any amendment as to the particular Bonds held by him, provided that due notation thereof is made on such Bonds.

Section 7.05. Attorney's Opinion Regarding Supplemental Agreements. The Trustee shall be provided an Opinion of Counsel that any amendments or supplements to the Trust Agreement comply with the provisions of this Article VII and the Trustee may conclusively rely upon such opinion.

ARTICLE VIII

EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES OF HOLDERS

Section 8.01. Events of Default. If one or more of the following events (herein called "events of default") shall happen, that is to say:

(a) if default shall be made by the City in the due and punctual payment of the interest on any Bond when and as the same shall become due and payable;

(b) if default shall be made by the City in the due and punctual payment of the principal of or redemption premium, if any, on any Bond when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at maturity as therein expressed or by proceedings for redemption;

(c) if default shall be made by the City in the performance of any of the agreements or covenants required herein to be performed by the City, and such default shall have continued for a period of 60 days after the City shall have been given notice in writing of such default by the Trustee or the Owners of not less than 25% in Aggregate Principal Amount of the Bonds at the time Outstanding, specifying such default and requiring the same to be remedied, provided, however, if the default stated in the notice can be corrected, but not within the applicable period, the Trustee and such Owners shall not unreasonably withhold their consent to an extension of such time if corrective action is instituted by the City within the applicable period and diligently pursued until the default is corrected; or

(d) if the City shall file a petition or answer seeking arrangement or reorganization under the federal bankruptcy laws or any other applicable law of the United States of America or any state therein, or if a court of competent jurisdiction shall approve a petition filed with or without the consent of the City seeking arrangement or reorganization under the federal bankruptcy laws or any other applicable law of the United States of America or any state therein, or if under the provisions of any other law for the relief or aid of debtors any court of competent jurisdiction shall assume custody or control of the City or of the whole or any substantial part of its property.

Section 8.02. Remedies Upon an Event of Default. Upon the occurrence and continuance of any event of default, the Trustee may, and upon the written request of Owners of not less than 51% of the Aggregate Principal Amount of Bonds then Outstanding, and upon being indemnified to its satisfaction, shall:

(a) by mandamus, suit, action or proceeding, compel the City and its members, officers, agents or employees to perform each and every term, provision and covenant contained in this Trust Agreement and the Bonds, and may require the carrying out of any or all such covenants and agreements of the City and the fulfillment of all duties imposed upon it by this Trust Agreement and by the Retirement Law.

(b) bring suit upon the defaulted Bonds.

(c) by suit, action or proceeding in equity, enjoin any acts or things which are unlawful, or the violation of any of the Owners' rights.

(d) by suit, action or proceeding in any court of competent jurisdiction, require the City and its members and employees to account as if it and they were the trustees of an express trust.

Section 8.03. Application of Revenues and Other Funds After Default. If an event of default shall occur and be continuing, all amounts then held or thereafter received by the Trustee

under any of the provisions of this Trust Agreement shall be applied by the Trustee as follows and in the following order:

(a) To the payment of any fees and expenses necessary in the opinion of the Trustee to protect the interests of the Owners of the Bonds and to the payment of the reasonable charges and expenses of the Trustee (including reasonable fees and disbursements of its counsel, agents and advisors) incurred in and about the performance of its powers and duties under this Trust Agreement;

(b) To the payment of the principal and interest then due with respect to the Bonds (upon presentation of the Bonds to be paid, and stamping thereon of the payment if only partially paid, or surrender thereof if fully paid) subject to the provisions of this Trust Agreement, as follows:

First: To the payment to the Persons entitled thereto of all installments of interest then due in the order of the maturity of such installments, and, if the amount available shall not be sufficient to pay in full any installment or installments maturing on the same date, then to the payment thereof ratably, according to the amounts due thereon, to the Persons entitled thereto, without any discrimination or preference; and

Second: To the payment to the Persons entitled thereto of the unpaid principal of any Bonds which shall have become due, whether at maturity or by call for redemption, with interest on the overdue principal at the rate borne by the respective Bonds on the date of maturity or redemption and, if the amount available shall not be sufficient to pay in full all the Bonds, together with such interest, then to the payment thereof ratably, according to the amounts of principal due on such date to the Persons entitled thereto, without any discrimination or preference.

Section 8.04. Non-Waiver. Nothing in this Article or in any other provision hereof or in the Bonds shall affect or impair the obligation of the City, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the interest on and principal of and redemption premiums, if any, on the Bonds to the respective Owners of the Bonds at the respective dates of maturity or upon prior redemption as provided herein, or shall affect or impair the right of such Owners, which is also absolute and unconditional, to institute suit to enforce such payment by virtue of the contract embodied herein and in the Bonds. A waiver of any default or breach of duty or contract by the Trustee or any Owner shall not affect any subsequent default or breach of duty or contract or impair any rights or remedies on any such subsequent default or breach of duty or contract. No delay or omission by the Trustee or any Owner to exercise any right or remedy accruing upon any default or breach of duty or contract shall impair any such right or remedy or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or breach of duty or contract or an acquiescence therein, and every right or remedy conferred upon the Owners by the Act or by this Article may be enforced and exercised from time to time and as often as shall be deemed expedient by the Trustee or the Owners.

