

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED OCTOBER 12, 2020

New Issue

Rating: Application Made to Moody's Investors Service

Assuming compliance with certain covenants, in the opinion of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Bond Counsel, under present law and assuming continued compliance with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. The Bonds will NOT be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations". See "TAX MATTERS" section herein for a more detailed discussion.

CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

\$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B

BIDS RECEIVED: Monday, October 26, 2020, 10:00 A.M., Central Time

AWARD: Monday, October 26, 2020, 7:00 P.M., Central Time

Dated: Date of Delivery (December 2, 2020)

Principal Due: June 1 as shown inside front cover

The \$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B (the "Bonds") are being issued pursuant to Division III of Chapter 384 of the Code of Iowa and a resolution (the "Resolution") to be adopted by the City Council of the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa (the "City"). The Bonds are being issued to pay costs of opening, widening, extending, grading, and draining of the right-of-way of streets, highways, avenues, alleys and public grounds, and market places, and the removal and replacement of dead or diseased trees thereon; the construction, reconstruction, and repairing of any street improvements, bridges, grade crossing separations and approaches; the acquisition, installation, and repair of sidewalks, culverts, retaining walls, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, water service lines, street lighting, and traffic control devices; and the acquisition of any real estate needed for any of the foregoing purposes; acquisition, construction, reconstruction, and improvement of real and personal property, useful for the reclamation of property situated within the corporate limits of cities from floods or high waters, including the construction of levees, embankments, structures, impounding reservoirs, or conduits, and the development and beautification of the banks and other areas adjacent to flood control improvements; rehabilitation and improvement of parks already owned, and facilities, equipment, and improvements commonly found in city parks; acquisition, construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping, including information technology hardware and software, of city buildings; construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping of recreation grounds; acquisition, construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping of golf courses; and construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping of recreation grounds and trails. The Bonds are general obligations of the City for which the City will pledge its power to levy direct ad valorem taxes against all taxable property within the City without limitation as to rate or amount to the repayment of the Bonds.

The Bonds will be issued as fully registered Bonds without coupons and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Individual purchases may be made in book-entry-only form, in the principal amount of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Bonds purchased. Principal of the Bonds, payable annually on each June 1, beginning June 1, 2021 and interest on the Bonds, payable initially on June 1, 2021 and thereafter on each June 1 and December 1, will be paid to DTC by the City's Registrar/Paying Agent, UMB Bank, N.A., West Des Moines, Iowa (the "Registrar"). DTC will in turn remit such principal and interest to its participants for subsequent disbursements to the beneficial owners of the Bonds as described herein. Interest and principal shall be paid to the registered holder of a bond as shown on the records of ownership maintained by the Registrar as of the 15th day of the month preceding such interest payment date (the "Record Date").

THE BONDS WILL MATURE AS LISTED ON THE INSIDE FRONT COVER

MINIMUM BID:	\$5,063,850
GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT:	Required of Purchaser Only
TAX MATTERS:	Federal: Tax-Exempt State: Taxable See "TAX MATTERS" for more information.

The Bonds are offered, subject to prior sale, withdrawal or modification, when, as, and if issued subject to the unqualified approving legal opinion of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Bond Counsel, Des Moines Iowa, to be furnished upon delivery of the Bonds. It is expected the Bonds in the definitive form will be available on or about December 2, 2020 via Fast Automated Securities Transfer delivery with the Registrar holding the Bonds on behalf of DTC. The Preliminary Official Statement in the form presented is deemed final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, subject to revisions, corrections or modifications as determined to be appropriate, and is authorized to be distributed in connection with the offering of the Bonds for sale.

*Preliminary; subject to change.

This Preliminary Official Statement and the information contained herein are subject to completion, amendment or other change without notice. The Bonds may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the Preliminary Official Statement is delivered in final form. Under no circumstances shall this Preliminary Official Statement constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the applicable securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

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\$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B

MATURITY:

The Bonds will mature June 1 in the years and amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount*</u>
2021	\$1,200,000
2022	335,000
2023	340,000
2024	340,000
2025	345,000
2026	350,000
2027	355,000
2028	360,000
2029	365,000
2030	370,000
2031	375,000
2032	380,000

***PRINCIPAL**

ADJUSTMENT:

Preliminary; subject to change. The aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, and each scheduled maturity thereof, are subject to increase or reduction by the City or its designee after the determination of the successful bidder. The City may increase or decrease each maturity in increments of \$5,000 but the total amount to be issued will not exceed \$5,400,000. Interest rates specified by the successful bidder for each maturity will not change. Final adjustments shall be in the sole discretion of the City.

The dollar amount of the purchase price proposed by the successful bidder will be changed if the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds is adjusted as described above. Any change in the principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds will be made while maintaining, as closely as possible, the successful bidder's net compensation, calculated as a percentage of bond principal. The successful bidder may not withdraw or modify its bid as a result of any post-bid adjustment. Any adjustment shall be conclusive, and shall be binding upon the successful bidder.

INTEREST:

Interest on the Bonds will be payable June 1, 2021 and semiannually thereafter.

OPTIONAL

REDEMPTION:

Bonds due after June 1, 2028 will be subject to call for redemption prior to maturity on said date or on any day thereafter upon terms of par plus accrued interest to date of call. Written notice of such call shall be given at least thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed at the address shown on the registration books.

COMPLIANCE WITH S.E.C. RULE 15c2-12

Municipal obligations (issued in an aggregate amount over \$1,000,000) are subject to General Rules and Regulations, Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Rule 15c2-12 Municipal Securities Disclosure.

Preliminary Official Statement: This Preliminary Official Statement was prepared for the City for dissemination to prospective bidders. Its primary purpose is to disclose information regarding the Bonds to prospective bidders in the interest of receiving competitive bids in accordance with the TERMS OF OFFERING contained herein. Unless an addendum is received prior to the sale, this document shall be deemed the near final "Official Statement".

Review Period: This Preliminary Official Statement has been distributed to the City's staff as well as to prospective bidders for an objective review of its disclosure. Comments, omissions or inaccuracies must be submitted to PFM Financial Advisors LLC (the "Municipal Advisor") at least two business days prior to the sale. Requests for additional information or corrections in the Preliminary Official Statement received on or before this date will not be considered a qualification of a bid received. If there are any changes, corrections or additions to the Preliminary Official Statement, prospective bidders will be informed by an addendum at least one business day prior to the sale.

Final Official Statement: Upon award of sale of the Bonds, the legislative body will authorize the preparation of a final Official Statement that includes the offering prices, interest rates, selling compensation, aggregate principal amount, principal amount per maturity, anticipated delivery date and other information required by law and the identity of the underwriter (the "Syndicate Manager") and syndicate members. Copies of the final Official Statement will be delivered to the Syndicate Manager within seven business days following the bid acceptance.

REPRESENTATIONS

No dealer, broker, salesman or other person has been authorized by the City, the Municipal Advisor or the underwriter to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Preliminary Official Statement or the final Official Statement and, if given or made, such information and representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the City, the Municipal Advisor, Bond Counsel or the underwriter. This Preliminary Official Statement does not constitute any offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale. The information set forth herein has been obtained from the City and other sources which are believed to be reliable, but it is not to be construed as a representation by the Municipal Advisor, Bond Counsel or underwriter. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Preliminary Official Statement or the final Official Statement, nor any sale made hereunder, shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the City since the date hereof. This Preliminary Official Statement is submitted in connection with the sale of the securities referred to herein and may not be reproduced or used, in whole or in part, for any other purpose.

This Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda thereto were prepared relying on information from the City and other sources, which are believed to be reliable.

Bond Counsel has not participated in the preparation of this Preliminary Official Statement and is not expressing any opinion as to the completeness or accuracy of the information contained herein.

Compensation of the Municipal Advisor, payable entirely by the City, is contingent upon the sale of the issue.

City of Council Bluffs, Iowa

Elected Officials

Matt Walsh	Mayor
Melissa Head	Council Member
Roger Sandau	Council Member
Chad Hannan	Council Member
Joe DiSalvo	Council Member
Mike Wolf	Council Member

Administration

Kathy Knott, Director of Finance
Jodi Quakenbush, City Clerk
Richard Wade, City Attorney

Bond Counsel

Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.
Des Moines, Iowa

Municipal Advisor

PFM Financial Advisors LLC
Des Moines, Iowa

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OFFICIAL BID FORM

TERMS OF OFFERING

CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

Bids for the purchase of the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa's (the "City") \$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B (the "Bonds") will be received on Monday, October 26, 2020 before 10:00 A.M. Central Time after which time they will be tabulated. The City Council will consider award of the Bonds at 7:00 P.M. Central Time, on the same day. Questions regarding the sale of the Bonds should be directed to the City's Municipal Advisor, PFM Financial Advisors LLC (the "Municipal Advisor"), 801 Grand Avenue, Suite 3300, Des Moines, Iowa, 50309 or by telephoning 515-724-5724. Information can also be obtained from Ms. Kathy Knott, Director of Finance, City of Council Bluffs, 209 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503, or by telephoning 712-890-5303.

This section sets forth the description of certain terms of the Bonds as well as the TERMS OF OFFERING with which all bidders and bid proposals are required to comply, as follows:

DETAILS OF THE BONDS

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2020B, in the principal amount of \$5,115,000* to be dated the date of delivery (anticipated to be December 2, 2020) in the denomination of \$5,000 or multiples thereof, will mature June 1, as follows:

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2021	\$1,200,000
2022	335,000
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2026	350,000
2027	355,000
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* Preliminary; subject to change.

ADJUSTMENT TO BOND MATURITY AMOUNTS

The aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, and each scheduled maturity thereof, are subject to increase or reduction by the City or its designee after the determination of the successful bidder. The City may increase or decrease each maturity in increments of \$5,000 but the total amount to be issued will not exceed \$5,400,000. Interest rates specified by the successful bidder for each maturity will not change. Final adjustments shall be in the sole discretion of the City.

The dollar amount of the purchase price proposed by the successful bidder will be changed if the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds is adjusted as described above. Any change in the principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds will be made while maintaining, as closely as possible, the successful bidder's net compensation, calculated as a percentage of bond principal. The successful bidder may not withdraw or modify its bid as a result of any post-bid adjustment. Any adjustment shall be conclusive, and shall be binding upon the successful bidder.

INTEREST

Interest on the Bonds will be payable on June 1, 2021 and semiannually on the 1st day of December and June thereafter. Interest and principal shall be paid to the registered holder of a bond as shown on the records of ownership maintained by the Registrar as of the 15th day of the month (whether or not a business day) preceding such interest payment date (the "Record Date"). Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

Bonds due after June 1, 2028 will be subject to call prior to maturity in whole, or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within a maturity by lot on said date or on any date thereafter at the option of the City, upon terms of par plus accrued interest to date of call. Written notice of such call shall be given at least thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed at the address shown on the registration books.

TERM BOND OPTION

Bidders shall have the option of designating the Bonds as serial bonds or term bonds, or both. The bid must designate whether each of the principal amounts shown above represent a serial maturity or a mandatory redemption requirement for a term bond maturity. (See the OFFICIAL BID FORM for more information.) In any event, the above principal amount scheduled shall be represented by either serial bond maturities or mandatory redemption requirements, or a combination of both.

GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT

A good faith deposit (the "Deposit") in the amount of \$51,150 is required from the lowest bidder only. The lowest bidder is required to submit such Deposit, payable to the order of the City, not later than 12:00 P.M. Central Time on the day of sale of the Bonds and in the form of either (i) a cashier's check provided to the City or its Municipal Advisor or (ii) a wire transfer as instructed by the City's Municipal Advisor. If not so received, the bid of the lowest bidder may be rejected and the City may direct the second lowest bidder to submit a Deposit and thereafter may award the sale of the Bonds to the same. No interest on a Deposit will accrue to the successful bidder (the "Purchaser"). The Deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the Bonds. In the event a Purchaser fails to honor its accepted bid proposal, the Deposit will be retained by the City.

FORM OF BIDS AND AWARD

All bids shall be unconditional for the Bonds for a price not less than \$5,063,850, plus accrued interest, and shall specify the rate or rates of interest in conformity to the limitations set forth under the "BIDDING PARAMETERS" section. Bids must be submitted on or in substantial compliance with the OFFICIAL BID FORM provided by the City. The Bonds will be awarded to the bidder offering the lowest interest rate to be determined on a true interest cost (the "TIC") basis assuming compliance with the "ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE" and "GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT" sections. The TIC shall be determined by the present value method, i.e., by ascertaining the semiannual rate, compounded semiannually, necessary to discount to present value as of the dated date of the Bonds, the amount payable on each interest payment date and on each stated maturity date or earlier mandatory redemption, so that the aggregate of such amounts will equal the aggregate purchase price offered therefore. The TIC shall be stated in terms of an annual percentage rate and shall be that rate of interest, which is twice the semiannual rate so ascertained (also known as the Canadian Method). The TIC shall be as determined by the Municipal Advisor based on the TERMS OF OFFERING and all amendments, and on the bids as submitted. The Municipal Advisor's computation of the TIC of each bid shall be controlling. In the event of tie bids for the lowest TIC, the Bonds will be awarded by lot.

