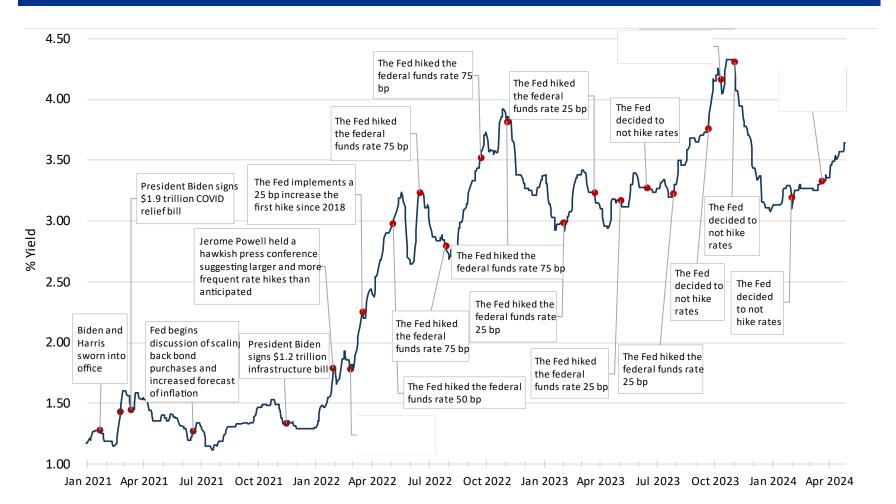


Municipal Drainage Utility Refunding Bonds \$14 Million

Extendable Commercial Paper Program:
Parameter Authorization for Municipal Drainage Utility
Refunding Bonds \$61.2 Million

# **Change in 20-Year MMD**

#### Change in 20 Year MMD with Market Commentary 1/1/21 to 4/26/2024



Source: Refinitiv Municipal Market Data and HilltopSecurities

## **Transaction Overview**

## **Economic Refunding Opportunity**

- Current tax legislation allows for bonds to be "Currently Refunded" at Tax-Exempt
  Rates. A current refunding, by legal definition, allows for bonds to be called within
  90 days of the issuance of new "Refunding Bonds."
- Existing Economic Refunding Candidates (1):

	Callable		Call	Final
Debt Issue	Principal	Coupons	Date	Maturity
MDU Revenue Bonds, Series 2015	\$ 13,490,000	5.00%	3/1/2025	3/1/2035
	\$ 13,490,000			

<sup>(1)</sup> As of April 2024. A total of \$13,827,250 of Refunded Principal (\$13,490,000) & Interest (\$337,250) is due on March 1, 2025.

## **Municipal Drainage Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds**

#### **KEY BOND STATISTICS (1)**

Total Debt Service	\$16,580,950
Maximum Annual Debt Service	\$1,631,750
Average Annual Debt Service	\$1,507,359

(1) Assumes generic "AA+" interest rates on April 5, 2024

#### **TOTAL SOURCES & USES OF FUNDS**

#### **PROJECTED SOURCES & USES**

#### **Bond Proceeds**

Par Amount & Premium \$14,000,000

Total Sources \$14,000,000

#### **Uses of Funds**

Refunding Escrow Deposit (SLGS) \$13,723,155 (1)

Costs of Issuance 161,000 (2)

Underwriter's Fees 101,800 (3)

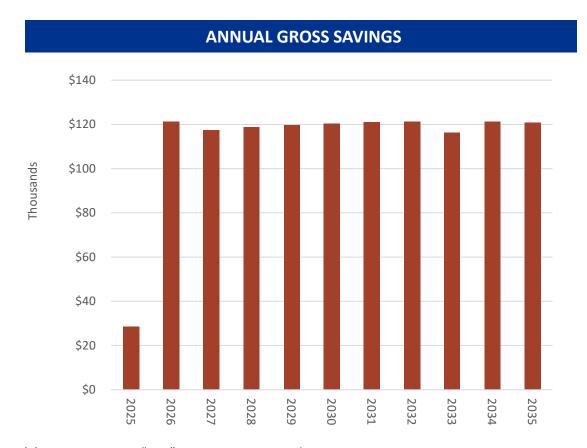
Rounding 14,045

Total Uses of Funds \$14,000,000

- (1) A total of \$13,827,250 of Refunded Principal (\$13,490,000) & Interest (\$337,250) is due on March 1, 2025.
- (2) Cost of Issuance covers fees for Financial Advisor, Bond Counsel, Attorney General, Rating Fees, Paying Agent, Escrow Agent, Bond Call Fees, and Document Preparation Fees.
- (3) Underwriter Fees include Bond Takedown Fees, Underwriter's Counsel and other Underwriter Expenses.