If any action, proceeding or suit to enforce any right or exercise any remedy is abandoned, the City, the Trustee and any Owner shall be restored to their former positions, rights and remedies as if such action, proceeding or suit had not been brought or taken.

Section 8.05. Actions by Trustee as Attorney-in-Fact. Any action, proceeding or suit which any Owner shall have the right to bring to enforce any right or remedy hereunder may be brought by the Trustee for the equal benefit and protection of all Owners, whether or not the Trustee is an Owner, and the Trustee is hereby appointed (and the successive Owners, by taking and holding the Bonds issued hereunder, shall be conclusively deemed to have so appointed it) the true and lawful attorney-in-fact of the Owners for the purpose of bringing any such action, proceeding or suit and for the purpose of doing and performing any and all acts and things for

and on behalf of the Owners as a class or classes as may be advisable or necessary in the opinion of the Trustee as such attorney-in-fact.

Section 8.06. Remedies Not Exclusive. No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Owners is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise and may be exercised without exhausting and without regard to any other remedy conferred by the Act or any other law.

Section 8.07. Limitation on Owners' Right to Sue. No Owner of any Bond issued hereunder shall have the right to institute any suit, action or proceeding at law or equity, for any remedy under or upon this Trust Agreement, unless (a) such Owner shall have previously given to the Trustee written notice of the occurrence of an event of default as defined in Section 8.01 hereunder; (b) the Owners of at least a majority in Aggregate Principal Amount of all the Bonds then Outstanding shall have made written request upon the Trustee to exercise the powers hereinbefore granted or to institute such suit, action or proceeding in its own name; (c) said Owners shall have tendered to the Trustee reasonable security or indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with such request; and (d) the Trustee shall have refused or omitted to comply with such request for a period of sixty (60) days after such request shall have been received by, and said tender of indemnity shall have been made to, the Trustee. Such notification, request, tender of indemnity and refusal or omission are hereby declared, in every case, to be conditions precedent to the exercise by any owner of Bonds of any remedy hereunder; it being understood and intended that no one or more owners of Bonds shall have any right in any manner whatever by his or their action to enforce any right under this Trust Agreement, except in the manner herein provided, and that all proceedings at law or in equity to enforce any provision of the Trust Agreement shall be instituted, had and maintained in the manner herein provided and for the equal benefit of all Owners of the Outstanding Bonds.

Section 8.08. Absolute Obligation of City. Nothing in this Section 8.08 or in any other provision of this Trust Agreement or in the Bonds contained shall affect or impair the obligation of the City, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of, premium, if any and interest on the Bonds to the respective Owners of the Bonds at their respective due dates as herein provided.

ARTICLE IX

DEFEASANCE

Section 9.01. Discharge of Bonds.

(a) If the City shall pay or cause to be paid or there shall otherwise be paid to the Owners of all Outstanding Bonds the interest thereon and the principal thereof and the redemption premiums, if any, thereon at the times and in the manner stipulated herein and therein, and shall pay or provide for the payment of all fees and expenses of the Trustee, then all agreements, covenants and other obligations of the City to the Owners of such Bonds hereunder shall thereupon cease, terminate and become void and be discharged and satisfied. In such event, the Trustee shall execute and deliver to the City all such instruments as may be necessary or desirable to evidence such discharge and satisfaction, the Trustee shall pay over or deliver to the City all money or securities held by it pursuant hereto which are not required for the payment of the interest on, principal of, and redemption premium (if any) on, such Bonds.

(b) Any Outstanding Bonds shall prior to the maturity date or redemption date thereof be deemed to have been paid within the meaning of and with the effect expressed in subsection (a) of this section if (1) in case any of such Bonds are to be redeemed on any date prior to their maturity date, the City shall have given to the Trustee in form satisfactory to it irrevocable instructions to provide notice in accordance with Section 2.03, (2) there shall have been deposited with the Trustee either (A) money in an amount which shall be sufficient or (B) Defeasance Securities which are not subject to redemption prior to maturity (including any such Defeasance Securities issued or held in book-entry form on the books of the City or the Treasury of the United States of America), the interest on and principal of which when paid will provide money which, together with the money, if any, deposited with the Trustee at the same time, shall be sufficient, in the opinion of an Independent Certified Public Accountant, to pay when due the interest to become due on such Bonds on and prior to the maturity date or redemption date thereof, as the case may be, and the principal of and redemption premiums, if any, on such Bonds, and (3) in the event such Bonds are not by their terms subject to redemption within the next succeeding 60 days, the City shall have given the Trustee in form satisfactory to it irrevocable instructions to mail as soon as practicable, a notice to the Owners of such Bonds that the deposit required by clause (2) above has been made with the Trustee and that such Bonds are deemed to have been paid in accordance with this section and stating the maturity date or redemption date upon which money is to be available for the payment of the principal of and redemption premiums, if any, on such Bonds.

