

**NOTICE OF SALE  
AND  
BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS**

**ON**

**\$12,400,000\***  
**CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS**  
**GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020**

**Bids Due Monday, February 18, 2020, at 10:00 AM, CST**

THE BONDS WILL NOT BE DESIGNATED AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

**THE SALE**

**BONDS OFFERED FOR SALE AT COMPETITIVE BIDDING . . .** City of Farmers Branch, Texas (the "City") is offering for sale its \$12,400,000\* General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds"). Bidders may submit bids for the Bonds by any of the following methods:

- (1) Submit bids electronically as described below in "Electronic Bidding Procedures;" or
- (2) Submit bids by telephone or facsimile as described below in "Bids by Telephone or Facsimile."

**ELECTRONIC BIDDING PROCEDURE . . .** Any prospective bidder that intends to submit an electronic bid must submit its electronic bid through the facilities of PARITY. Subscription to i-Deal's BIDCOMP Competitive Bidding System is required in order to submit an electronic bid. The City will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidder to subscribe. Bidders submitting an electronic bid shall not be required to submit Official Bid Forms prior to award.

An electronic bid made through the facilities of PARITY shall be deemed an irrevocable offer to purchase the Bonds on the terms provided in this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions, and shall be binding upon the bidder as if made by a signed, sealed bid delivered to the City. The City shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by, or as a result of the use of the facilities of, PARITY, the use of such facilities being the sole risk of the prospective bidder.

If any provisions of this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions shall conflict with information provided by PARITY as the approved provider of electronic bidding services, this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions shall control. Further information about PARITY, including any fee charged, may be obtained from Parity Customer Support, 40 West 23rd Street, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10010, (212) 404-8102.

**For purposes of both the written sealed bid process and the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by i-Deal shall constitute the official time.** For information purposes only, bidders are requested to state in their electronic bids the true interest cost to the City, as described under "Basis for Award" below. All electronic bids shall be deemed to incorporate the provisions of this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions and the Official Bid Form. The winning bidder shall submit a signed bid form if not previously submitted.

**BIDS BY TELEPHONE OR FACSIMILE . . .** Bidders must submit, prior to February 18, 2020, SIGNED Official Bid Forms to Marti Shew, Hilltop Securities Inc., 1201 Elm Street, Suite 3500, Dallas, Texas 75270, and submit their bid by telephone or facsimile (fax) on the date of the sale.

Telephone bids will be accepted at (214) 953-8853, between 9:00 AM, CST and 10:00 AM, CST on the date of the sale.

Fax bids will be received between 9:00 AM, CST and 10:00 AM, CST, on the date of the sale at (214) 953-4050, attention: Marti Shew.

**Bids by delivery shall not be allowed.**

**Hilltop Securities Inc. will not be responsible for submitting any bids received after the above deadlines.**

The City and Hilltop Securities Inc. are not responsible if such telephone or facsimile numbers are busy which prevents a bid or bids from being submitted on a timely basis, and assume no responsibility or liability with respect to any irregularities associated with the submission of bids.

The City and Hilltop Securities Inc. are not responsible for any failure of their or the sender's fax machine, any failed delivery of a fax, any incomplete or ambiguous transmittals, or the disclosure of the bid to any persons prior to bid opening. If any portion of a faxed bid is illegible, the City and Hilltop Securities Inc. may, at their option, either call any provided reference number for clarification or reject the bid. **BIDDERS WHO FAX BIDS DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. ALL SUCH BIDS SHALL BE BINDING ON THE BIDDER.**

\* Preliminary, subject to change. See "THE BONDS— Adjustment of Principal Amounts and/or Types of Bids."

**PLACE AND TIME OF BID OPENING . . .** The bids for the Bonds will be publicly opened and read at the offices of the Financial Advisor, Hilltop Securities Inc., at 10:00 AM, CST, Monday, February 18, 2020.

**AWARD OF THE BONDS . . .** The City Council will take action to award the Bonds (or reject all bods) at a meeting scheduled to convene at 6:00 PM, CST, on the date of the bid opening, and if the Bonds are awarded, will adopt an ordinance authorizing the Bonds and approving the Official Statement (the “Ordinance”).

**THE BONDS**

**DESCRIPTION . . .** The Bonds will be dated as of the date of initial delivery of the Bonds (the “Date of Delivery”). Interest will accrue from Date of Delivery and will be paid on August 15, 2020, and each February 15 and August 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form in any integral multiple of \$5,000 for any one maturity. The Bonds will mature on February 15 in each year as follows:

**MATURITY SCHEDULE\***

Maturity (February 15)	Principal Amount	Maturity (February 15)	Principal Amount
2021	\$ 290,000	2031	\$ 560,000
2022	515,000	2032	575,000
2023	535,000	2033	585,000
2024	700,000	2034	600,000
2025	730,000	2035	610,000
2026	760,000	2036	625,000
2027	785,000	2037	640,000
2028	820,000	2038	655,000
2029	855,000	2039	670,000
2030	890,000		

**OPTIONAL REDEMPTION . . .** The City reserves the right, at its option, to redeem Bonds having stated maturities on and after February 15, 2030, in whole or in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on February 15, 2029, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. If less than all of the Bonds are to be redeemed, the City may select the maturities of Bonds to be redeemed. If less than all the Bonds of any maturity are to be redeemed, the Paying Agent/Registrar (or DTC while the Bonds are in Book-Entry-Only form) shall determine by lot the Bonds, or portions thereof, within such maturity to be redeemed. If a Bond (or any portion of the principal sum thereof) shall have been called for redemption and notice of such redemption shall have been given, such Bond (or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed) shall become due and payable on such redemption date and interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date, provided funds for the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest thereon are held by the Paying Agent/Registrar on the redemption date.