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### Municipal Drainage Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds (1)



# Rates Gross Savings NPV Savings Savings % -25 bps \$1,434,233 \$1,207,053 8.95% At Market \$1,226,800 \$1,019,245 7.56%

\$835,058

\$654,371

\$1,018,367

\$809,183

**SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS** 

#### (1) Assumes generic "AA+" interest rates on April 5, 2024

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+50 bps

6.19%

4.85%

# **Open Market: Parameter Authorization**

- ☐ Parameter authorization will enable the sale of the Bonds at optimum timing and structure:
  - Municipal Drainage Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds
- ☐ Council delegates final pricing authority to following Pricing Officer(s):
  - President/Chief Executive Officer
  - Vice President
  - Chief Financial Officer
- ☐ Council asked to approve parameters as recommended by PSB:
  - Maximum True Interest Cost 4.30%
  - Not-to-Exceed Principal Amount \$14,000,000
  - Minimum Present Value Savings 3.00%
  - Final Maturity Date December 31, 2035
  - Expiration of Delegated Authority 12 months
- ☐ Pricing Officer can only approve sale if all Council parameters are met.

## **Timeframe**

- **April 10, 2024:** Public Service Board authorized a request to City Council for bond authorization
- May 7, 2024: City Council considers approval of Bond Ordinance with delegated authority within specified parameters
- ☐ February 5, 2025: Tentative pricing of bonds to be issued under Ordinance
  - \$14,000,000 Municipal Drainage Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds
- ☐ March 5, 2025: Tentative Closing for Refunding Bonds



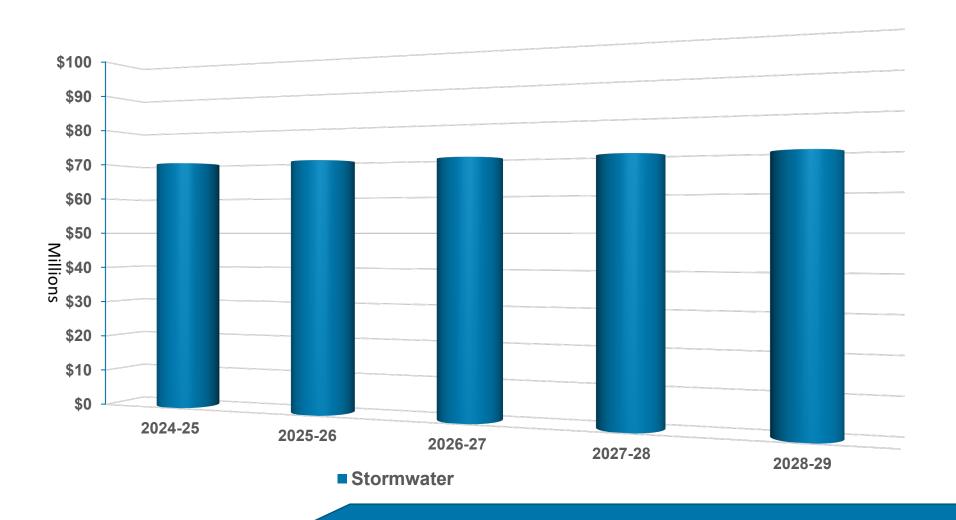
Extendable Commercial Paper Program:
Parameter Authorization for Municipal Drainage
Utility Refunding Bonds

#### **Transaction Overview**

#### **Extendable Commercial Paper Fix-Out**

- City of El Paso created the Extendable Commercial Paper ("ECP") Program for the Municipal Drainage Utility on May 9, 2023. Funding capacity of the ECP Program: \$60,000,000
- As part of the ECP Program, the City is required to approve a parameter ordinance to issue refunding bonds, for the maximum capacity of funds, within 12 months of approval of the ordinance.
- To continue using the ECP Program, staff requests approval of a new parameter authorization to refund up-to \$60 million of ECP notes for the <a href="NEXT">NEXT</a> 12 months.

