

**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH, IN THE  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY**

**NOTICE OF SALE OF:  
\$7,336,736 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE, SERIES 2024A**

Pursuant to a Preliminary Official Statement, dated January 30, 2024, proposals for the \$7,336,736 Bond Anticipation Note, Series 2024A (the "Note") of the Township of Hillsborough, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey (the "Township"), will be received on **Tuesday, February 6, 2024 (the "Bid Date"), until 11:00 a.m.** by:

- (i) e-mailed proposals (with the completed bid form scanned and attached) to the Township's Municipal Advisor, Heather I. Litzebauer, NW Financial Group, LLC, 522 Broad Street, Bloomfield, New Jersey 07003, e-mail address: [hlitzebauer@nwfinancial.com](mailto:hlitzebauer@nwfinancial.com); or
- (ii) electronic submission (via PARITY<sup>®</sup>) in the manner described below under the heading "Procedure Regarding Electronic Bidding".

Bids submitted by e-mail are the sole responsibility of the bidder and must be received by 11:00 a.m. The Township accepts no responsibility for the failure of any e-mailed bids to be received on time for whatever reason. No bids will be received after 11:00 a.m. A determination as to the award will be made no later than 2:00 p.m. on that date.

Each bid must offer to purchase the entire note issue being offered at a price of not less than par and must specify a single rate of interest offered for the Note. Interest shall be calculated on a 30-day month/360-day year basis. Bids may be submitted by completing the proposal form below and by submitting it in accordance with this Notice of Sale or by electronic submission via PARITY<sup>®</sup>. The Chief Financial Officer expects to award the Note to the bidder specifying the lowest net interest payable by the Township. However, the Chief Financial Officer reserves the right to reject all bids or to award the Note to a bidder other than the lowest bidder. The bidder, by submitting a bid, agrees to accept the determination of the Chief Financial Officer.

**SPECIFICATIONS OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE**

Principal Amount	\$7,336,736
Dated Date	February 14, 2024
Maturity Date	February 14, 2025
Interest Rate Per Annum	Specified by winning bidder
Tax Matters	Federal and State tax-exempt
Bank-Qualified	Yes
Legal Opinion	McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Roseland, NJ
Paying Agent	The Township will act as paying agent

## Closing

a. date	February 14, 2024
b. location	McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, 75 Livingston Avenue, 2nd Floor, Roseland, New Jersey, or at such other place as agreed to by the Chief Financial Officer
Denominations	\$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof (except for any necessary odd denominations)
Payment	Immediately available funds received prior to 11:00 a.m. on the date of closing

The Note will be a noncallable, valid and legally binding obligation of the Township payable ultimately from *ad valorem* taxes levied upon all the taxable property within the Township to the extent that payment is not otherwise provided.

Each bidder may, on the attached bid sheet, designate the Note as "Direct Purchase, Not Reoffered". If a bidder makes such designation and is awarded the Note, such winning bidder shall certify at closing that (i) it has not reoffered the Note to the public and does not expect to do so and (ii) it has purchased the Note for its own account (or the account of a related party) and not with a view to resell or distribute.

In the event the winning bidder designates the Note as "Direct Purchase, Not Reoffered", then the issue price for the Note shall be the purchase price offered by the winning bidder.

Otherwise, in the event the Township receives at least three (3) bids for the Note, then the issue price for the Note shall be established based on the reasonably expected initial offering price of the Note as of the Bid Date (the "Expected Offering Price"). The Expected Offering Price shall consist of the price of the Note used by the winning bidder in formulating its bid to purchase the Note. The winning bidder shall be required to deliver on the closing date a certificate to such effect and provide to the Township, in writing, the Expected Offering Price as of the Bid Date.

In the event the Township receives fewer than three (3) bids for the Note, then the issue price for the Note shall be established based on the following method as selected by the winning bidder on the Bid Date:

**10% Sold:** The issue price for the Note shall be established based on the first price at which at least 10% of the Note was sold to the Public (as defined herein). The winning bidder shall be required to deliver on the closing date a certificate to such effect and provide to the Township, in writing, evidence satisfactory to Bond Counsel to the Township of such sale price for the Note. In the event that the winning bidder has not sold at least 10% of the Note to the Public as of the closing date, the winning bidder shall (i) provide to the Township, in writing, on the closing date, the Expected Offering Price for the Note and a certificate regarding same and (ii) have a continuing obligation to provide to the Township, in writing, evidence satisfactory to Bond Counsel to the Township of the first price at which at least 10% of the Note is sold to the Public, contemporaneous with each such sale.

**Hold-the-Price:** The issue price for the Note shall be established based on the initial offering price of the Note to the Public as of the Bid Date, provided that the winning bidder shall, in writing, (i) confirm that the Underwriters (as defined herein) have offered or will offer the Note to the Public on or before the Bid Date at the offering price set forth in the bid submitted by the winning bidder and (ii) agree, on behalf of the Underwriters participating in the purchase of the Note, that the Underwriters will neither offer nor sell the Note to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the Public during the period starting on

the Bid Date and ending on the earlier of: (1) the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date; or (2) the date on which the Underwriters have sold at least 10% of the Note to the Public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the Public.