The City will reserve the right to: (i) waive non-substantive informalities of any bid or of matters relating to the receipt of bids and award of the Bonds, (ii) reject all bids without cause and (iii) reject any bid which the City determines to have failed to comply with the terms herein.

BIDDING PARAMETERS

Each bidder's proposal must conform to the following limitations:

1. Each annual maturity must bear a single rate of interest from the dated date of the Bonds to the date of maturity.
2. Rates of interest bid must be in multiples of one-eighth or one-twentieth of one percent.
3. The initial price to the public for each maturity must be 98% or greater.

RECEIPT OF BIDS

Forms of Bids: Bids must be submitted on or in substantial compliance with the TERMS OF OFFERING and OFFICIAL BID FORM provided by the City or through PARITY[®] competitive bidding system (the "Internet Bid System"). Neither the City nor its agents shall be responsible for malfunction or mistake made by any person, or as a result of the use of the Internet Bid System or any other means used to deliver or complete a bid. The use of such facilities or means is at the sole risk of the prospective bidder who shall be bound by the terms of the bid as received.

No bid will be accepted after the time specified in the TERMS OF OFFERING. The time as maintained by the Internet Bid System shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids submitted. A bid may be withdrawn before the bid deadline using the same method used to submit the bid. If more than one bid is received from a bidder, the last bid received shall be considered.

Sealed Bidding: Sealed bids may be submitted and will be received at the office of the Director of Finance at City Hall, 209 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503.

Electronic Internet Bidding: Electronic internet bids will be received at the office of the Director of Finance at City Hall, 209 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503 or at the office of PFM Financial Advisors LLC, 801 Grand Avenue, Suite 3300, Des Moines, Iowa 50309. Electronic internet bids must be submitted through the Internet Bid System. Information about the Internet Bid System may be obtained by calling 212-849-5021.

Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access the Internet Bid System for purposes of submitting its internet bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the TERMS OF OFFERING and OFFICIAL BID FORM. The City is permitting bidders to use the services of the Internet Bid System solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the electronic internet bidding and the Internet Bid System is not an agent of the City. Provisions of the TERMS OF OFFERING and OFFICIAL BID FORM shall control in the event of conflict with information provided by the Internet Bid System.

Electronic Facsimile Bidding: Electronic facsimile bids will be received at the office of the Director of Finance at City Hall, 209 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503 (facsimile number: 712-328-4997) or the City's Municipal Advisor, PFM Financial Advisors LLC, 801 Grand Avenue, Suite 3300, Des Moines, Iowa 50309 (facsimile number: 515-243-6994). Electronic facsimile bids will be treated as sealed bids.

Electronic facsimile bids received after the deadline will be rejected. Bidders electing to submit bids via facsimile transmission bear full responsibility for the transmission of such bid. Neither the City nor its agents shall be responsible for malfunction or mistake made by any person, or as a result of the use of the facsimile facilities or any other means used to deliver or complete a bid. The use of such facilities or means is at the sole risk of the prospective bidder who shall be bound by the terms of the bid as received. Neither the City nor its agents will assume liability for the inability of the bidder to reach the above named facsimile numbers prior to the time of sale specified above. Time of receipt shall be the time recorded by the facsimile operator receiving the bids.

BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY ISSUANCE

The Bonds will be issued by means of a book-entry-only system with no physical distribution of bond certificates made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and one bond certificate, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the Registrar to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; transfer of principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The Purchaser, as a condition of delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the bond certificates with DTC.

MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASER’S OPTION

If the Bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefore at the option of the bidder, the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the Purchaser. Any increased costs of issuance of the Bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the Purchaser, except that, if the City has requested and received a rating on the Bonds from a rating agency, the City will pay that initial rating fee. Any other rating agency fees shall be the responsibility of the Purchaser. Failure of the municipal bond insurer to issue the policy after the Bonds have been awarded to the Purchaser shall not constitute cause for failure or refusal by the Purchaser to accept delivery on the Bonds. The City reserves the right in its sole discretion to accept or deny changes to the financing documents requested by the insurer selected by the Purchaser.

DELIVERY

The Bonds will be delivered to the Purchaser via Fast Automated Securities Transfer delivery with the Registrar holding the Bonds on behalf of DTC, against full payment in immediately available cash or federal funds. The Bonds are expected to be delivered within forty-five days after the sale. Should delivery be delayed beyond sixty days from the date of sale for any reason except failure of performance by the Purchaser, the Purchaser may withdraw their bid and thereafter their interest in and liability for the Bonds will cease. When the Bonds are ready for delivery, the City will give the Purchaser five working days’ notice of the delivery date and the City will expect payment in full on that date; otherwise, reserving the right at their option to determine that the Purchaser failed to comply with the offer of purchase.

ELECTRONIC TRANSCRIPTS

Purchaser consents to the receipt of electronic transcripts and acknowledges the City’s intended use of electronically executed documents. Iowa Code chapter 554D establishes electronic signatures have the full weight and legal authority as manual signatures.

ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE

The Purchaser shall assist the City in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the City at closing an “issue price” or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sales price or prices of the Bonds, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto in “EXHIBIT 1 - FORMS OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATES” to the TERMS OF OFFERING, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary in the reasonable judgment of the Purchaser, the City and Bond Counsel, will need to be signed by the Purchaser. All actions to be taken by the City under the TERMS OF OFFERING to establish the issue price of the Bonds may be taken on behalf of the City by the Municipal Advisor identified herein and any notice or report to be provided to the City may be provided to the Municipal Advisor.

The City intends the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining “competitive sale” for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Bonds) will apply to the initial sale of the Bonds (the “competitive sale

requirements”) because (i) the City shall disseminate this TERMS OF OFFERING to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters, (ii) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid, (iii) the City may receive bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds, and (iv) the City anticipates awarding the sale of the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in the TERMS OF OFFERING.

Any bid submitted pursuant to the TERMS OF OFFERING shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid.

In the event the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied for the Bonds, the City shall so advise the Purchaser. The City may determine to treat (i) the first price at which 10% of a maturity of the Bonds (the “10% test”) is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity, and/or (ii) the initial offering price to the public as of the sale date of any maturity of the Bonds as the issue price of that maturity (the “hold-the-offering-price rule”), in each case applied on a maturity-by-maturity basis. The Purchaser shall advise the City if any maturity of the Bonds satisfies the 10% test as of the date and time of the award of the Bonds. The City shall promptly advise the Purchaser, at or before the time of award of the Bonds, which maturities of the Bonds shall be subject to the 10% test or shall be subject to the hold-the-offering-price rule. Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event the City determines to apply the hold-the-offering-price rule to any maturity of the Bonds. **Prospective bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that some or all of the maturities of each respective series of the Bonds will be subject to the hold-the-offering-price rule in order to establish the issue price of the Bonds.**

By submitting a bid, the Purchaser shall (i) confirm the underwriters have offered or will offer the Bonds to the public on or before the date of award at the offering price or prices (the “initial offering price”), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in the bid submitted by the Purchaser, and (ii) agree, on behalf of the underwriters participating in the purchase of the Bonds, that the underwriters will neither offer nor sell unsold Bonds of any maturity to which the hold-the-offering-price rule shall apply to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of (a) the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date, or (b) the date on which the underwriters have sold at least 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

The Purchaser shall promptly advise the City when the underwriters have sold 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public, if that occurs prior to the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date.

The City acknowledges that in making the representation set forth above, the Purchaser will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in an agreement among underwriters and the related pricing wires, (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (iii) in the event, an underwriter is a party to a retail distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in the retail distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The City further acknowledges that each underwriter shall be solely liable for its failure to comply with its agreement regarding the hold-the-offering-price rule and that no underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement regarding the hold-the-offering-price rule as applicable to the Bonds.

By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement, as applicable, to (a) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by

the Purchaser that either the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public, and (b) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the Purchaser and as set forth in the related pricing wires; and (ii) any agreement among underwriters relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement to (a) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the Purchaser or such underwriter that either the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public, and (b) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the Purchaser or such underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

Sales of any Bonds to any person that is a related party to an underwriter shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this TERMS OF OFFERING. Further, for purposes of this TERMS OF OFFERING, (i) “public” means any person other than an underwriter or a related party, (ii) “underwriter” means (a) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the City (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, and (b) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause “(a)” to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public); (iii) a Purchaser of any of the Bonds is a “related party” to an underwriter if the underwriter and the Purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (a) at least 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (b) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (c) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other); and (iv) “sale date” means the date that the Bonds are awarded by the City to the Purchaser.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The City has authorized the preparation of this Preliminary Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the Bonds. The Preliminary Official Statement will be further supplemented by offering prices, interest rates, selling compensation, aggregate principal amount, principal amount per maturity, anticipated delivery date, and underwriter, together with any other information required by law or deemed appropriate by the City, shall constitute a final Official Statement of the City with respect to the Bonds, as that term is defined in Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Rule”). By awarding the Bonds to any underwriter or underwriting syndicate submitting an OFFICIAL BID FORM therefore, the City agrees that, no more than seven (7) business days after the date of such award, it shall provide without cost to the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded up to 15 copies of the final Official Statement to permit each “Participating Underwriter” (as that term is defined in Rule) to comply with the provisions of such Rule. The City shall treat the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded as its designated agent for purposes of distributing copies of the final Official Statement to the Participating Underwriter. Any underwriter executing and delivering an OFFICIAL BID FORM with respect to the Bonds agrees thereby that if its bid is accepted by the City, (i) it shall accept such designation and (ii) it shall enter into a contractual relationship with all Participating Underwriters of the Bonds for purposes of assuring the receipt by each such Participating Underwriter of the final Official Statement.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The City will covenant in a Continuing Disclosure Certificate for the benefit of the owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds to provide annually certain financial information and operating data relating to the City (the “Annual Report”), and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events. The Annual Report is to be filed by the City not later than two hundred seventy (270) days after the close of each fiscal year, commencing with the Fiscal Year ending

June 30, 2020, with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, at its internet repository named “Electronic Municipal Market Access” (“EMMA”). The notices of events, if any, are also to be filed with EMMA. See APPENDIX D – FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE. The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report or the notices of events, and the manner in which such materials are to be filed, are summarized in the FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE. These covenants have been made in order to assist the Purchaser in complying with section (b)(5) of the Rule.

The City is not aware of any instance in the previous five years in which it has failed to comply, in all material respects, with the previous undertakings in a written contract or agreement specified in paragraph (b)(5)(i) of the Rule.

Breach of the undertakings will not constitute a default or an “Event of Default” under the Bonds or the Resolution for the Bonds. A broker or dealer is to consider a known breach of the undertakings, however, before recommending the purchase or sale of the Bonds in the secondary market. Thus, a failure on the part of the City to observe the undertakings may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

CUSIP NUMBERS

It is anticipated that the Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures (“CUSIP”) numbers will be printed on the Bonds and the Purchaser must agree in the bid proposal to pay the cost thereof. In no event will the City, Bond Counsel or Municipal Advisor be responsible for the review or express any opinion that the CUSIP numbers are correct. Incorrect CUSIP numbers on said Bonds shall not be cause for the Purchaser to refuse to accept delivery of said Bonds.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
City of Council Bluffs, Iowa
/s/ Matt Walsh, Mayor

SCHEDULE OF BOND YEARS

\$5,115,000*

CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B

Bonds Dated: December 2, 2020

Interest Due: June 1, 2021 and each December 1 and June 1 to maturity

Principal Due: June 1, 2021-2032

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal*</u>	<u>Bond Years</u>	<u>Cumulative Bond Years</u>
2021	\$1,200,000	596.67	596.67
2022	335,000	501.57	1,098.24
2023	340,000	849.06	1,947.29
2024	340,000	1,189.06	3,136.35
2025	345,000	1,551.54	4,687.89
2026	350,000	1,924.03	6,611.92
2027	355,000	2,306.51	8,918.43
2028	360,000	2,699.00	11,617.43
2029	365,000	3,101.49	14,718.92
2030	370,000	3,513.97	18,232.89
2031	375,000	3,936.46	22,169.35
2032	380,000	4,368.94	26,538.29

Average Maturity (dated date): 5.188 Years

* Preliminary; subject to change.

EXHIBIT 1

FORMS OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATES

COMPETITIVE SALES WITH AT LEAST THREE BIDS FROM ESTABLISHED UNDERWRITERS

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

\$_____ **General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B**
City of Council Bluffs, Iowa

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER] ("Purchaser"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds").

1. Reasonably Expected Initial Offering Price.

a) As of the Sale Date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Bonds to the Public by Purchaser are the prices listed in Schedule A (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Bonds used by Purchaser in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds. Attached as Schedule B is a true and correct copy of the bid provided by Purchaser to purchase the Bonds.

b) Purchaser was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid.

c) The bid submitted by Purchaser constituted a firm offer to purchase the Bonds.