**ADJUSTMENT OF PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS AND/OR TYPES OF BIDS . . .** Prior to 5:00 PM, CST on the business day before the bids are due, the City may, in its sole discretion, adjust the principal amount set forth above (the “Maturity Schedule”) and/or the type of bid required on the Bonds including the cash premium. Hilltop Securities Inc., as Financial Advisor to the City, will give notice of any such adjustment by Bloomberg and PARITY. Should such adjustments be made, a revised Official Bid Form will be made available through i-Deal Prospectus and PARITY. Any such notice shall be considered an amendment to their NOTICE OF SALE AND BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS. For purposes of this paragraph, the term “Maturity Schedule” shall include any adjustments to the principal amounts shown above including the total par amount so made by the City by posting to PARITY. **Also see “Conditions of the Sale” herein.**

\* Preliminary, subject to change. See “THE BONDS – Adjustment of Principal Amounts and/or Types of Bids.”

After final computation of the Bids in awarding the sale to the best bidder, the City reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to adjust the aggregate principal amount and the principal amount of each maturity of the Bonds shown on the Maturity Schedule. The principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds shall only be adjusted in \$5,000 increments and shall not be increased or decreased by an amount that exceeds 25% of the preliminary principal amount of such maturity (rounded up to the next higher integral of \$5,000) without permission of the successful bidder. Such adjustment(s), if any, shall be made within 4 hours of the award of the Bonds. **THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER MAY NOT WITHDRAW ITS BID OR CHANGE THE INTEREST RATES BID OR THE INITIAL REOFFERING PRICES AS A RESULT OF ANY CHANGES MADE TO THE REVISED AMOUNTS WITHIN THESE LIMITS.** The dollar amount bid by the successful bidder will be adjusted to reflect changes in the aggregate principal amounts of the Bonds. Such adjusted bid price will reflect changes in the dollar amount of the underwriter's discount and the original issue discount/premium, if any, but will not change the selling compensation per \$1,000 of par amount of Bonds from the selling compensation that would have been received based on the purchase price in the winning bid and initial reoffering prices. In the event of any adjustment of the maturity schedule for the Bonds as described herein, no rebidding or recalculation of the proposals submitted will be required or permitted. Any such adjustment of the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and/or the maturity schedules for the Bonds made by the City or its Financial Advisor shall be subsequent to the award of the Bonds to the winning bidder as determined pursuant to "CONDITIONS OF THE SALE – Basis For Award" herein and shall not affect such determination. The successful Bidder may not withdraw its bid as a result of any changes made within the aforementioned limits.

**SERIAL BONDS AND/OR TERM BONDS . . .** Bidders may provide that all of the Bonds be issued as serial Bonds or may provide that any two or more consecutive annual principal amounts be combined into one or more term Bonds.

**MANDATORY SINKING FUND REDEMPTION . . .** If the successful bidder elects to alter the Maturity Schedule reflected above and convert the principal amounts of the serial Bonds maturing in years 2021 through 2039 into "Term Bonds", such "Term Bonds" shall be subject to mandatory redemption on the first February 15 next following the last maturity for serial Bonds, and annually thereafter on each February 15 until the stated maturity for the Term Bonds at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. The principal amounts of the Term Bonds to be redeemed on each mandatory redemption date shall be the principal amounts that would have been due and payable in the Maturity Schedule shown above had not designation of such maturities as Term Bonds occurred.

Term Bonds to be redeemed shall be chosen by the Paying Agent/Registrar at random by lot or other customary method. The principal amount of Term Bonds of a stated maturity required to be redeemed on any mandatory redemption date pursuant to the operation of the mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the City, by the principal amount of any Term Bonds of the same maturity which, at least 45 days prior to a mandatory redemption date (1) 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, (2) shall have been purchased and canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the request of the City at a price not exceeding the principal amount of such Term Bonds plus accrued interest to the date of purchase or (3) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions and not theretofore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

The final official statement will incorporate the mandatory redemption provisions for the Bonds in the event the successful bidder elects to convert serial maturities into one or more Term Bonds.

**BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM . . .** The City intends to utilize the Book-Entry-Only System of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). See "THE BONDS - Book-Entry-Only System" in the Preliminary Official Statement.

**PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR . . .** The initial Paying Agent/Registrar shall be The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas. See "THE BONDS - Paying Agent/Registrar" in the Preliminary Official Statement.

**SOURCE OF PAYMENT . . .** The Bonds are direct obligations of the City payable from a levy and collection of a direct annual ad valorem tax, within the limits prescribed by law, on all taxable property within the City.

Further details regarding the Bonds are set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement.

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## CONDITIONS OF THE SALE

**TYPE OF BIDS AND INTEREST RATES . . .** The Bonds will be sold in one block on an “All or None” basis, and at a price of not less than 109% of par and not more than 110% of par. Bidders are invited to name the rate(s) of interest to be borne by the Bonds, provided that each rate bid must be in a multiple of 1/8 of 1% or 1/100 of 1%. The highest rate bid may not exceed the lowest rate bid by more than 3% in rate. **No Coupon rate greater than 4% will be accepted.** No limitation is imposed upon bidders as to the number of rates or changes which may be used. All Bonds of one maturity must bear one and the same rate. Each bidder shall state in the bid the total interest cost in dollars and the net effective interest rate determined thereby (calculated in the manner prescribed by Chapter 1204, Texas Government Code), which shall be considered informative only and not as a part of the bid. In the event of a bidder’s error in interest cost rate calculations the interest rates set forth in the Official Bid Form will be considered as the intended bid. Also see “Adjustment of Principal Amounts and/or Types of Bids Including Cash Premium” herein.