Section 9.02. Unclaimed Money. Anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding, any money held by the Trustee in trust for the payment and discharge of any of the Bonds or interest thereon which remains unclaimed for two (2) years after the date when such Bonds or interest thereon have become due and payable, either at their stated maturity dates or by call for redemption prior to maturity, if such money was held by the Trustee at such date, or for two (2) years after the date of deposit of such money if deposited with the Trustee after the date when such Bonds have become due and payable, shall be repaid by the Trustee to the City as its absolute property free from trust, and the Trustee shall thereupon be released and discharged with respect thereto and the Owners shall not look to the Trustee for the payment of such Bonds.

ARTICLE X
MISCELLANEOUS

Section 10.01. Benefits of the Trust Agreement Limited to Parties. Nothing contained herein, expressed or implied, is intended to give to any person other than the City, the Trustee and the Owners any right, remedy or claim under or by reason hereof. Any agreement or covenant required herein to be performed by or on behalf of the City or any member, officer or employee thereof shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Trustee and the Owners.

Section 10.02. Successor Is Deemed Included in All References to Predecessor. Whenever herein either the City or any member, officer or employee thereof or the Trustee is named or referred to, such reference shall be deemed to include the successor or assigns thereof, and all agreements and covenants required hereby to be performed by or on behalf of the City or the Trustee, or any member, officer or employee thereof, shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective successors thereof whether so expressed or not.

Section 10.03. Execution of Documents by Owners. Any declaration, request or other instrument which is permitted or required herein to be executed by Owners may be in one or more instruments of similar tenor and may be executed by Owners in person or by their attorneys appointed in writing. The fact and date of the execution by any Owner or his attorney of any declaration, request or other instrument or of any writing appointing such attorney may be proved by the certificate of any notary public or other officer authorized to make acknowledgments of deeds to be recorded in the state or territory in which he purports to act that the person signing such declaration, request or other instrument or writing acknowledged to him the execution thereof, or by an affidavit of a witness of such execution duly sworn to before such notary public or other officer. The ownership of any Bonds and the amount, maturity, number and date of holding the same may be proved by the registration books relating to the Bonds at the office of the Trustee.

Any declaration, request, consent or other instrument or writing of the Owner of any Bond shall bind all future Owners of such Bond with respect to anything done or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the City in good faith and in accordance therewith.

Section 10.04. Waiver of Personal Liability. No member, officer or employee of the City shall be individually or personally liable for the payment of the interest on or principal of or redemption premiums, if any, on the Bonds by reason of their issuance, but nothing herein contained shall relieve any such member, officer or employee from the performance of any official duty provided by the Act or any other applicable provisions of law or hereby.

Section 10.05. Acquisition of Bonds by City. All Bonds acquired by the City, whether by purchase or gift or otherwise, shall be surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation.

Section 10.06. Destruction of Cancelled Bonds. Whenever provision is made for the return to the City of any Bonds which have been cancelled pursuant to the provisions hereof, the Trustee shall destroy such Bonds and furnish to the City a certificate of such destruction.

Section 10.07. Content of Certificates. Every Certificate of the City with respect to compliance with any agreement, condition, covenant or provision provided herein shall include (a) a statement that the person or persons making or giving such certificate have read such agreement, condition, covenant or provision and the definitions herein relating thereto; (b) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements contained in such certificate are based; (c) a statement that, in the opinion of the

signers, they have made or caused to be made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable them to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such agreement, condition, covenant or provision has been complied with; and (d) a statement as to whether, in the opinion of the signers, such agreement, condition, covenant or provision has been complied with.

Any Certificate of the City may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon an Opinion of Counsel unless the person making or giving such certificate knows that the Opinion of Counsel with respect to the matters upon which his certificate may be based, as aforesaid, is erroneous, or in the exercise of reasonable care should have known that the same was erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters information with respect to which is in the possession of the City, upon a representation by an officer or officers of the City unless the counsel executing such Opinion of Counsel knows that the representation with respect to the matters upon which his opinion may be based, as aforesaid, is erroneous, or in the exercise of reasonable care should have known that the same was erroneous.

Section 10.08. Accounts and Funds; Business Days. Any account or fund required herein to be established and maintained by the Trustee may be established and maintained in the accounting records of the Trustee either as an account or a fund, and may, for the purposes of such accounting records, any audits thereof and any reports or statements with respect thereto, be treated either as an account or a fund; but all such records with respect to all such accounts and funds shall at all times be maintained in accordance with sound accounting practice and with due regard for the protection of the security of the Bonds and the rights of the Owners. Any action required to occur hereunder on a day which is not a Business Day shall be required to occur on the next succeeding Business Day.

Section 10.09. Notices. All written notices to be given hereunder shall be given by mail to the party entitled thereto at its address set forth below, or at such other address as such party may provide to the other party in writing from time to time, namely:

If to the City:

City of Gardena
1700 West 162nd Street
Gardena, CA 90247
Attention: City Manager

If to the Trustee:

U.S. Bank National Association
633 West 5th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90071
Attention: Global Corporate Trust

Section 10.10. Article and Section Headings and References. The headings or titles of the several articles and sections hereof and the table of contents appended hereto shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect hereof. All references herein to "Articles," "Sections" and other subdivisions or clauses are to the corresponding articles, sections, subdivisions or clauses hereof; and the words "hereby," "herein," "hereof," "hereto," "herewith," "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to the Trust Agreement as a whole and not to any particular article, section, subdivision or clause hereof.

