

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION (RCA)**

**DEPARTMENT:** Financial and Administrative Services CITY CLERK DEPT.  
**AGENDA DATE:** February 26, 2008 08 FEB 18 PM 2:40  
**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** William F. Studer, Deputy City Manager, Financial and Administrative Services, 541-4011 and Carmen Arrieta-Candelaria, Chief Financial Officer, 541-4293  
**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** All

**SUBJECT:**

Discussion and action on an ordinance authorizing the issuance of approximately \$21 million of refunding bonds.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

This ordinance authorizes the refunding of \$21,845,000 of bonds from the 1999 and 2000 bond issuances. This refunding will result in lowering the overall annual debt service requirements of the City. This is a current refunding transaction which results in a more than 5%, or \$1.1 million, present value benefit to the City. The Debt Management Policy indicates that current refunding transactions issued for savings should be considered when the net present value savings as a percentage of the par amount of refunded bonds is at least 2%. (Section 5.2). Standard and Poors has rated El Paso at AA with a stable outlook, while Fitch Ratings has assigned El Paso an AA- rating with a stable outlook. The City anticipates selling these bonds uninsured given market conditions at the time of this posting, however, this may change at the time of sale of bonds.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**

Council has approved refunding of bonds in the past.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used to refund certain bonds from the 1999 and 2000 bond issuances and to pay for costs associated with the issuance of these refunding bonds.

**BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:**

N/A

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

**LEGAL:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_ **FINANCE:** (if required) \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Example: *Carmen Arrieta-Candelaria*  
if RCA is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)  
*Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager*

**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY MANAGER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk (*via Hand Delivery*)  
Joyce Wilson, City Manager (*via Electronic Mail*)  
The Honorable Mayor and City Clerk (*via Electronic Mail*)

**FROM:** Paul A. Braden

**DATE:** February 15, 2008

**RE:** An Ordinance authorizing the issuance of “City of El Paso, Texas, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2008A”; and resolve matters which are necessary to effectuate said issuance [Paul A. Braden, Bond Counsel (915) 351-6053] [Public Hearing Date: February 26, 2008]

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### INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE – City Council Meeting, Tuesday, February 26, 2008

As requested, please accept the enclosed Ordinance for introduction and public hearing by the City Council at its regular City Council meeting to be held on February 26, 2008. The proceeds from the sale of the refunding bonds will be used to refund certain of the City’s outstanding general obligation bonds in order to lower the overall debt service requirements of the City. The refunding will result in a debt service savings to the City.

Pursuant to Section 1201.028 of the Texas Government Code, this Ordinance is scheduled to be approved at a single meeting of City Council. Section 1201.028 provides that the introduction and adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of bonds is effective immediately and a subsequent meeting is not required. Notice of this public hearing is being published as required by City Charter.

I will attend the City Council meeting to answer questions concerning this item. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to call me at 351-6053 if you need additional information.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

#### Enclosures

cc: Charlie McNabb, City Attorney (*via electronic mail*)  
Bill Studer, Deputy City Manager (*via electronic mail*)  
Carmen Arrieta Candelaria, Chief Financial Officer (*via electronic mail*)  
Bertha A. Ontiveros, Assistant City Attorney (*via electronic mail*)  
Steven A. Adams, First Southwest Company (*via electronic mail*)

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**ORDINANCE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

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**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS  
SERIES 2008A**

Dated: February 15, 2008

Adopted: February 26, 2008

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AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS, GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2008A, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$\_\_\_\_\_ ; LEVYING A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SAID BONDS; APPROVING A PURCHASE CONTRACT; APPROVING THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO

WHEREAS, there are presently outstanding certain obligations of the City of El Paso, Texas (the "City"), described on Schedule I hereto, which are secured by and payable from the proceeds of an ad valorem taxes levied, within the limitations prescribed by law, upon all taxable property in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to refund such obligations described on Schedule I hereto (such refunded obligations to be hereinafter referred to as the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code (the "Act"), authorizes the City to issue refunding obligations and to deposit the proceeds from the sale thereof, and any other available funds or resources, directly with a commercial bank or trust company and such deposit, if made before such payment dates, shall constitute the making of firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Act further authorizes the City to enter into an escrow agreement with a commercial bank with respect to the safekeeping, investment, reinvestment, administration and disposition of any such deposit, upon such terms and conditions as the City and such bank may agree; and

WHEREAS, the Escrow Agreement hereinafter authorized constitutes an escrow agreement of the kind authorized and permitted by the Act; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds and determines that the Refunded Bonds should be refunded at this time and such refunding shall result in a gross savings of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in debt service payments on such indebtedness, and the refunding will further provide a net present value benefit to the City of \$\_\_\_\_\_ ; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has found and determined that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City and its citizens that the City Council authorize by this Ordinance the issuance and delivery of its bonds at this time; and

WHEREAS, the meeting at which this Ordinance is considered is open to the public as required by law, and the public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended; therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS:

## ARTICLE I

### DEFINITIONS AND OTHER PRELIMINARY MATTERS

#### Section 1.01. Definitions.

Unless otherwise expressly provided or unless the context clearly requires otherwise in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings specified below:

“Act” means Chapter 1207 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

“Bond” means any of the Bonds.

“Bond Date” means the date designated as the date of the Bonds by Section 3.02(a) of this Ordinance.

“Bonds” means the City’s bonds authorized to be issued by Section 3.01 of this Ordinance and designated as “City of El Paso, Texas, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2008A.”

“Closing Date” means the date of the initial delivery of and payment for the Bonds.

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, including applicable regulations, published rulings and court decisions.

“Designated Payment/Transfer Office” means (i) with respect to the initial Paying Agent/Registrar named herein, its office in Austin, Texas, or at such other location designated by the Paying Agent/Registrar and (ii) with respect to any successor Paying Agent/Registrar, the office of such successor designated and located as may be agreed upon by the City and such successor.

“DTC” shall mean The Depository Trust Company of New York, New York, or any successor securities depository.

“DTC Participant” shall mean brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations on whose behalf DTC was created to hold securities to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among DTC Participants.

“Escrow Agent” means The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association, its successors and assigns.

“Escrow Agreement” means that certain Escrow Agreement, dated as of February 19, 2008, between the City and the Escrow Agent.

“Escrow Fund” means the fund by that name established under the Escrow Agreement.

“Escrowed Securities” shall have the meaning set forth in the Escrow Agreement.

“Event of Default” means any event of default as defined in Section 10.01 of this

Ordinance.

“Initial Bond” means the Initial Bond authorized by Section 3.04 of this Ordinance.

“Interest and Sinking Fund” means the interest and sinking fund established by Section 2.02 of this Ordinance.

“Interest Payment Date” means the date or dates on which interest on the Bonds is scheduled to be paid until their respective dates of maturity or prior redemption, such dates being February 15 and August 15, commencing February 15, 2009.

“MSRB” means Municipal Securities Rulemaking Bond.

“Ordinance” means this ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Bonds and passed and approved by the City Council.

“Owner” means the person who is the registered owner of a Bond or Bonds, as shown in the Register.

“NRMSIR” means each person whom the SEC or its staff has determined to be a nationally recognized municipal securities information repository within the meaning of the Rule from time to time.

“Paying Agent/Registrar” means initially Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, or any successor thereto as provided in this Ordinance.

“Purchase Contract” means the bond purchase agreement between the City and the Underwriters as set forth in Section 7.01(a) of this Ordinance.

“Record Date” means the last business day of the month next preceding an Interest Payment Date.