The Purchaser (defined below) must provide the initial reoffering prices to the Financial Advisor by 10:00 AM CST, or within 30 minutes of being notified on the sale date. Such offering prices and yields, among other things, will be used by the Financial Advisor to calculate the final principal amount of each maturity of the Bonds and the cash premium for the Bonds. It is anticipated that the final principal amount of each maturity of the Bonds and the final cash premium amount will be communicated to the successful bidder by 11:00 AM CST, on the date of the sale.

**BASIS FOR AWARD . . .** Subject to the City’s right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities except for time of filing, the sale of the Bonds will be awarded to the bidder making a bid (the “Initial Purchaser” or “Purchaser”) that conforms to the specifications herein and which produces the lowest True Interest Cost rate to the City. The True Interest Cost rate is that rate which, when used to compute the total present value as of the Delivery Date of all debt service payments on the Bonds on the basis of semi-annual compounding, produces an amount equal to the sum of the par value of the Bonds plus any premium bid. In the event of a bidder’s error in interest cost rate calculations, the interest rates, and premium, if any, set forth in the Official Bid Form will be considered as the official bid.

### ADDITIONAL CONDITION OF AWARD — DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTY FORM

**OBLIGATION OF THE CITY TO RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM WINNING BIDDER . . .** Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 2252.908 (the “Interested Party Disclosure Act”), unless a Bidder is exempt from the filing requirements of Section 2252.908, the City may not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the bidder submits a Bond of Interested Parties Form 1295 (the “Disclosure Form”) to the City as prescribed by the Texas Ethics Commission (“TEC”) at the time the bidder submits its Official Bid Form. Effective January 1, 2018, publicly traded business entities (including wholly owned subsidiaries of a publicly traded business entity) will no longer be required to file Form 1295 as provided in Section 2252.908(c)(4).

In the event that the bidder's bid for the Bonds is the best bid received, the City, acting through its financial advisor, will promptly notify the bidder. That notification will serve as the conditional verbal acceptance of the bid and the winning bidder must promptly file the materials described below. The apparent the winning bidder and each syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form must have submitted either (1) a completed Disclosure Form, as described below, or (2) a written representation that it is exempt from the Form 1295 filing requirements pursuant to Section 2252.908(c)(4), not later than two hours after the deadline for the submission of bids in order for City to complete the formal award. If the apparent the winning bidder and each syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form fails to file the Disclosure Form or written representation regarding the exemption from the filing requirement within the time period described in the previous sentence, the City reserves the right to notify the apparent winning bidder that their bid has been rejected and award the sale to the next highest rated bidder.

**WRITTEN REPRESENTATION REGARDING EXEMPTION . . .** If a Bidder is claiming an exception to the filing requirement under Section 2252.908(c)(4), the written representation that the Bidder is not required to file a Form 1295 must state that it is publicly traded business entity or a wholly owned subsidiary of a publicly traded business entity and identify the publicly traded business entity that allows them to utilize the exception.

**PROCESS FOR COMPLETING THE DISCLOSURE FORM . . .** The Disclosure Form can be found at <https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/forms/1295.pdf>, and reference should be made to the following information in order to complete it: (a) item 2 – Name of City (“City of Farmers Branch, Texas”), (b) item 3 – the identification number (“2020 Bonds-Bid Form”), and (c) item 3 – description of the goods or services assigned to this contract by the City (“Purchase of Bonds”). If completing the Disclosure the Bidder must (i) complete the Disclosure Form electronically at the TEC’s “electronic portal,” and (ii) print, sign and deliver a copy of the Disclosure Form that is generated by the TEC’s “electronic portal.”

**SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN REPRESENTATION REGARDING EXEMPTION OR COMPLETED DISCLOSURE FORM . . .** The completed Disclosure Form or the written representation regarding the exemption from the Form 1295 filing requirements must be delivered electronically to the City Secretary at [amy.piukana@farmersbranchtx.gov](mailto:amy.piukana@farmersbranchtx.gov) and the City’s financial advisor, Marti Shew, at [marti.shew@hilltopsecurities.com](mailto:marti.shew@hilltopsecurities.com) **no later than two hours after the deadline for the submission of bids on the Sale Date.**

Time will be of the essence in submitting the completed Disclosure Form or written representation regarding the exemption from the filing requirements to the City and no bid will be accepted by the City unless a completed Disclosure Form is received on time.

Neither the City nor its consultants have the ability to verify the information included in a Disclosure Form or written representation, and neither have an obligation nor undertake responsibility for advising any bidder with respect to the proper completion of the Disclosure Form or the written representation. Consequently, an entity intending to bid on the Bonds should consult its own advisors to the extent it deems necessary and be prepared to submit the completed form or written representation promptly upon notification from the City that its bid is the conditional winning bid.

**COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS PROHIBITING CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES THAT BOYCOTT ISRAEL AND CERTAIN COMPANIES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS . . .** The award and delivery of the Bonds is conditioned upon verification by the bidder on behalf of itself and each syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form that, to the extent Section 2270.002 of the Texas Government Code is applicable to the sale of the Bonds, solely for purposes of compliance with Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code, and subject to applicable Federal law, neither the bidder nor any syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form nor any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of the same, (i) boycotts Israel or (ii) will boycott Israel through the delivery date of the Bonds. The terms “boycotts Israel” and “boycott Israel” as used in this paragraph have the meanings assigned to the term “boycott Israel” in Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

Additionally, the award and delivery of the Bonds is conditioned upon verification by the bidder on behalf of itself and each syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form that, as of the date of their submission of the Official Bid Form, to the extent the bid for the Bonds represents a governmental contract within the meaning of Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of compliance with Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable Federal law, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form, nor any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the same is an entity listed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Sections 2252.153 or 2270.0201 of the Texas Government Code.

**GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT . . .** A Good Faith Deposit, payable to the “City of Farmers Branch, Texas”, in the amount of \$248,000 is required. Such Good Faith Deposit shall be in the form of a bank cashier’s check or certified check, which is to be retained uncashed by the City pending the Initial Purchaser’s compliance with the terms of its bid and this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions. The Good Faith Deposit may accompany the Official Bid Form or it may be submitted separately. If submitted separately, it shall be made available to the City prior to the opening of the bids, and shall be accompanied by instructions from the bank on which it is drawn which authorize its use as a Good Faith Deposit by the Initial Purchaser who shall be named in such instructions. **The Good Faith Deposit of the Initial Purchaser will be returned to the Initial Purchaser upon payment for the Bonds.** No interest will be allowed on the Good Faith Deposit. In the event the Initial Purchaser should fail or refuse to take up and pay for the Bonds in accordance with its bid, then said check shall be cashed and accepted by the City as full and complete liquidated damages. The checks accompanying bids other than the winning bid will be returned immediately after the bids are opened, and an award of the Bonds has been made.

#### **DELIVERY OF THE BONDS AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS**

**CUSIP NUMBERS.** . . It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will appear on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print or type such number on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the Initial Purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions and the terms of the Official Bid Form. All expenses in relation to the printing or typing of CUSIP numbers on the Bonds shall be paid by the City.

**DELIVERY OF BONDS . . .** Initial Delivery will be accomplished by the issuance of one Initial Bond (the “Initial Bond”), either in typed or printed form, in the aggregate principal amount of \$12,400,000\*, payable in stated installments to the Initial Purchaser or its designee, signed by the City Secretary and Mayor, approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and registered and manually signed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. Upon delivery of the Initial Bond, it shall be immediately cancelled and one definitive Bond for each maturity will be registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., and deposited with DTC in connection with DTC’s Book-Entry-Only System. Delivery will be at the office of the Paying Agent/Registrar in Dallas, Texas. Payment for the Bonds must be made in immediately available funds for unconditional credit to the City, or as otherwise directed by the City. The Initial Purchaser will be given six business days’ notice of the time fixed for delivery of the Bonds. It is anticipated that delivery of the Bonds can be made on or about March 18, 2020, and it is understood and agreed that the Initial Purchaser will accept delivery and make payment for the Bonds by 10:00 AM, CST, on March 18, 2020, or thereafter on the date the Bond is tendered for delivery, up to and including April 2, 2020. If for any reason the City is unable to make delivery on or before April 2, 2020, the City shall immediately contact the Initial Purchaser and offer to allow the Initial Purchaser to extend its offer for an additional thirty (30) days. If the Initial Purchaser does not elect to extend its offer within six days thereafter, then its Good Faith Deposit will be returned, and both the City and the Initial Purchaser shall be relieved of any further obligation. In no event shall the City be liable for any damages by reason of its failure to deliver the Bonds.

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\* Preliminary, subject to change. See “The Bonds– Adjustment of Principal Amounts and/or Types of Bids.”

**CONDITIONS TO DELIVERY . . .** The obligation of the Initial Purchaser to take up and pay for the Bonds is subject to the Initial Purchaser's receipt of (a) the legal opinion of Bracewell LLP, Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel for the City ("Bond Counsel") and (b) the City's certification as to the Official Statement and no litigation, all as further described in the Official Statement. In order to provide the City with information required to enable it to comply with certain conditions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), relating to the exemption of interest on the Bonds from the gross income of their owners, the Purchaser will be required to complete, execute, and deliver to the City (not later than 6 business days prior to delivery of the Bonds) a certification as to their "issue price" substantially in the form and to the effect attached hereto or accompanying this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions. **In no event will the City fail to deliver the Bonds as a result of the Initial Purchaser's inability to sell a substantial amount of the Bonds at a particular price prior to delivery.** Each bidder, by submitting its bid, agrees to complete, execute, and deliver such a certificate no later than 6 business days prior to delivery of the Bonds, if its bid is accepted by the City. It will be the responsibility of the Purchaser to institute such syndicate reporting requirements to make such investigation, or otherwise to ascertain the facts necessary to enable it to make such certification with reasonable certainty. Any questions concerning such certification should be directed to Bond Counsel.

**LEGAL OPINIONS. . .** The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the approval of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. Delivery of and payment for the Bonds is subject to the receipt by the Initial Purchaser of an opinion of Bond Counsel, substantially in the form reproduced in Appendix C to the Official Statement, to the effect that the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the City and that the interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and the Bonds are not private activity Bonds under existing law, subject to the matters described under "Tax Matters" in the Official Statement.

**CERTIFICATION OF PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT . . .** At the time of payment for and initial delivery of the Bonds, the City will execute and deliver to the Initial Purchaser a Bond in the form set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement under "Other Information – Certification of the Official Statement."