Section 10.11. Partial Invalidity. If any one or more of the agreements or covenants or portions thereof required hereby to be performed by or on the part of the City or the Trustee shall be contrary to law, then such agreement or agreements, such covenant or covenants or such portions thereof shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining agreements and covenants or portions thereof and shall in no way affect the validity hereof or of the Bonds, and the Owners shall retain all the benefit, protection and security afforded to them

under the Act or any other applicable provisions of law. The City and the Trustee hereby declare that they would have executed and delivered the Trust Agreement and each and every other article, section, paragraph, subdivision, sentence, clause and phrase hereof and would have authorized the issuance of the Bonds pursuant hereto irrespective of the fact that any one or more articles, sections, paragraphs, subdivisions, sentences, clauses or phrases hereof or the application thereof to any person or circumstance may be held to be unconstitutional, unenforceable or invalid.

Section 10.12. Execution in Several Counterparts. This Trust Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original; and all such counterparts, or as many of them as the City and the Trustee shall preserve undestroyed, shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 10.13. Governing Law. This Trust Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

Section 10.14. CUSIP Numbers. Neither the Trustee nor the City shall be liable for any defect or inaccuracy in the CUSIP number that appears on any Bond or in any redemption notice. The Trustee may, in its discretion, include in any redemption notice a statement to the effect that the CUSIP numbers on the Bonds have been assigned by an independent service and are included in such notice solely for the convenience of the Owners and that neither City nor the Trustee shall be liable for any inaccuracies in such numbers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF GARDENA has caused this Trust Agreement to be signed in its name by the Authorized Representative and U.S. Bank National Association, in acceptance of the trusts created hereunder, has caused this Trust Agreement to be signed by the officer thereunder duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

CITY OF GARDENA

By: 
City Manager

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
as Trustee

By: _____
Authorized Officer

EXHIBIT A

FORM OF 2020 BOND

UNLESS THIS BOND IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY TO THE ISSUER OR ITS AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT, AND ANY BOND ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR SUCH OTHER NAME AS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY AND ANY PAYMENT IS MADE TO CEDE & CO., ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL SINCE THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN.

CITY OF GARDENA TAXABLE PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2020

Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Original Issue Date	CUSIP
_____%	April 1, ____	[December] __, 2020	_____

REGISTERED OWNER: CEDE & CO.

PRINCIPAL SUM: _____ DOLLARS

The CITY OF GARDENA, a municipal corporation and general law city duly organized and validly existing under and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of California (the "City"), for value received hereby, promises to pay to the registered owner identified above or registered assigns, on the maturity date specified above (subject to any right of prior redemption hereinafter provided for) the principal sum specified above, together with interest on such principal sum from the Interest Payment Date (as hereinafter defined) next preceding the date of authentication of this Bond (unless this Bond is authenticated as of an Interest Payment Date or following the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month preceding an Interest Payment Date (the "Record Date") to such Interest Payment Date, in which event it shall bear interest from such Interest

Payment Date, or unless this Bond is authenticated prior to the Record Date for the first Interest Payment Date, in which event it shall bear interest from the original issue date specified above) until the principal hereof shall have been paid at the interest rate per annum specified above, payable semiannually on each April 1 and October 1, commencing April 1, 2021 (each an "Interest Payment Date"). Interest due on or before the maturity or prior redemption of this Bond shall be payable only by check mailed on the Interest Payment Date by first-class mail to the registered owner hereof; provided that upon the written request of a registered owner of \$1,000,000 or more in aggregate principal amount of Bonds received by the Trustee (as hereinafter defined) prior to the applicable record date, interest shall be paid by wire transfer in immediately available funds. The principal hereof is payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

This Bond is one of a duly authorized issue of bonds of the City designated as its "Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020" (the "Bonds") in aggregate principal amount of \$_____, all of like tenor and date (except for variations relating to numbers, maturities and

interest rates), and is issued under and pursuant to the provisions of Articles 10 and 11 (commencing with section 53570) of Chapter 3 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code and all laws amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto (the "Act") and under and pursuant to the provisions of a trust agreement, dated as of [December] 1, 2020 (the "Trust Agreement"), between the City and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee") (copies of which are on file at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee).

Under the Trust Agreement, Additional Bonds and other obligations may be issued on a parity with the Bonds, but subject to the conditions and upon compliance with the procedures set forth in the Trust Agreement. The Bonds and any bonds or other obligations issued on a parity with the Bonds are obligations imposed by law payable from funds to be appropriated by the City pursuant to the Public Employees' Retirement Law, commencing with section 20000 of the California Government Code, as amended (the "Retirement Law"). Reference is hereby made to the Act and to the Trust Agreement and any and all amendments thereof and supplements thereto for a description of the terms on which the Bonds are issued, the rights of the registered owners of the Bonds, security for payment of the Bonds, remedies upon default and limitations thereon, and amendment of the Trust Agreement (with or without consent of the registered owners of the Bonds); and all the terms of the Trust Agreement are hereby incorporated herein and constitute a contract between the City and the registered owner of this Bond, to all the provisions of which the registered owner of this Bond, by acceptance hereof, agrees and consents.