“Register” means the Register specified in Section 3.06(a) of this Ordinance.

“Rule” means SEC Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time.

“SEC” means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

“SID” means any person by the State of Texas or an authorized department, officer or agency thereof as, and determined by the SEC or its staff to be a state information depository within the meaning of the Rule from time to time.

“Unclaimed Payments” means money deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds as the same come due and payable and remaining unclaimed by the Owners of such Bonds.

“Underwriters” means the purchasers of the Bonds as specified in Section 7.01(a) hereof.

Section 1.02. Findings.

The declarations, determinations and findings declared, made and found in the preamble to this Ordinance are hereby adopted, restated and made a part of the operative provisions hereof.

Section 1.03. Table of Contents, Titles and Headings.

The table of contents, titles and headings of the Articles and Sections of this Ordinance have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are not to be considered a part hereof and shall not in any way modify or restrict any of the terms or provisions hereof and shall never be considered or given any effect in construing this Ordinance or any provision hereof or in ascertaining intent, if any question of intent should arise.

Section 1.04. Interpretation.

(a) Unless the context requires otherwise, words of the masculine gender shall be construed to include correlative words of the feminine and neuter genders and vice versa, and words of the singular number shall be construed to include correlative words of the plural number and vice versa.

(b) This Ordinance and all the terms and provisions hereof shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

ARTICLE II

SECURITY FOR THE BONDS; INTEREST AND SINKING FUND

Section 2.01. Tax Levy.

(a) Pursuant to the authority granted by the Texas Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas, there shall be levied and there is hereby levied for the current year and for each succeeding year hereafter while any of the Bonds or any interest thereon is outstanding and unpaid, an ad valorem tax on each one hundred dollars valuation of taxable property within the City, at a rate sufficient, within the limit prescribed by law, to pay the debt service requirements of the Bonds, being (i) the interest on the Bonds, and (ii) a sinking fund for their redemption at maturity or a sinking fund of two percent (2%) per annum (whichever amount is greater), when due and payable, full allowance being made for delinquencies and costs of collection.

(b) The ad valorem tax thus levied shall be assessed and collected each year against all property appearing on the tax rolls of the City most recently approved in accordance with law and the money thus collected shall be deposited as collected to the Interest and Sinking Fund.

(c) Said ad valorem tax, the collections therefrom, and all amounts on deposit in or required hereby to be deposited to the Interest and Sinking Fund are hereby pledged and committed irrevocably to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds when and as due and payable in accordance with their terms and this Ordinance.

(d) If the lien and provisions of this Ordinance shall be released in a manner permitted by Article XI hereof, then the collection of such ad valorem tax may be suspended or appropriately reduced, as the facts may permit, and further deposits to the Interest and Sinking Fund may be suspended or appropriately reduced, as the facts may permit. In determining the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Bonds, there shall be subtracted the amount of any Bonds that have been duly called for redemption and for which money has been deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar for such redemption.

Section 2.02. Interest and Sinking Fund.

(a) The City hereby establishes a special fund or account, to be designated the “City of El Paso, Texas, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2008A, Interest and Sinking Fund,” said fund to be maintained at an official depository bank of the City separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the City.

(b) Money on deposit in or required by this Ordinance to be deposited to the Interest and Sinking Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of paying the interest on and principal of the Bonds when and as due and payable in accordance with their terms and this Ordinance.

ARTICLE III

AUTHORIZATION; GENERAL TERMS AND PROVISIONS  
REGARDING THE BONDS

Section 3.01. Authorization.

The City’s bonds to be designated “City of El Paso, Texas, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2008A,” (the “Bonds”) are hereby authorized to be issued and delivered in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State, including specifically Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, as amended, (the “Act”). The Bonds shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds and to refund the Refunded Bonds.

Section 3.02. Date, Denomination, Maturities and Interest.

(a) The Bonds shall be dated February 15, 2008. The Bonds shall be in fully registered form, without coupons, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and shall be numbered separately from one upward, except the Initial Bond, which shall be numbered T-1.

(b) The Bonds shall mature on August 15 in the years and in the principal amounts set forth in the following schedule:

<u>Serial Bonds</u>		
<u>Years</u>	<u>Principal Installments</u>	<u>Rates</u>
2009		

2010  
2011  
2012  
2013  
2014

Term Bonds

<u>Years</u>	<u>Principal Installments</u>	<u>Rates</u>
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(c) Interest shall accrue and be paid on each Bond respectively until its maturity or prior redemption, from the later of the date of delivery of the Bonds or the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or provided for at the rates per annum for each respective maturity specified in the schedule contained in subsection (b) above. Such interest shall be payable semiannually commencing on February 15, 2009, and on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption. Interest on the Bonds shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of 12 months of 30 days each.

Section 3.03. Medium, Method and Place of Payment.

(a) The principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds shall be paid in lawful money of the United States of America.

(b) Interest on the Bonds shall be payable to the Owners as shown in the Register at the close of business on the Record Date.

(c) Interest shall be paid by check, dated as of the Interest Payment Date, and sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar to each Owner, first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the address of each Owner as it appears in the Register, or by such other customary banking arrangement acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar and the Owner; provided, however, the Owner shall bear all risk and expense of such other banking arrangement.

(d) The principal of each Bond shall be paid to the Owner thereof on the due date (whether at the maturity date or the date of prior redemption thereof) upon presentation and surrender of such Bond at the Designated Payment/Transfer Office of the Paying Agent/Registrar.

(e) If the date for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions in the city where the Designated Payment/Transfer Office is located are required or authorized by law or executive order to close, the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are required or authorized to close, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original

date payment was due and no additional interest shall be due by reason of nonpayment on the date on which such payment is otherwise stated to be due and payable.

(f) Unclaimed Payments shall be segregated in a special account and held in trust, uninvested by the Paying Agent/Registrar, for the account of the Owner of the Bonds to which the Unclaimed Payments pertain. Subject to Title 6, Texas Property Code, Unclaimed Payments remaining unclaimed by the Owners entitled thereto for three (3) years after the applicable payment or redemption date shall be applied to the next payment or payments on the Bonds thereafter coming due and, to the extent any such money remains after the retirement of all outstanding Bonds, shall be paid to the City to be used for any lawful purpose. Thereafter, neither the City, the Paying Agent/Registrar nor any other person shall be liable or responsible to any holders of such Bonds for any further payment of such unclaimed moneys or on account of any such Bonds, subject to Title 6, Texas Property Code.

Section 3.04. Execution and Registration of Bonds.

(a) The Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the City by the Mayor and the City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk, by their manual or facsimile signatures, and the official seal of the City shall be impressed or placed in facsimile thereon. Such facsimile signatures on the Bonds shall have the same effect as if each of the Bonds had been signed manually and in person by each of said officers, and such facsimile seal on the Bonds shall have the same effect as if the official seal of the City had been manually impressed upon each of the Bonds.

(b) In the event that any officer of the City whose manual or facsimile signature appears on the Bonds ceases to be such officer before the authentication of such Bonds or before the delivery thereof, such manual or facsimile signature nevertheless shall be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if such officer had remained in such office.