# Five-Year Projected Stormwater CIP Budget



# **Open Market: Parameter Authorization**

- ☐ Parameter authorization will enable the sale of the Bonds at optimum timing and structure:
  - Municipal Drainage Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds
- ☐ Council delegates final pricing authority to following Pricing Officer(s):
  - President/Chief Executive Officer
  - Vice President
  - Chief Financial Officer
- ☐ Council asked to approve parameters as recommended by PSB:
  - Maximum True Interest Cost 5.50%
  - Not-to-Exceed Par of Bonds \$61,200,000
  - Final Maturity Date December 31, 2050
  - Expiration of Delegated Authority 12 months
- ☐ Pricing Officer can only approve sale if all Council parameters are met.

<sup>\*</sup>Current market rates as of April 5, 2024, would price a bond amortized over 25 years for a "AA+" utility revenue bond at approximately 4.46%. Actual interest rates are set at prevailing market rates when bonds are finally priced and sold.

#### **TOTAL SOURCES & USES OF FUNDS**

#### **BUDGETED SOURCES & USES**

#### **Bond Proceeds**

Par Amount \$61,200,000

Total Sources \$61,200,000

#### **Uses of Funds**

Deposit to Project Fund \$60,000,000 (1)

Costs of Issuance 576,000 (2)

Underwriter's Discount 624,000 (2)

Total Uses of Funds \$61,200,000

- (1) Assumes the Utility Refunds the maximum capacity of ECP notes for a total of \$60 million.
- (2) Cost of Issuance covers fees for Financial Advisor, Bond Counsel, Attorney General, Rating Fees, Paying Agent, Escrow Agent, Bond Call Fees, and Document Preparation Fees. Underwriter Discount includes Bond Takedown Fees, Underwriter's Counsel and other Underwriter Expenses.

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## **Timeframe**

- ☐ April 10, 2024: Public Service Board authorized a request to City Council for bond authorization
- ☐ May 7, 2024: City Council considers approval of Bond Ordinance with delegated authority within specified parameters
- ☐ February 5, 2025: Tentative pricing of bonds to be issued under Ordinance
  - \$61,200,000 Municipal Drainage Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds
- ☐ March 5, 2025: Tentative Closing for Refunding Bonds

# Conclusion

# **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**



# Water & Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds \$40.48 Million

### **Transaction Overview**

## **☐** Water & Sewer System Economic Refunding Opportunity

- Current tax legislation allows for bonds to be "Currently Refunded" at Tax-Exempt Rates.
   A current refunding, by legal definition, allows for bonds to be called within 90 days of the issuance of new "Refunding Bonds."
- Existing Water & Sewer Economic Refunding Candidates (1):

	Callable		Call	Final
Debt Issue	Principal	Coupons	Date	Maturity
W&S Revenue Bonds, Series 2015A	\$ 11,060,000	3.00%-5.00%	3/1/2025	3/1/2035
W&S Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015C	 28,275,000	3.00%-5.00%	3/1/2025	3/1/2035
	\$ 39,335,000			

<sup>(1)</sup> As of April 2024. A total of \$40,214,541 of Refunded Principal (\$39,335,000) & Interest (\$879,541) is due on March 1, 2025.

## Water & Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds

#### **KEY BOND STATISTICS (1)**

Total Gross Savings	\$2,583,928
Net Present Value Savings (\$)	\$2,146,927
Net Present Value Savings (%)	5.46%
Average Annual Savings	\$ 252,563
True Interest Cost	3.29%
Total Debt Service	\$47,574,238
Maximum Annual Debt Service	\$5,118,250
Average Annual Debt Service	\$ 4,324,931

#### (1) Assumes generic "AA+" interest rates on April 5, 2024

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#### **TOTAL SOURCES & USES OF FUNDS**

#### **PROJECTED SOURCES & USES**

#### **Bond Proceeds**

Par Amount & Premium \$40,480,000

Total Sources \$40,480,000

#### **Uses of Funds**

Refunding Escrow Deposit (SLGS) \$39,912,166 (1)

Costs of Issuance 230,000 (2)

Underwriter's Fees 295,440 (3)

Rounding 42,398

Total Uses of Funds \$40,480,000

- (1) A total of \$40,214,541 of Refunded Principal (\$39,335,000) & Interest (\$879,541) is due on March 1, 2025.
- (2) Cost of Issuance covers fees for Financial Advisor, Bond Counsel, Attorney General, Rating Fees, Paying Agent, Escrow Agent, Bond Call Fees, and Document Preparation Fees.
- (3) Underwriter Fees includes Bond Takedown Fees, Underwriter's Counsel and other Underwriter Expenses.