The Bonds maturing on or before April 1, 20__ shall not be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on or after April 1, 20__ shall be subject to redemption prior to their maturity date, at the option of the City, pro rata within a maturity on any date on or after April 1, 20__, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the 2020 Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption, without premium. In the event of an optional redemption of the Bonds, the City shall provide the Trustee with a revised sinking fund schedule giving effect to the redemption so completed.

The Term Bonds maturing on April 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption on the dates and in the amounts specified below, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, without premium. The principal amount of such term bonds to be so redeemed and the dates therefor shall be as follows:

Redemption Date (April 1)	Principal Amount
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†Maturity Date

The Term Bonds maturing on April 1, 20__ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption on the dates and in the amounts specified below, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, without premium. The principal amount of such term bonds to be so redeemed and the dates therefor shall be as follows:

Redemption Date (April 1)	Principal Amount
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†Maturity Date

THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY OF GARDENA HEREUNDER, INCLUDING THE OBLIGATION TO MAKE ALL PAYMENTS OF INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL WHEN DUE, ARE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY OF GARDENA IMPOSED BY LAW AND ARE ABSOLUTE AND UNCONDITIONAL, WITHOUT ANY RIGHT OF SET-OFF OR COUNTER CLAIM. NEITHER THE BONDS NOR THE OBLIGATION OF THE CITY OF GARDENA TO MAKE PAYMENTS ON THE BONDS CONSTITUTE AN INDEBTEDNESS OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OR ANY OF ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS WITHIN THE MEANING OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY DEBT LIMITATION OR RESTRICTION.

This Bond is transferable only on a register to be kept for that purpose at the above-mentioned office of the Trustee by the registered owner hereof in person or by his duly authorized attorney upon payment of the charges provided in the Trust Agreement and upon surrender of this Bond together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Trustee duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized attorney, and thereupon a new fully registered Bond or Bonds in the same aggregate principal amount of authorized denominations will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor. The City and the Trustee may deem and treat the registered owner hereof as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of the interest hereon and principal hereof and for all other purposes, whether or not this Bond shall be overdue, and neither the City nor the Trustee shall be affected by any notice or knowledge to the contrary; and payment of the interest on and principal of this Bond shall be made only to such registered owner, which payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge liability on this Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

This Bond shall not be entitled to any benefit, protection or security under the Trust Agreement or become valid or obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon endorsed shall have been manually executed and dated by the Trustee.

It is hereby certified that all acts, conditions and things required by law to exist, to have happened and to have been performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond do exist, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law and that the amount of this Bond, together with all other indebtedness of the City, does not exceed any limit prescribed by the Constitution or laws of the State of California and is not in excess of the amount of Bonds permitted to be issued under the Trust Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Gardena has caused this Bond to be executed in its name and on its behalf by the signature of the Mayor and to be countersigned by the signature of the Assistant City Clerk of the City of Gardena and has caused this Bond to be dated as of the original issue date specified above.

CITY OF GARDENA

By: Mark E. Stenderman
Mayor

Countersigned

Becky Romero
for City Clerk

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Bonds described in the within-mentioned Trust Agreement which has been authenticated on _____, 2020.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
as Trustee

By: _____
Authorized Officer

FORM OF ASSIGNMENT

For value received, the undersigned do(es) hereby sell, assign and transfer unto

(Name, Address and Tax Identification or Social Security Number of Assignee)

the within Bond and do(es) hereby irrevocably constitute(s) and appoint(s)

attorney, to transfer the same on the registration books of the Trustee with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____

Signature Guaranteed:

Notice: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by a qualified guarantor institution meeting the requirements of membership or participation in the Security Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" as may be determined in substitution for STAMP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Notice: The signature on this assignment must correspond with the name(s) as written on the face of the within bond in every particular without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

Date: July 14, 2020

To: Clint Osorio, City Manager
Ray Beeman, Chief Fiscal Officer
City of Gardena

From: Mark Young, Managing Director
KNN Public Finance, LLC

Re: **Addendum to Agreement for Municipal Advisory Services: Assignment, Scope of Services, Fee Proposal and Disclosures Pursuant to MSRB Rules G-42 and G-10**

This memo sets forth KNN's proposed scope of services and fees for the City of Gardena's proposed 2020 Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds ("2020 POBs"). This letter supplements the approved original Municipal Advisory Agreement dated June 30, 2020 between KNN Public Finance, LLC ("KNN") and City of Gardena.