2. Defined Terms.

a) *Issuer* means City of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

b) *Maturity* means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.

c) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.

d) *Sale Date* means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is October 26, 2020.

e) *Underwriter* means (i) the Purchaser or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents Purchaser's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer and its advisors with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Exemption Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Bond Counsel in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

[UNDERWRITER]

By: _____

Name: _____

Dated: December 2, 2020

SCHEDULE A

EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES

**\$_____ General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B
City of Council Bluffs, Iowa**

(Attached)

SCHEDULE B

COPY OF UNDERWRITER'S BID

**\$_____ General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B
City of Council Bluffs, Iowa**

(Attached)

**COMPETITIVE SALES WITH FEWER THAN THREE BIDS FROM ESTABLISHED UNDERWRITERS
HOLD OFFERING PRICE**

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

\$_____ **General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B
City of Council Bluffs, Iowa**

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER/REPRESENTATIVE] ("Purchaser") [the "Representative")], on behalf of itself and [NAMES OF OTHER UNDERWRITERS] (together, the "Underwriting Group"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds").

1. Sale of the General Rule Maturities. As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in Schedule A.

2. Initial Offering Price of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities.

a) [Purchaser][The Underwriting Group] offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in Schedule A (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Bonds is attached to this certificate as Schedule B.

b) As set forth in the Official Terms of Offering and bid award, [Purchaser][the members of the Underwriting Group] [has][have] agreed in writing that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, [it][they] would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any retail distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the retail distribution agreement, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule. Pursuant to such agreement, no Underwriter (as defined below) has offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Bonds during the Holding Period.

3. Defined Terms.

a) *General Rule Maturities* means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "General Rule Maturities."

b) *Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities* means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities."

c) *Holding Period* means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date, or (ii) the date on which [Purchaser][the Underwriters] [has][have] sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.

d) *Issuer* means City of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

e) *Maturity* means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.

f) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.

g) *Sale Date* means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is October 26, 2020.

h) *Underwriter* means (i) the Purchaser or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

i) The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents [the Purchaser][the Representative's] interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer and its advisors with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Exemption Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Bond Counsel in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

[UNDERWRITER][REPRESENTATIVE]

By:_____

Name:_____

Dated: December 2, 2020

SCHEDULE A

**SALE PRICES OF THE GENERAL RULE MATURITIES AND
INITIAL OFFERING PRICES OF THE HOLD-THE-OFFERING-PRICE MATURITIES**

**\$_____ General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B
City of Council Bluffs, Iowa**

(Attached)

SCHEDULE B

PRICING WIRE OR EQUIVALENT COMMUNICATION

**\$_____ General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B
City of Council Bluffs, Iowa**

(Attached)

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT
CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA
\$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B

INTRODUCTION

This Preliminary Official Statement contains information relating to the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa (the “City”) and its issuance of \$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020A (the “Bonds”). This Preliminary Official Statement has been executed on behalf of the City and its Director of Finance and may be distributed in connection with the sale of the Bonds authorized therein. Inquiries may be made to the City’s Municipal Advisor, PFM Financial Advisors LLC (the “Municipal Advisor”), 801 Grand Avenue, Suite 3300, Des Moines, Iowa 50309 or by telephoning 515-724-5724. Information can also be obtained from Ms. Kathy Knott, Director of Finance, City of Council Bluffs, 209 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503, or by telephoning 712-890-5303.

AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to Division III of Chapter 384 of the Code of Iowa and a resolution (the “Resolution”) to be adopted by the City Council of the City. The Bonds are being issued to provides funds to pay the costs of opening, widening, extending, grading, and draining of the right-of-way of streets, highways, avenues, alleys and public grounds, and market places, and the removal and replacement of dead or diseased trees thereon; the construction, reconstruction, and repairing of any street improvements, bridges, grade crossing separations and approaches; the acquisition, installation, and repair of sidewalks, culverts, retaining walls, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, water service lines, street lighting, and traffic control devices; and the acquisition of any real estate needed for any of the foregoing purposes; acquisition, construction, reconstruction, and improvement of real and personal property, useful for the reclamation of property situated within the corporate limits of cities from floods or high waters, including the construction of levees, embankments, structures, impounding reservoirs, or conduits, and the development and beautification of the banks and other areas adjacent to flood control improvements; rehabilitation and improvement of parks already owned, and facilities, equipment, and improvements commonly found in city parks; acquisition, construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping, including information technology hardware and software, of city buildings; construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping of recreation grounds; acquisition, construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping of golf courses; and construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, and equipping of recreation grounds and trails.

The estimated Sources and Uses of the Bonds are as follows:

Sources of Funds*

Par Amount of Bonds	\$5,115,000.00
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Uses of Funds*

Deposit into Project Fund	\$5,000,000.00
Underwriter’s Discount	51,150.00
Cost of Issuance & Contingency	<u>63,850.00</u>
Total Uses	\$5,115,000.00

* Preliminary; subject to change.

INTEREST ON THE BONDS

Interest on the Bonds will be payable on June 1, 2021 and semiannually on the 1st day of December and June thereafter. Interest and principal shall be paid to the registered holder of a bond as shown on the records of ownership maintained by the Registrar as of the 15th day of the month (whether or not a business day) preceding such interest payment date (the "Record Date"). Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

The Bonds due after June 1, 2028 will be subject to call prior to maturity in whole, or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within a maturity by lot on said date or on any date thereafter at the option of the City, upon terms of par plus accrued interest to date of call. Written notice of such call shall be given at least thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed at the address shown on the registration books.

PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS

The Bonds are general obligations of the City and the unlimited taxing powers of the City are irrevocably pledged for their payment. Upon issuance of the Bonds, the City will levy taxes for the years and in amounts sufficient to provide 100% of annual principal and interest due on the Bonds. If, however, the amount credited to the debt service fund for payment of the Bonds is insufficient to pay principal and interest, whether from transfers or from original levies, the City must use funds in its treasury and is required to levy ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property in the City without limit as to rate or amount sufficient to pay the debt service deficiency.

Iowa Code section 76.2 provides that when an Iowa political subdivision issues general obligation bonds, "the governing authority of these political subdivisions before issuing bonds shall, by resolution, provide for the assessment of an annual levy upon all the taxable property in the political subdivision sufficient to pay the interest and principal of the bonds within a period named not exceeding twenty years. A certified copy of this resolution shall be filed with the county auditor or the auditors of the counties in which the political subdivision is located; and the filing shall make it a duty of the auditors to enter annually this levy for collection from the taxable property within the boundaries of the political subdivision until funds are realized to pay the bonds in full."

Nothing in the Resolution for the Bonds prohibits or limits the ability of the City to use legally available moneys other than the proceeds of the general ad valorem property taxes levied, as described in the preceding paragraph, to pay all or any portion of the principal of or interest on the Bonds. If, and to the extent such other legally available moneys are used to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds, the City may, but shall not be required to (i) reduce the amount of taxes levied for such purpose, as described in the preceding paragraph; or (ii) use proceeds of taxes levied, as described in the preceding paragraph, to reimburse the fund or account from which such other legally available moneys are withdrawn for the amount withdrawn from such fund or account to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds.

The Resolution authorizing the Bonds does not restrict the City's ability to issue or incur additional general obligation debt, although issuance of additional general obligation debt is subject to the same constitutional and statutory limitations that apply to the issuance of the Bonds. For a further description of the City's outstanding general obligation debt upon issuance of the Bonds and the annual debt service on the Bonds, see "DIRECT DEBT" under "CITY INDEBTEDNESS" included in APPENDIX A herein. For a description of certain constitutional and statutory limits on the issuance of general obligation debt, see "DEBT LIMIT" under "CITY INDEBTEDNESS" included in APPENDIX A to this Preliminary Official Statement.

BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY ISSUANCE

The information contained in the following paragraphs of this subsection “Book-Entry-Only Issuance” has been extracted from a schedule prepared by Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) entitled “SAMPLE OFFERING DOCUMENT LANGUAGE DESCRIBING DTC AND BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY ISSUANCE.” The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC’s book-entry-only system has been obtained from sources that the City believes to be reliable, but the City takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the securities (the “Securities”). The Securities will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC’s partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Security certificate will be issued for each issue of the Securities, each in the aggregate principal amount of such issue, and will be deposited with DTC. If, however, the aggregate principal amount of any issue exceeds \$500 million, one certificate will be issued with respect to each \$500 million of principal amount, and an additional certificate will be issued with respect to any remaining principal amount of such issue.

DTC, the world’s largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a “clearing agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments from over 100 countries that DTC’s participants (the “Direct Participants”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants’ accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (“DTCC”). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (the “Indirect Participants”). DTC has Standard & Poor’s rating: AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Securities under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Securities on DTC’s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Security (the “Beneficial Owner”) is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants’ records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Securities are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Securities, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Securities is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Securities deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC’s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Securities with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not affect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Securities; DTC’s records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Securities are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Securities may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Securities, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Security documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Securities may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Securities for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Securities within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co., nor any other DTC nominee, will consent or vote with respect to Securities unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the City as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Securities are credited on the record date identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy.

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments on the Securities will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the City or Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, Agent, or the City, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC, is the responsibility of the City or Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

A Beneficial Owner shall give notice to elect to have its Securities purchased or tendered, through its Participant, to Tender/Remarketing Agent, and shall effect delivery of such Securities by causing the Direct Participant to transfer the Participant's interest in the Securities, on DTC's records, to Tender/Remarketing Agent. The requirement for physical delivery of Securities in connection with an optional tender or a mandatory purchase will be deemed satisfied when the ownership rights in the Securities are transferred by Direct Participants on DTC's records and followed by a book-entry credit of tendered Securities to Tender/Remarketing Agent's DTC account.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Securities at any time by giving reasonable notice to the City or Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Security certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The City may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Security certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the City believes to be reliable, but the City takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

FUTURE FINANCING

The City will not be issuing additional general obligation bonds within 90 days of this Preliminary Official Statement.

LITIGATION

The City is not aware of any threatened or pending litigation that may have a material adverse effect on the validity of the Bonds or the City's ability to meet its financial obligations with regard to the Bonds.

DEBT PAYMENT HISTORY

The City knows of no instance in which it has defaulted in the payment of principal or interest on its debt.

LEGALITY

The Bonds are subject to approval as to certain matters by Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. of Des Moines, Iowa as Bond Counsel. Bond Counsel has not participated in the preparation of this Preliminary Official Statement other than to review or prepare information describing the terms of the Bonds and Iowa and Federal law pertinent to the validity of and the tax status of interest on the Bonds, which can be found generally under the sections "AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE", "OPTIONAL REDEMPTION", "PAYMENT AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS" and "TAX MATTERS", herein. Additionally, Bond Counsel has provided its Form of Legal Opinion and Continuing Disclosure Certificate, included in APPENDIX B and APPENDIX D, respectively, within this Preliminary Official Statement. Bond Counsel is not expressing any opinion as to the completeness or accuracy of the information contained in the Preliminary Official Statement. The FORM OF LEGAL OPINION as set out in APPENDIX B to this Preliminary Official Statement, will be delivered at closing.

The legal opinion, to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds, expresses the professional judgment of the attorneys rendering the opinion as to legal issues expressly addressed therein. By rendering a legal opinion, the opinion giver does not become an insurer or guarantor of the result indicated by that expression of professional judgment, or of the transaction on which the opinion is rendered, or of the future performance of parties to the transaction. Nor does the rendering of an opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise out of the transaction.

There is no bond trustee or similar person to monitor or enforce the provisions of the Resolution for the Bonds. The owners of the Bonds should, therefore, be prepared to enforce such provisions themselves if the need to do so arises. In the event of a default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds, there is no provision for acceleration of maturity of the principal of the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an action in the nature of mandamus requiring the City and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the Resolution for the Bonds) may have to be enforced from year to year. The obligation to pay general ad valorem property taxes is secured by a statutory lien upon the taxed property, but is not an obligation for which a property owner may be held personally liable in the event of a deficiency. The owners of the Bonds cannot foreclose on property within the boundaries of the City or sell such property in order to pay the debt service on the Bonds. See "LEVIES AND TAX COLLECTIONS" included in APPENDIX A herein, for a description of property tax collection and enforcement.

In addition, the enforceability of the rights and remedies of owners of the Bonds may be subject to limitation as set forth in Bond Counsel's opinion. The opinion will state, in part, that the obligation of the City with respect to the Bonds may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights, heretofore or hereafter, enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

TAX MATTERS

Tax Exemptions and Related Considerations: Federal tax law contains a number of requirements and restrictions that apply to the Bonds. These include investment restrictions, periodic payments of arbitrage profits to the United States, requirements regarding the proper use of bond proceeds and facilities financed with bond proceeds, and certain other matters. The City has covenanted to comply with all requirements that must be satisfied in order for the interest on the Bonds to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with certain of such covenants could cause interest on the Bonds to become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds.

Subject to the City's compliance with the above referenced covenants, under present law, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that ownership of the Bonds may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers, including, without limitation, corporations subject to the branch profits tax, financial institutions, certain insurance companies, certain S corporations, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred (or continued) indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations. Bond Counsel will not express any opinion as to such collateral tax consequences. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors as to collateral federal income tax consequences.

