# \$970,000\* Norwalk, Iowa General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2015B

# **REVISED\*\* TERMS OF OFFERING**

# CITY OF NORWALK, IOWA

BIDS RECEIVED: Thursday, February 5, 2015, 11:00 o'clock A.M., Central Time AWARD: Thursday, February 5, 2015, 6:30 o'clock P.M., Central Time

This section sets forth the description of certain of the terms of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015B (the "Bonds") as well as the TERMS OF OFFERING with which all bidders and bid proposals are required to comply, as follows:

#### **DETAILS OF THE BONDS**

The Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of \$970,000\* to be dated March 9, 2015, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiples thereof designated by the Purchaser within forty-eight hours of acceptance of the bid, and will mature as follows:

June 1,	Amount*	June 1,	<u>Amount</u> *
2016	\$135,000	2020	\$140,000
2017	130,000	2021	145,000
2018	135,000	2022	145,000
2019	140.000		

#### PRINCIPAL ADJUSTMENT OF THE BONDS

The City reserves the right to increase or decrease the aggregate principal amounts of the Bonds. However, the maximum par amount of the Bonds will not exceed \$995,000. Such changes will be in increments of \$5,000 and may be made in any of the maturities. The purchase prices of each respective series will be adjusted proportionately to reflect any changes in issue sizes.

# OPTIONAL REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS

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

#### INTEREST ON THE BONDS

Interest on the Bonds will be payable on December 1, 2015 and semiannually on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each June and December thereafter until the principal on the Bonds is paid in full. Interest and principal shall be paid to the registered holder of a bond as shown on the records of ownership maintained by the registrar as of the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month preceding such interest payment date (the "Record Date"). Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

# **GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT**

A good faith deposit in the amount of \$9,700 for the Bonds (the "Deposit") is required from the lowest bidder only. The lowest bidder is required to submit such deposit payable to the order of the City in the form of either (i) a cashier's check provided to the City or its Financial Advisor prior to the opening of bids or (ii) a wire transfer as instructed by the City's Financial Advisor not later than 1:00 P.M. Central Time on the day of sale of the Bonds. If not so received, the bid of the

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary, subject to change

<sup>\*\*</sup> Revised to correct annual maturity dates

lowest bidder may be rejected and the City may direct the second lowest bidder to submit a deposit and thereafter may award the sale of the Bonds to the same. No interest on a deposit will accrue to the successful bidder (the "Purchaser"). The Deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the Bonds. In the event a Purchaser fails to honor its accepted bid proposal, any deposit will be retained by the City.

# FORM OF BIDS AND AWARD

All bids shall be unconditional for the Bonds for a price not less than \$964,180, plus accrued interest, if any, and shall specify the rate or rates of interest in conformity to the limitations set forth under the "RATES OF INTEREST" section. Bids must be submitted on or in substantial compliance with the OFFICIAL BID FORM provided by the City.

The Bonds will be awarded to the bidder offering the lowest interest rate to be determined on a true interest cost (the "TIC") basis assuming compliance with the "GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT" section. The TIC shall be determined by the present value method, i.e., by ascertaining the semiannual rate, compounded semiannually, necessary to discount to present value as of the dated date of the Bonds, the amount payable on each interest payment date and on each stated maturity date or earlier mandatory redemption, so that the aggregate of such amounts will equal the aggregate purchase price offered therefore. The TIC shall be stated in terms of an annual percentage rate and shall be that rate of interest, which is twice the semiannual rate so ascertained (also known as the Canadian Method). The TIC shall be as determined by the Financial Advisor based on the TERMS OF OFFERING and all amendments, and on the bids as submitted. The Financial Advisor's computation of the TIC of each bid shall be controlling. In the event of tie bids for the lowest TIC, the Bonds will be awarded by lot.

The City will reserve the right to: (i) waive non-substantive informalities of any bid or of matters relating to the receipt of bids and award of the Bonds, (ii) reject all bids without cause and (iii) reject any bid which the City determines to have failed to comply with the terms herein.