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### Water & Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds (1)



#### **SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS Gross Savings NPV Savings Savings %** Rates -25 bps \$3,156,495 \$2,658,601 6.76% At Market \$2,583,928 \$2,146,927 5.46% +25 bps \$2,002,051 \$1,644,710 4.18% +50 bps \$1,423,924 \$1,151,559 2.93%

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# **Open Market: Parameter Authorization**

- □ Parameter authorization will enable the sale of the Bonds at optimum timing and structure:
  - Water & Sewer Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds
- ☐ Council delegates final pricing authority to following Pricing Officer(s):
  - President/Chief Executive Officer
  - Vice President
  - Chief Financial Officer
- ☐ Council asked to approve parameters as recommended by PSB:
  - Maximum True Interest Cost 4.30%
  - Aggregate Not-to-Exceed Principal Amount \$40,480,000
  - Minimum Present Value Savings 3.00%
  - Final Maturity Date December 31, 2035
  - Expiration of Delegated Authority 12 months
- ☐ Pricing Officer can only approve sale if all Council parameters are met.

### **Timeframe**

- □ April 10, 2024: Public Service Board authorized a request to City Council for bond authorization
- May 7, 2024: City Council considers approval of Bond Ordinance with delegated authority within specified parameters
- **November 6, 2024:** Tentative pricing of bonds to be issued under Ordinance (\$40,480,000 Water & Sewer System Revenue Refunding Bonds)
- ☐ December 4, 2024: Tentative Closing of the Refunding Bonds

## Conclusion

# **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**



# El Paso Water & Sewer Utility System Short-Term Financing Program

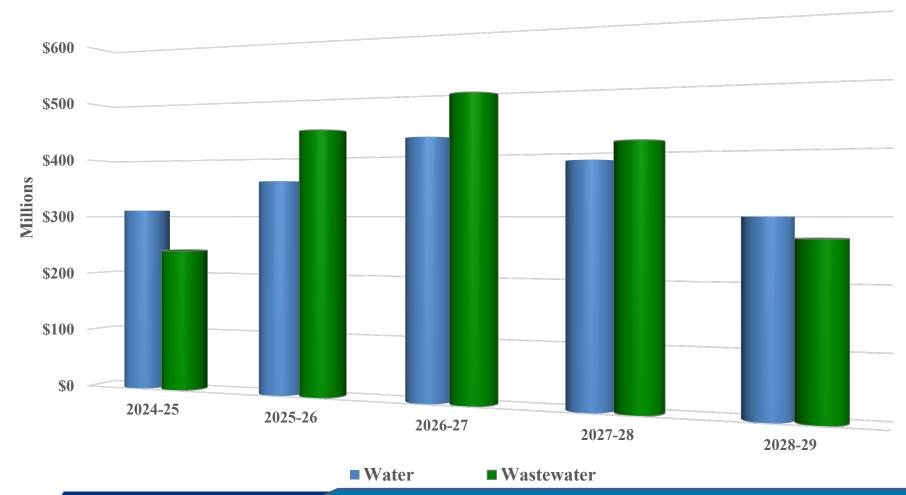
# **Program & Transaction Overview**

- The City of El Paso (City) created a Commercial Paper ("CP") Program in 1997 and has utilized it for interim construction financing.
  - Maximum CP program funding capacity: \$80 million
- The City entered into a Revolving Credit Agreement with Bank of America to provide liquidity to support the City's CP Notes by making available a revolving line of credit in aggregate principal amount of \$40,000,000 which can be increased to an amount not-to-exceed \$80,000,000, which is set to expire on August 21, 2026.
- The Water & Sewer Utility funding needs for the next ten years exceeds the existing funding capacity and staff recommends expanding the Utility's existing CP Program by implementing an Extendable Commercial Paper Program.



Main driver continues to be the need to invest in infrastructure to provide customers with a sustainable water supply and the highest quality in water services.