Ownership of the Bonds may result in other state and local tax consequences to certain taxpayers. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any such collateral consequences arising with respect to the Bonds. The prospective purchaser of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors regarding the applicability of any such state and local taxes.

NOT-Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations: The City will NOT designate the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under the exception provided in Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

Discount and Premium on certain Bonds: The initial public offering price of certain Bonds (the "Discount Bonds") may be less than the amount payable on such Bonds at maturity. An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of Discount Bonds (assuming that a substantial amount of the Discount Bonds of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and the amount payable at maturity constitutes original issue discount to the initial purchaser of such Discount Bonds. Purchasers of Discount Bonds should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of accrued original issue discount on Discount Bonds for federal income tax purposes and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Discount Bonds. It is possible that, under applicable provisions governing determination of state and local income taxes, accrued interest on Discount Bonds may be deemed to be received in the year of accrual even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment.

The initial public offering price of certain Bonds (the "Premium Bonds") may be greater than the amount payable on such Premium Bonds at maturity. An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of Premium Bonds (assuming that a substantial amount of the Premium Bonds of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and the amount payable at maturity constitutes a premium to the initial purchaser of such Premium Bonds. Purchasers of the Premium Bonds should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of amortizable bond premium on Premium Bonds for federal income tax purposes and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Premium Bonds.

Other Tax Advice: In addition to the income tax consequences described above, potential investors should consider the additional tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership, and disposition of the Bonds. For instance, state income tax law may differ substantially from state to state, and the foregoing is not intended to describe any aspect of the income tax laws of any state. Therefore, potential investors should consult their own tax advisors with respect to federal tax issues and with respect to the various state tax consequences of an investment in Bonds.

Audits: The Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") has an ongoing program of auditing tax-exempt obligations to determine whether, in the view of the Service, interest on such tax-exempt obligations is includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes. It cannot be predicted whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, under current procedures the Service may treat the City as a taxpayer and the bondholders may have no right to participate in such procedure. The commencement of an audit could adversely affect the market value and liquidity of the Bonds until the audit is concluded, regardless of the ultimate outcome.

Withholdings: Payments of interest on, and proceeds of the sale, redemption or maturity of, tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds, are in certain cases required to be reported to the Service. Additionally, backup withholding may apply to any such payments to any bond owner who fails to provide an accurate Form W-9 Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification, or a substantially identical form, or to any Bond owner who is notified by the

Service of a failure to report any interest or dividends required to be shown on federal income tax returns. The reporting and backup withholding requirements do not affect the excludability of such interest from gross income for federal tax purposes.

Legislation: Legislation affecting tax-exempt obligations is regularly considered by the United States Congress and may be considered by the Iowa legislature. Judicial interpretation of state or federal laws, rules or regulations may also affect the tax treatment. There can be no assurance that legislation enacted or proposed, or actions by a court, after the date of issuance of the Bonds will not have an adverse effect on the tax status of interest or other income on the Bonds or the market value or marketability of the Bonds. These adverse effects could result, for example, from changes to federal or state income tax rates, changes in the structure of federal or state income taxes (including replacement with another type of tax), or repeal (or reduction in the benefit) of the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal or state income tax purposes for all or certain taxpayers.

Current and future legislative proposals, including some that carry retroactive effective dates, if enacted into law, or clarification of the Code may cause interest on the Bonds to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation, or otherwise prevent owners of the Bonds from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. Recent proposals have been made that could significantly reduce the benefit of, or otherwise affect, the exclusion from gross income of interest on obligations like the Bonds. The introduction or enactment of any such legislative proposals or clarification of the Code may also affect, perhaps significantly, the market price for, or marketability of, the Bonds. The prospective purchaser of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed tax legislation, as to which Bond Counsel expresses no opinion except as set forth in APPENDIX B to this Preliminary Official Statement.

Enforcement: Holders of the Bonds shall have and possess all the rights of action and remedies afforded by the common law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Iowa and of the United States of America for the enforcement of payment of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, the right to a proceeding in law or in equity by suit, action or mandamus to enforce and compel performance of the duties required by Iowa law and the Resolution authorizing issuance of the Bonds. There is no bond trustee or similar person to monitor or enforce the terms of the Resolution for issuance of the Bonds. In the event of a default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, there is no provision for acceleration of maturity of the principal of the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an action in the nature of mandamus requiring the City and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the Resolution for the Bonds) may have to be enforced from year to year. The enforceability of the rights and remedies of owners of the Bonds may be subject to limitation as set forth in Bond Counsel's opinion.

The obligation to pay general ad valorem property taxes is secured by a statutory lien upon the taxed property, but is not an obligation for which a property owner may be held personally liable in the event of a deficiency. The owners of the Bonds cannot foreclose on property within the boundaries of the City or sell such property in order to pay the debt service on the Bonds. In addition, the enforceability of the rights and remedies of owners of the Bonds may be subject to limitation as set forth in Bond Counsel's opinion. The opinion to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds will be qualified as to the enforceability of the various legal instruments by limitations imposed by general principles of equity and public policy and by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally, and to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

No representation is made, and no assurance is given, that the enforcement of any remedies with respect to such assets will result in sufficient funds to pay all amounts due under the Resolution for the Bonds, including principal of and interest on the Bonds.

The Opinion: The opinion expressed by Bond Counsel are based upon existing legislation and regulations as interpreted by relevant judicial and regulatory authorities as of the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, and Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion as of any date subsequent thereto or with respect to any proposed or pending legislation, regulatory initiatives or litigation.

Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a result, or of the transaction on which the opinion is rendered, or of the future performance of parties to the transaction, but represents its legal judgment based upon its review of existing statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions and the representations and covenants of the City described in this section. No ruling has been sought from the Service with respect to the matters addressed in the opinion of Bond Counsel and Bond Counsel's opinions is not binding on the Service. Bond Counsel assumes no obligation to update its opinion after the issue date to reflect any further action, fact or circumstance, or change in law or interpretation, or otherwise.

ALL POTENTIAL PURCHASERS OF THE BONDS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THEIR TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF OWNERSHIP OF THE BONDS (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE LISTED ABOVE).

BONDHOLDER'S RISKS

An investment in the Bonds is subject to certain risks. No person should purchase the Bonds unless such person understands the risks described below and is willing to bear those risks. There may be other risks not listed below which may adversely affect the value of the Bonds. In order to identify risk factors and make an informed investment decision, potential investors should be thoroughly familiar with this entire Preliminary Official Statement (including the Appendices hereto) in order to make a judgment as to whether the Bonds are an appropriate investment.

Secondary Market Not Established: There is no established secondary market for the Bonds, and there is no assurance that a secondary market will develop for the purchase and sale of the Bonds. Prices of municipal bonds traded in the secondary market, if any, are subject to adjustment upward and downward in response to changes in the credit markets and changes in the operating performance of the entities operating the facilities subject to bonded indebtedness. From time to time it may be necessary to suspend indefinitely secondary market trading in selected issues of municipal bonds as a result of the financial condition or market position, prevailing market conditions, lack of adequate current financial information about the entity, operating the subject facilities, or a material adverse change in the operations of that entity, whether or not the subject Bonds are in default as to principal and interest payments, and other factors which, may give rise to uncertainty concerning prudent secondary market practices.

Municipal bonds are generally viewed as long-term investments, subject to material unforeseen changes in the investor's circumstances, and may require commitment of the investor's funds for an indefinite period of time, perhaps until maturity.

EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSESSING THE MERITS AND RISKS OF AN INVESTMENT AND MUST BE ABLE TO BEAR THE ECONOMIC RISK OF SUCH INVESTMENT. THE SECONDARY MARKET FOR THE BONDS, IF ANY, COULD BE LIMITED.

Ratings Loss: Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") has assigned a rating of '___' to the Bonds. Generally, a rating agency bases its rating on the information and materials furnished to it and on investigations, studies and assumptions of its own. There is no assurance the ratings will continue for any given period of time, or that such ratings will not be revised, suspended or withdrawn, if, in the judgment of Moody's, circumstances so warrant. A revision, suspension or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

Rating agencies are currently not regulated by any regulatory body. Future regulation of rating agencies could materially alter the methodology, rating levels, and types of ratings available, for example, and these changes, if ever, could materially affect the market value of the Bonds.

Matters Relating to Enforceability: Holders of the Bonds shall have and possess all the rights of action and remedies afforded by the common law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Iowa and of the United States of America for the enforcement of payment of the Bonds, including but not limited to, the right to a proceeding in the law or in equity by suit, action or mandamus to enforce and compel performance of the duties required by Iowa law and the Resolution for the Bonds.

The practical realization of any rights upon any default will depend upon the exercise of various remedies specified in the Resolution for the Bonds. The opinion, to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds, will be qualified as to the enforceability of the various legal instruments by limitations imposed by general principals of equity and public policy and by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

No representation is made and no assurance is given that the enforcement of any remedies with respect to such assets will result in sufficient funds to pay all amounts due under the Resolution for the Bonds, including principal of and interest on the Bonds.

Forward-Looking Statements: This Preliminary Official Statement contains statements relating to future results that are “forward-looking statements” as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. When used in this Preliminary Official Statement, the words “estimate,” “forecast,” “intend,” “expect” and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement is subject to uncertainty. Accordingly, such statements are subject to risks that could cause actual results to differ, possibly materially, from those contemplated in such forward-looking statements. Inevitably, some assumptions used to develop forward-looking statements will not be realized or unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, investors should be aware there are likely to be differences between forward-looking statements and the actual results. These differences could be material and could impact the availability of funds of the City to pay debt service when due on the Bonds.

Financial Condition of the City From Time to Time: No representation is made as to the future financial condition of the City. Certain risks discussed herein could adversely affect the financial condition and or operations of the City in future. However, the Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the “PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS” herein.

Global Health Emergency Risk: The World Health Organization has declared a pandemic following the outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus and on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency. The current spread of COVID-19 is altering the behavior of businesses and people in a manner that may have negative effects on economic activity, and therefore adversely affect the financial condition of the City, either directly or indirectly. Federal, State, and local officials are taking steps to curb the spread of the virus, including providing both discretionary and mandatory guidelines and orders regarding public gatherings, and imposing mandatory closings of some businesses. The spread of the virus could reduce General Fund revenue, including gaming revenue, hotel/motel tax receipts and Area receipts, delay the receipt of property tax payments and negatively impact other collections dependent on local business activity. At this time, it is not possible to predict the full impact on the City and its finances. The Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the “PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY OF THE BONDS” herein.

Redemption Prior to Maturity: In considering whether to make an investment in the Bonds, it should be noted the Bonds are subject to optional redemption, as outlined herein, without Bondholder discretion or consent. See “OPTIONAL REDEMPTION” herein.

Tax Matters and Loss of Tax Exemption: As discussed under the heading “TAX MATTERS” herein, the interest on the Bonds could become includable in gross income for purposes of federal income taxation retroactive to the date of delivery of the Bonds, as a result of acts or omissions of the City in violation of its covenants in the Resolution for the Bonds. Should such an event of taxability occur, the Bonds would not be subject to a special prepayment and would remain outstanding until maturity or until prepaid under the prepayment provisions contained in the Bonds, and there is no provision for an adjustment of the interest rates on the Bonds.

It is possible legislation will be proposed or introduced that could result in changes in the way tax exemption is calculated, or whether interest on certain securities are exempt from taxation at all. Prospective purchasers should consult with their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed federal income tax legislation. The likelihood of legislation being enacted cannot be reliably predicted.

It is also possible actions of the City, after the closing of the Bonds, will alter the tax status of the Bonds, and in the extreme, remove the tax-exempt status from the Bonds. In that instance, the Bonds are not subject to mandatory prepayment and the interest rates on the Bonds does not increase or otherwise reset. A determination of taxability on the Bonds after closing could materially adversely affect the value and marketability of the Bonds.

Pending Federal Tax Legislation: From time to time, there are Presidential proposals, proposals of various federal committees, and legislative proposals pending in Congress that could, if enacted, alter or amend one or more of the federal (or state) tax matters described herein in certain respects or would adversely affect the market value of the Bonds or otherwise prevent holders of the Bonds from realizing the full benefit of the tax exemption of interest on the Bonds. Further, such proposals may impact the marketability or market value of the Bonds simply by being proposed. It cannot be predicted whether, or in what forms, any of such proposals, either pending or that may be introduced, may be enacted and there can be no assurance that such proposals will not apply to the Bonds. In addition, regulatory actions are from time to time announced or proposed and litigation threatened or commenced, which if implemented or concluded in a particular manner, could adversely affect the market value, marketability or tax status of the Bonds. It cannot be predicted whether any such regulatory action will be implemented, how any particular litigation or judicial action will be resolved, or whether the Bonds would be impacted thereby.

Changes in Property Taxation: The Bonds are general obligations of the City secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the “PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS” herein. In the past, the State Public Health Emergency Declarations had temporarily suspended the provisions that required the imposition of penalty and interest for delay in property tax payments and directed that no such penalty or interest could be imposed for the duration of the declaration or any future extension of the suspension. It is impossible to predict whether the declaration or a future extension thereof could have a material effect on the City’s ability to collect property taxes necessary for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds.