**CHANGE IN TAX EXEMPT STATUS . . .** At any time before the Bonds are tendered for delivery, the Initial Purchaser may withdraw its bid if the interest received by private holders on obligations of the same type and character as the Bonds shall be declared to be includable in gross income under present federal income tax laws, either by ruling of the Internal Revenue Service or by a decision of any federal court, or shall be declared taxable or be required to be taken into account in computing any federal income taxes, by the terms of any federal income tax law enacted subsequent to the date of this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions.

#### **ESTABLISHING THE ISSUE PRICE FOR THE BONDS**

**GENERAL:** In order to provide the City with information that enables it to comply with certain requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), relating to the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from the gross income of their owners, the winning bidder will be required to complete, execute, and deliver to the City or to the City's municipal advisor, Hilltop Securities Inc. (the "Financial Advisor"), at least five business days before the Date of Delivery of the Bonds, a certification as to the Bonds' "issue price" (the "Issue Price Certificate") substantially in one of the forms and to the effect attached hereto or accompanying this Notice of Sale. In the event the winning bidder will not reoffer any maturity of the Bonds for sale to the Public (as defined herein) by the delivery date of the Bonds, the Issue Price Certificate may be modified in a manner approved by the City and Bond Counsel. Each bidder, by submitting its bid, agrees to complete, execute, and timely deliver, no later than 6 business days prior to delivery of the Bonds, the appropriate Issue Price Certificate, if its bid is accepted by the City. It will be the responsibility of the winning bidder to institute such syndicate reporting requirements, to make such investigation, or otherwise to ascertain such facts as are necessary to enable it to make such certification with reasonable certainty. Any questions concerning such certification should be directed to Bond Counsel.

**DEFINED TERMS:** For purposes of this section of this Notice of Sale:

- (i) "Public" means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a Related Party to an Underwriter.
- (ii) "Underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the City (or with the lead Underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).
- (iii) "Related Party" means any two or more persons who are subject, directly or indirectly, to (A) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (B) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (C) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other).

- (iv) “Sale Date” means the date that the Bonds are awarded by the City to the winning bidder.

All actions to be taken by the City under this Notice of Sale to establish the issue price of the Bonds may be taken on behalf of the City by the Financial Advisor, and any notice or report to be provided to the City may be provided to the Financial Advisor.

The City will consider any bid submitted pursuant to this Notice of Sale to be a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid and as so stated in the Official Bid Form.

**THREE BID REQUIREMENT:** The City intends to rely on Treasury Regulation section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) for purposes of establishing the issue price of municipal bonds, which requires, among other things, that the City receives bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds (the “Three Bid Requirement”). In the event that the Three Bid Requirement is not satisfied, Treasury Regulations permit the issue price for any maturity of the Bonds to be determined based upon either (i) the first price at which 10% of such maturity is sold to the Public (the “10% Test”) or (ii) if the requirements of the “Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule” described below are met, the initial offering price to the Public as of the Sale Date. For purposes hereof, if different interest rates apply within a maturity, each separate CUSIP number will be treated separately.

In the event that the Three Bid Requirement is satisfied, the sale of the Bonds will be awarded to the bidder making a bid that conforms to the specifications herein. In the event that the Three Bid Requirement is not satisfied, the City will notify the prospective winning bidder to that effect, and the prospective winning bidder will advise the City of any maturity of the Bonds that satisfies the 10% Test. For any maturity of the Bonds that does not meet the 10% Test, it is the City’s intention to apply the “Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule” to such maturity of the Bonds, as described below.

**HOLD-THE-OFFERING-PRICE RULE:** If the “Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule” is applied to any maturity of the Bonds (each, a “Held Maturity”), the winning bidder agrees, on behalf of each Underwriter participating in the purchase of the Bonds, that each Underwriter will neither offer nor sell any Held Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the Public during the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of the following:

- (1) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date; or
- (2) the date on which the Underwriters have satisfied the 10% Test with respect to that Held Maturity at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the Public.

The winning bidder shall promptly advise the City when the Underwriters have satisfied the 10% Test with respect to each Held Maturity at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the Public, if that occurs prior to the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date. On or after the sixth business day after the Sale Date, if requested by the City, the winning bidder will confirm that the Underwriters have complied with the Hold-the-Offering-Price-Rule. If at any time the winning bidder becomes aware of any noncompliance by an Underwriter with respect to the Hold-the-Offering Price Rule, the winning bidder will promptly report such noncompliance to the City.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that: (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each Underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement, as applicable, to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the Public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the winning bidder that either the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the Public and (B) comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires, and (ii) any agreement among underwriters relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each Underwriter that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the Public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the winning bidder or such Underwriter that either the 10% Test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the Public and (B) comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder or such Underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

## GENERAL

**FINANCIAL ADVISOR . . .** Hilltop Securities Inc. is employed as Financial Advisor to the City in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery of the Bonds. Hilltop Securities Inc. has agreed, in its Financial Advisory contract, not to bid for the Bonds, either independently or as a member of a syndicate organized to submit a bid for the Bonds. Hilltop Securities Inc., in its capacity as Financial Advisor, does not assume any responsibility for the information, covenants and representations contained in any of the legal documents with respect to the federal income tax status of the Bonds, or the possible impact of any present, pending or future actions taken by any legislative or judicial bodies.

