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WHEREAS, the City of Pullman, Washington (the "City") is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is considering the financing of the acquisition, remodeling and equipping of real estate and existing buildings to house a new City Hall and Recreation Center and acquisition of real estate for the future construction of a third fire station, as well as to provide part of the financing for the acquisition, construction and installation of a new Lawson Gardens pavilion and event facility (the "Projects"), all through the issuance of unlimited tax general obligation bonds; and

WHEREAS, the current City Hall building is near the end of its useful life, has incurred high maintenance costs in recent years due to the age of the building, and is currently at capacity for housing employees and storage of records; and

WHEREAS, the current site of City Hall does not have sufficient space to construct a new building while keeping the current building intact, nor does the City have an alternative site for construction of a new City Hall building; therefore the current City Hall building would have

to be demolished and a new building constructed in its place, which would require a temporary relocation of City employees and an alternate storage site for City records; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has researched the cost of constructing an entirely new City Hall building and has concluded that the purchase and remodel of an existing building would result in significant savings to the City and its residents and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the building and real estate proposed for purchase to relocate City Hall would result in significant increased space to allow for the future continued growth of the City; and

WHEREAS, the proposed new City Hall building includes a full size gym, 7-9 classrooms, a large garage area, large storage areas, shower facilities, an elevator, commercial kitchen, and large amounts of parking which would allow for relocation and expansion of the City's recreation programs and the senior center in a centralized location with City Hall administrative functions; and

WHEREAS, while there are event centers within the City that fill the need for large gathering spaces, the City Council has determined there is a need for a smaller venue that can host meetings, retreats, weddings and other small gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Lawson Garden is an ideal setting for the location of a new, smaller event center for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City currently has two fire stations, and the City's population is growing at more than one percent (1%) per year. As such, the City Council has determined it will be necessary in the foreseeable future to acquire, construct and install a third fire station in order to maintain the safety of the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, in order accommodate this public safety need in a cost-effective manner, the City Council has determined it is pertinent to start the planning process now through the acquisition of property for the site of such future fire station; and

WHEREAS, subject to voter approval, in order to provide financing for the Projects it is deemed necessary and advisable that the City issue and sell its unlimited tax general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$10,500,000 (the “Bonds”); and

WHEREAS, the constitution and laws of the State of Washington provide that the question of whether or not the City may issue the Bonds be submitted to the qualified electors of the City for their ratification or rejection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pullman, that:

Section 1. Findings . The City Council hereby finds and declares that it is in the best interests of the inhabitants of the City to carry out the plans hereinafter provided at the time or times and in the order deemed most necessary and advisable by the City Council.

Section 2. Capital Improvements. The City Council approves the Projects, including, but not limited to:

- (a) acquisition of an existing real estate and buildings for a new City Hall and Recreation Center;
- (b) remodeling and equipping of the new City Hall and Recreation Center; and
- (c) acquisition of real estate for the future construction of a third fire station facility; and
- (d) partial funding of the construction of the Lawson Gardens pavilion and event facility.

The costs of all necessary architectural, engineering, and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative and relocation expenses, on and off-site utilities, site acquisition, related improvements and other costs incurred in connection with the making of the foregoing Improvements shall be deemed a part of the costs of such Projects. Such Projects shall be complete with all necessary furniture, and equipment and appurtenances.

Upon issuance of the Bonds, the City Council shall determine the application of available moneys so as to accomplish, as nearly as may be, all of the Projects described or provided for in this section. The City Council shall determine the exact extent and specifications for construction of structures or other improvements.

If the City Council determines that it has become impractical to accomplish any of such Projects or portions thereof by reason of state or local circumstances, including changed conditions, incompatible development, lack of additional state funding, or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, the City Council shall not be required to accomplish such Projects and may apply the Bond proceeds or any portion thereof to other portions of the Projects, or to other capital improvements of the City, as the City Council may determine is necessary. Alternatively, the City Council is authorized to apply the unspent Bond proceeds or any portion thereof to payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, as it may determine is necessary.

In the event that the proceeds of sale of the Bonds, plus any other moneys of the City Council legally available, are insufficient to accomplish all of the Projects provided by this section, the City Council shall use the available funds for paying the cost of those Projects for which the Bonds were approved deemed by the City Council most necessary and in the best interest of the City.

If available funds are sufficient from the proceeds of Bonds to accomplish all of the Projects authorized above and proceeds of Bonds remain available, and state or local circumstances require, the City shall use such funds to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds or acquire, construct, equip, modernize and make other capital improvements to the City, all as the City Council may determine is necessary.

Section 3. Authorization of Bonds. For the purpose of providing the funds necessary to pay the costs of financing the Projects, together with incidental costs of acquisition and outfitting, and costs related to the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the City shall issue and sell its unlimited tax general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$10,500,000. The Bonds shall be issued in an amount not exceeding the amount approved by the electors of the City and not exceeding the amount permitted by the constitution and laws of the State of Washington. The balance, if any, of the cost of the Projects shall be paid out of any other legally available funds. The Bond proceeds shall not be used for anything other than a capital purpose.