From time to time the Iowa General Assembly has altered the method of property taxation and could do so again. Such alterations could adversely affect the City’s financial condition. Historically, changes to property tax calculations and impositions are imposed on a prospective basis. However, there is no assurance future changes to property taxation by the Iowa General Assembly will not be applied retroactively. It is impossible to predict the outcome of future property taxation changes by the Iowa General Assembly or resulting impacts on the City’s financial condition. However, the Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the “PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS” herein.

Cybersecurity: The City, like many other public and private entities, relies on a large and complex technology environment to conduct its operations. As such, it may face multiple cybersecurity threats including but not limited to, hacking, viruses, malware and other attacks on computer or other sensitive digital systems and networks. There can be no assurances that any security and operational control measures implemented by the City will be completely successful to guard against and prevent cyber threats and attacks. Failure to properly maintain functionality, control, security, and integrity of the City’s information systems could impact business operations and/or digital networks and systems and the costs of remedying any such damage could be significant. Along with significant liability claims or regulatory penalties, any security breach could have a material adverse impact on the City’s operations and financial condition.

The City maintains insurance coverage as a per claim/occurrence limit of \$3 million and the 1st party has a per claim/occurrence limit of \$3 million and the total policy aggregate is \$3 million for all claims/occurrences. The City cannot predict whether these policies would be sufficient in the event of a cyber breach. However, the Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the “PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS” herein.

Pensions: Pursuant to GASB 68, the City reported a liability of \$13,607,641 within its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (“CAFR”) as of June 30, 2019 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability related to IPERS, as defined herein. The net pension liability is the amount by which the total actuarial liability exceeds the pension plan’s net assets or fiduciary net position (essentially the market value) available for paying benefits. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2018, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the City’s share of contributions to the IPERS pension plan relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2018, the City’s collective proportion was 0.215030% which was a decrease of 0.001413% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2017.

Additionally, the City reported a liability of \$34,634,472 with its CAFR as of June 30, 2019 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability related to MFPRSI, as defined herein. The net pension liability is the amount by which the total actuarial liability exceeds the pension plan’s net assets or fiduciary net position (essentially the market value) available for paying benefits. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2018, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the City’s share of contributions to the MFPRSI pension plan relative to the contributions of all MFPRSI participating employers. At June 30, 2018, the City’s proportion was 5.816975% which was a decrease of 0.000031% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2017.

See “EMPLOYEES AND PENSIONS” included under the “CITY” section included in APPENDIX A to this Preliminary Official Statement for more summary information related to the City’s contributions, and APPENDIX C – June 30, 2019 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT for additional information related to the City’s deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, actuarial assumptions, discount rate and discount rate sensitivity. Changes to the City’s pension contributions, or available sources to fund said contributions, may adversely affect the City’s financial condition. The Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the “PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS” herein.

Continuing Disclosure: A failure by the City to comply with continuing disclosure obligations (see “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE” herein) will not constitute an event of default on the Bonds. Any such failure must be disclosed in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Rule”), and may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

Bankruptcy: The rights and remedies available to holders of the Bonds may be limited by and are subject to the provisions of federal bankruptcy laws, to other laws or equitable principles that may affect the enforcement of creditor’s rights, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to limitations in legal remedies against exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to limitations on legal remedies against municipal corporations in the State of Iowa. The various opinions of counsel to be delivered with respect to the Bonds and the Resolution for the Bonds, including the opinion of Bond Counsel, will be similarly qualified. If the City were to file a petition under Chapter 9 of the Bankruptcy Code, the owners of the Bonds could be prohibited from taking any steps to enforce their rights under the Resolution for the Bonds. In the event the City fails to comply with its covenants under the Resolution for the Bonds or fails to make payments on the Bonds, there can be no assurance of the availability of remedies adequate to protect the interests of the holders of the Bonds.

Suitability of Investment: The interest rate borne by the Bonds is intended to compensate the investor for assuming the risk of investing in the Bonds. Each prospective investor should carefully examine this Preliminary Official Statement and its own financial condition to make a judgment as to its ability to bear the economic risk of such an investment, and whether or not the Bonds are an appropriate investment for such investor.

Tax Levy Procedures: The Bonds are general obligations of the City, payable from and secured by a continuing ad valorem tax levied against all of the property valuation within the City. As part of the budgetary process each fiscal year, the City will have an obligation to request a debt service levy to be applied against all of the taxable property within the City. A failure on the part of the City to make a timely levy request or a levy request by the City that is inaccurate or is

insufficient to make full payments of the debt service of the Bonds for a particular fiscal year may cause bondholders to experience a delay in the receipt of distributions of principal of and/or interest on the Bonds. In the event of a default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, there is no provision for acceleration of maturity of the principal of the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an action in the nature of mandamus requiring the City and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the Resolution for the Bonds) may have to be enforced from year to year.

Federal Funds Orders and State Funds Legislation: Various federal executive orders, and Iowa Code Chapter 27A (collectively “ICE Enforcement Initiatives”), impose requirements intended to ensure compliance with the federal immigration detention processes. The ICE Enforcement Initiatives impose various penalties for non-compliance, including the loss of state and/or federal funding under certain circumstances. The loss of state and/or federal funds in any significant amount would negatively impact the City’s overall financial position and could affect its rating. However, the Bonds are secured by a debt service levy upon real property in the jurisdictional limits of the City, and are not secured by state or federal funds. See “PAYMENT OF AND SECURITY FOR THE BONDS” herein.

DTC-Beneficial Owners: Beneficial Owners of the Bonds may experience some delay in the receipt of distributions of principal of and interest on the Bonds since such distributions will be forwarded by the Registrar to DTC and DTC will credit such distributions to the accounts of the Participants which will, thereafter, credit them to the accounts of the Beneficial Owner either directly or indirectly through Indirect Participants. Neither the City nor the Registrar will have any responsibility or obligation to assure any such notice or payment is forwarded by DTC to any Participants or by any Participant to any Beneficial Owner.

In addition, since transactions in the Bonds can be effected only through DTC Participants, Indirect Participants and certain banks, the ability of a Beneficial Owner to pledge the Bonds to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system, or otherwise to take actions in respect of such Bonds, may be limited due to lack of a physical certificate. Beneficial Owners will be permitted to exercise the rights of registered Owners only indirectly through DTC and the Participants. See “BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY ISSUANCE” herein.

Summary: The foregoing is intended only as a summary of certain risk factors attendant to an investment in the Bonds. In order for potential investors to identify risk factors and make an informed investment decision, potential investors should become thoroughly familiar with this entire Preliminary Official Statement and the Appendices hereto to make a judgment as to whether the Bonds are an appropriate investment.

RATING

Moody’s has assigned a rating of ‘ ’ to the Bonds. Moody’s currently maintains an underlying rating on the City’s long-term general obligation debt of ‘Aa2’. Such rating on long-term debt reflects only the view of the rating agency and any explanation of the significance of such rating may only be obtained from Moody’s. There is no assurance that such rating will continue for any period of time or that it will not be revised or withdrawn. Any revision or withdrawal of the rating may have an effect on the market price of the Bonds.

MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

The City has retained PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Des Moines, Iowa as Municipal Advisor in connection with the preparation of the issuance of the Bonds. In preparing the Preliminary Official Statement, the Municipal Advisor has relied on government officials, and other sources to provide accurate information for disclosure purposes. The Municipal Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken, an independent verification of the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information contained in the Preliminary Official Statement. PFM Financial Advisors LLC is an independent advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal securities or other public securities.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The City will covenant in a Continuing Disclosure Certificate for the benefit of the owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds to provide annually certain financial information and operating data relating to the City (the “Annual Report”), and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events. The Annual Report is to be filed by the City not later than two hundred seventy (270) days after the close of each fiscal year, commencing with the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020, with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, at its internet repository named “Electronic Municipal Market Access” (“EMMA”). The notices of events, if any, are also to be filed with EMMA. See FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE included in APPENDIX D to this Preliminary Official Statement. The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report or the notices of events, and the manner in which such materials are to be filed, are summarized in the FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE. These covenants have been made in order to assist the underwriter in complying with section (b)(5) of the Rule.

The City is not aware of any instance in the previous five years in which it has failed to comply, in all material respects, with the previous undertakings in a written contract or agreement specified in paragraph (b)(5)(i) of the Rule.

Breach of the undertakings will not constitute a default or an “Event of Default” under the Bonds or the Resolution for the Bonds. A broker or dealer is to consider a known breach of the undertakings, however, before recommending the purchase or sale of the Bonds in the secondary market. Thus, a failure on the part of the City to observe the undertakings may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The City’s June 30, 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as prepared by a certified public accountant is reproduced as APPENDIX C. The City’s certified public accountant has not consented to distribution of the audited financial statements and has not undertaken added review of their presentation. Further information regarding financial performance and copies of the City’s prior Comprehensive Annual Financial Report may be obtained from the City’s Municipal Advisor, PFM Financial Advisors LLC.

CERTIFICATION

The City has authorized the distribution of this Preliminary Official Statement for use in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds. I have reviewed the information contained within the Preliminary Official Statement prepared on behalf of the City by PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Des Moines, Iowa, and to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, said Preliminary Official Statement does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading regarding the issuance of \$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B.

CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA
/s/ Matt Walsh, Mayor

* Preliminary; subject to change.

APPENDIX A

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

The \$5,115,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2020B (the “Bonds”) are general obligations of the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa (the “City”) for which the City will pledge its power to levy direct ad valorem taxes against all taxable property within the City without limitation as to rate or amount to the repayment of the Bonds.*

* Preliminary; subject to change.

CITY PROPERTY VALUES

IOWA PROPERTY VALUATIONS

In compliance with Section 441.21 of the Code of Iowa, the State Director of Revenue annually directs the county auditors to apply prescribed statutory percentages to the assessments of certain categories of real property. The Pottawattamie County Auditors adjusted the final Actual Values for 2019. The reduced values, determined after the application of rollback percentages, are the taxable values subject to tax levy. For assessment year 2019, the taxable value rollback rate was 55.0743% of actual value for residential property; 71.2500% of actual value for multiresidential property; 81.4832% of actual value for agricultural property; and 90% of actual value for commercial, industrial, and railroad property. No adjustment was ordered for utility property because its assessed value did not increase enough to qualify for reduction. Utility property is limited to an 8% annual growth.

The Legislature's intent has been to limit the growth of statewide taxable valuations for the specific classes of property to 3% annually. Political subdivisions whose taxable values are thus reduced or are unusually low in growth are allowed to appeal the valuations to the State Appeal Board, in order to continue to fund present services.

PROPERTY VALUATIONS (1/1/2019 Valuations for Taxes Payable July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021)

	<u>100% Actual Value</u>	<u>Taxable Value (With Rollback)</u>
Residential	\$2,549,280,728	\$1,401,727,799
Commercial	1,113,171,657	990,481,613
Industrial	109,509,942	98,552,192
Railroad	213,006,413	146,258,350
Multiresidential	18,819,671	16,937,704
Utilities w/o Gas & Electric	<u>11,466,789</u>	<u>11,466,789</u>
Gross valuation	\$4,015,255,200	\$2,665,424,447
Less military exemption	<u>(4,646,668)</u>	<u>(4,646,668)</u>
Net valuation	\$4,010,608,532	\$2,660,777,779
TIF Increment (used to compute debt service levies and constitutional debt limit)	\$138,010,702	\$138,010,702
Taxed separately		
Ag. Land & Building	\$10,660,196 ¹⁾	\$8,685,576 ¹⁾
Gas & Electric Utilities	\$1,338,127,336	\$184,080,228

1) Excludes \$3,704 of military exemption on agricultural property.

Source: Iowa Department of Management

2019 GROSS TAXABLE VALUATION BY CLASS OF PROPERTY ¹⁾

	<u>Taxable Valuation</u>	<u>Percent Total</u>
Residential	\$1,401,727,799	49.20%
Commercial, Industrial and Utility	1,100,500,594	38.62%
Gas & Electric Utilities	184,080,228	6.46%
Multiresidential	146,258,350	5.13%
Railroad	<u>16,937,704</u>	<u>0.59%</u>
Total Gross Taxable Valuation	\$2,849,504,675	100.00%

1) Excludes Taxable TIF Increment, Ag. Land and Ag. Buildings.

TREND OF VALUATIONS

<u>Assessment Year</u>	<u>Payable Fiscal Year</u>	<u>100% Actual Valuation</u>	<u>Taxable Valuation (With Rollback)</u>	<u>Taxable TIF Increment</u>
2015	2016-17	\$4,658,908,187	\$2,547,695,493	\$98,171,483
2016	2017-18	4,839,011,160	2,569,125,780	128,501,899
2017	2018-19	5,259,987,480	2,721,387,838	112,339,033
2018	2019-20	5,121,594,374	2,809,624,482	100,883,278
2019	2020-21	5,497,406,766	2,844,858,007	138,010,702

The 100% Actual Valuations, before rollback and after reduction of military exemption, include Ag. Land, Ag. Buildings, TIF Increment, and Gas & Electric Utilities. The Taxable Valuations, with the rollback and after the reduction of military exemption, include Gas & Electric Utilities and exclude the Taxable TIF Increment, Ag. Land and Ag. Buildings. Iowa cities certify operating levies against Taxable Valuation excluding the Taxable TIF Increment and debt service levies are certified against Taxable Valuation including the Taxable TIF Increment.