Scope of Services

KNN shall perform the following services, as appropriate, in connection with the 2020 POBs transaction:

- i) Prepare transaction schedule, distribution list, and other documents ancillary to the transaction.
- ii) Issue, review, and evaluate RFPs for underwriters.
- iii) Provide estimated debt service schedules and review such schedules developed by the underwriter.
- iv) Coordinate financing team efforts, including City staff, bond and disclosure counsel, underwriter, and any other party, with respect to the preparation, review and approval of the financing.
- v) In conjunction with the underwriter and bond counsel, recommend specific financial covenants, terms and provisions, including, maturity schedules, timing of sale, call provisions and related matters.
- vi) Review and provide appropriate revisions and recommendations to legal documents, including the official statement, the indenture and other documents.
- vii) Assist the City in the preparation of documents related to the bond issue, including staff reports.
- viii) Review debt policy for updates and disclosure reporting as needed.
- ix) Attend meetings with City staff, consultants and council, as requested.
- x) Review the underwriter's proposed discount and expenses, proposed interest rates, sales effort and generally assist City in pricing negotiations.
- xi) Assist with the review and execution of closing documents.

Fees

KNN proposes a fee of \$80,000 for municipal advisor services associated with the City's 2020 POBs. Expenses will be capped at \$1,500. Fees are contingent on the successful sale of the financing.

Disclosures Pursuant to MSRB Rules G-42 and G-10

Pursuant to Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”) Rule G-42, on Duties on Non-Solicitor Municipal Advisors, Municipal Advisors are required to make certain written disclosures to clients which include, amongst other things, Conflicts of Interest and any Legal or Disciplinary Events of KNN Public Finance, LLC (“KNN Public Finance”) and its associated persons.

Below please find disclosures from KNN Public Finance to the City in each area.

Conflicts of Interest

Other Municipal Advisor Relationships. KNN serves a wide variety of other clients that may from time to time have interests that could have a direct or indirect impact on the interests of the City of Gardena. For example, KNN serves as municipal advisor to other municipal advisory clients and, in such cases, depending on the client, owes either a fiduciary duty or a duty of care to such other clients just as it does to City of Gardena under this engagement. Overlapping clients may include overlapping jurisdictions within the County. These other clients may, from time to time and depending on the specific circumstances, have competing interests. In acting in the interests of its various clients, KNN could potentially face a conflict of interest arising from these competing client interests. KNN fulfills its regulatory duty and mitigates such conflicts through dealing honestly and with the utmost good faith with City of Gardena.

Compensation. KNN Public Finance represents that in connection with the issuance of municipal securities, KNN Public Finance may receive compensation from an Issuer or Obligated Person for services rendered, which compensation is contingent upon the successful closing of a transaction and/or is based on the size of a transaction. Consistent with the requirements of MSRB Rule G-42, KNN Public Finance hereby discloses that such contingent and/or transactional compensation may present a potential conflict of interest regarding KNN Public Finance’s ability to provide unbiased advice to enter into such transaction. This conflict of interest will not impair KNN Public Finance’s ability to render unbiased and competent advice or to fulfill its fiduciary duty to the Issuer.

If KNN Public Finance becomes aware of any additional potential or actual conflict of interest after this disclosure, KNN Public Finance will disclose the detailed information in writing to the Issuer in a timely manner.

Legal or Disciplinary Events

KNN Public Finance, LLC, has never been subject to any legal, disciplinary or regulatory actions nor was it ever subject to any legal, disciplinary or regulatory actions previously, when it was a division of Zions First National Bank or Zions Public Finance, Inc.

A regulatory action disclosure has been made on Form MA-I for one of KNN’s municipal advisory personnel relating to a 1998 U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) order that was filed while the municipal advisor was employed with a prior firm, (not KNN Public Finance). The details of which are available in Item 9; C(1), C(2), C(4), C(5) and the corresponding regulatory action DRP section on Form MA and Item 6C; (1), (2), (4), (5) and the corresponding regulatory action DRP section on Form MA-I. Issuers may electronically access KNN Public Finance’s most recent Form MA and each most recent Form MA-I filed with the Commission at the following website: www.sec.gov/edgar/searchedgar/companysearch.html.

The SEC permits certain items of information required on Form MA and Form MA-I to be provided by reference to such required information already filed on a regulatory system (e.g., FINRA CRD). The above noted regulatory action has been referenced on both Form MA and MA-I due to the information already filed

on FINRA's CRD system and is publicly accessible through BrokerCheck at <http://brokercheck.finra.org>. For purposes of accessing such BrokerCheck information, the Municipal Advisor's CRD number is 4457537.

There has been no change to any legal or disciplinary event that has been disclosed on KNN Public Finance's original SEC registration Form MA filed on February 8, 2016 or Form MA-I's filed on January 22, 2016.

Additional Disclosures – MSRB Rule G-10

Pursuant to Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Rule G-10, on Investor and Municipal Advisory Client Education and Protection, Municipal Advisors are required to provide certain written information to their municipal entity and obligated person clients which include the following:

- a) KNN Public Finance, LLC is currently registered as a Municipal Advisor with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.
- b) Within the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") website at www.msrb.org, City of Gardena may obtain the Municipal Advisory client brochure that is posted on the MSRB website. The brochure describes the protections that may be provided by the MSRB Rules along with how to file a complaint with financial regulatory authorities.

