#### NOTICE OF SALE

## \$4,400,000\* TOWN OF LISBON, CONNECTICUT GENERAL OBLIGATIONS BONDS, ISSUE OF 2023

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that ELECTRONIC PROPOSALS via **PARITY**® will be received by the **TOWN OF LISBON, CONNECTICUT** (the "Town") for the purchase of all, but not less than all, of the Town's \$4,400,000\* General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2023 (the "Bonds") until **11:30 A.M.** (Eastern **Time)**, on.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2023

Proposals submitted after 11:30 A.M. on Wednesday, November 29, 2023 (the "Sale Date") or proposals submitted in person or via facsimile will not be considered by the Town. No other form of proposal or provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. For purposes of the bidding process, the time as maintained by PARITY® shall constitute the official time with respect to all proposals submitted.

The Town reserves the right to amend the provisions of this Notice of Sale, including the date and time of the sale. Any such changes will be communicated by means of a supplement to this Notice of Sale to be posted through PARITY® no later than 10:00 A.M. on the Sale Date.

The following information includes only a brief summary of certain provisions of the Bonds, the security therefor and other terms relating thereto. Prior to submitting a proposal, bidders should read the Preliminary Official Statement dated November 21, 2023 relating to the Bonds (the "Preliminary Official Statement"), available from i-Deal Prospectus at <a href="www.i-dealprospectus.com">www.munistat.com</a>. For assistance in obtaining the Preliminary Official Statement from these websites, contact i-Deal Prospectus' customer service (212) 849-5021 or Munistat Services, Inc., the Town's municipal advisor (the "Municipal Advisor"), at (860) 372-1887.

If any summary of the terms of the sale of the Bonds posted by PARITY, as the approved provider of electronic bidding services for the Bonds, conflicts with this Notice of Sale in any respect, the terms of this Notice of Sale shall control.

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS**

*General.* The Bonds will be dated and will bear interest from their date of delivery on or about December 14, 2023. Interest on the Bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve (12) 30-day months and will be payable semi-annually, beginning August 15, 2024, and on each February 15 and August 15 thereafter until maturity or earlier redemption.

**Principal Amortization.\*** The Bonds will mature and become payable on August 15 in each of the years and in the principal amounts (subject to adjustment as noted below) as follows:

\$220,000 in 2024 through 2043, inclusive\*

Principal amounts may be adjusted after the sale as described below in this Notice of Sale under the heading "ADJUSTMENT OF PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS."

\_

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

**Optional Redemption.** The Bonds maturing on or before August 15, 2031 are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. The Bonds maturing on August 15, 2032 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the Town, at any time on or after August 15, 2031, in whole or in part, and by lot within a maturity, in such amounts and in such order of maturity as the Town may determine, at the following redemption price (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed), plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date:

Period During Which Redeemed August 15, 2031 and thereafter 100%

#### ADJUSTMENTS OF THE AGGREGATE AND ANNUAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS

The aggregate par amount of the Bonds may be decreased in an amount not in excess of the premium offered by the successful bidder and the amount of each annual maturity, as set forth above, may be adjusted (in increments of \$5,000) to the extent necessary in order that the total proceeds, which include the total par amount of the Bonds plus the original issue premium, if any, received by the Town does not exceed the maximum amount permitted under applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (while maintaining annual principal amounts that are substantially level or otherwise comply with Section 7-371 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended). Such adjustments will be made by 1:30 P.M. (Eastern Time) on the day of the bid opening provided the Town has received the reoffering prices and yields for the Bonds from the successful bidder by 12:30 P.M. (Eastern Time). THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER MAY NOT WITHDRAW OR MODIFY ITS BID OR THE INITIAL REOFFERING PRICES AS A RESULT OF ANY SUCH POST-BID ADJUSTMENT. ANY SUCH ADJUSTMENT SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE, AND SHALL BE BINDING UPON THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER.

The Bonds of each maturity, as adjusted, will bear interest at the same rate and must have the same initial reoffering yields as specified for that maturity by the successful bidder for the Bonds. It is the intent of this provision to hold constant, on a per bond basis, the successful bidder's underwriting spread. However, the award will be made to the bidder whose bid produces the lowest true interest cost, calculated as specified herein, solely on the basis of the Bonds offered, without taking into account any adjustment in the amount of Bonds pursuant to this section.

#### PURPOSE AND SECURITY

The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of providing funds to finance a new fire station in the Town.