Source: Iowa Department of Management

LARGER TAXPAYERS

Set forth in the following table are the persons or entities which represent larger taxpayers within the boundaries of the City, as provided by the Pottawattamie County Auditor's office. No independent investigation has been made of and no representation is made herein as to the financial condition of any of the taxpayers listed below or that such taxpayers will continue to maintain their status as major taxpayers in the City. With the exception of the electric and natural gas providers (which is subject to an excise tax in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 437A), the City's mill levy is applicable to all of the properties included in the table, and thus taxes expected to be received by the City from such taxpayers will be in proportion to the assessed valuations of the properties. The total tax bill for each of the properties is dependent upon the mill levies of the other taxing entities which overlap the properties.

<u>Taxpayer – Legal Name</u>	<u>Taxpayer – Business Name</u>	<u>Valuation Category</u>	<u>1/1/2019 Taxable Valuation</u>
Mid-American Electric	Mid-American Energy	Utility	\$130,880,860
Gable Corp.	Google	Commercial	78,784,930
Horseshoe Council Bluffs LLC	Horseshoe Casino	Commercial	69,270,390
Pinnacle Entertainment Inc.	Ameristar Casino	Commercial	51,803,190
Harrah's Council Bluffs LLC	Harrah's Casino	Commercial	46,514,530
W-PT Metro Center Owner VIII LLC	Metro Crossings Retail Center	Commercial	38,265,390
Questa LLC	Google	Commercial	34,067,285
Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust	Wal-Mart	Commercial	22,026,510
Tetra LLC	Google	Commercial	21,980,704
Black Hills Energy Corp.	Black Hills Energy Corp	Utility	20,050,738

Source: Pottawattamie County Auditor's Office.

PROPERTY TAX LEGISLATION

From time to time, legislative proposals are pending in Congress and the Iowa General Assembly that would, if enacted, alter or amend one or more of the property tax matters described herein. It cannot be predicted whether or in what forms any of such proposals, either pending or that may be introduced, may be enacted, and there can be no assurance that such proposals will not apply to valuation, assessment or levy procedures for taxes levied by the City or have an adverse impact on the future tax collections of the City. The purchasers of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed federal or state tax legislation. The opinions expressed by Bond Counsel are based upon existing legislation as of the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds and Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion as of any date subsequent thereto or with respect to any pending federal or state tax legislation.

During the 2019 legislative session, the Iowa General Assembly enacted Senate File 634 (the “2019 Act”). The 2019 Act modifies the process for hearing and approval of the total maximum property tax dollars under certain levies in the City’s budget including levies for the General Fund, the Emergency Fund, Trust and Agency Funds for pensions, insurance, transit, civic centers, certain bridges, sanitary disposal, and emergency management. The 2019 Act also includes a provision that will require the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the City Council when the maximum property tax dollars under these levies exceed an amount determined under a prescribed formula.

The 2019 Act does not change the process for hearing and approval of the Debt Service Levy pledged for repayment of the Bonds. It is too early to evaluate the affect the 2019 Act will have on the overall financial position of the City or its ability to fund essential services.

During the 2013 legislative session, the Iowa General Assembly enacted Senate File 295 (the “2013 Act”). Among other things, the Act (i) reduced the maximum annual taxable value growth percent, due to revaluation of existing residential and agricultural property to 3%, (ii) assigned a “rollback” (the percentage of a property’s value that is subject to tax) to commercial, industrial and railroad property of 90%, (iii) created a new property tax classification for multi-residential properties (apartments, nursing homes, assisted living facilities and certain other rental property) and assigned a declining rollback percentage to such properties for each year until the residential rollback percentage is reached in the 2022 assessment year, after which the rollback percentage for such properties will be equal to the residential rollback percentage each assessment year, and (iv) exempted a specified portion of the assessed value of telecommunication properties.

The 2013 Act includes a standing appropriation to replace some of the tax revenues lost by local governments, including tax increment districts, resulting from the new rollback for commercial and industrial property. The appropriation does not replace losses to local governments resulting from the 2013 Act’s provisions that reduce the annual revaluation growth limit for residential and agricultural properties to 3%, the gradual transition for multi-residential properties from the residential rollback percentage, or the reduction in the percentage of telecommunications property that is subject to taxation.

The City has not attempted to quantify the financial impact of the 2013 Act’s provisions on the City’s future operations.

Notwithstanding any decrease in property tax revenues that may result from the 2013 Act or the 2019 Act, Iowa Code section 76.2 provides that when an Iowa political subdivision issues bonds, "the governing authority of these political subdivisions before issuing bonds shall, by resolution, provide for the assessment of an annual levy upon all the taxable property in the political subdivision sufficient to pay the interest and principal of the bonds within a period named not exceeding twenty years. A certified copy of this resolution shall be filed with the county auditor or the auditors of the counties in which the political subdivision is located; and the filing shall make it a duty of the auditors to enter annually this levy for collection from the taxable property within the boundaries of the political subdivision until funds are realized to pay the bonds in full."

CITY INDEBTEDNESS

DEBT LIMIT

Article XI, Section 3 of the State of Iowa Constitution limits the amount of debt outstanding at any time of any county, municipality or other political subdivision to no more than 5% of the actual value of all taxable property within the corporate limits, as taken from the last state and county tax list. The debt limit for the City, based on its 2019 actual valuation currently applicable to the Fiscal Year 2020-21, is as follows:

2019 Actual Valuation of Property	\$5,497,406,766
Legal Debt Limit of 5%	<u>0.05</u>
Legal Debt Limit	\$274,870,338
Less: G.O. Debt Subject to Debt Limit	(59,160,000)
Less: Development Agreements	(1,702,269) ¹⁾
Less: IFA Marketplace TIF Revenue Debt (annual appropriation)	(425,000)
Less: Golf Cart Lease Purchase	(179,579)
Less: Rivers Edge Parking Garage LPA (ann. approp.)	<u>(295,588)</u>
Net Debt Limit	\$213,107,902

- 1) As estimated by the City pursuant to development agreements for urban renewal projects under the authority of Iowa Code Chapter 403 or other intergovernmental agreements (under chapter 28E, etc.). The Iowa Supreme Court has not formally ruled on the question of whether contracts to rebate the tax increment generated by a particular development constitutes indebtedness of a city for constitutional debt limit purposes. The amount reported above includes rebate agreements that may not be debt. Some development agreements are subject to the right of annual appropriation by the City, thereby limiting the extent of possible debt to only amounts currently due and appropriated in the current fiscal year. Amounts payable under a particular development agreement may not constitute legal indebtedness, but are memorialized in the table below to conservatively state the City's possible financial exposure. Payment of future installments may be dependent upon undertakings by the developers, which may have not yet occurred. The City actively pursues opportunities consistent with the development goals of its various urban renewal plans, which may be amended from time to time, and the City may enter into additional development agreements committing to additional rebate incentives in calendar year 2020 or thereafter.

DIRECT DEBT

General Obligation Debt Paid by Property Taxes and Tax Increment (Includes the Bonds)

<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Outstanding As of 12/02/20</u>
4/14A	\$7,630,000	Corporate Purpose	6/26	\$3,830,000
3/15A	8,145,000	Refunding & Corporate Purpose	6/30	4,035,000
3/15B	3,620,000	Refunding	6/21	775,000
12/16A	6,095,000	Corporate Purpose	6/26	5,795,000
12/16B	2,810,000	Corporate Purpose	6/21	290,000
8/17A	9,540,000	Corporate Purpose	6/37	7,915,000
6/18A	22,605,000	Corporate Purpose & Refunding	6/38	19,510,000
12/19	7,630,000	Corporate Purpose	6/31	5,810,000
4/20A	6,085,000	Corporate Purpose	6/27	6,085,000
12/20B	5,115,000*	Corporate Purpose	6/32	<u>5,115,000*</u>
Total G.O. Debt Subject to Debt Limit				\$59,160,000*

* Preliminary; subject to change.

Annual Fiscal Year Debt Service Payments on the General Obligation Debt Paid by Property Taxes and Tax Increment
(Includes the Bonds)

Fiscal Year	<u>Current Outstanding</u>		<u>Bonds</u>		<u>Total Outstanding</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Principal & Interest</u>	<u>Principal*</u>	<u>Principal & Interest*</u>	<u>Principal*</u>	<u>Principal & Interest*</u>
2020-21	\$6,260,000	\$7,215,277 ¹⁾	\$1,200,000	\$1,231,474	\$7,460,000	\$8,446,751
2021-22	5,535,000	7,223,744	335,000	387,861	5,870,000	7,611,605
2022-23	5,750,000	7,229,069	340,000	389,712	6,090,000	7,618,781
2023-24	5,955,000	7,210,144	340,000	386,448	6,295,000	7,596,592
2024-25	5,525,000	6,552,519	345,000	388,014	5,870,000	6,940,533
2025-26	5,115,000	5,938,194	350,000	389,288	5,465,000	6,327,482
2026-27	3,505,000	4,144,356	355,000	390,053	3,860,000	4,534,409
2027-28	2,340,000	2,844,606	360,000	390,367	2,700,000	3,234,973
2028-29	2,430,000	2,854,356	365,000	390,363	2,795,000	3,244,719
2029-30	2,495,000	2,852,056	370,000	389,888	2,865,000	3,241,944
2030-31	1,595,000	1,881,556	375,000	388,857	1,970,000	2,270,413
2031-32	1,045,000	1,288,788	<u>380,000</u>	387,144	1,425,000	1,675,932
2032-33	1,075,000	1,285,850			1,075,000	1,285,850
2033-34	1,105,000	1,281,144			1,105,000	1,281,144
2034-35	1,145,000	1,286,306			1,145,000	1,286,306
2035-36	1,180,000	1,284,650			1,180,000	1,284,650
2036-37	1,220,000	1,285,975			1,220,000	1,285,975
2037-38	<u>770,000</u>	795,988			<u>770,000</u>	795,988
Total	\$54,045,000		\$5,115,000*		\$59,160,000*	

* Preliminary; subject to change.

1) Excludes the December 1, 2020 interest payment of \$957,812.

REVENUE DEBT

Council Bluffs Water Works Issued Revenue Debt Supported by Net Revenues of the Water Works

The Council Bluffs Water Works (the “Water Works”) is a related organization to the City. The Mayor, with City Council concurrence, appoints individuals to the Water Works’ Board of Trustees. The Water Works’ Board of Trustees maintains oversight responsibility and, therefore, is responsible for selection of management personnel and all financial matters. The authority to adopt the annual budget, incur debt and fix rates and charges is vested in the Board of Trustees. The Council Bluffs Water Works has revenue debt payable solely from the net revenues of the utility as follows:

<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Outstanding As of 12/02/20</u>
9/08	\$10,344,944	Water Improvements (SRF)	12/30	\$5,968,000
4/10	4,713,290	Water Improvements (SRF)	12/40	3,589,000
4/10	20,000,000	Water Improvements (SRF)	12/31	12,553,000
1/15	1,200,000	Water Improvements (SRF)	6/34	846,000
9/18	5,025,000	Water Improvements (SRF)	6/39	<u>4,818,000</u> ¹⁾
Total				\$27,774,000

- 1) As of September 1, 2020, the Water Works has drawn \$3,327,222. The principal outstanding assumes that the Water Works will draw down the entire original loan amount.

City Issued Sewer Revenue Debt Supported by Net Revenues of the Sewer Utility

<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Outstanding As of 12/02/20</u>
5/12	\$5,160,000	Sewer Improvements (SRF)	6/32	\$3,481,000

Iowa Finance Authority Issued Revenue Debt Supported by Marketplace Urban Renewal Area Tax Increment (Subject to Annual Appropriation by the City Council)

On May 5, 2015, the Iowa Finance Authority (“IFA”) issued \$5,950,000 in Economic Development Revenue Bonds and loaned the proceeds thereof to the City, which the City used to make an economic development grant in accordance with the Marketplace Urban Renewal plan, fund a debt service reserve for the bonds and pay the costs of issuing the bonds. The loan is payable solely from the bond proceeds, tax increment financing (“TIF”) receipts generated by increased property values in the designated portions of the Marketplace Urban Renewal area, credited to the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund and paid to the trustee pursuant to the financing agreement and moneys in the debt reserve trust account. TIF receipts are generally projected to produce 100% of the debt service requirements over the life of the bonds. The TIF revenues are subject to annual appropriation by the City Council. The payment of such TIF revenues do not constitute a continuing obligation of the City in any fiscal year beyond the fiscal year for which TIF revenues have been appropriated. Pursuant to the financing agreement, the City established a Trust Account through the Bank of Kansas City as trustee. Funds in the trust account are to be used to retire the IFA bonds.