(c) Except as provided below, no Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit of this Ordinance unless and until there appears thereon the Certificate of Paying Agent/Registrar substantially in the form provided herein, duly authenticated by manual execution by an officer or duly authorized signatory of the Paying Agent/Registrar. It shall not be required that the same officer or authorized signatory of the Paying Agent/Registrar sign the Certificate of Paying Agent/Registrar on all of the Bonds. In lieu of the executed Certificate of Paying Agent/Registrar described above, the Initial Bond delivered at the Closing Date shall have attached thereto the Comptroller's Registration Certificate substantially in the form provided herein, manually executed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, or by his duly authorized agent, which Certificate shall be evidence that the Bond has been duly approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and that it is a valid and binding obligation of the City, and has been registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

(d) On the Closing Date, one Initial Bond representing the entire principal amount of all Bonds, payable in stated installments to the initial purchaser, or its designee, executed with the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor and City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk of the City, approved by the Attorney General, and registered and manually signed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts, will be delivered to the initial purchaser or its designee. Upon payment for

the Initial Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cancel the Initial Bond and deliver to DTC, on behalf of the initial Purchaser, one typewritten Bond for each maturity representing the aggregate principal amount for each respective maturity, registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC.

Section 3.05. Ownership.

(a) The City, the Paying Agent/Registrar and any other person may treat the person in whose name any Bond is registered as the absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of making and receiving payment of the principal thereof and redemption premium, if any, thereon, for the further purpose of making and receiving payment of the interest thereon, and for all other purposes, whether or not such Bond is overdue, and neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be bound by any notice or knowledge to the contrary.

(b) All payments made to the Owner of a Bond shall be valid and effectual and shall discharge the liability of the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar upon such Bond to the extent of the sums paid.

Section 3.06. Registration, Transfer and Exchange.

(a) So long as any Bonds remain outstanding, the City shall cause the Paying Agent/Registrar to keep at its Designated Payment/Transfer Office and at the Office of the City Clerk of the City a register in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the registration and transfer of Bonds in accordance with this Ordinance.

(b) The ownership of a Bond may be transferred only upon the presentation and surrender of the Bond at the Designated Payment/Transfer Office of the Paying Agent/Registrar with such endorsement or other evidence of transfer as is acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. No transfer of any Bond shall be effective until entered in the Register.

(c) The Bonds shall be exchangeable upon the presentation and surrender thereof at the Designated Payment/Transfer Office of the Paying Agent/Registrar for a Bond or Bonds of the same maturity and interest rate and in any denomination or denominations of any integral multiple of \$5,000 and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of the Bonds presented for exchange. The Paying Agent/Registrar is hereby authorized to authenticate and deliver Bonds exchanged for other Bonds in accordance with this Section.

(d) Each exchange Bond delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar in accordance with this Section shall constitute an original contractual obligation of the City and shall be entitled to the benefits and security of this Ordinance to the same extent as the Bond or Bonds in lieu of which such exchange Bond is delivered.

(e) No service charge shall be made to the Owner for the initial registration, subsequent transfer, or exchange for any different denomination of any of the Bonds. The Paying Agent/Registrar, however, may require the Owner to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that is authorized to be imposed in connection with the registration, transfer or exchange of a Bond.

(f) Neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to issue, transfer, or exchange any Bond called for redemption, in whole or in part, where such redemption is scheduled to occur within forty-five (45) calendar days after the transfer or exchange date; provided, however, such limitation shall not be applicable to an exchange by the Owner of the uncalled principal balance of a Bond.

Section 3.07. Cancellation.

All Bonds paid or redeemed before scheduled maturity in accordance with this Ordinance, and all Bonds in lieu of which exchange Bonds or replacement Bonds are authenticated and delivered in accordance with this Ordinance, shall be canceled and proper records shall be made regarding such payment, redemption, exchange or replacement. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall then return such canceled Bonds to the City or may in accordance with law destroy such cancelled Bonds and periodically furnish the City with certificates of destruction of such Bonds.

Section 3.08. Temporary Bonds.

(a) Following the delivery and registration of the Initial Bond and pending the preparation of definitive Bonds, the proper officers of the City may execute and, upon the City's request, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver, one (1) or more temporary Bonds that are printed, lithographed, typewritten, mimeographed or otherwise produced, in any denomination, substantially of the tenor of the definitive Bonds in lieu of which they are delivered, without coupons, and with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as the officers of the City executing such temporary Bonds may determine, as evidenced by their signing of such temporary Bonds.

(b) Until exchanged for Bonds in definitive form, such Bonds in temporary form shall be entitled to the benefit and security of this Ordinance.

(c) The City, without unreasonable delay, shall prepare, execute and deliver to the Paying Agent/Registrar the Bonds in definitive form; thereupon, upon the presentation and surrender of the Bonds in temporary form to the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cancel the Bonds in temporary form and shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor Bonds of the same maturity and series, in definitive form, in the authorized denomination, and in the same aggregate principal amount, as the Bonds in temporary form surrendered. Such exchange shall be made without the making of any charge therefor to any Owner.

Section 3.09. Replacement Bonds.

(a) Upon the presentation and surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar of a mutilated Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a replacement Bond of like tenor and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. The City or the Paying Agent/Registrar may require the Owner of such Bond to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that is authorized to be imposed in connection therewith and any other expenses connected therewith.

(b) In the event that any Bond is lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken, the Paying Agent/Registrar, pursuant to the applicable laws of the State of Texas and in the absence of notice or knowledge that such Bond has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, shall authenticate and deliver a replacement Bond of like tenor and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding, provided that the Owner first:

(i) furnishes to the Paying Agent/Registrar satisfactory evidence of his or her ownership of and the circumstances of the loss, destruction or theft of such Bond;

(ii) furnishes such security or indemnity as may be required by the Paying Agent/Registrar to save it and the City harmless;

(iii) pays all expenses and charges in connection therewith, including, but not limited to, printing costs, legal fees, fees of the Paying Agent/Registrar and any tax or other governmental charge that is authorized to be imposed; and

(iv) satisfies any other reasonable requirements imposed by the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar.

(c) If, after the delivery of such replacement Bond, a bona fide purchaser of the original Bond in lieu of which such replacement Bond was issued presents for payment such original Bond, the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be entitled to recover such replacement Bond from the person to whom it was delivered or any person taking therefrom, except a bona fide purchaser, and shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar in connection therewith.

(d) In the event that any such mutilated, lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken Bond has become or is about to become due and payable, the Paying Agent/Registrar, in its discretion, instead of issuing a replacement Bond, may pay such Bond if it has become due and payable or may pay such Bond when it becomes due and payable.

(e) Each replacement Bond delivered in accordance with this Section shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the City and shall be entitled to the benefits and security of this Ordinance to the same extent as the Bond or Bonds in lieu of which such replacement Bond is delivered.

### Section 3.10. Book-Entry Only System.

Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, upon initial issuance of the Bonds, the ownership of the Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. The definitive Bonds shall be initially issued in the form of a single separate certificate for each of the maturities thereof.

With respect to Bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any DTC Participant or to any person on behalf of whom such a DTC Participant holds an interest in the Bonds. Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the City and the Paying

Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede & Co. or any DTC Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds, (ii) the delivery to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a Bondholder, as shown on the Register, of any notice with respect to the Bonds, including any notice of redemption, or (iii) the payment to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a Bondholder, as shown in the Register of any amount with respect to principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary, the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be entitled to treat and consider the person in whose name each Bond is registered in the Register as the absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds, for the purpose of all matters with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of registering transfer with respect to such Bond, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall pay all principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds only to or upon the order of the respective owners, as shown in the Register as provided in this Ordinance, or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge the City's obligations with respect to payment of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than an Owner, as shown in the Register, shall receive a Bond certificate evidencing the obligation of the City to make payments of amounts due pursuant to this Ordinance. Upon delivery by DTC to the Paying Agent/Registrar of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede & Co., the words "Cede & Co." in this Ordinance shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

Section 3.11. Successor Securities Depository; Transfer Outside Book-Entry Only System.