Section 4. Details of Bonds. The Bonds shall be issued in such amounts and at such time or times as found necessary and advisable by the City Council and as permitted by law. The Bonds may be issued in one or more series and shall bear interest payable at a rate or rates authorized by the City Council. The Bonds shall mature in such amounts and at such times within a maximum term of 20 years from date of issue, all as authorized by the City Council and as provided by law. The Bonds shall be general obligations of the City and, unless paid from other sources, both principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be payable out of annual tax levies to be made upon all the taxable property within the City without limitation as to rate or amount and in excess of any constitutional or statutory tax limitation. The exact date, form,



terms, options of redemption, maturities, covenants and manner of sale of the Bonds shall be as hereafter fixed by ordinance or ordinances of the City Council. After voter approval of the Bond proposition and in anticipation of the issuance of such Bonds, the City may issue short-term obligations as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW.

Section 5. Election. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the inhabitants of the City require the submission to the qualified electors of the City of the proposition of whether the City shall issue the Bonds at a special election to be held on February 13, 2018. The Whitman County Auditor, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in Whitman County, Washington is hereby requested to call and conduct the special election to be held within the City and to submit to the qualified electors of the City the proposition set forth below. The Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to certify the proposition to said officials in the following form:

CITY OF PULLMAN  
PROPOSITION NO. 1

UNLIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$10,500,000

The City Council of the City of Pullman passed Resolution No. R-96-17 approving a plan to finance the acquisition, remodel and equipping of a new Recreation Center, Senior Center, new City administrative offices, acquisition of real property for a third fire station and the acquisition and construction of the Lawson Gardens event center. Unlimited tax general obligation bonds would be issued in a maximum principal amount of \$10,500,000, maturing within 20 years from date of issue, and repaid from an annual excess levy on real property, all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED? .....

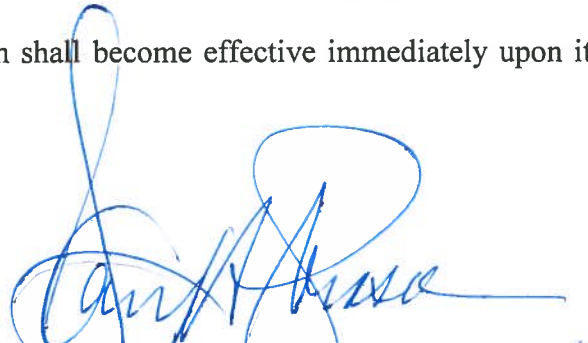
REJECTED?.....

Certification of this proposition by the Finance Director to the Whitman County Auditor, in accordance with law, prior to the date of the election, and any other acts consistent with the authority, and prior to the effective date, of this resolution, are hereby ratified.

Section 6. Severability. In the event that any provision of this resolution shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or invalidate any other provision of this resolution or the Bonds, but they shall be construed and enforced as if such invalid provision had not been contained herein; provided, however, that any provision which shall for any reason be held by reason of its extent to be invalid shall be deemed to be in effect to the extent permitted by law.

Section 7. Effective Date This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and publication, as required by law.

Adopted this 12th day of December, 2017.



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Mayor Glenn A. Johnson

ATTEST:



Leann L. Hubbard  
Finance Director

Approved as to Form:

  
Laura D. McAloon, City Attorney

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Finance Director of the City of Pullman, Washington (the "City"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached Resolution No. R-96-17 (the "Resolution") is a true and correct copy of a Resolution of the Council as passed at a regular meeting of the Council held on December 12, 2017, and duly recorded in my office.

2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, and to the extent required by law, due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and a legally sufficient number of members of the Council voted in the proper manner for the passage of the Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper passage of the Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed, and that I am authorized to execute this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 12th day of December, 2017.



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Leann L. Hubbard  
Finance Director

CITY OF PULLMAN

OFFICIAL BALLOT

UNLIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

February 13, 2018

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INSTRUCTION TO VOTERS: To vote in favor of the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word "APPROVED"; to vote against the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word "REJECTED."

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APPROVED? .....

REJECTED?.....

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

CITY OF PULLMAN  
UNLIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, a special election will be held in the above-named city for the submission to the qualified electors of the city of the following proposition:

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APPROVED? .....

REJECTED?.....

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Whitman County Auditor

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR  
OF  
WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the undersigned as the duly elected, qualified and acting Auditor of Whitman County, Washington, has jurisdiction of and is required by law to conduct all elections for cities within the County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pullman lies entirely within the boundaries of Whitman County; and

WHEREAS, the City Council by a Resolution adopted on December 12, 2017, a certified copy of which has been delivered to the undersigned, has authorized and directed the undersigned to assume jurisdiction of and conduct a special election on February 13, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is authorized and ordered as follows:

The undersigned hereby assumes jurisdiction of the above-mentioned special election of the City of Pullman, Washington, authorized and ordered by a Resolution of its City Council adopted December 12, 2017, and will conduct the special election on February 13, 2018.

DATED at Pullman, Washington, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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Whitman County Auditor