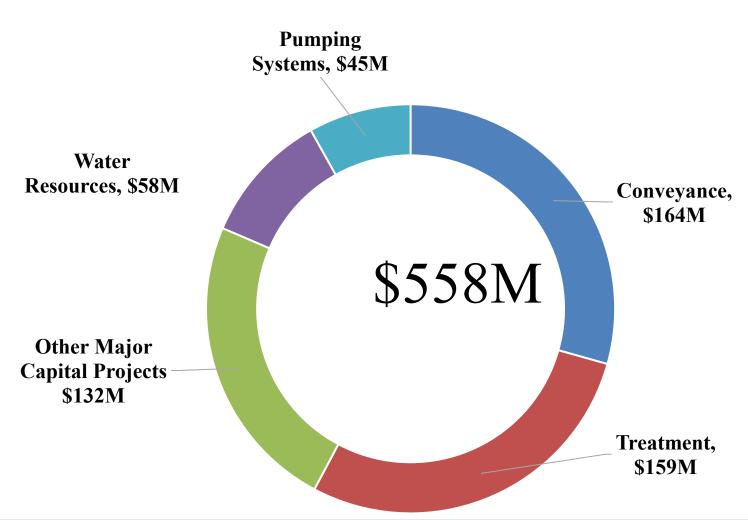
# Five-Year Projected Water and Wastewater CIP Budget - \$3.7 Billion



# Water and Wastewater Capital Improvement Program FY2024-25







# New Well Construction and Pump Stations

# Wells

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$22M
2025-26	\$45M
2026-27	\$25M
2027-28	\$14M
2028-29	\$21M
Total	\$127M



# **Pump Stations**

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$27M
2025-26	\$14M
2026-27	\$27M
2027-28	\$44M
2028-29	\$41M
Total	\$153M



# Water Conveyance and Storage

# **Pipelines**

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$89M
2025-26	\$94M
2026-27	\$166M
2027-28	\$175M
2028-29	\$110M
Total	\$634M



# Storage Tanks

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$13M
2025-26	\$22M
2026-27	\$62M
2027-28	\$56M
2028-29	\$49M
Total	\$202M



# Water Supply Facilities

# **Advanced Water Purification Plant**

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$23M
2025-26	\$51M
2026-27	\$67M
2027-28	\$21M
2028-29	
Total	\$162M



# Wastewater Conveyance and Lift Stations

# **Pipelines**

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$72M
2025-26	\$128M
2026-27	\$90M
2027-28	\$72M
2028-29	\$49M
Total	\$411M



Northeast Interceptor System

# Lift Stations

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$17M
2025-26	\$16M
2026-27	\$39M
2027-28	\$32M
2028-29	\$4M
Total	\$108M

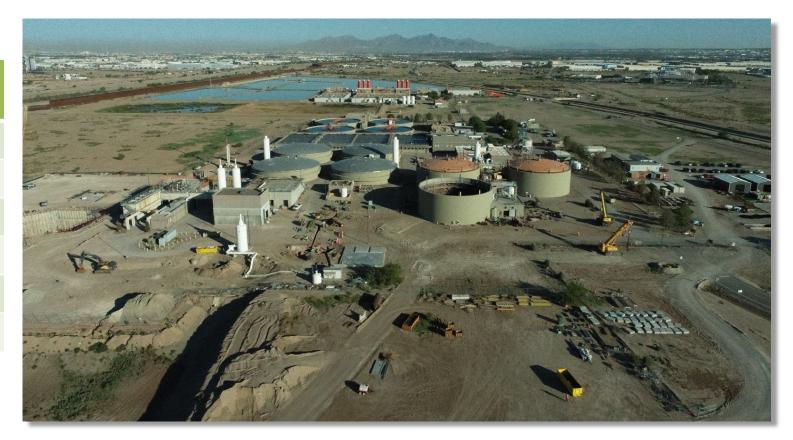


Frontera Lift Station Pump Replacement

# **Wastewater Treatment**

# Bustamante Wastewater Plant Improvements and Expansion

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$85M
2025-26	\$168M
2026-27	\$260M
2027-28	\$181M
2028-29	\$82M
Total	\$776M



# Wastewater Facilities

# Fred Hervey WRP

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$19M
2025-26	\$37M
2026-27	\$24M
2027-28	\$10M
2028-29	\$2M
Total	\$92M



