

Ordinance 12-99

ORDINANCE NO. 12-99

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000 OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING AND INSTALLING WATER METERS WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES, AND APPROVING THE FORM OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT RELATING TO THE BONDS.

WHEREAS, the Finance Director of the City of Bexley (the "Finance Director") has certified to this Council that the estimated life of the improvement stated in the title of this ordinance (the "Project") which is to be financed from the proceeds of the bonds herein described, exceeds five (5) years and the maximum maturity of said bonds is twenty (20) years; and

WHEREAS, it is now deemed necessary to issue and sell not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) of such bonds under authority of the general laws of the State of Ohio, including Chapter 133, Ohio Revised Code, and in particular Section 133.23 thereof, and the Charter of the City of Bexley, for the purpose stated in the title of this ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

Section 1. It is hereby declared necessary to issue bonds of the City of Bexley in the principal sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), which bonds shall be designated City of Bexley, Franklin County, Ohio Water Meter and Equipment Bonds (the "Bonds") for the purpose described in the title of this ordinance. The Bonds shall be issued in one lot.

Section 2. The Bonds shall be issued as fully registered bonds in book entry form only, in such denominations as shall be determined by the Finance Director, but not exceeding the principal amount of Bonds maturing on any one date; shall be numbered consecutively from R-1 upward, as determined by the Finance Director; shall be dated as of the date determined by the Finance Director and set forth in the Certificate of Award and shall bear interest, payable semiannually on June 1 and December 1 of each year (the "Interest Payment Dates") beginning such date as shall be determined by the Finance Director and set forth in the Certificate of Award until the principal sum is paid. Interest shall be calculated on the basis of a 360 day year of twelve 30-day months.

Section 3. The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Bexley a Certificate of Award (the "Certificate of Award") setting forth the aggregate principal amount and the final terms of the Bonds, which aggregate principal amount and terms, subject to the limitations set forth in this ordinance, shall be as determined by the Finance Director. The Certificate of Award shall indicate the dated date for the Bonds, the purchase price for the Bonds, which shall be not less

than 100% of the face value thereof, the maturity schedule for the Bonds provided that the maximum maturity date of the Bonds shall not be later than 2019, the purchaser of the Bonds, the interest rates for the Bonds (provided that the true interest cost for all Bonds in the aggregate shall not exceed five and one-half per centum (5.50%) per annum), the optional and mandatory redemption provisions, if any, and such other terms not inconsistent with this ordinance as the Finance Director shall deem appropriate.

Section 4. The Bonds shall express upon their faces the purpose for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to this ordinance; and shall be executed by the Finance Director and the Mayor of the City of Bexley, in their official capacities, provided that either or both of their signatures may be a facsimile. No Bond shall be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under this ordinance unless and until a certificate of authentication, as printed on the Bond, is signed by the Bond Registrar (as defined below) as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued and delivered under this ordinance and is entitled to the security and benefit of this ordinance. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any officer or officers of the Bond Registrar or by such other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar as shall be approved by the Finance Director on behalf of the City of Bexley. It shall not be necessary that the same authorized person sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

Section 5. The principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar as paying agent. The principal of the Bonds shall be payable upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the principal office of the Bond Registrar. Each Bond shall bear interest from the later of the date thereof, or the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, unless the date of authentication of any Bond is less than 15 days prior to an Interest Payment Date, in which case interest shall accrue from such Interest Payment Date. Interest on any Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond is registered, at the close of business on the 15th day next preceding that Interest Payment Date (the "Record Date") (unless such date falls on a non-business day, in which case the Record Date shall be the preceding business day), on the Bond Register (as defined below) at the address appearing therein.

Any interest on any Bond which is payable, but is not punctually paid or provided for, on any Interest Payment Date (herein called "Defaulted Interest") shall forthwith cease to be payable to the registered owner on the relevant Record Date by virtue of having been such owner and such Defaulted Interest shall be paid to the registered owner in whose name the Bond is registered at the close of business on a date (the "Special Record Date") to be fixed by the Bond Registrar, such Special Record Date to be not more than 15 nor less than 10 days prior to the date of proposed payment. The Bond Registrar shall cause notice of the proposed payment of such Defaulted Interest and the Special Record Date therefor to be mailed, first class postage prepaid, to each Bondholder, at such Bondholder's address as it appears in the Bond Register, not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, and may, in its discretion, cause a similar notice to be published once in a newspaper in each place where Bonds are payable, but such publication shall not be a condition precedent to the establishment of such Special Record Date.

Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Section, each Bond delivered by the Bond Registrar upon transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Bond shall carry the rights to interest accrued and unpaid, and to accrue, which were carried by such other Bond.

The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to serve as authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent, and paying agent for the Bonds (the "Bond Registrar") or to execute on behalf of

the City a Bond Registrar Agreement with such bank or other appropriate financial institution as shall be acceptable to the Finance Director and the Original Purchaser (as defined below), pursuant to which such bank or financial institution shall agree to serve as authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent, and paying agent (collectively, the "Bond Registrar") for the Bonds. If at any time the Bond Registrar shall be unable or unwilling to serve as such, or the Finance Director in such officer's discretion shall determine that it would be in the best interest of the City of Bexley for such functions to be performed by another party, the Finance Director may, and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with a national banking association or other appropriate institution experienced in providing such services, to perform the services required of the Bond Registrar hereunder. Each such successor Bond Registrar shall promptly advise all bondholders of the change in identity and new address of the Bond Registrar. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City of Bexley shall cause to be maintained and kept by the Bond Registrar, at the office of the Bond Registrar, all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in this Section (the "Bond Register"). Subject to the provisions of Section 4 hereof, the person in whose name any Bond shall be registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes. Payment of or on account of the principal of and interest on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person. Neither the City of Bexley nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as herein provided. All payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon the Bonds, including the interest thereon, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid. Any Bond, upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person authorized by the owner to do so by a power of attorney in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar, may be exchanged for Bonds of the same form and of any authorized denomination or denominations equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bonds surrendered, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Register upon presentation and surrender thereof at the office of the Bond Registrar, together with an assignment executed by the registered owner or by a person authorized by the owner to do so by a power of attorney in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon that transfer, the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any authorized denomination or denominations equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bonds surrendered, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

The City of Bexley and the Bond Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange (i) any Bond during a period beginning at the opening of business fifteen (15) days before the day of mailing of a notice of redemption of Bonds, and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing, or (ii) any Bonds selected for redemption, in whole or in part, following the date of such mailing.

In all cases in which Bonds are exchanged or transferred hereunder, the City of Bexley shall cause to be executed and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner; except that the City of Bexley and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City of Bexley or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before it begins the procedure for the exchange or transfer of the Bonds. All Bonds issued upon any transfer or exchange shall be the valid obligations of the City of Bexley, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this ordinance, as the Bonds surrendered upon that transfer or exchange.

Section 6. For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Book entry form" or "book entry system" means a form or system under which (i) the beneficial right to payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (ii) physical Bonds in fully registered form are issued only to the Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds "immobilized" to the custody of the Depository, and the book entry is the record that identifies the owners of beneficial interests in those Bonds.

"Depository" means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, together with its participants, a book entry system to record beneficial ownership of Bonds and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company), New York, New York.

All or any portion of the Bonds may be initially issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system, and the provisions of this Section 6 shall apply, notwithstanding any other provision of this ordinance; (i) there shall be a single Bond of each maturity, (ii) those Bonds shall be registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository; (iii) the beneficial owners in book entry form shall have no right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iv) ownership of beneficial interests in any Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository, and transfers of the ownership of beneficial interests shall be made only by the Depository and by book entry; and (v) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City of Bexley. Bond service charges on Bonds in book entry form registered in the name of a Depository or its nominee shall be payable in next day funds delivered to the Depository or its authorized representative (i) in the case of interest, on each Interest Payment Date, and (ii) in all other cases, upon presentation and surrender of Bonds as provided in this ordinance.