**BLUE SKY LAWS . . .** By submission of its bid, the Initial Purchaser represents that the sale of the Bonds in states other than Texas will be made only pursuant to exemptions from registration or, where necessary, the Initial Purchaser will register the Bonds in accordance with the securities law of the states in which the Bonds are offered or sold. The City agrees to cooperate with the Initial Purchaser, at the Initial Purchaser's written request and sole expense, in registering the Bonds or obtaining an exemption from registration in any state where such action is necessary; provided, however, that the City shall not be obligated to qualify as a foreign corporation or to execute a general or special consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction.

**NOT AN OFFER TO SELL . . .** This Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions does not alone constitute an offer to sell the Bonds, but is merely notice of the sale of the Bonds. The offer to sell the Bonds is being made by means of this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions, the Official Bid Form and the Preliminary Official Statement. Prospective purchasers are urged to carefully examine the Preliminary Official Statement to determine the investment quality of the Bonds.

**RATINGS . . .** The Bonds and the presently outstanding tax-supported debt of the City are rated "AA+" by S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") and "AA+" by Fitch Ratings ("Fitch"), without regard to credit enhancement (see "OTHER INFORMATION - RATINGS").

**THE PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH SEC RULE 15c2-12 . . .** The City has prepared, or caused to be prepared, the accompanying Preliminary Official Statement and, for the limited purpose of complying with SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"), deems such Preliminary Official Statement to be final as of its date within the meaning of the Rule for the purpose of review prior to bidding. Representations made and to be made by the City concerning the absence of material misstatements and omissions in the Preliminary Official Statement are addressed elsewhere in this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions and in the Preliminary Official Statement.

The City will furnish to the Initial Purchaser, acting through a designated senior representative, in accordance with instructions received from the Initial Purchaser, within seven (7) business days from the sale date, copies of the final Official Statement in such quantity and in the formats as the Initial Purchaser shall request in order for the Initial Purchaser to comply with Section (b)(4) of the Rule and the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board; provided, however, that the cost of any Official Statements in excess of 100 shall be prepared and distributed at the cost of the Initial Purchaser. The Initial Purchaser shall be responsible for providing in writing the initial reoffering prices and other terms, if any, to the Financial Advisor by the close of the next business day after the award. Except as noted above, the City assumes no responsibility or obligation for the distribution or delivery of any copies of the Official Statement in connection with the offering or reoffering of the Bonds.

**CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT . . .** The City will agree in the Ordinance to provide certain periodic information and notices of certain specified events in accordance with the Rule, as described in the Preliminary Official Statement under "Continuing Disclosure of Information". The Purchaser's obligation to accept and pay for the Bonds is conditioned upon delivery to the Purchaser or its agent of a certified copy of the Ordinance containing the agreement described under such heading.

**COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR UNDERTAKINGS . . .** During the last five years, the City believes it has complied in all material respects with all continuing disclosure agreements made by it in accordance with the Rule.

**ADDITIONAL COPIES OF NOTICE, BID FORM AND STATEMENT . . .** A limited number of additional copies of this Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions, the Official Bid Form and the Preliminary Official Statement, are available over and above the normal mailing, may be obtained at the offices of Hilltop Securities Inc., Investment Bankers, 1201 Elm Street, Suite 3500, Dallas, Texas 75270, Financial Advisor to the City.

On the date of the sale, the City will, in the Ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Bonds, confirm its approval of the form and content of the Official Statement, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, and authorize its use in the reoffering of the Bonds by the Initial Purchaser.



/s/ ROBERT C DYE  
Mayor  
City of Farmers Branch, Texas

ATTEST:

/s/ AMY PIUKANA  
City Secretary

**OFFICIAL BID FORM**

Mayor and City Council Members  
City of Farmers Branch, Texas

February 18, 2020

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:

Reference is made to your Preliminary Official Statement and Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions, dated February 12, 2020 with respect to the \$12,400,000 CITY OF FARMERS BRANCH, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020, both of which constitute a part hereof.

For your legally issued Bonds, as described in said Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions and Preliminary Official Statement, we will pay you par plus a net cash premium of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, (not less than 109% of par and not more than 110% of par) from date of issue to date of delivery to us, for Bonds maturing and bearing interest as follows:

Maturity (February 15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Maturity (February 15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate
2021	\$ 290,000	_____	2031	\$ 560,000	_____
2022	515,000	_____	2032	575,000	_____
2023	535,000	_____	2033	585,000	_____
2024	700,000	_____	2034	600,000	_____
2025	730,000	_____	2035	610,000	_____
2026	760,000	_____	2036	625,000	_____
2027	785,000	_____	2037	640,000	_____
2028	820,000	_____	2038	655,000	_____
2029	855,000	_____	2039	670,000	_____
2030	890,000	_____			

Term Bond Maturity Date	Year of First Mandatory Redemption	Principal Amount of Term Bond	Interest Rate
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Our calculation (which is not a part of this bid) of the true interest cost from the above is:

TRUE INTEREST COST \_\_\_\_\_ %

The Initial Bond shall be registered in the name of \_\_\_\_\_, which will, upon payment for the Bonds, be canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar. The Bonds will then be registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee), under the Book-Entry-Only System.

A bank cashier's check or certified check of \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$248,000 which represents our Good Faith Deposit has been made available to you prior to the opening of this bid, and is submitted in accordance with the terms as set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement and Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions.