In the event that the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar determines that DTC is incapable of discharging its responsibilities described herein and in the representation letter of the City to DTC, and that it is in the best interest of the beneficial owners of the Bonds that they be able to obtain certificated Bonds, or in the event DTC discontinues the services described herein, the City or the Paying Agent/Registrar shall (i) appoint a successor securities depository, qualified to act as such under Section 17(a) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, notify DTC and DTC Participants of the appointment of such successor securities depository and transfer one or more separate Bonds to such successor securities depository or (ii) notify DTC and DTC Participants of the availability through DTC of Bonds and transfer one or more separate Bonds to DTC Participants having Bonds credited to their DTC accounts. In such event, the Bonds shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the Register in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, but may be registered in the name of the successor securities depository, or its nominee, or in whatever name or names Bondholders transferring or exchanging Bonds shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 3.12. Payments to Cede & Co.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance to the contrary, so long as any Bonds are registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bonds, and all notices with respect to such Bonds, shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the representation letter

of the City to DTC.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### REDEMPTION OF BONDS BEFORE MATURITY

###### Section 4.01. Redemption.

The Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

#### ARTICLE V

##### PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR

###### Section 5.01. Appointment of Initial Paying Agent/Registrar.

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (or any successor thereto), is hereby appointed as the initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. The execution and delivery of the Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, substantially in the form presented at this meeting, specifying the duties and responsibilities of the City and the Paying Agent/Registrar is hereby approved, and the Mayor and the City Manager are each hereby authorized and directed to execute such Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement. The signature of the Mayor or the City Manager shall be attested by the City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk of the City.

###### Section 5.02. Qualifications.

Each Paying Agent/Registrar shall be a commercial bank, a trust company organized under the laws of the State of Texas, or any other entity duly qualified and legally authorized to serve as and perform the duties and services of paying agent and registrar for the Bonds.

###### Section 5.03. Maintaining Paying Agent/Registrar.

(a) At all times while any Bonds are outstanding, the City will maintain a Paying Agent/Registrar that is qualified under Section 5.02 of this Ordinance.

(b) If the Paying Agent/Registrar resigns or otherwise ceases to serve as such, the City will promptly appoint a replacement.

###### Section 5.04. Termination.

The City, upon not less than sixty (60) days notice, reserves the right to terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent/Registrar by delivering to the entity whose appointment is to be terminated written notice of such termination.

###### Section 5.05. Notice of Change to Owners.

Promptly upon each change in the entity serving as Paying Agent/Registrar, the City will cause notice of the change to be sent to each Owner by first class United States mail, postage

prepaid, at the address in the Register, stating the effective date of the change and the name and mailing address of the replacement Paying Agent/Registrar.

Section 5.06. Agreement to Perform Duties and Functions.

By accepting the appointment as Paying Agent/Registrar and executing the Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, the Paying Agent/Registrar is deemed to have agreed to the provisions of this Ordinance and that it will perform the duties and functions of Paying Agent/Registrar prescribed thereby.

Section 5.07. Delivery of Records to Successor.

If a Paying Agent/Registrar is replaced, such Paying Agent/Registrar, promptly upon the appointment of the successor, will deliver the Register (or a copy thereof) and all other pertinent books and records relating to the Bonds to the successor Paying Agent/Registrar.

## ARTICLE VI

### FORM OF THE BONDS

Section 6.01. Form Generally.

(a) The Bonds, the Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, the Certificate of the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Assignment form to appear on each of the Bonds, (i) shall be substantially in the form set forth in this Article, with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions, and other variations as are permitted or required by this Ordinance, and (ii) may have such letters, numbers, or other marks of identification (including identifying numbers and letters of the Committee on Uniform Securities Identification Procedures of the American Bankers Association) and such legends and endorsements (including any reproduction of an opinion of counsel) thereon as, consistently herewith, may be determined by the City or by the officers executing such Bonds, as evidenced by their execution thereof.

(b) Any portion of the text of any Bonds may be set forth on the reverse side thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Bonds.

(c) The definitive Bonds shall be typewritten, printed, lithographed, or engraved, and may be produced by any combination of these methods or produced in any other similar manner, all as determined by the officers executing such Bonds, as evidenced by their execution thereof.

(d) The Initial Bond submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Texas may be typewritten and photocopied or otherwise reproduced.

Section 6.02. Form of the Bonds.

The form of the Bond, including the form of the Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, the form of Certificate of the Paying Agent/Registrar and the form of Assignment appearing on the Bonds, shall be substantially as

follows:

(a) Form of Bond.

REGISTERED

REGISTERED

No. \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

United States of America  
State of Texas  
County of El Paso

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BOND  
SERIES 2008A

INTEREST RATE	MATURITY DATE	BOND DATE	CUSIP NUMBER
_____ %	August 15, 20__	February 15, 2008	_____

The City of El Paso, Texas (the "City"), in the County of El Paso, State of Texas, for value received, hereby promises to pay to

\_\_\_\_\_

or registered assigns, on the Maturity Date specified above, the sum of

\_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS

unless this Bond shall have been sooner called for redemption and the payment of the principal hereof shall have been paid or provided for, and to pay interest on such principal amount from the later of the date of delivery of this Bonds or the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or provided for until payment of such principal amount has been paid or provided for, at the per annum rate of interest specified above, computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months, such interest to be paid semiannually on February 15 and August 15 of each year, commencing February 15, 2009.

The principal of this Bond shall be payable without exchange or collection charges in lawful money of the United States of America upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at the corporate trust office of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association in Austin, Texas (the "Designated Payment/Transfer Office"), as Paying Agent/Registrar, or, with respect to a successor paying agent/registrar, at the Designated Payment/Transfer Office of such successor. Interest on this Bond is payable by check dated as of the interest payment date, and will be mailed by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the registered owner at the address shown on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar or by such other customary banking arrangement acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar and the registered owner; provided,

however, such registered owner shall bear all risk and expense of such other banking arrangement. For the purpose of the payment of interest on this Bond, the registered owner shall be the person in whose name this Bond is registered at the close of business on the "Record Date," which shall be the last business day of the month next preceding such interest payment date; provided, however, that in the event of nonpayment of interest on a scheduled payment date and for 30 days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") shall be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the City. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest (the "Special Payment Date," which date shall be 15 days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five Business Days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the address of each Owner of a Bond appearing on the books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last Business Day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

If the date for the payment of the principal of or interest on this Bond shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions in the city where the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are required or authorized by law or executive order to close, the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are required or authorized to close, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due and no additional interest shall be due by reason of nonpayment on the date on which such payment is otherwise stated to be due and payable.

This Bond is one of a series of fully registered bonds specified in the title hereof issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (herein referred to as the "Bonds"), issued pursuant to a certain ordinance of the City (the "Ordinance") for the purpose of providing funds to refund the Refunded Bonds and to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds.

The Bonds are not subject to optional redemption prior to maturity.