# RATES OF INTEREST

The rates of interest specified in the bidder's proposal must conform to the following limitations:

- 1. Each annual maturity must bear a single rate of interest from the dated date of the Bonds to the date of maturity. Term bonds are not permitted.
- 2. Rates of interest bid must be in multiples of one-eighth or one-twentieth of one percent.
- 3. Each rate of interest specified for any annual maturity shall not be less than a rate of interest specified for any earlier maturity. Rates must be level or in ascending order.

#### RECEIPT OF BIDS

<u>Forms of Bids</u>: Bids must be submitted on or in substantial compliance with the TERMS OF OFFERING and OFFICIAL BID FORM provided by the City or through PARITY® competitive bidding system (the "Internet Bid System"). The City shall not be responsible for malfunction or mistake made by any person, or as a result of the use of an electronic bid or the means used to deliver or complete a bid. The use of such facilities or means is at the sole risk of the prospective bidder who shall be bound by the terms of the bid as received.

No bid will be accepted after the time specified in the Official Bid Forms as published in this Preliminary Official Statement. The time as maintained by the Internet Bid System shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids submitted. A bid may be withdrawn before the bid deadline using the same method used to submit the bid. If more than one bid is received from a bidder, the last bid received shall be considered.

<u>Sealed Bidding</u>: Sealed bids may be submitted and will be received at the City Hall, 705 North Avenue, Norwalk, Iowa 50211.

<u>Electronic Internet Bidding</u>: Electronic internet bids must be submitted through the Internet Bid System. Information about the Internet Bid System may be obtained by calling (212) 404-8102.

Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access the Internet Bid System for purposes of submitting its internet bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the TERMS OF OFFERING and OFFICIAL BID FORM. The City is permitting bidders to use the services of the Internet Bid System solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the Internet bidding and the Internet Bid System is not an agent of the City. Provisions of the TERMS OF OFFERING and OFFICIAL BID FORM shall control in the event of conflict with information provided by the Internet Bid System.

<u>Electronic Facsimile Bidding</u>: Electronic facsimile bids will be received at City Hall, Norwalk, Iowa (facsimile number: (515) 981-0933) or the office of the City's Financial Advisor (515) 259-8193. Electronic facsimile bids will be sealed and treated as sealed bids.

Facsimile Transmissions received after the deadline will be rejected. Bidders electing to submit bids via facsimile transmission bear full responsibility for the transmission of such bid. Neither the City nor its agents shall be responsible for malfunction or mistake made by any person, or as a result of the use of the facsimile facilities or any other means used to deliver or complete a bid. The use of such facilities or means is at the sole risk of the prospective bidder who shall be bound by the terms of the bid as received. Neither the City nor its agents will assume liability for the inability of the bidder to reach the above named facsimile numbers prior to the time of sale specified above. Time of receipt shall be the time recorded by the facsimile operator receiving the bids.

#### **BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY ISSUANCE**

The Bonds will be issued by means of a book-entry only system with no physical distribution of bond certificates made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and one bond certificate, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the Registrar to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; transfer of principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The Purchaser, as a condition of delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the bond certificates with DTC.

#### MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASER'S OPTION

If the Bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefore at the option of the bidder, the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the Purchaser. Any increased costs of issuance of the Bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the Purchaser, except that, if the City has requested and received a rating on the Bonds from a rating agency, the City will pay that initial rating fee. Any other rating agency fees shall be the responsibility of the Purchaser. Failure of the municipal bond insurer to issue the policy after the Bonds have been awarded to the Purchaser shall not constitute cause for failure or refusal by the Purchaser to accept delivery on the Bonds. The City reserves the right in its sole discretion to accept or deny changes to the financing documents requested by the insurer selected by the Purchaser.

### **DELIVERY**

The Bonds will be delivered to the Purchaser via Fast Automated Securities Transfer ("FAST") delivery with the Registrar holding the Bonds on behalf of DTC, against full payment in immediately available cash or federal funds. The Bonds are expected to be delivered within forty-five days after the sale. Should delivery be delayed beyond sixty days from the date of sale for any reason except failure of performance by the Purchaser, the Purchaser may withdraw their bid and thereafter their interest in and liability for the Bonds will cease. When the Bonds are ready for delivery, the City will give the Purchaser five working days notice of the delivery date and the City will expect payment in full on that date, otherwise reserving the right at its option to determine that the Purchaser failed to comply with the offer of purchase.