The Bonds will be general obligations of the Town and the full faith and credit of the Town shall be pledged to the payment of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Bonds when due. Unless paid from other sources, the Bonds are payable from general property tax revenues. The Town is authorized by statute to levy ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the Town without limit as to rate or amount, subject to certain exceptions, to the extent other revenue sources are not lawfully available or appropriated for such purpose.

#### **BANK QUALIFICATION**

The Bonds <u>will</u> be designated by the Town as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under the provisions of Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for purposes of the deduction by financial institutions for interest expense allocable to the Bonds.

#### REGISTRATION

The Bonds will be by means of a book-entry system with no physical distribution of bond certificates made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in registered form and one bond certificate for Bonds bearing the same interest rate will be issued to The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, registered in the name of its nominee, Cede & Co., and immobilized in its custody. A book-entry system will be employed, evidencing ownership of the Bonds in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, with transfers of ownership effected on the records of DTC and its Participants pursuant to rules and procedures adopted by DTC and its Participants. The purchaser, as a condition to delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the bond certificates with DTC or its agent via Fast Automated Securities Transfer ("FAST"), registered in the name of Cede & Co. Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Town or its agent to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Principal and interest payments by DTC to Participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; principal, and interest payments to Beneficial Owners by Participants of DTC will be the responsibility of such Participants and other nominees of Beneficial Owners. The Town will not be responsible or liable for payments by DTC to its Participants or by DTC Participants or Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing the records maintained by DTC, its Participants or persons acting through such Participants.

#### **ELECTRONIC BIDDING**

Electronic bids for the purchase of the Bonds must be submitted through the facilities of PARITY® on the date and at the time indicated above. Any prospective bidder must be a subscriber of I-Deal LLC's BiDCOMP competitive bidding system. Further information about Bidcomp/PARITY®, including any fee charged, may be obtained from i-Deal LLC, 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018, Attention: Customer Service Department (telephone: (212) 849-5021, email notice: parity@i-deal.com). The Town neither will confirm any subscription nor be responsible for any failure of a prospective bidder to subscribe.

The use of PARITY® electronic bidding shall be at the Bidder's risk and expense, and the Town shall have no liability with respect thereto. An electronic bid for the Bonds shall be deemed an irrevocable offer to purchase the Bonds on the terms provided in this Notice of Sale and shall be binding upon the bidder as if made by a signed, sealed bid delivered to the Town. By submitting a bid for the Bonds via PARITY®, the bidder represents and warrants to the Town that such bidder's bid for the purchase of the Bonds is submitted for and on behalf of such prospective bidder by an officer or agent who is duly authorized to bind the prospective bidder by an irrevocable offer and that acceptance of such bid by the Town will bind the bidder by a legal, valid and enforceable contract, for the purchase of the Bonds on the terms described in this Notice of Sale. The Town 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.

Disclaimer. Each PARITY® prospective electronic bidder shall be solely responsible to make necessary arrangements to access PARITY® for the purposes of submitting its bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of this Notice of Sale. Neither the Town nor PARITY® shall have any duty or obligation to undertake such arrangements to bid for any prospective bidder or to provide or assure such access to any prospective bidder, and neither the Town nor PARITY® shall be responsible for a bidder's failure to make a bid or for proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of, or any damages caused by, PARITY®. The Town is using PARITY® as a communication mechanism, and not as the Town's agent, to conduct the electronic bidding for the Bonds. The Town is not bound by any advice and determination of PARITY® to the effect that any particular bid complies with the terms of this Notice of Sale and in particular the bid requirements herein set forth. All costs and expenses incurred by prospective bidders in connection with their subscription to, arrangements with and submission of bids via PARITY® are the sole responsibility of the bidders; and the Town is not responsible, directly or indirectly, for any such costs or expenses. If a prospective bidder encounters any difficulty in arranging to bid or submitting, modifying or withdrawing a bid for the Bonds, the prospective bidder should telephone PARITY® at (212) 849-5021. If any

provision of this Notice of Sale shall conflict with information provided by PARITY®, this Notice of Sale shall control.

#### BID SPECIFICATIONS AND BASIS OF AWARD

Each bid must be unconditional. Only electronic bids submitted via PARITY® will be accepted.

Each bid must be for all of the Bonds and specify the amount bid for the Bonds (which shall be the aggregate par value of the Bonds, and, at the option of the bidder, a premium), and must specify the rate or rates of interest per annum which the Bonds shall bear in a multiple of one-twentieth (1/20th) or one-eighth (1/8th) of one percent. Bids shall <u>not</u> specify (a) more than one interest rate for any Bonds having a like maturity, or (b) any interest rate for any Bond which exceeds the interest rate specified in such bid for any other Bonds by more than three (3) percentage points. Interest shall be computed on the basis of a 30-day month and a 360-day year. No bid for less than par on all of the Bonds will be considered.