The Bonds stated to mature on August 15, 20\_\_\_\_ and August 15, 20\_\_\_\_ (the "Term Bonds") are subject to scheduled mandatory redemption and will be redeemed by the City, in part at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, without premium, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, out of moneys available for such purpose in the Interest and Sinking Fund, on the dates and in the respective principal amounts as set forth in the following schedule:

Term Bonds Maturing August 15, 20\_\_\_\_

<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
August 15, 20____	
August 15, 20____ (maturity)	

Term Bonds Maturing August 15, 20\_\_\_\_

<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
August 15, 20____	
August 15, 20____ (maturity)	

The Paying Agent/Registrar will select by lot or by any other customary method that results in a random selection the specific Term Bonds (or with respect to Term Bonds having a denomination in excess of \$5,000, each \$5,000 portion thereof) to be redeemed by mandatory redemption. The principal amount of Term Bonds required to be redeemed on any redemption date pursuant to the foregoing mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions hereof shall be reduced, at the option of the City, by the principal amount of any Term Bonds which, at least 45 days prior to the mandatory sinking fund redemption date (i) shall have been acquired by the City at a price not exceeding the principal amount of such Term Bonds plus accrued interest to the date of purchase thereof, and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, or (ii) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions hereof and not previously credited to a mandatory sinking fund redemption.

Notice of such redemption or redemptions shall be given by first class mail, postage prepaid, not less than thirty (30) days before the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of each of the Bonds to be redeemed in whole or in part. Notice having been so given, the Bonds or portions thereof designated for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date specified in such notice; from and after such date, notwithstanding that any of the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall not have been surrendered for payment, interest on such Bonds or portions thereof shall cease to accrue.

As provided in the Ordinance, and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, this Bond is transferable upon surrender of this Bond for transfer at the designated office of the Paying Agent/Registrar with such endorsement or other evidence of transfer as is acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar; thereupon, one or more new fully registered Bonds of the same stated maturity, of authorized denominations, bearing the same rate of interest, and for the same aggregate principal amount will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees.

Neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to issue, transfer or exchange any Bond called for redemption where such redemption is scheduled to occur within forty-five (45) calendar days of the transfer or exchange date; provided, however, such limitation shall not be applicable to an exchange by the registered owner of the uncalled principal balance of a Bond.

The City, the Paying Agent/Registrar, and any other person may treat the person in whose name this Bond is registered as the owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment as herein provided (except interest shall be paid to the person in whose name this Bond is registered on the Record Date) and for all other purposes, whether or not this Bond be overdue, and neither the City nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED AND RECITED that the issuance of this Bond and the series of which it is a part is duly authorized by law, that all acts, conditions and things required to be done precedent to and in the issuance of the Bonds have been properly done and performed and have happened in regular and due time, form and manner, as required by law; and that ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property in the City have been levied for and pledged to the payment of the debt service requirements of the Bonds, within the limit prescribed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City has caused this Bond to be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor of the City and countersigned by the manual or facsimile signature of the City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk of the City, and the official seal of the City has been duly impressed or placed in facsimile on this Bond.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk  
City of El Paso, Texas

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor  
City of El Paso, Texas

(SEAL)

(b) Form of Comptroller's Registration Certificate.

The following Comptroller's Registration Certificate may be deleted from the definitive Bonds if such certificate on the Initial Bond is fully executed.

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER	§	
OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS	§	REGISTER NO.
OF THE STATE OF TEXAS	§	

I hereby certify that there is on file and of record in my office a certificate of the Attorney General of the State of Texas to the effect that this Bond has been examined by him as required by law, that he finds that it has been issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and that it is a valid and binding obligation of the City of El Paso, Texas, and that this Bond has this day been registered by me.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE AND SEAL this \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Comptroller of Public Accounts  
of the State of Texas

(SEAL)

(c) Form of Certificate of Paying Agent/Registrar.

The following Certificate of Paying Agent/Registrar may be deleted from the Initial Bond if the Comptroller's Registration Certificate appears thereon.

**CERTIFICATE OF PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR**

The records of the Paying Agent/Registrar show that the Initial Bond of this series of bonds was approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, and that this is one of the Bonds referred to in the within-mentioned Ordinance.

WELLS FARGO BANK,  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
as Paying Agent/Registrar

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature

(d) Form of Assignment.

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns, and transfers unto  
(print or typewrite name, address and Zip Code of transferee): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Social Security or other identifying number: \_\_\_\_\_) the within Bond and all  
rights hereunder and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints \_\_\_\_\_  
attorney to transfer the within Bond on the books kept for registration hereof, with full power of  
substitution in the premises.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Guaranteed By:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signatory

NOTICE: The signature on this Assignment must  
correspond with the name of the registered owner  
as it appears on the face of the within Bond in  
every particular and must be guaranteed in a  
manner acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar.

(e) The Initial Bond shall be in the form set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this  
Section, except for the following alterations:

(i) immediately under the name of the Bond, the headings "INTEREST  
RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As Shown  
Below" and the heading "CUSIP NUMBER" shall be deleted;

(ii) in the first paragraph of the Bond, the words "on the Maturity Date  
specified above" shall be deleted and the following will be inserted: "on August 15 in  
each of the years, in the principal installments and bearing interest at the per annum rates  
in accordance with the following schedule:

Years

Principal Installments

Rates

(Information to be inserted from schedule  
in Section 3.02 of this Order)

- (iii) the Initial Bond shall be numbered T-1.

Section 6.03. CUSIP Registration.

The City may secure identification numbers through the CUSIP Service Bureau Division of Standard & Poor's Corporation, New York, New York, and may authorize the printing of such numbers on the face of the Bonds. It is expressly provided, however, that the presence or absence of CUSIP numbers on the Bonds shall be of no significance or effect as regards the legality thereof and neither the City nor the attorneys approving said Bonds as to legality are to be held responsible for CUSIP numbers incorrectly printed on the Bonds.

Section 6.04. Legal Opinion.

The approving legal opinion of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., as Bond Counsel for the City, may be printed on the reverse side of each Bond over the certification of the City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk of the City, which may be executed in facsimile.

Section 6.05. Statement of Insurance.

A statement relating to a municipal bond insurance policy, if any, to be issued for the Bonds may be printed on or attached to each Bond.

ARTICLE VII

SALE AND DELIVERY OF BONDS, DEPOSIT OF PROCEEDS

Section 7.01. Sale of Bonds, Official Statement.

(a) The Bonds are hereby sold and awarded and shall be delivered to Banc of America Securities LLC, Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Wachovia Bank, N.A. (collectively, the "Underwriters"), pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Bond Purchase Contract (the "Purchase Contract") relating to the Bonds, dated the date hereof, which is hereby approved. The Mayor or the City Manager are each authorized and directed to execute and deliver such Purchase Contract, substantially in the form presented at this meeting. It is hereby officially found, determined and declared that the terms of this sale are the most advantageous reasonably obtainable. The Bonds shall be initially registered in the name of Banc of America Securities LLC or its designee.

(b) The form and substance of the Preliminary Official Statement, dated February 12, 2008, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, and the final Official Statement (the "Official Statement") presented to and considered at this meeting, are hereby in all respects approved and adopted and the Preliminary Official Statement is hereby deemed final as of its date within the meaning and for the purposes of paragraph (b)(1) of Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Mayor and City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk of the City are hereby authorized and directed to execute the same and deliver appropriate numbers of executed copies thereof to the Underwriters. The Official Statement as thus approved, executed and delivered, with such appropriate variations as shall be approved by the Mayor of the City and the Underwriters, may be used by the Underwriters in the public offering and sale of the Bonds. The City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include and maintain a copy of the Official Statement and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto thus approved among the permanent records of this meeting. The use and distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement, and the preliminary public offering of the Bonds by the Underwriters is hereby ratified, approved and confirmed.