# INFORMATION FROM PURCHASER

The Purchaser will be required to certify to the City immediately after the opening of bids: (i) the initial public offering price of each maturity of the Bonds (not including sales to bond houses and brokers or similar persons or organizations

acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at which price a substantial amount of the Bonds (not less than 10% of each maturity) were sold to the public; or (ii) if less than 10% of any maturity has been sold, the price for that maturity determined as of the time of the sale based upon the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public; and (iii) that the initial public offering price does not exceed their fair market value of the Bonds on the sale date. The Purchaser will also be required to provide a certificate at closing confirming the information required by this paragraph.

#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The City has authorized the preparation of a Preliminary Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the Bonds. The Preliminary Official Statement when further supplemented with maturity dates, principal amounts, and interest rates of the Bonds, and any other information required by law or deemed appropriate by the City, shall constitute a Final Official Statement of the City with respect to the Bonds, as that term is defined in Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule").

By awarding the Bonds to any underwriter(s) or underwriting syndicate(s) submitting an OFFICIAL BID FORM therefore, the City agrees that, no more than seven (7) business days after the date of such award, it shall provide without cost to the senior managing underwriter(s) of the syndicate to which each series of the Bonds are awarded up to 20 copies of the Final Official Statement to permit each "Participating Underwriter" (as that term is defined in the Rule) to comply with the provisions of such Rule. The City shall treat the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded as its designated agent for purposes of distributing copies of the Final Official Statement to the Participating Underwriter. Any underwriter executing and delivering an OFFICIAL BID FORM with respect to the Bonds agrees thereby that if its bid is accepted by the City, (i) it shall accept such designation and (ii) it shall enter into a contractual relationship with all Participating Underwriters of the Bonds for purposes of assuring the receipt by each such Participating Underwriter of the Final Official Statement.

# NO CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The Rule is not applicable to the Bonds, as the principal amount of the Bonds is under \$1,000,000.

#### **CUSIP NUMBERS**

It is anticipated that Committee on Uniform Security Identification Procedures ("CUSIP") numbers will be printed on the Bonds and the Purchaser must agree in the bid proposal to pay the cost thereof. In no event will the City, Bond Counsel or Financial Advisor be responsible for the review or express any opinion that the CUSIP numbers are correct. Incorrect CUSIP numbers on said Bonds shall not be cause for the Purchaser to refuse to accept delivery of said Bonds.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL City of Norwalk 705 North Avenue Norwalk, IA 50211

# **OFFICIAL BID FORM**

To: The City Council of Norwalk, Iowa		Sale Date: February 5, 2015 11:00 A.M. Central Time
RE: \$970,000* General Obligation Refundi	ng Bonds, Series 2015I	3 (the "Bonds"), dated March 9, 2015.
For all or none of the above Bonds, in accor \$(not less than \$ Bonds bearing interest rates and maturing in	3964,180.00) plus accru	ed interest to date of delivery for fully registered
	due 2016	% due 2020
	due 2017	% due 2021
	lue 2018 lue 2019	% due 2022
* The City reserves the right to increase or decrease the may be made in any of the maturities. The purchase p		nt of the issue. Such change will be in increments of \$5,000 and ionately to reflect any change in issue size.
Official Statement dated January 27, 2015. OF OFFERING as printed in the Preliminar our offer. All blank spaces of this offer are in Not as a part of our offer, the above quoted	In the event of failure ry Official Statement are intentional and are not to	to deliver these Bonds in accordance with the TERMS and made a part hereof, we reserve the right to withdraw to be construed as an omission.
have made the following computations:		
NET INTEREST COST: \$		
TRUE INTEREST COST:	%	(Based on dated date of March 9, 2015)
Account Manager:	By: _	
Account Members:		
The foregoing offer is hereby accepted by a February, 2015.	nd on behalf of the City	Council of the City of Norwalk, Iowa this 5 <sup>th</sup> day of
Attest:	By: _	
Title:	Title: _	