The City has revenue debt payable solely from the TIF revenues of the Marketplace Urban Renewal Area as follows:

<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Outstanding As of 12/02/20</u>	<u>Annual Appropriation Subject to Debt Limit</u>
5/15	\$5,950,000	Economic Development	8/29	\$3,750,000	\$425,000 ¹⁾

- 1) Excludes the August 1, 2020 interest payment in the amount of \$101,956.25. The City originally appropriated \$619,000 for FY 2020-21. City anticipates making a \$425,000 principal payment with the remaining appropriation amount.

City Issued Lease Purchase Agreement Supported by Iowa West as Guarantor and Playland Park Urban Renewal Area Tax Increment (Subject to Annual Appropriation by the City Council)

This lease purchase agreement shall not constitute a general obligation of the City, and the full faith and credit of the City is not pledged for the payment of the lease payments. The lease payments are payable from and secured solely and only by the Available Tax Increment Revenues from the Playland Park Urban Renewal area as defined in the Rivers Edge Parking Garage Lease Purchase Agreement. Each lease payment is subject to annual appropriation by the City Council. In the event that available tax increment revenues are insufficient or the City Council doesn't appropriate the annual lease payment, Iowa West Foundation (the "Guarantor") shall pay the shortfall amount directly to the developer. Subject to the right of annual appropriation, the Guarantor may receive reimbursement of any shortfall amount only in the event that excess available tax increment revenues are available.

The City has the Rivers Edge Parking Garage Lease Purchase Agreement payable solely from the TIF revenues of the Playland Park Urban Renewal Area as follows:

<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Total Lease Payments</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Lease Payments Outstanding As of 12/02/20</u>	<u>Annual Appropriation Subject to Debt Limit</u>
7/19	\$15,393,930	Parking Garage	6/39	\$14,230,876	\$775,369 ¹⁾

- 1) The City appropriated \$775,369 for FY 2020-21, which includes \$295,588 in principal and \$479,781 in interest.

OVERLAPPING DEBT

	<u>1/1/2019 Taxable Valuation</u> ¹⁾	<u>Taxable Valuation Within the City</u>	<u>Percent In City</u>	<u>G.O. Debt</u> ²⁾	<u>City's Proportionate Share</u>
Pottawattamie County	\$5,345,932,494	\$2,991,554,285	55.96%	\$4,320,000	\$2,417,472
Lewis Central CSD	1,382,666,868	988,212,622	71.47%	0	0
Council Bluffs CSD	2,393,370,773	2,003,341,663	83.70%	27,245,000	22,804,065
Iowa Western CC	11,020,108,609	2,991,554,285	27.15%	69,535,000	<u>18,878,753</u>
City's Share of Overlapping Debt					\$44,100,290

- 1) Taxable Valuation excludes military exemption and includes Ag. Land & Buildings, Taxable TIF Increment and all Utilities.
2) Includes general obligation bonds, PPEL Bonds, certificates of participation and new jobs training certificates. Estimated as of September 1, 2020 based on publicly available information. The City undertakes no responsibility for and makes no representations as to the accuracy or completeness of the information related to the indebtedness of overlapping entities.

DEBT RATIOS

	<u>G.O. Debt</u>	<u>Debt/Actual Market Value (\$5,497,406,766)</u> ¹⁾	<u>Debt/62,230 Population</u> ²⁾
Total General Obligation Debt	\$59,160,000	1.08%	\$950.67
Other City Debt ³⁾	\$900,167	0.02%	\$14.47
City's Share of Overlapping Debt	\$44,100,290	0.80%	\$708.67

- 1) Based on the City's January 1, 2019 100% Actual Valuation; includes Ag Land, Ag Buildings, all Utilities and TIF Increment.
2) Based on the City's 2010 U.S. Census population.
3) Includes the appropriated \$425,000 IFA Market Place TIF revenue debt, \$295,588 appropriated for the Rivers Edge Parking Garage Lease Purchase Agreement and \$179,579 for the Golf Cart Lease Purchase.

LEVIES AND TAX COLLECTIONS

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Levy</u> ¹⁾	<u>Total Collections</u> ²⁾	<u>Percent Collected</u>
2016-17	\$45,593,942	\$45,385,447	99.54%
2017-18	46,466,624	46,303,649	99.65%
2018-19	46,787,000	49,743,234	106.32%
2019-20	48,301,901	51,098,775 ³⁾	105.79%
2020-21	49,134,737	-----In process of collection-----	

Collections include delinquent taxes from all prior years. Taxes in Iowa are delinquent each October 1 and April 1 and a late payment penalty of 1% per month of delinquency is enforced as of those dates. If delinquent taxes are not paid, the property may be offered at the regular tax sale on the third Monday of June following the delinquency date. Purchasers at the tax sale must pay an amount equal to the taxes, special assessments, interest and penalties due on the property and funds so received are applied to taxes. A property owner may redeem from the regular tax sale but, failing redemption within three years, the tax sale purchaser is entitled to a deed which in general conveys the title free and clear of all liens except future tax installments.

1) As listed on the Adoption of Budget and Certification of City Taxes

2) Based on Audited Financial Statements and includes "Property Tax" and "Utility Excise Tax"

3) Source: The City. Unaudited.

TAX RATES

	<u>FY 2016-17</u> <u>\$/ \$1,000</u>	<u>FY 2017-18</u> <u>\$/ \$1,000</u>	<u>FY 2018-19</u> <u>\$/ \$1,000</u>	<u>FY 2019-20</u> <u>\$/ \$1,000</u>	<u>FY 2020-21</u> <u>\$/ \$1,000</u>
Pottawattamie County	8.34680	8.14576	8.09573	8.09573	8.09573
City of Council Bluffs	17.75000	17.90720	18.26000	18.26000	18.26000
Council Bluffs CSD	16.85685	17.00314	17.24201	17.05801	16.99765
Lewis Central CSD	12.40230	12.34640	12.28156	12.26138	12.04018
Agricultural Extension (West)	0.02980	0.09040	0.08828	0.08904	0.09021
Assessor	0.33719	0.34745	0.35557	0.35653	0.35575
Iowa Western Comm. College	1.51663	1.28565	1.30877	1.30529	1.29710
State of Iowa	<u>0.00330</u>	<u>0.00310</u>	<u>0.00290</u>	<u>0.00280</u>	<u>0.00270</u>
Total Tax Rate City Resident (Council Bluffs CSD)	44.84057	44.78270	45.35326	45.16740	45.09914
Total Tax Rate City Resident (Lewis Central CSD)	40.38602	40.12596	40.39281	40.37077	40.14167

LEVY LIMITS

A city's general fund tax levy is limited to \$8.10 per \$1,000 of taxable value, with provision for an additional \$0.27 per \$1,000 levy for an emergency fund which can be used for general fund purposes (Code of Iowa, Chapter 384, Division I). Cities may exceed the \$8.10 limitation upon authorization by a special levy election. Further, there are limited special purpose levies, which may be certified outside of the above-described levy limits (Code of Iowa, Section 384.12). The amount of the City's general fund levy subject to the \$8.10 limitation is \$8.10 for Fiscal Year 2020-21. The City has implemented the \$0.27 per \$1,000 emergency levy for Fiscal Year 2020-21. Finally, the City levies a portion of its costs for operation and maintenance of publicly owned transit, operation and maintenance of City owned Civic Center, aviation authority, liability, property and self-insurance expenses and employee benefits in addition to the \$8.10 general fund limit as authorized by law. Debt service levies are not limited.

FUNDS ON HAND (CASH AND INVESTMENTS AS OF June 30, 2020 (unaudited)),

General Fund	\$29,325,050
Special Districts and Funds	3,248,831
Road Use Tax	5,284,453
Debt Service	247,030
Tax Increment Funds	1,062,646
Sewer Enterprise Funds	6,779,628
Refuse & Recycling Enterprise	4,397,764
City Sales Tax	18,692,555
Community Development	918,870
Capital Projects & Permanent Fund	<u>6,325,173</u>
Total Cash and Investments	\$76,282,000

Source: City of Council Bluffs

THE CITY

CITY GOVERNMENT

The City was incorporated in 1853. The City operated under a Council-Manager at large form of government, per 372.6 Iowa Code from April 1, 1950 to December 31, 1987. Since January 1, 1988 the City has been under Mayor-Council form of government, per 372.4 Iowa Code. The Mayor is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the City and it is the responsibility of the City Council to establish City policy and to certify the budget. In November 2017, Mayor Matt Walsh was elected to another four-year term.

EMPLOYEES AND PENSIONS

The City has 472 full-time employee equivalents (excluding seasonal employees). Of the City's budgeted full time equivalents, 136 are police officers and employees of the police department and 106 are sworn firefighters, officers and employees of the fire department (including ambulance operations) in all ranks. All full-time employees, excluding police officers and fire fighters, are enrolled in the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System ("IPERS") which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. Plan members are required to pay 6.29% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 9.44% of annual covered payroll for the current year.

Iowa Public Employees Retirement System: The City contributes to IPERS, which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer, contributory defined benefit public employee retirement system administered by IPERS. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits, which are established by state statute, to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS is authorized to adjust the total contribution rate up or down each year, by no more than 1 percentage point, based upon the actuarially required contribution rate. The City's contributions to IPERS for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017, 2018 and 2019 as shown below equal the required contributions for each year.

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>	<u>FY 2017-18</u>	<u>FY 2018-19</u>
IPERS City Contribution	\$1,442,772	\$1,442,481	\$1,544,087

The IPERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR") is available on the IPERS website, <https://www.ipers.org/financial-and-investment>, or by contacting IPERS at 7401 Register Drive P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, IA 50321. However, the information presented in such financial reports or on such websites is not incorporated into this Preliminary Official Statement by any references.

Bond Counsel, the City and the Municipal Advisor undertake no responsibility for and make no representations as to the accuracy or completeness of the information available from the IPERS discussed above or included on the IPERS website, including, but not limited to, updates of such information on the State Auditor's website or links to other Internet sites accessed through the IPERS website.

Pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 68, the City reported a liability of \$13,607,641 within its CAFR as of June 30, 2019 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability is the amount by which the total actuarial liability exceeds the pension plan's net assets or fiduciary net position (essentially the market value) available for paying benefits. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2018, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the City's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2018, the City's collective proportion was 0.215030% which was a decrease of 0.001413% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2017.

The City cannot predict the levels of funding that will be required in the future as any IPERS unfunded pension benefit obligation could be reflected in future years in higher contribution rates. The investment of moneys, assumptions underlying the same and the administration of IPERS is not subject to the direction of the City. Thus, it is not possible to predict, control or prepare for future unfunded accrued actuarial liabilities of IPERS ("UAALs"). The UAAL is the

difference between total actuarially accrued liabilities and actuarially calculated assets available for the payment of such benefits. The UAAL is based on assumptions as to retirement age, mortality, projected salary increases attributed to inflation, across-the-board raises and merit raises, adjustments, cost-of-living adjustments, valuation of current assets, investment return and other matters. Such UAAL could be substantial in the future, requiring significantly increased contributions from the City which could affect other budgetary matters.

For additional information on the City's Pension Plan, including information related to deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, expenses, actuarial assumption, discount rate and discount rate sensitivities refer to Note 8 beginning on page 53 of the City's June 30, 2019 CAFR contained as APPENDIX C of this Preliminary Official Statement.

Municipal Fire and Police Retirement System of Iowa: The City contributes to MFPRSI, which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. MFPRSI provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by state statute, and vest after four years of credited service. The City's police officers and fire fighters are enrolled in the MFPRSI.

MFPRSI plan members are required to contribute a percentage of their annual covered salary, and the City is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and the City are established, and may be amended by state statute. The City contributed the required amount to MFPRSI for each year as follows:

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>	<u>FY 2017-18</u>	<u>FY 2018-19</u>
MFPRSI City Contribution	\$4,247,227	\$4,341,885	\$4,541,407

The MFPRSI Independent Auditors Report is available on the MFPRSI website, <http://www.mfprsi.org/about-mfprsi/publications/>, or by contacting MFPRSI at 7155 Lake Drive, Suite 201, West Des Moines, IA 50266. However, the information presented in such financial reports or on such websites is not incorporated into this Preliminary Official Statement by any references.

Bond Counsel, the City and the Municipal Advisor undertake no responsibility for and make no representations as to the accuracy or completeness of the information available from MFPRSI discussed above or included on the MFPRSI websites, including, but not limited to, updates of such information on the State Auditor's website or links to other Internet sites accessed through the MFPRSI websites.

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 68, the City reported a liability of \$34,634,472 with its CAFR as of June 30, 2019 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability related to MFPRSI. The net pension liability is the amount by which the total actuarial liability exceeds the pension plan's net assets or fiduciary net position (essentially the market value) available for paying benefits. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2018, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The City's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the City's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all MFPRSI participating employers. At June 30, 2018, the City's proportion was 5.816975% which was a decrease of 0.000031% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2017.