We agree to accept delivery of the Bonds utilizing the Book-Entry-Only System through DTC and make payment for the Initial Bond in immediately available funds to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., not later than 10:00 AM, CST, on March 18, 2020, or thereafter on the date the Bonds are tendered for delivery, pursuant to the terms set forth in the Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions. It will be the obligation of the purchaser of the Bonds to complete the DTC Eligibility Questionnaire.

By executing this Bid Form, the bidder represents that, to the extent Section 2270.002 of the Texas Government Code is applicable to the sale of the Bonds, solely for purposes of compliance with Chapter 2270 of the Texas Government Code, and subject to applicable Federal law, neither the bidder nor any syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form nor any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of the same, (i) boycotts Israel or (ii) will boycott Israel through the delivery date of the Bonds. For purposes of this representation, the terms “boycotts Israel” and “boycott Israel” have the meanings assigned to the term “boycott Israel” in Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

Additionally, by executing this Bid Form, the bidder also represents that, to the extent the bid for the Bonds represents a governmental contract within the meaning of Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, solely for purposes of Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code, and except to the extent otherwise required by applicable Federal law, neither the bidder nor a syndicate member listed on the Official Bid Form, nor any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the same is a company listed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Sections 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code.

In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2252.908 (the “Interested Party Disclosure Act”), the City may not award the Bonds to a bidder unless the winning bidder either: (i) submits a Bond of Interested Parties Form 1295 (the “Disclosure Form”) to the City as prescribed by the Texas Ethics Commission (“TEC”), or (ii) certifies below that it is exempt from filing the Disclosure Form by virtue of being a publicly traded business entity or a wholly owned subsidiary of a publicly traded business entity.

Unless the bidder certifies that it is exempt from filing a Disclosure Form with the City, upon notification of conditional verbal acceptance, the undersigned will complete an electronic form of the Bond of Interested Parties Form 1295 (the “Disclosure Form”) through the Texas Ethics Commission's (the “TEC”) electronic portal and the resulting certified Disclosure Form that is generated by the TEC’s electronic portal will be printed, signed and sent by email to the City at [amy.piukana@farmersbranchtx.gov](mailto:amy.piukana@farmersbranchtx.gov) and City’s financial advisor at [marti.shew@hilltopsecurities.com](mailto:marti.shew@hilltopsecurities.com). The undersigned understands that the failure to provide the certified Disclosure Form will prohibit the City from providing final written award of the enclosed bid.

The Purchaser (mark one): (i) Agrees to timely make a filing of a completed Disclosure Form with the City [ ] or (ii) Hereby certifies that it is exempt from filing the Disclosure Form by virtue of being a publicly traded business entity or a wholly owned subsidiary of a publicly traded business entity [ ]. If the bid is accepted by the City, this bid shall thereupon become a contract of purchase for the City under the terms contained in this Official Bid Form and in the Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions. We hereby acknowledge that we have received and read the Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions and Preliminary Official Statement referred to above.

The undersigned agrees to complete, execute, and deliver to the City, not later than 6 business days prior to delivery of the Bonds, a certificate relating to the “issue price” of the Bonds in the form and to the effect accompanying the Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions, with such changes thereto as may be acceptable to Bond Counsel for the City. The undersigned also agrees to provide the City and its consultants, at least ten business day prior to the delivery of the Bonds, a breakdown of its “underwriting spread” amount the following categories: Takedown, Management Fee (if any), Legal Counsel Fee (if any)( and Spread Expenses (if any).

**We agree to provide in writing the initial reoffering prices and other terms, if any, to Hilltop Securities Inc. by the close of the next business day after the award.**

Respectfully submitted,

Syndicate Members:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Underwriter or Manager

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_

ACCEPTANCE CLAUSE

The above and foregoing bid is hereby in all things accepted by the City of Farmers Branch, Texas, subject to and in accordance with the Notice of Sale and Bidding Instructions, this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor  
City of Farmers Branch, Texas

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Secretary

## ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

### [THREE BID REQUIREMENT SATISFIED]

I, the undersigned officer of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Purchaser"), acting on behalf of itself and any underwriting syndicate, make this certification in connection with the \$12,400,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020 (the "Bonds") issued by City of Farmers Branch, Texas (the "Issuer").

1. I hereby certify as follows in good faith as of the date hereof:

- (a) I am the duly chosen, qualified and acting officer of the Purchaser for the office shown below my signature; as such, I am familiar with the facts herein certified and I am duly authorized to execute and deliver this certificate on behalf of the Purchaser and any underwriting syndicate. I am the officer of the Purchaser charged, along with other officers of the Purchaser and any underwriting syndicate, with responsibility for the Bonds.
- (b) The reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Bonds to the Public by the Purchaser as of the Sale Date are the prices set forth on the inside cover of the Official Statement prepared in connection with the Bonds (the "Initial Offering Prices"). The Initial Offering Prices are the applicable prices for the Bonds used by the Purchaser in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds. Attached hereto as Attachment I is a true and correct copy of the bid provided by the Purchaser to purchase the Bonds.
- (c) The Purchaser was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid.
- (d) The bid submitted by the Purchaser constituted a firm offer to purchase the Bonds.
- (e) The aggregate of the Initial Offering Prices of all maturities of the Bonds is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The Bonds were sold with pre-issuance accrued interest in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The sum of these two amounts is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- (f) Please choose the appropriate statement:

The Purchaser will not purchase bond insurance for the Bonds.