City of Gardena
1700 West 162nd Street
Gardena, CA 90247

KNN Public Finance, LLC
1300 Clay Street, Suite 1000
Oakland, CA 94610

Signed: 

Signed: 

Name: CLINT D. OSORIO

Name: Mark Young


Title: CITY MANAGER

Title: Managing Director

Date: 7-28-20

Date: July 14, 2020

Approved as to Form:



Carmen Vasquez, City Attorney

Agreement for Legal Services



City of Gardena Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020

THIS AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES is entered into this 28th day of July, 2020, by and between the CITY OF GARDENA (the "City") and QUINT & THIMMIG LLP, Larkspur, California ("Attorneys");

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the City has previously elected to become a contracting member of the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("CalPERS");

WHEREAS, the Public Employees' Retirement Law (commencing with section 20000 of the California Government Code) and the contract (the "CalPERS Contract") between the Board of Administration of CalPERS and the City Council of the City (the "City Council") obligate the City to (i) make contributions to CalPERS to fund pension benefits for certain City employees, (ii) amortize the unfunded accrued actuarial liability with respect to such pension benefits, and (iii) appropriate funds for the foregoing purposes;

WHEREAS, the City desires to authorize the issuance of its City of Gardena Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds"), pursuant to the provisions of Articles 10 and 11 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code, commencing with section 53570 of said Code (the "Bond Law"), for the purpose of refunding all or a portion of the City's obligations to CalPERS, as evidenced by the CalPERS Contract, to pay all or a portion of its accrued actuarial liability with respect to pension benefits under the Public Employees' Retirement Law, and paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds, and for no other purpose;

WHEREAS, the obligations of the City with respect to the Bonds, including the obligation to make all payments of interest and principal on the Bonds when due, will be obligations of the City imposed by law and will be absolute and unconditional, without any right of set-off or counterclaim, the Bonds will not constitute an obligation of the City for which the City is obligated to levy or pledge any form of taxation, neither the Bonds nor the obligations of the City to make payments on the Bonds will constitute an indebtedness of the City, the State of California or any of its political subdivisions in contravention of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction and the Council will be obligated to make appropriations to pay the Bonds from any source of legally available funds of the City;

WHEREAS, the City has determined that Attorneys are qualified by training and experience to perform the services of bond counsel and disclosure counsel and Attorneys are willing to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the public interest, economy and general welfare will be served by this Agreement for Legal Services;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES HERETO MUTUALLY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Duties of Attorneys.

(a) Attorneys shall provide legal services, as *bond counsel*, in connection with the authorization, issuance and consummation of the financing proceedings relating to the Bonds. Such services shall include the following:

(i) Preparation of all necessary documentation in connection with the required Superior Court validation lawsuit.

(ii) Consultation and cooperation with officials of the Authority, the City, City legal counsel, financing consultants and other consultants, staff and employees of the City, and assisting such consultants, staff and employees in the formulation of a coordinated financial and legal Bond issuance.

(iii) Attend all meetings of the City and any administrative meetings at which the Bonds are discussed or approved.

(iv) Preparation of all legal proceedings for the authorization, issuance and delivery of Bonds by the Authority and the City; including preparation of the resolution authorizing the issuance of such Bonds, fixing the date, denominations, numbers, maturity and interest rates, providing the form of the Bonds and authorizing their execution, authentication and registration; certifying the terms and conditions upon which the same are to be issued; providing for the setting up of special funds for the disposition of proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, including creation of reserve funds, if any, and such other funds as may be advisable, and providing all other details in connection therewith, including special covenants and clauses for the protection of the interests of the Bond holders; preparation of the resolution selling all or any part of the authorized Bond issue; preparation of all documents required for Bond delivery, including cumulative cash flow deficit certificates required by federal tax law, and supervising such delivery; preparation of all other proceedings incidental to or in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

(v) Application for any Internal Revenue Service or other rulings necessary to assure tax-exempt status of the Bonds, or as required by the purchasers of the Bonds.

(vi) Upon completion of proceedings to the satisfaction of Attorneys, providing a legal opinion approving in all regards the legality of all proceedings for the authorization, issuance and delivery of Bonds, and stating that interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for purposes of federal income taxes and is exempt from State of California personal income taxation, which opinion shall inure to the benefit of the purchasers of the Bonds.

(vii) Any and all legal consultation requested by the City concerning the Bonds at any time after delivery of the Bonds.

(viii) Such other and further services as are normally performed by bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

(ix) Attorneys will not be responsible for the preparation or content of the official statement prepared by the financial consultant other than to examine said official statement as concerns description of Bonds and matters within Attorneys' knowledge.

(b) Attorneys shall provide legal services, as *disclosure counsel*, in connection with the preparation of the official statements to be used in connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds (the "Official Statements"), the continuing disclosure certificate and the bond purchase agreements between the City and the underwriter of the Bonds. Such services shall include the following:

(i) Prepare the Official Statements (both preliminary and final) in connection with the offering of the Bonds prepared by the City's municipal advisor.