For additional information regarding the City's Pension Plan refer to Note 8 beginning on page 53 of the City's June 30, 2019 CAFR contained as APPENDIX C of this Preliminary Official Statement.

OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)

Plan Description: The City operates a single-employer health benefit plan which provides medical/prescription drug, dental and vision benefits for employees, retirees and their dependents. Group insurance benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 509A.13. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75. At July 1, 2018, there were 460 active and 39 retired members in the plan. Currently, there are 441 active and 24 retired members in the plan.

Individuals who are employed by the City and are eligible to participate in the group health plan are eligible to continue healthcare benefits upon retirement if they are age 55 and at least four years of service. A covered individual who retires from service with the City must be vested in the MFPRSI or in IPERS. Retirees pay the same premium for the medical, prescription drug and dental benefits as active employees, which results in an implicit rate of subsidy and an OPEB liability.

Funding Policy: The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the City. The City currently finances the retiree benefit plan on a pay-as-you-go basis. The General, Special Revenue, Road Use Tax and Enterprise, Sewer and Refuse and Disposal Funds primarily fund OPEB costs.

Total OPEB Liability: The City's total OPEB liability at June 30, 2019 is projected to be \$4,182,946 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018. The following table shows the components of the City's annual OPEB for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2019:

	Total OPEB Liability
Total OPEB liability beginning of year	\$3,802,493
Changes for the year:	
Service Cost	212,579
Interest	160,889
Benefit payments	(270,526)
Difference between expected and actual experience	367,061
Changes of assumptions	<u>(89,550)</u>
Net changes	<u>\$380,453</u>
Total OPEB liability end of year	<u><u>\$4,182,946</u></u>

For additional information regarding the City's OPEB, including information related to deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, expenses, actuarial assumptions, discount rate and discount rate sensitivities, refer to Note 9 Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) on page 61 of the City's June 30, 2019 CAFR contained as APPENDIX C of this Preliminary Official Statement.

UNION CONTRACTS

The City is currently under contract with the following unions:

<u>Union Name</u>	<u>Number of Employees</u>	<u>Current Contract Expiration Date</u>
Police Union	90	June 30, 2023
Fire Union	98	June 30, 2023
AFSCME Blue Collar Union	89	June 30, 2023
CWA	77	June 30, 2023

INSURANCE

<u>Type of Insurance</u>	<u>Coverage Limit</u>
<u>Property/Equipment:</u>	
Property	\$50,000,000
Excess Property	\$150,000,000
Equipment Breakdown	\$150,000,000
<u>Inland Marine:</u>	
Contractors Equipment	\$9,197,603
Leased/Rented Equipment	\$350,000
Municipal Vehicles Open Lot Coverage	\$5,000,000
<u>Liability:</u>	
General Liability	\$9,500,000/\$15,000,000 Aggregate
Automobile Liability	\$5,000,000
Public Officials & Employment Practices	\$9,500,000/\$12,000,000 Aggregate
Limited Sexual Abuse Sublimit	\$2,000,000/\$2,000,000 Aggregate
Employed Professionals Liability – EMTs	\$1,000,000/\$3,000,000 Aggregate
Pollution Liability	\$2,000,000/\$4,000,000 Aggregate
<u>Flood:</u>	
Flood – 18452 Applewood Rd, Council Bluffs, IA	\$250,000
Moderate Flood Hazard Area	\$2,000,000
Excess Flood Liability	\$10,000,000 Aggregate
<u>Terrorism:</u>	
General Liability Terrorism	\$1,000,000/\$2,000,000 Aggregate
Property Terrorism	\$150,000,000
<u>Crime:</u>	
Employee Theft	\$500,000
Forgery or Alteration	\$500,000
Computer Fraud	\$500,000
Funds Transfer Fraud	\$500,000
Social Engineering	\$100,000
<u>Cyber:</u>	
Network Security, Privacy & Media	\$3,000,000
Privacy Breach Costs	\$3,000,000
Business Income Loss	\$3,000,000
Contingent Business Income Loss	\$3,000,000
Digital Asset Loss	\$3,000,000
Cyber Extortion Threat	\$3,000,000
<u>Worker's Compensation:</u>	
Excess Worker's Compensation	Statutory
Excess Employer's Liability	\$1,000,000

GENERAL INFORMATION

LOCATION AND TRANSPORTATION

The City, with a 2010 Census population of 62,230, is located directly east of Omaha, Nebraska. The City is the county seat of Pottawattamie County and covers an area of 39.7 square miles. The City owns a municipal airport, including land and buildings. The City contracts for the operation and management of the airport.

The City is at the crossroads of two national roadways, Interstates 80 and 29. Public Transportation in the Council Bluffs-Omaha area is provided by Metropolitan Area Transit (the “MAT”). MAT operates a fleet of approximately 108 buses with regular line service throughout the area. In addition, passenger rail service is provided to City residents through Amtrak. Air freight and passenger service is provided to the City through Eppley Airfield located in Omaha, Nebraska.

LARGER EMPLOYERS ¹⁾

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Business</u>	<u>Approximate Number of Employees</u>
Tyson Fresh Meats	Food Processing	1,483
Council Bluffs Community Schools	Public Education	1,284
Ameristar Casino and Hotels	Gaming/Real Estate	950
Harrah’s Casino	Gaming/Real Estate	920
Methodist Jennie Edmundson Hospital	Health Services	900 ²⁾
ConAgra Frozen Foods	Food Processing	700
Iowa Western Community College	Public Community College	625 ³⁾
City of Council Bluffs	Municipal Government	472
JBS USA Food Co. ⁴⁾	Food and Meat Processing	350
Walmart	Retail	300

- 1) This does not purport to be a comprehensive list and is based on data from company websites and an October 2019 best efforts telephone survey of individual employers. Some employers do not respond to inquiries.
- 2) Includes full-time, part-time and active medical staff.
- 3) Includes all full-time and part-time positions at all campus locations.
- 4) Formerly Plumrose USA Inc.

A representative list of larger employers in the greater Omaha, Nebraska metro area is as follows:

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Type of Business</u>	<u>Approximate Number of Employees</u>
Offutt Air Force Base	U.S. Military Base	9,000
Omaha Public Schools	Public Education	8,025
CHI Health System	Health Care	7,500 ¹⁾
Nebraska Medicine	Education	5,200
First Data	Credit Card Processing	5,000
University of Nebraska Medical Center	Medical School	3,600 ²⁾
Union Pacific Railroad	Transportation	3,300
Hy-Vee Inc.	Grocery Store/Retail Trade	3,275
Children’s Hospital & Medical Center	Health Services	2,500
Methodist Health System	Health Care	2,400

- 1) Total includes campus hospitals, clinics and all support systems in the Omaha/Council Bluffs area.
- 2) Total includes surgical residents and students from the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Source: Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce and Company Website Inquiries.

BUILDING PERMITS

City officials report the following construction activity for each calendar year, as well as year-to-date information as of July 31, 2020. Permits for the City are reported on a calendar year basis.

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Single Family Homes:</u>					
No. of new homes:	66	82	118	99	41
Valuation:	\$14,383,086	\$19,025,334	\$31,432,548	\$25,495,854	\$10,347,367
<u>Single Family Homes Additions & Alterations:</u>					
No. of permits issued:	763	1,000	845	821	505
Valuation:	\$3,537,396	\$7,206,736	\$7,569,976	\$6,417,960	\$4,574,783
<u>Multiple Family Dwellings:</u>					
No. of new buildings:	0	0	0	0	1
Valuation:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$196,630
<u>Commercial/Industrial/Other:</u>					
No. of new buildings:	26	26	20	17	11
Valuation:	\$66,795,514	\$256,096,986	\$285,640,650	\$84,132,697	\$15,413,594
<u>Commercial/Industrial/Other Additions & Alterations:</u>					
No. of permits issued:	145	146	161	126	62
Valuation:	\$33,576,685	\$41,571,688	\$199,818,953	\$157,008,955	\$44,375,817
Total Permits:	1,000	1,254	1,144	1,063	620
Total Valuations:	\$118,292,681	\$323,900,744	\$524,462,127	\$273,055,466	\$74,908,191

Source: The City of Council Bluffs.

U.S. CENSUS DATA

Population Trend

1980 U.S. Census	56,449
1990 U.S. Census	54,315
2000 U.S. Census	58,268
2010 U.S. Census	62,230

Source: U.S. Census Bureau website.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

	<u>Pottawattamie County</u>	<u>State of Iowa</u>
Annual Averages:		
2016	3.4%	3.6%
2017	2.8%	3.1%
2018	2.4%	2.6%
2019	2.4%	2.7%
2020 (thru July)	6.4%	6.4%

Source: Iowa Workforce Development Center website.

EDUCATION

Public education is provided by the Council Bluffs Community School District and by the Lewis Central Community School District. The Council Bluffs Community School District, with a certified enrollment for the 2020-21 school year of 9,122.1 owns and operates 11 elementary schools, 2 middle schools, 2 senior high schools, and 1 learning support centers. The Lewis Central Community School District, with a certified enrollment for the 2020-21 school year of 2,624.7 owns and operates 2 elementary schools, 1 middle school and 1 senior high school. Education service is also provided by Saint Alberts Catholic Schools with certified enrollment for the 2020-21 school year of 557.

FINANCIAL SERVICES ¹⁾

Financial services for the residents of the City are provided by Midstates Bank, N. A. and by branch offices of American National Bank, Availa Bank, First National Bank of Omaha, Glenwood State Bank, Great Western Bank, Security National Bank of Omaha, Treynor State Bank and U.S. Bank N. A. as well as several credit unions. Glenwood State Bank and Midstates Bank, N.A. report the following deposits as of June 30 of each year.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Glenwood State Bank ²⁾</u>	<u>Midstates Bank, N.A.</u>
2015	\$31,224,000	\$284,948,000
2016	33,626,000	298,757,000
2017	33,712,000	286,844,000
2018	33,783,000	288,388,000
2019	32,772,000	427,216,000

1) June 30, 2020 information was not available as of the date of this Preliminary Official Statement.

2) Frontier Savings Bank merger with Glenwood State Bank effective January 2019.

Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (FDIC) website.

APPENDIX B

FORM OF LEGAL OPINION

APPENDIX C

JUNE 30, 2019 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

APPENDIX D

FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

OFFICIAL BID FORM

To: The City Council of
Council Bluffs, Iowa

Sale Date: October 26, 2020
10:00 AM, CT

RE: \$5,115,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B (the "Bonds")

This bid is a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds identified in the TERMS OF OFFERING and on the terms set forth in this bid form and is not subject to any conditions, except as permitted by the TERMS OF OFFERING. By submitting this bid, we confirm we have an established industry reputation for underwriting new issuance of municipal bonds.

For all or none of the above Bonds, in accordance with the TERMS OF OFFERING, we will pay you \$_____ (not less than \$5,063,850) plus accrued interest to date of delivery for fully registered Bonds bearing interest rates and maturing in the stated years as follows:

<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Yield</u>
_____	2021	_____	_____	2027	_____
_____	2022	_____	_____	2028	_____
_____	2023	_____	_____	2029	_____
_____	2024	_____	_____	2030	_____
_____	2025	_____	_____	2031	_____
_____	2026	_____	_____	2032	_____

* Preliminary; subject to change. The aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, and each scheduled maturity thereof, are subject to increase or reduction by the City or its designee after the determination of the successful bidder. The City may increase or decrease each maturity in increments of \$5,000 but the total amount to be issued will not exceed \$5,400,000. Interest rates specified by the successful bidder for each maturity will not change. Final adjustments shall be in the sole discretion of the City.

The dollar amount of the purchase price proposed by the successful bidder will be changed if the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds is adjusted as described above. Any change in the principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds will be made while maintaining, as closely as possible, the successful bidder's net compensation, calculated as a percentage of bond principal. The successful bidder may not withdraw or modify its bid as a result of any post-bid adjustment. Any adjustment shall be conclusive, and shall be binding upon the successful bidder.

We hereby designate that the following Bonds to be aggregated into term bonds maturing on June 1 of the following years and in the following amounts (leave blank if no term bonds are specified):

<u>Years Aggregated</u>	<u>Maturity Year</u>	<u>Aggregate Amount</u>
_____ through _____	_____	_____
_____ through _____	_____	_____

In making this offer we accept all of the terms and conditions of the TERMS OF OFFERING published in the Preliminary Official Statement dated October 12, 2020 and represent we are a bidder with established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds. In the event of failure to deliver these Bonds in accordance with the TERMS OF OFFERING as printed in the Preliminary Official Statement and made a part hereof, we reserve the right to withdraw our offer. All blank spaces of this offer are intentional and are not to be construed as an omission.

Not as a part of our offer, the above quoted prices being controlling, but only as an aid for the verification of the offer, we have made the following computations:

NET INTEREST COST: \$_____

TRUE INTEREST COST: _____% (Calculated to dated date of December 2, 2020)

Account Manager: _____ By: _____

Account Members: _____

The foregoing offer is hereby accepted by and on behalf of the City Council of the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa this 26th day of October 2020.

Attest: _____ By: _____

Title: _____ Title: _____