(c) All officers of the City are authorized to execute such documents, certificates and receipts as they may deem appropriate in order to consummate the delivery of the Bonds in accordance with this Ordinance.

(d) The obligation of the Underwriters to accept delivery of the Bonds is subject to such Purchasers being furnished with the final, approving opinion of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., Bond Counsel for the City, which opinions shall be dated and delivered the Closing Date. The engagement of such firm as Bond Counsel to the City in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds is hereby approved and confirmed.

#### Section 7.02. Control and Delivery of Bonds.

(a) The Mayor of the City is hereby authorized to have control of the Initial Bond and all necessary records and proceedings pertaining thereto pending investigation, examination and approval of the Attorney General of the State, registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State and registration with, and initial exchange or transfer by, the Paying Agent/Registrar.

(b) After registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts, delivery of the Bonds shall be made to the Underwriters under and subject to the general supervision and direction of the Deputy City Manager – Financial and Administrative Services or the City Manager of the City, against receipt by the City of all amounts due to the City under the terms of sale.

#### Section 7.03. Deposit of Proceeds.

(a) All amounts received on the Closing Date as accrued interest on the Bonds and the rounding amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ shall be deposited to the Interest and Sinking Fund.

(b) \$\_\_\_\_\_ of the proceeds of the Bonds, together with \$\_\_\_\_\_ which shall be transferred from the interest and sinking fund for the Refunded Bonds, shall be deposited to the Escrow Fund and shall be applied in accordance with the Escrow Agreement.

(c) The remaining balance shall be deposited to a special fund and shall be used to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds.

## ARTICLE VIII

### INVESTMENTS

#### Section 8.01. Investments.

(a) Money in the Interest and Sinking Fund created by this Ordinance, at the option of the City, may be invested in such securities or obligations as permitted under applicable law. Money in the Escrow Fund shall be applied as provided in the Escrow Agreement.

(b) Any securities or obligations in which money is so invested shall be kept and held in trust for the benefit of the Owners and shall be sold and the proceeds of sale shall be timely applied to the making of all payments required to be made from the fund from which the investment was made.

#### Section 8.02. Investment Income.

(a) Interest and income derived from investment of the Interest and Sinking Fund shall be credited to such Fund. Earnings derived from investment of the Escrow Fund shall be credited to such Fund

## ARTICLE IX

### PARTICULAR REPRESENTATIONS AND COVENANTS

#### Section 9.01. Payment of the Bonds.

On or before each Interest Payment Date for the Bonds and while any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, there shall be made available to the Paying Agent/Registrar, out of the Interest and Sinking Fund, money sufficient to pay such interest on and principal of the Bonds as will accrue or mature on the applicable Interest Payment Date or date of prior redemption.

#### Section 9.02. Other Representations and Covenants.

(a) The City will faithfully perform at all times any and all covenants, undertakings, stipulations, and provisions contained in this Ordinance and in each Bond; the City will promptly pay or cause to be paid the principal of and interest on each Bond on the dates and at the places and manner prescribed in such Bond; and the City will, at the times and in the manner prescribed by this Ordinance, deposit or cause to be deposited the amounts of money specified by this Ordinance.

(b) The City is duly authorized under the laws of the State of Texas to issue the Bonds; all action on its part for the creation and issuance of the Bonds has been duly and effectively taken; and the Bonds in the hands of the Owners thereof are and will be valid and enforceable obligations of the City in accordance with their terms.

Section 9.03. Provisions Concerning Federal Income Tax Exclusion.

The City intends that the interest on the Bonds shall be excludable from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation pursuant to sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder (the “Regulations”). The City covenants and agrees not to take any action, or knowingly omit to take any action within its control, that if taken or omitted, respectively, would cause the interest on the Bonds to be includable in the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Code, of the holders thereof for purposes of federal income taxation. In particular, the City covenants and agrees to comply with each requirement of Sections 9.03 through 9.10 hereof, inclusive; provided, however, that the City shall not be required to comply with any particular requirement of Sections 9.03 through 9.10 hereof, inclusive; if the City has received an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel (“Counsel’s Opinion”) that such noncompliance will not adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds or if the City has received a Counsel’s Opinion to the effect that compliance with some other requirement set forth in Sections 9.03 through 9.10 hereof, inclusive; will satisfy the applicable requirements of the Code, in which case compliance with such other requirement specified in such Counsel’s Opinion shall constitute compliance with the corresponding requirement specified in this Sections 9.03 through 9.10 hereof, inclusive.

Section 9.04. No Private Use or Payment and No Private Loan Financing.

The City shall certify, through an authorized officer, employee or agent, that, based upon all facts and estimates known or reasonably expected to be in existence on the date the Bonds are delivered, the proceeds of the Bonds will not be used in a manner that would cause the Bonds to be “private activity bonds” within the meaning of section 141 of the Code and the Regulations. The City covenants and agrees that it will make such use of the proceeds of the Bonds, including interest or other investment income derived from Bond proceeds, regulate the use of property financed, directly or indirectly, with such proceeds, and take such other and further action as may be required so that the bonds will not be “private activity bonds” within the meaning of section 141 of the Code and the Regulations.

Section 9.05. No Federal Guaranty.

The City covenants and agrees not to take any action, or knowingly omit to take any action within its control, that, if taken or omitted, respectively, would cause the Bonds to be “federally guaranteed” within the meaning of section 149(b) of the Code and the Regulations, except as permitted by section 149(b)(3) of the Code and the Regulations.

Section 9.06. Bonds are not Hedge Bonds.

The City covenants and agrees not to take any action, or knowingly omit to take any action, and has not knowingly omitted and will not knowingly omit to take any action, within its control, that, if taken or omitted, respectively, would cause the Bonds to be “hedge bonds” within the meaning of section 149(g) of the Code and the Regulations.

Section 9.07. No-Arbitrage Covenant.

The City shall certify, through an authorized officer, employee or agent, that, based upon all facts and estimates known or reasonably expected to be in existence on the date the Bonds are delivered, the City will reasonably expect that the proceeds of the Bonds will not be used in a manner that would cause the Bonds to be “arbitrage bonds” within the meaning of section 148(a) of the Code and the Regulations. Moreover, the City covenants and agrees that it will make such use of the proceeds of the Bonds including interest or other investment income derived from Bond proceeds, regulate investments of proceeds of the Bonds, and take such other and further action as may be required so that the Bonds will not be “arbitrage bonds” within the meaning of section 148(a) of the Code and the Regulations.

Section 9.08. Arbitrage Rebate.

If the City does not qualify for an exception to the requirements of Section 148(f) of the Code, the City will take all necessary steps to comply with the requirement that certain amounts earned by the City on the investment of the “gross proceeds” of the Bonds (within the meaning of section 148(f)(6)(B) of the Code), be rebated to the federal government. Specifically, the City will (i) maintain records regarding the investment of the gross proceeds of the Bonds as may be required to calculate the amount earned on the investment of the gross proceeds of the Bonds separately from records of amounts on deposit in the funds and accounts of the City allocable to other bond issue of the City or moneys which do not represent gross proceeds of any bonds of the City, (ii) calculate at such times as are required by the Regulations, the amount earned from the investment of the gross proceeds of the Bonds which is required to be rebated to the federal government, and (iii) pay, not less often than every fifth anniversary date of the delivery of the Bonds or on such other dates as may be permitted under the Regulations, all amounts required to be rebated to the federal government. Further, the City will not indirectly pay any amount otherwise payable to the federal government pursuant to the foregoing requirements to any person other than the federal government by entering into any investment arrangement with respect to the gross proceeds of the Bonds that might result in a reduction in the amount required to be paid to the federal government because such arrangement results in a smaller profit or a larger loss than would have resulted if the arrangement had been at arm’s length and had the yield on the issue not been relevant to either party.