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

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

At the delivery of the Note, the Township will furnish to the winning bidder customary closing documents, including a certificate executed by the officials who execute the Note stating that no litigation of any kind is now pending or, to their knowledge, threatened to restrain or enjoin the issuance or delivery of the Note or the levy or collection of taxes to pay the principal of or interest due on the Note, or in any manner questioning the authority or proceedings for the issuance of the Note or the levy or collection of taxes, or affecting the validity of the Note or the levy or collection of taxes.

### **Procedure Regarding Electronic Bidding**

Bids may be submitted electronically via PARITY® in accordance with this Notice of Sale until 11:00 a.m. (New Jersey time) on the Bid Date, but no bid will be received after the time for receiving bids specified above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in PARITY® conflict with this Notice of Sale, the terms of this Notice of Sale shall control. For further information about PARITY®, potential bidders may contact the Township's Municipal Advisor (using the contact information set forth in the first paragraph of this Notice of Sale) or PARITY® at (212) 404-8102. In the event that a bid for the Note is submitted via PARITY®, the bidder further agrees that:

1. The Township may regard the electronic transmission of the bid through PARITY® (including information about the purchase price of the Note, the interest rate to be borne by the Note and any other information included in such transmission) as though the same information were submitted on the proposal form provided by the Township and executed and submitted by a duly authorized representative of the bidder. If the bid submitted electronically via PARITY® is accepted by the Township, the terms of the bid for the Note and this Notice of Sale, as well as the information that is electronically transmitted through PARITY®, shall form a contract and the winning bidder shall be bound by the terms of such contract.

2. PARITY® is not an agent of the Township, and the Township shall have no liability whatsoever based on any bidder's use of PARITY®, including, but not limited to, any failure by PARITY® to correctly or timely transmit information provided by the Township or information provided by the bidder.

3. The Township may choose to discontinue use of electronic bidding via PARITY® by issuing a notification to such effect via Thomson News Service ("TM3") no later than 3:00 p.m. (New Jersey time) on the last business day prior to the Bid Date.

4. Once the bids are communicated electronically via PARITY® to the Township, as described above, each bid will constitute a bid for the Note and shall be deemed to be an irrevocable offer to purchase the Note on the terms provided in this Notice of Sale. For purposes of submitting bids for the Note electronically via PARITY®, the time maintained on PARITY® shall constitute the official time.

5. Each bidder shall be solely responsible to make necessary arrangements to access PARITY® for purposes of submitting its bid in a timely matter and in compliance with the requirements of this Notice of Sale. Neither the Township, the Municipal Advisor nor PARITY® shall have any duty or obligation to provide or assure access to any bidder, and neither the Township, the Municipal Advisor nor PARITY® shall be responsible for the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of, or any damages caused by, PARITY®. The Township is using PARITY® as a communication mechanism, and not as the Township's agent, to conduct the electronic bidding for the Note. By using PARITY®, each bidder agrees to hold the Township harmless for any harm or damages caused by such bidder in connection with its use of PARITY® for bidding on the Note.

The request for the assignment of a CUSIP identification number shall be the responsibility of the Township's Municipal Advisor, and the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for such CUSIP identification number, if required, shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the winning bidder. The CUSIP identification number must be communicated to McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, Bond Counsel to the Township, within 24 hours of the award of the Note in order to have the CUSIP identification number printed on the Note.

A Preliminary Official Statement has been prepared in connection with the Note by the Township and is "deemed final" in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The winning bidder shall be responsible for providing a reoffering yield within 24 hours of award, which yield will appear on the front cover of the final Official Statement. A copy of the Preliminary Official Statement can be found at [www.I-DealProspectus.com](http://www.I-DealProspectus.com). The Township, at its expense, will make available to the winning bidder a reasonable number of final Official Statements within seven (7) business days following the date of acceptance of its bid.

Alicia Noon, Chief Financial Officer  
Dated: January 30, 2024

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**\$7,336,736 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE, SERIES 2024A**

TO: Heather I. Litzebauer  
E-MAIL ADDRESS: [hlitzebauer@nwfinancial.com](mailto:hlitzebauer@nwfinancial.com)  
PHONE NO.: (201) 937-7224

DATE: February 6, 2024

PROPOSAL

<u>Amount of Note</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Rate of Interest</u>
\$7,336,736	\$ _____	_____ % per annum

Name of Bidder: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

Interest Payable on Note	\$ _____
Less: Premium (if any)	\$ _____
Net Interest Payable	\$ _____
Net Interest Cost %	_____ %
Purchased and Reoffered for Sale	_____ yes _____ no
Direct Purchase, Not Reoffered	_____ yes _____ no

THIS PORTION OF THE PROPOSAL IS NOT PART OF THE BID

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