## Haskell R. Street WTP

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$5M
2025-26	\$28M
2026-27	\$40M
2027-28	\$44M
2028-29	\$27M
Total	\$144M

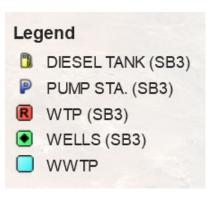


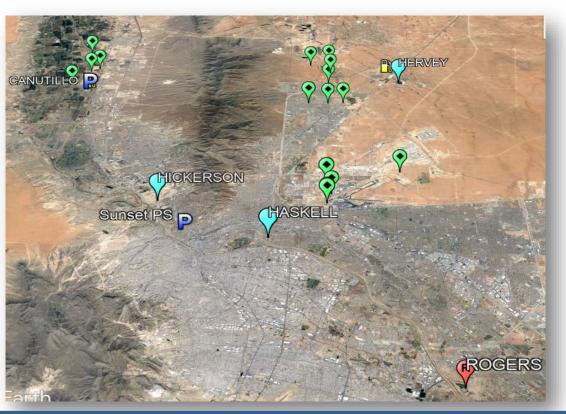
# Water & Wastewater Energy Redundancy

# Back-up Power Generators and Diesel Fuel Storage and Dispensing Systems

Fiscal Year	Budget
2024-25	\$51M
2025-26	\$67M
2026-27	\$21M
2027-28	
2028-29	
Total	\$139M

# **Project Sites**





# **Program & Transaction Overview (Continued)**

- On October 30, 2023, staff published a Request for Proposal for a "Water and Wastewater Utility Extendable Commercial Paper Dealer"
- The Utility received one proposal and staff reviewed the information provided by the sole responder, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, and based on an evaluation of completeness of the proposal, experience, and overall fees and rates.
- Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC is currently the Municipal Drainage Utility ECP Program Dealer

# **Program & Transaction Recommendations**

- Staff recommends the creation of the "City of El Paso Water & Sewer Utility System Extendable
   Commercial Paper Program" for an amount not-to-exceed \$300,000,000;
- Staff recommends approving the selection of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC to provide Extendable
   Commercial Paper Dealer Services; and,
- Staff recommends approving a parameter authorization to pay off up to \$303,000,000 of extendable commercial paper notes and related transaction costs.

# **Open Market: Parameter Authorization**

- ☐ Parameter authorization will enable the sale of the Bonds at optimum timing and structure:
  - Water & Sewer Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds
- ☐ Council delegates final pricing authority to following Pricing Officer(s):
  - President/Chief Executive Officer
  - Vice President
  - Chief Financial Officer
- ☐ Council asked to approve parameters as recommended by PSB:
  - Maximum True Interest Cost 5.50%\*
  - Aggregate Not-to-Exceed Principal Amount for all bonds \$303,000,000
  - Final Maturity Date December 31, 2050
  - Expiration of Delegated Authority 12 months
- ☐ Pricing Officer can only approve sale if all Council parameters are met.

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#### **TOTAL SOURCES & USES OF FUNDS**

#### **BUDGETED SOURCES & USES**

**Bond Proceeds** 

Par Amount \$303,000,000

Total Sources \$303,000,000

**Uses of Funds** 

Deposit to Project Fund \$300,000,000 (1)

Costs of Issuance 1,000,000 (2)

Underwriter's Fees 2,000,000 (3)

Total Uses of Funds \$303,000,000

- (1) Assumes the Utility Refunds the maximum capacity of ECP notes for a total of \$300 million.
- (2) Cost of Issuance covers fees for Financial Advisor, Bond Counsel, Attorney General, Rating Fees, Paying Agent, Escrow Agent, Bond Call Fees, and Document Preparation Fees.
- (3) Underwriter Fees includes Bond Takedown Fees, Underwriter's Counsel and other Underwriter Expenses.

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### **Timeframe**

- April 10, 2024: Public Service Board authorized a request to City Council for the establishment of the "City of El Paso Water & Sewer Utility System Extendable Commercial Paper Program," selection of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC as Extendable Commercial Paper Dealer, and related Bond Authorization.
- ☐ May 7, 2024: City Council considers approval of items related to the creation of the "City of El Paso Water & Sewer Utility System Extendable Commercial Paper Program" and Bond Ordinance with delegated authority within specified parameters.

## Conclusion

# **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**