The Purchaser will purchase bond insurance from \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Insurer") for a fee/premium of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Fee"). The Fee is a reasonable amount payable solely for the transfer of credit risk for the payment of debt service on the Bonds and does not include any amount payable for a cost other than such guarantee, e.g., a credit rating or legal fees. The Purchaser represents that the present value of the Fee for each obligation constituting the Bonds to which such Fee is properly allocated and which are insured thereby is less than the present value of the interest reasonably expected to be saved as a result of the insurance on each obligation constituting the Bonds. The Fee has been paid to a person who is not exempt from federal income taxation and who is not a user or related to the user of any proceeds of the Bonds. In determining present value for this purpose, the yield of the Bonds (determined with regard to the payment of the guarantee fee) has been used as the discount rate. No portion of the Fee is refundable upon redemption of any of the Bonds in an amount which would exceed the portion of such Fee that has not been earned. The Purchaser will also be responsible for payment of any rating fees on the Bonds, if and as required by the Insurer to be obtained in connection with the purchase of insurance.

2. For purposes of this Issue Price Certificate, the following definitions apply:

- (a) "Public" means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a Related Party to an Underwriter.
- (b) "Related Party" means any two or more persons who are subject, directly or indirectly, to (i) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (ii) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (iii) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interest or profits interest of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other).

- (c) "Sale Date" means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale or exchange of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is February 18, 2020.
- (d) "Underwriter" means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this definition to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

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

EXECUTED as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

[NAME OF PURCHASER OR MANAGER OF PURCHASING SYNDICATE]

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT I TO ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE  
COPY OF WINNING BID FORM**

[See Attached]

**ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE**  
**[THREE BID REQUIREMENT NOT SATISFIED – HOLD-THE-OFFERING-PRICE RULE]**

I, the undersigned officer of \_\_\_\_\_ (the “Purchaser”), acting on behalf of itself and any underwriting syndicate, make this certification in connection with the \$12,400,000 General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2020 (the “Bonds”) issued by City of Farmers Branch (the “City”).

1. I hereby certify as follows in good faith as of the date hereof:

(a) I am the duly chosen, qualified and acting officer of the Purchaser for the office shown below my signature; as such, I am familiar with the facts herein certified and I am duly authorized to execute and deliver this certificate on behalf of the Purchaser and any underwriting syndicate. I am the officer of the Purchaser charged, along with other officers of the Purchaser and any underwriting syndicate, with responsibility for the Bonds.

(b) For the Bonds maturing in \_\_\_\_\_, the first price at which at least 10% of each maturity was sold to the Public is the price for each such maturity set forth on the inside cover of the Official Statement prepared in connection with the Bonds (each, an “Actual Sales Price”).

(c) For the Bonds maturing in \_\_\_\_\_ (each, a “Held Maturity”), the Purchaser on or before the Sale Date offered for purchase each such maturity to the Public at the applicable initial offering price set forth on the inside cover of the Official Statement prepared in connection with the Bonds (each, an “Initial Offering Price”). A copy of the pricing wire evidencing the Initial Offering Prices is attached hereto as Attachment I. In connection with the offering of the Bonds, the Purchaser and each member of any underwriting syndicate agreed in writing that (i) during the Hold Period, it would neither offer nor sell any Held Maturity to any person at a price higher than the applicable Initial Offering Price (the “Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule”) and (ii) any selling group agreement would contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any retail distribution agreement would contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the retail distribution agreement, that, during the Hold Period, such party would comply with the Hold-the-Offering-Price Rule. In accordance with such agreements, no Underwriter offered or sold any of the Held Maturities at a price higher than the applicable Initial Offering Price for such Held Maturity during the Hold Period.

(d) The aggregate of the Actual Sales Prices and the Initial Offering Prices is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The Bonds were sold with pre-issuance accrued interest in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The sum of these two amounts is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

(e) Please choose the appropriate statement:

The Purchaser will not purchase bond insurance for the Bonds.

The Purchaser will purchase bond insurance from \_\_\_\_\_ (the “Insurer”) for a fee/premium of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (the “Fee”). The Fee is a reasonable amount payable solely for the transfer of credit risk for the payment of debt service on the Bonds and does not include any amount payable for a cost other than such guarantee, e.g., a credit rating or legal fees. The Purchaser represents that the present value of the Fee for each obligation constituting the Bonds to which such Fee is properly allocated and which are insured thereby is less than the present value of the interest reasonably expected to be saved as a result of the insurance on each obligation constituting the Bonds. The Fee has been paid to a person who is not exempt from federal income taxation and who is not a user or related to the user of any proceeds of the Bonds. In determining present value for this purpose, the yield of the Bonds (determined with regard to the payment of the guarantee fee) has been used as the discount rate. No portion of the Fee is refundable upon redemption of any of the Bonds in an amount which would exceed the portion of such Fee that has not been earned. The Purchaser will also be responsible for payment of any rating fees on the Bonds, if and as required by the Insurer to be obtained in connection with the purchase of insurance.

2. For purposes of this Issue Price Certificate, the following definitions apply:

(a) “Hold Period” means, with respect to a Held Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date or (ii) the date on which the Underwriters have sold at least 10% of such Held Maturity to the Public at a price no higher than the applicable Initial Offering Price.

(b) “Public” means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a Related Party to an Underwriter.



(c) "Related Party" means any two or more persons who are subject, directly or indirectly, to (i) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (ii) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (iii) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interest or profits interest of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other).

(d) "Sale Date" means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale or exchange of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is February 18, 2020.

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

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

EXECUTED as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

[NAME OF PURCHASER OR MANAGER OF PURCHASING SYNDICATE]

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT I TO ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE**

**FINAL PRICING WIRE**

[See Attached]