Section 9.09. Information Reporting.

The City covenants and agrees to file or cause to be filed with the Secretary of the Treasury, not later than the 15th day of the second calendar month after the close of the calendar quarter in which the Bonds are issued, an information statement concerning the Bonds, all under and in accordance with section 149(e) of the Code and the Regulations.

Section 9.10. Continuing Obligation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance, the City’s obligations under the covenants and provisions of Sections 9.03 through 9.10 hereof, inclusive; shall survive the defeasance and discharge of the Bonds.

## ARTICLE X

### DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

#### Section 10.01. Events of Default.

Each of the following occurrences or events for the purpose of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an Event of Default:

(i) the failure to make payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Bonds when the same becomes due and payable; or

(ii) default in the performance or observance of any other covenant, agreement or obligation of the City, which default materially and adversely affects the rights of the Owners, including but not limited to, their prospect or ability to be repaid in accordance with this Ordinance, and the continuation thereof for a period of sixty (60) days after notice of such default is given by any Owner to the City.

#### Section 10.02. Remedies for Default.

(a) Upon the happening of any Event of Default, then any Owner or an authorized representative thereof, including but not limited to, a trustee or trustees therefor, may proceed against the City for the purpose of protecting and enforcing the rights of the Owners under this Ordinance, by mandamus or other suit, action or special proceeding in equity or at law, in any court of competent jurisdiction, for any relief permitted by law, including the specific performance of any covenant or agreement contained herein, or thereby to enjoin any act or thing that may be unlawful or in violation of any right of the Owners hereunder or any combination of such remedies.

(b) It is provided that all such proceedings shall be instituted and maintained for the equal benefit of all Owners of Bonds then outstanding.

#### Section 10.03. Remedies Not Exclusive.

(a) No remedy herein conferred or reserved is intended to be exclusive of any other available remedy or remedies, but each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or under the Bonds or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance, the right to accelerate the debt evidenced by the Bonds shall not be available as a remedy under this Ordinance.

(b) The exercise of any remedy herein conferred or reserved shall not be deemed a waiver of any other available remedy.

## ARTICLE XI

### DISCHARGE

#### Section 11.01. Discharge.

The Bonds may be defeased, refunded and discharged in any manner permitted by applicable law.

## ARTICLE XII

### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING

#### Section 12.01. Annual Reports.

(a) The City shall provide annually to each NRMSIR and to any SID, within six (6) months after the end of each fiscal year, financial information and operating data with respect to the City of the general type included in the final Official Statement, being the information described in Exhibit A hereto. Any financial statements so to be provided shall be (i) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Exhibit A hereto, and (ii) audited, if the City commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within such period, then the City shall provide notice that audited financial statements are not available and shall provide unaudited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to each NRMSIR and any SID. Thereafter, when and if audited financial statements become available, the City shall provide such audited financial statements as required to each NRMSIR and to any SID.

(b) If the City changes its fiscal year, it will notify each NRMSIR and any SID of the change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) prior to the next date by which the City otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section.

(c) The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this Section may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document (including an official statement or other offering document, if it is available from the MSRB) that theretofore has been provided to each NRMSIR and any SID or filed with the SEC.

#### Section 12.02. Material Event Notices.

(a) The City shall notify any SID and either each NRMSIR or the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws:

- (i) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (ii) nonpayment related defaults;

- (iii) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (iv) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (v) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - (vi) adverse tax opinions or events affecting the tax exempt status of the Bonds;
  - (vii) modifications to rights of Owners;
  - (viii) bond calls;
  - (ix) defeasance;
  - (x) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds;
- and
- (xi) rating changes.

(b) The City shall notify any SID and either each NRMSIR or the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any failure by the City to provide financial information or operating data in accordance with Section 12.02 of this Ordinance by the time required by such Section.

**Section 12.03. Limitations, Disclaimers and Amendments.**

(a) The City shall be obligated to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Article for so long as, but only for so long as, the City remains an “obligated person” with respect to the Bonds within the meaning of the Rule, except that the City in any event will give notice of any deposit made in accordance with Article XI that causes Bonds no longer to be Outstanding.

(b) The provisions of this Article are for the sole benefit of the Owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds, and nothing in this Article, express or implied, shall give any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim hereunder to any other person. The City undertakes to provide only the financial information, operating data, financial statements, and notices which it has expressly agreed to provide pursuant to this Article and does not hereby undertake to provide any other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of the City’s financial results, condition, or prospects or hereby undertake to update any information provided in accordance with this Article or otherwise, except as expressly provided herein. The City does not make any representation or warranty concerning such information or its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date.

**UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE CITY BE LIABLE TO THE OWNER OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OF ANY BOND OR ANY OTHER PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR DAMAGES RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM ANY BREACH BY**

THE CITY, WHETHER NEGLIGENT OR WITHOUT FAULT ON ITS PART, OF ANY COVENANT SPECIFIED IN THIS ARTICLE, BUT EVERY RIGHT AND REMEDY OF ANY SUCH PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF ANY SUCH BREACH SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN ACTION FOR MANDAMUS OR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.

(c) No default by the City in observing or performing its obligations under this Article shall comprise a breach of or default under the Ordinance for purposes of any other provisions of this Ordinance.

(d) Nothing in this Article is intended or shall act to disclaim, waive, or otherwise limit the duties of the City under federal and state securities laws.

(e) The provisions of this Article may be amended by the City from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the City, but only if (1) the provisions of this Article, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (2) either (a) the Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provisions of this Ordinance that authorizes such an amendment) of the Outstanding Bonds consent to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the City (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interests of the Owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds. If the City so amends the provisions of this Article, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with Section 12.02 an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided.

## ARTICLE XIII

### BOND INSURANCE

#### Section 13.01. Bond Insurance Policy.

The Bonds have been offered and sold with the principal of and interest thereon to be insured by \_\_\_\_\_ (the “Insurer”) pursuant to a [Municipal Bond New Issue Insurance Policy] (the “Insurance Policy”) issued by the Insurer guaranteeing the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. The terms of the [Commitment For Municipal Bond Insurance] (the “Insurance Commitment”) issued by the Insurer are hereby incorporated by reference into this Ordinance and are attached hereto as Exhibit B. A statement relating to the Insurance Policy may be printed on or attached to each Bond. The Underwriters shall pay the costs of obtaining the Insurance Policy from the Insurer as additional security for the Bonds.

ARTICLE XIV

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 14.01. Amendment to Ordinance.

(a) ***Amendments Without Consent.*** This Ordinance and the rights and obligations of the City and of the owners of the Bonds may be modified or amended at any time without notice to or the consent of any owner of the Bonds, solely for any one or more of the following purposes:

(i) To add to the covenants and agreements of the City contained in this Ordinance, other covenants and agreements thereafter to be observed, or to surrender any right or power reserved to or conferred upon the City in this Ordinance;

(ii) To cure any ambiguity or inconsistency, or to cure or correct any defective provisions contained in this Ordinance, upon receipt by the City of an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, that the same is needed for such purpose, and will more clearly express the intent of this Ordinance; or

(iii) To supplement the security for the Bonds, replace or provide additional credit facilities, or change the form of the Bonds or make such other changes in the provisions hereof as the City may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not, in the judgment of the City, materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of the outstanding Bonds.