The Bond Registrar may, with the approval of the City of Bexley, enter into an agreement with the beneficial owner or registered owner of any Bond in the custody of a Depository providing for making all payments to that owner of principal and interest on that Bond or any portion thereof (other than any payment of the entire unpaid principal amount thereof) at a place and in a manner (including wire transfer of federal funds) other than as provided above in this ordinance, without prior presentation or surrender of the Bond, upon any conditions which shall be satisfactory to the Bond Registrar and to the City of Bexley. That payment in any event shall be made to the person who is the registered owner of that Bond on the date that principal is due, or, with respect to the payment of interest, as of the applicable date agreed upon as the case may be. The Bond Registrar shall furnish a copy of each of those agreements, certified to be correct by the Bond Registrar, to other paying agents for Bonds and to the City of Bexley. Any payment of principal or interest pursuant to such an agreement shall constitute payment thereof pursuant to, and for all purposes of, this ordinance.

The Finance Director and the Mayor of the City of Bexley are authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver, in the name of and on behalf of the City of Bexley, the letter agreement among the City, the Bond Registrar and The Depository Trust Company, as depository, to be delivered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds to the Depository for use in a book entry system in substantially the form submitted to this Council.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the City and the Bond Registrar may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository under this ordinance. If the City and the Bond Registrar do

not or are unable to do so, the City and the Bond Registrar, after the Bond Registrar has made provision for notification of the beneficial owners by the then Depository, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository and authenticate and deliver bond certificates in fully registered form to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including costs of printing definitive Bonds), if the event is not the result of action or inaction by the City or the Bond Registrar, of those persons requesting such issuance.

Section 7. There shall be and is hereby levied annually on all the taxable property in the City, in addition to all other taxes and inside the ten mill limitation, a direct tax (the "Debt Service Levy") for each year during which any of the Bonds are outstanding, for the purpose of providing, and in an amount which is sufficient to provide, funds to pay interest upon the Bonds as and when the same falls due and to provide a fund for the repayment of the principal of the Bonds at maturity. The Debt Service Levy shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Article XII, Section 11 of the Ohio Constitution; provided, however, that in each year to the extent that funds are available from other sources and are lawfully appropriated for the payment of the Bonds, the amount of the Debt Service Levy shall be reduced by the amount of such funds so available and appropriated.

Section 8. The Debt Service Levy shall be and is hereby ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers, in the same manner, and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of such years are certified, extended and collected. The Debt Service Levy shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The funds derived from the Debt Service Levy shall be placed in a separate and distinct fund, which shall be irrevocably pledged for the payment of the interest and principal of the Bonds when and as the same falls due.

Section 9. The City hereby covenants, pursuant to Section 133.05(B)(7), Ohio Revised Code, to appropriate annually from lawfully available municipal income taxes, and to continue to levy and collect municipal income taxes adequate to produce, amounts necessary to meet the debt charges on the Bonds in each year until full payment is made.

Section 10. After publication of a Notice of Sale on the calendar maintained by the Ohio Municipal Advisory Council for such purpose, the Bonds shall be sold to such purchaser as shall offer, in the opinion of the Finance Director, the best terms of sale for the Bonds (the "Original Purchaser") at the purchase price as set forth in the Certificate of Award plus interest accrued to the date of delivery of the Bonds to the Original Purchaser.

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds, except the premium and accrued interest thereon, shall be used for the purposes aforesaid and for no other purpose. The premium and accrued interest received from such sale shall be transferred to the Bond Retirement Fund to be applied to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds in the manner provided by law.

Section 11. The City of Bexley hereby covenants that it shall comply with the requirements of all existing and future laws which must be satisfied in order that interest on the Bonds is and will continue to be excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, including without limitation restrictions on the use of the property financed with the proceeds of the Bonds so that the Bonds will not constitute "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The City of Bexley further covenants that it shall restrict the use of the proceeds of the Bonds in such manner and to such extent, if any, as may be necessary, after taking into account reasonable expectations at the time the Bonds are issued, so that they will not constitute arbitrage bonds

under Section 148 of the Code and the regulations prescribed thereunder or under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended (the "Regulations").