(ii) Confer and consult with the officers and administrative staff of the City as to matters relating to the Official Statement.

(iii) Attend all meetings of the City and any administrative meetings at which the Official Statements are to be discussed, deemed necessary by Attorneys for the proper exercise of their due diligence with respect to the Official Statements, or when specifically requested by the City to attend.

(iv) On behalf of the City, prepare the continuing disclosure certificate in a form which is acceptable to the City and the underwriter of the Bonds.

(v) On behalf of the City, prepare the bond purchase agreement between the City and the underwriter of the Bonds in a form acceptable to the City and the underwriter of the Bonds.

(vi) Subject to the completion of proceedings to the satisfaction of Attorneys, provide letters of Attorneys addressed to the City and the underwriter of the Bonds to the effect that, although Attorneys have not undertaken to determine independently or assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained in the Official Statements, in the course of Attorneys participation in the preparation of the Official Statements Attorneys have been in contact with representatives of the City and others concerning the contents of the Official Statements and related matters, and, based upon the foregoing, nothing has come to Attorneys attention to lead Attorneys to believe that the Official Statements (except for any financial or statistical data or forecasts, numbers, charts, estimates, projections, assumptions or expressions of opinion included therein, and information relating to The Depository Trust Company and its book-entry system, as to which Attorneys need express no view) as of the date of the Official Statements or the date of the closing for the Bonds contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(d) *Services Not Provided.* Attorneys shall not be responsible for:

(i) any continuing disclosure requirements under federal securities laws that may apply to the Bonds during the period following the closing of the Bonds, or

(ii) the representation of the City in connection with any litigation involving the Bonds, except for the validation proceedings specified above.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Attorneys shall not be responsible for preparing any documentation related to, or for providing any, ongoing continuing disclosure or litigation services in respect of the Bonds without a separate agreement between the City and Attorneys. In addition, unless specifically retained to do so by a separate agreement between Attorneys and the City, Attorneys shall not be responsible for auditing or otherwise reviewing or assuring compliance by the City with any past or existing continuing disclosure obligations of the City related to any debt obligations.

Section 2. Compensation.

(a) For the services set forth under Section 1(a), Attorneys shall be paid a legal fee based on the following schedule:

0.5% of the principal amount of the Bonds up to \$5,000,000,
0.25% of the principal amount of the Bonds between \$5,000,001 and \$15,000,000,
0.125% of the principal amount of the Bonds between \$15,000,001 and \$40,000,000,
0.10% of the principal amount of the Bonds between \$40,000,001 and \$90,000,000, plus
0.05% of the principal amount of the Bonds over \$90,000,000.

Attorneys do not propose to charge a legal fee for the validation proceedings as long as the City Attorney assists in the filing logistics with the Superior Court.

(b) For the services set forth under Section 1(b), Attorneys shall be paid a legal fee of \$40,000.00.

(c) Said legal fees shall be inclusive of all out of pocket expenses of Attorneys.

(d) *Payment of said fees and expenses shall be entirely contingent*, shall be due and payable upon the issuance of the Bonds and shall be payable solely from the proceeds of the Bonds.

Section 3. Responsibilities of the City. The City shall cooperate with Attorneys and shall furnish Attorneys with certified copies of all proceedings taken by the City, or other deemed necessary by Attorneys to render an opinion upon the validity of such proceedings. All costs and expenses incurred incidental to the actual issuance and delivery of Bonds, including the cost and expense of preparing certified copies of proceedings required by Attorneys in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the cost of preparing the Bonds for execution and delivery, all printing costs and publication costs, and any other expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of Bonds, shall be paid from Bond proceeds.

Section 4. Non-Legal Services. In performing their services as bond counsel pursuant to this Agreement for Legal Services, it is understood and acknowledged by the City that Attorneys will not be providing financial advisory, placement agent, investment banking or other similar services. It is expected that the City will engage other consultants to provide any such services with respect to the financing.

Section 5. Termination of Agreement. This Agreement for Legal Services shall terminate at the time of issuance of the Bonds but may be terminated at any earlier time by the City, with or without cause, following thirty (30) days written notice by the City to Attorneys. In the event

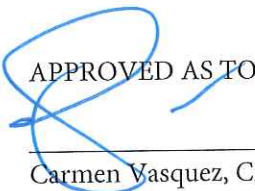
of such termination, all finished and unfinished documents shall, at the option of the City, become its property and shall be delivered by Attorneys.

Section 6. Amendment or Modification. No amendment, modification, or other alteration of this Agreement for Legal Services shall be valid unless in writing and signed by both of the parties hereto.


Section 7. Entire Agreement. This Agreement for Legal Services contains the entire agreement of the parties hereto. No other agreement, statement, or promise made on or before the effective date of this Agreement for Legal Services will be binding on the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City and Attorneys have executed this Agreement for Legal Services as of the date first above written.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Carmen Vasquez, City Attorney

CITY OF GARDENA

By 
Name CLINT D. OSORIO
Title CITY MANAGER

QUINT & THIMMIG LLP

By 
Brian D. Quint