Notice of any such amendment may be published by the City in the manner described in subsection (c) of this Section; provided, however, that the publication of such notice shall not constitute a condition precedent to the adoption of such amendatory resolution and the failure to publish such notice shall not adversely affect the implementation of such amendment as adopted pursuant to such amendatory resolution.

(b) ***Amendments With Consent.*** Subject to the other provisions of this Ordinance, the owners of outstanding Bonds aggregating a majority in outstanding principal amount shall have the right from time to time to approve any amendment, other than amendments described in subsection (a) of this Section, to this Ordinance which may be deemed necessary or desirable by the City; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall permit or be construed to permit, without the approval of the owners of all of the outstanding Bonds, the amendment of the terms and conditions in this Ordinance or in the Bonds so as to:

(i) Make any change in the maturity of the outstanding Bonds;

(ii) Reduce the rate of interest borne by outstanding Bonds;

(iii) Reduce the amount of the principal payable on outstanding Bonds;

(iv) Modify the terms of payment of principal of or interest on the outstanding Bonds, or impose any conditions with respect to such payment;

- (v) Affect the rights of the owners of less than all Bonds then outstanding; or
- (vi) Change the minimum percentage of the outstanding principal amount of Bonds necessary for consent to such amendment.

(c) **Notice.** If at any time the City shall desire to amend this Ordinance other than pursuant to subsection (a) of this Section, the City shall cause written notice of the proposed amendment to be given by certified mail to each registered owner of the Bonds affected at the address shown on the Register. Such notice shall briefly set forth the nature of the proposed amendment and shall state that a copy thereof is on file with the City Clerk for inspection by all owners of Bonds.

(d) **Consent Irrevocable.** Any consent given by any owner of Bonds pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be irrevocable for a period of eighteen (18) months from the date of mailing of the notice provided for in this Section, and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future owners of the same Bonds during such period. Such consent may be revoked at any time after eighteen (18) months from the date of mailing by the owner who gave such consent, or by a successor in title, by filing notice thereof with the Paying Agent/Registrar and the City, but such revocation shall not be effective if the owners of a majority in outstanding principal amount of Bonds, prior to the attempted revocation, consented to and approved the amendment.

(e) **Ownership.** For the purpose of this Section, the ownership and other matters relating to all Bonds registered as to ownership shall be determined from the registration books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar therefor. The Paying Agent/Registrar may conclusively assume that such ownership continues until written notice to the contrary is served upon the Paying Agent/Registrar.

#### Section 14.02. Further Procedures.

The Mayor, the City Clerk, the Alternate City Clerk, the Deputy City Manager – Financial and Administrative Services and/or the City Manager of the City and all other officers, employees and agents of the City, and each of them, shall be and they are hereby expressly authorized, empowered and directed from time to time and at any time to do and perform all such acts and things and to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and under the seal of the City and on behalf of the City all agreements, instruments, or such other documents, whether mentioned herein or not, as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this Ordinance, the initial sale and delivery of the Bonds, the Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, the Escrow Agreement and the Purchase Contract. In addition, prior to the initial delivery of the Bonds, the Mayor, the City Clerk, the Alternate City Clerk, the Deputy City Manager – Financial and Administrative Services and/or the City Manager of the City, and its Bond Counsel are hereby authorized and directed to approve any technical changes or corrections to this Ordinance or to any of the instruments authorized and approved by this Ordinance: (i) in order to cure any technical ambiguity, formal defect, or omission in the Ordinance or such other document; or (ii) as requested by the Attorney General or his representative to obtain the approval of the Bonds by the Attorney General and if such officer or counsel determines that such ministerial changes are consistent with the intent and purpose of the Ordinance, which determination shall be final. In the event that any officer of the City whose

signature shall appear on any document shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such document, such signature nevertheless shall be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer had remained in office until such delivery.

## ARTICLE XV

### REDEMPTION OF REFUNDED BONDS; APPROVAL OF ESCROW AGREEMENT; PURCHASE OF ESCROWED SECURITIES

#### Section 15.01. Redemption of Refunded Bonds.

(a) The Refunded Bonds are hereby called for redemption on the dates, in the principal amounts and at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus interest accrued thereon to the redemption date all as set forth on Schedule I hereto. The Mayor, the City Manager, the Deputy City Manager – Financial and Administrative Services and any other authorized official of the City, any one or more of said officials, is hereby authorized to make necessary arrangements for the purchase of the Escrowed Securities referenced in the Escrow Agreement, as may be necessary for the Escrow Fund and the application for the acquisition of the Escrowed Securities is hereby approved and ratified.

(b) The Escrow Agent and/or paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Bonds is hereby authorized and directed to give or cause to be given notice of redemption of the Refunded Bonds at the times and in the manner specified in the respective ordinances pursuant to which the Refunded Bonds were issued.

(c) The City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this Ordinance to be delivered to the Escrow Agent and/or paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Bonds the delivery of which shall constitute notice of redemption and notice of defeasance to such Escrow Agent and/or paying agent/registrar.

#### Section 15.02. Subscription of Escrowed Securities.

The Mayor, the City Manager, the Deputy City Manager – Financial and Administrative Services and any other authorized official of the City, any one or more of said officials is hereby authorized to make necessary arrangements for the purchase of the Escrowed Securities referenced in the Escrow Agreement, as may be necessary for the Escrow Fund and the application for the acquisition of the Escrowed Securities is hereby approved and ratified.

#### Section 15.03. Approval of Escrow Agreement.

The Escrow Agreement, in substantially the form presented at this meeting, and its execution and delivery by the Mayor or the City Manager of the City are hereby authorized and approved. The signature of the Mayor or City Manager shall be attested by the City Clerk or Alternate City Clerk.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND EFFECTIVE this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.

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John F. Cook  
Mayor, City of El Paso, Texas

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Richarda Duffy Momsen  
City Clerk, City of El Paso, Texas

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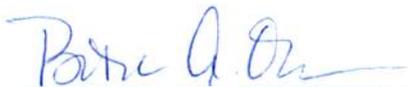
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Attorney for the City

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William F. Studer, Deputy City Manager  
Financial and Administrative Services



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Bertha Ontiveros  
Assistant City Attorney

**SCHEDULE I**

**SCHEDULE OF REFUNDED BONDS**

Series	Original Issue Date	Original Issue Amount	Amount to be Refunded	Maturities to be Refunded	Maturity or Redemption Date	Redemption Price
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 1999	January 15, 1999	\$27,275,000	\$18,870,000	2009	8/15/2008	100%
				2010	8/15/2008	100%
				2011	8/15/2008	100%
				2012	8/15/2008	100%
				2013	8/15/2008	100%
				2014	8/15/2008	100%
General Obligation Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2000	February 15, 2000	\$10,325,000	\$2,975,000	2009	6/20/2008	100%
				2010	6/20/2008	100%

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **DESCRIPTION OF ANNUAL DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

The following information is referred to in Article XII of this Order.

#### **Annual Financial Statements and Operating Data**

The financial information and operating data with respect to the City to be provided annually in accordance with such Article are as specified (and included in the Appendix or other headings of the Official Statement referred to) below:

1. The portions of the financial statements of the City appended to the Official Statement as Appendix B, but for the most recently concluded fiscal year.
2. Statistical and financial data set forth in Tables numbered 1 through 15, inclusive.

#### **Accounting Principles**

The accounting principles referred to in such Article are the accounting principles described in the notes to the financial statements referred to in Paragraph 1 above.

**EXHIBIT B**  
**MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE COMMITMENT**