The Finance Director, or any other officer, including the Mayor, is hereby authorized and directed (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation, choice, consent, approval or waiver on behalf of the City of Bexley with respect to the Bonds as permitted or required to be made or given under the federal income tax laws, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting favorable tax treatment or the status of the Bonds or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing any rebate amount or any payment of penalties, or making any payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, any excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by the Finance Director, which action shall be in writing and signed by the Finance Director, or any other officer, including the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Bexley; (b) to take any and all actions, make or obtain calculations, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the City of Bexley, as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Bonds; and (c) to give an appropriate certificate on behalf of the City of Bexley, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the facts, estimates and circumstances, and reasonable expectations of the City of Bexley pertaining to Section 148 and the Regulations, and the representations, warranties and covenants of the City of Bexley regarding compliance by the City of Bexley with Sections 141 through 150 of the Code and the Regulations.

The Finance Director shall keep and maintain adequate records pertaining to investment of all proceeds of the Bonds sufficient to permit, to the maximum extent possible and presently foreseeable, the City of Bexley to comply with any federal law or regulation now or hereafter having applicability to the Bonds which limits the amount of bond proceeds which may be invested on an unrestricted yield or requires the City of Bexley to rebate arbitrage profits to the United States Department of the Treasury. The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to file such reports with, and rebate arbitrage profits to, the United States Department of the Treasury, to the extent that any federal law or regulation having applicability to the Bonds requires any such reports or rebates.

The Bonds are hereby designated by the City of Bexley to be "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. The Finance Director or any other officer, including the Mayor, having responsibility with respect to the issuance of the Bonds is authorized and directed to give an appropriate certificate on behalf of the City of Bexley, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the representations, warranties and covenants of the City of Bexley designed to assure that the Bonds will remain "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

Section 12. The form of Preliminary Official Statement relating to the Bonds as presented to this Council, and the distribution thereof by the Original Purchaser, are hereby authorized, approved, ratified and confirmed. The proposed form of final Official Statement relating to the Bonds, as presented to this Council, and the distribution by the Original Purchaser of the final Official Statement, in substantially the form presented to this Council, are hereby authorized and approved. The Finance Director and the Mayor of the City of Bexley are authorized to execute and deliver the final Official Statement on behalf of the City of Bexley, which shall be substantially as per the form of Official Statement heretofore presented to this Council, with such changes as the Finance Director and the Mayor may approve; their execution thereof on behalf of the City of Bexley to be conclusive evidence of such authorization and approval, and copies thereof are hereby authorized to be prepared and furnished to the Original Purchaser for distribution to prospective purchasers of the Bonds and other interested persons.

Section 13. The officer having charge of the minutes of the Council and any other officers of the Council, or any of them individually, are hereby authorized and directed to prepare and certify a true transcript of proceedings pertaining to the Bonds and to furnish a copy of such transcript to the Original Purchaser. Such transcript shall include certified copies of all proceedings and records of the Council relating to the power and authority of the City of Bexley to issue the Bonds and certificates as to matters within their knowledge or as shown by the books and records under their custody and control, including but not limited to a general certificate of the Finance Director and a no-litigation certificate of the Mayor and the Finance Director, and such certified copies and certificates shall be deemed representations of the City of Bexley as to the facts stated therein.

Section 14. It is hereby found and determined that all acts, conditions and things necessary to be done precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding obligations of the City of Bexley have happened, been done and been performed in regular and due form as required by law; that the faith, credit and revenue of the City of Bexley are hereby irrevocably pledged for the prompt payment of the principal and interest thereof at maturity; and that no limitation of indebtedness or taxation, either statutory or constitutional, has been exceeded in issuing the Bonds.

Section 15. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 16. The Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this ordinance to the County Auditor of Franklin County, Ohio.

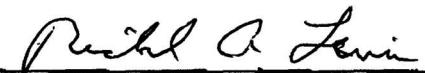
Section 17. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force at the earliest date permitted by law.

Signed:



Council President

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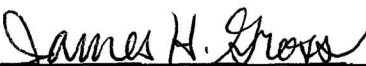


Clerk

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Approved as to form:



Legal Officer

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3/9/99 third reading passed

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 12-99 duly adopted by the Council of the City of Bexley, Ohio on the 9 day of March, 1999, and that a true copy thereof was certified to the County Auditor of Franklin County, Ohio on the 15 day of March, 1999.

Rachel A. Lewis
Clerk