## **ORDINANCE 2019 – 133**

## AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000,000 OF NOTES BY THE CITY OF MASON, OHIO, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AN AQUATIC CENTER IN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the fiscal officer of the City of Mason, Ohio (the "City") has estimated the life or period of usefulness of the hereinafter described capital improvements as at least five (5) years, and certified the maximum maturity of the bonds as thirty (30) years, and of the notes to be issued in anticipation thereof as twenty (20) years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That it is necessary to issue bonds of the City of Mason, Ohio, in the principal amount of not to exceed \$5,000,000, for the purpose of constructing a municipal aquatic center in the City and paying related costs. Said bonds shall be dated approximately January 1, 2021, shall bear interest at an approximate rate of five percent (5%) per annum, and shall mature in substantially equal annual or semiannual installments over a period not exceeding thirty (30) years after their issuance.

SECTION 2. That it is necessary to issue notes in anticipation of such bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the purpose aforesaid and for no other purpose.

SECTION 3. That said anticipatory notes shall be dated as of the date of their issuance and shall mature not more than one year from the date of their issuance and shall bear interest at such rate of interest as is approved by the City Manager and Finance Director, such approval to be evidenced conclusively by execution of the notes, payable at maturity.

SECTION 4. That said notes shall be executed by the City Manager and may, but shall not be required to, bear the seal of the corporation. Said notes shall be designated "Recreational Facilities Improvement Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2020," shall be payable at such bank or trust company that is a correspondent of any legal depository of the City, upon approval of the Finance Director, and shall express upon their faces the purposes for which they are issued and that they are issued in pursuance of this ordinance. Said notes shall be of such number and denomination as requested by the purchaser; provided that the notes shall be issued only in Authorized Denominations, which shall be \$100,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000 in excess of \$100,000. This Council hereby covenants that it will not exchange or reissue the notes in less than Authorized Denominations other than through a "primary offering", as that term is defined in SEC Rule 15c2-12.

SECTION 5. That said notes shall be issued in the principal sum of not to exceed \$5,000,000, for the purposes aforesaid. Said notes shall be sold at public or private sale at the price of not less than par plus accrued interest, if any. The amount, interest rate or rates and other terms of the notes shall be as set forth in a certificate of award setting forth the final terms of the notes (the "Certificate of Award") and/or the purchase contract to be entered into

between the City and the purchaser of the notes (the "Purchase Contract") which the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute without further action of this council and which Purchase Contract shall be executed by the purchaser. The signature of the City Manager on the Certificate of Award and/or the Purchase Contract shall be conclusive evidence that the terms of the said notes are acceptable to the City.

SECTION 6. That the Mayor, the City Manager and the Finance Director, or any one of them, is authorized to take all necessary steps and execute and deliver any documents necessary or appropriate to render the notes eligible for the services of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), including "book-entry only" status, if so requested by the purchaser.

SECTION 7. That said notes shall be the full general obligation of this City, and the full faith, credit and revenue of this City are hereby pledged for the prompt payment of the same. The par value received from the sale of bonds anticipated by said notes, and any excess fund resulting from the issue of said notes, shall, to the extent necessary, be used only for the retirement of said notes at maturity, together with interest thereon and is hereby pledged for such purpose.

SECTION 8. That during the period while such notes run there shall be levied upon all of the taxable property in the City of Mason, Ohio, in addition to all other taxes, a direct tax annually, not less than that which would have been levied if bonds had been issued without the prior issue of such notes; said tax 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 said years are certified, extended and collected. Said tax shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof; provided, however, to the extent that other funds are available and appropriated for the payment of the obligation or the bonds in anticipation of which they are issued, said tax need not be levied.

The funds derived from said tax levy hereby required shall be placed in a separate and distinct fund and, together with interest collected on the same, shall be irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal and interest of said notes, or the bonds in anticipation of which they are issued, when and as the same fall due.

SECTION 9. That this council, for and on behalf of the City of Mason, County of Warren, Ohio, hereby covenants that it will restrict the use of the proceeds of the notes hereby authorized in such manner and to such extent, if any, and take such other action as may be necessary, after taking into account reasonable expectations at the time the debt is incurred, so that they will not constitute obligations the interest on which is subject to federal income taxation or "arbitrage bonds" under Sections 103(b)(2) and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and the regulations prescribed thereunder. The Finance Director or any other officer having responsibility with respect to the issuance of the notes is authorized and directed to give an appropriate certificate on behalf of the City, on the date of delivery of the notes for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the facts, estimates and circumstances and reasonable expectations pertaining to the use of the proceeds thereof and the provisions of said Sections 103(b)(2) and 148 and regulations thereunder.

SECTION 10. That the Finance Director is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this ordinance to the County Auditor of the County of Warren, Ohio.

SECTION 11. That the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of the council of the City and that all deliberations of the council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

SECTION 12. That the firm of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP is hereby engaged as the City's "bond counsel" and that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the engagement letter in the form on file with the City.

SECTION 13. All appropriate officers of the City are further authorized to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver such closing documents, certificates, financing statements and other instruments or agreements as are, in the opinion of bond counsel, necessary to carry out the purposes of this ordinance.

SECTION 14. That this ordinance shall take effect at the earliest date permitted by law after its passage.

PASSED: October 28, 2019.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council