As between bids that comply with this Notice, the Bonds will be awarded to the responsible bidder offering to purchase such Bonds at the <u>lowest true interest cost</u> to the Town. For the purpose of determining the successful bidder, the true interest cost to the Town will be the annual interest rate, compounded semiannually, which, when used to discount all payments of principal and interest payable on such Bonds to the dated date (which is expected to be December 14, 2023), results in an amount equal to the purchase price for such Bonds. If there is more than one responsible bidder making said offer at the same lowest true interest cost on the Bonds, such Bonds will be sold to the responsible bidder whose proposal is selected by the Town by lot from among all such proposals. It is requested that each proposal be accompanied by a statement of the percentage of true interest cost computed and rounded to six decimal places. Such statement shall not be considered as part of the proposal. The purchase price must be paid in Federal funds.

## RIGHT OF REJECTION; WAIVER

The right is reserved to reject any and all proposals and to reject any proposal not complying with this Notice of Sale and to waive any irregularity or informality with respect to any proposal.

#### **DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS**

At or prior to the delivery of the Bonds the successful bidder shall be furnished, without cost, with (a) the approving opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Hartford, Connecticut Bond Counsel to the Town ("Bond Counsel"), substantially in the form set out in Appendix B to the Official Statement. The successful bidder will also be furnished with a signature and no litigation certificate, dated as of the date of delivery of the Bonds,; a receipt of payment for the Bonds, a signed copy of the final Official Statement prepared in connection with the Bonds, a certificate of Town officials relating to the accuracy and completeness of the Official Statement; and an executed Continuing Disclosure Agreement substantially in the form set forth in Appendix C to the Official Statement. U.S. Bank National Association, Hartford, Connecticut, will keep a signed opinion and a transcript of proceedings, which may be examined at its office in Hartford, Connecticut, upon reasonable notice.

#### **OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL - TAX STATUS**

In addition to the validity of the Bonds, the approving opinion of Bond Counsel will state that under existing statutes and court decisions, (i) interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code, however, for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022, interest on the Bonds is included in the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain corporations that are subject to the alternative minimum tax under Section 55 of the Code. The opinion of Bond Counsel will also provide that under existing statutes;

interest on the Bonds is excluded from Connecticut taxable income for purposes of the Connecticut income tax on individuals, trusts and estates; and interest on the Bonds is excluded from amounts on which the net Connecticut minimum tax is based in the case of individuals, trusts and estates required to pay federal alternative minimum tax.

#### ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE; OBLIGATIONS OF WINNING BIDDER

By submitting a proposal for the Bonds, each bidder is certifying that its bid is a firm offer to purchase the Bonds, is a good faith offer which the bidder believes reflects current market conditions, and is not a "courtesy bid" being submitted for the purpose of assisting in meeting the competitive sale requirements relating to the establishment of the "issue price" of the Bonds pursuant to Section 148 of the Code, including the requirement that bids be received from at least three (3) underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds (the "Competitive Sale Requirements"). The Municipal Advisor will advise the winning bidder if the Competitive Sale Requirements were met at the same time it notifies the winning bidder of the award of the Bonds. Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the Competitive Sale Requirements are not satisfied.

The winning bidder shall, within one (1) hour after being notified of the award of the Bonds, advise the Municipal Advisor by electronic or facsimile transmission of the reasonably expected initial public offering price or yield of each maturity of the Bonds (the "Initial Reoffering Prices") as of the date of the award.

If Competitive Sale Requirements Not Met. By submitting a bid, the winning bidder agrees (unless the winning bidder is purchasing the Bonds for its own account and not with a view to distribution or resale to the public) that if the Competitive Sale Requirements are not met, it will elect and satisfy either option (1) or option (2) described below with respect to each maturity of the Bonds. Such election shall be set forth on an Issue Price Rule Selection Certificate (the "Selection Certificate"), which will be sent to the winning bidder promptly after the award of the Bonds and any adjustments in principal amounts as provided herein. The winning bidder shall complete and execute the Selection Certificate and email it to Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor by 5:00 P.M. Eastern Time on the day following the Sale Date. In the event that the Selection Certificate is not returned by this deadline or if no selection is made with respect to one or more maturities, the winning bidder will be deemed to have selected Option 1 (the Hold the Price Rule).

## (1) Hold the Price Rule. The winning bidder:

- (a) will make a bona fide offering to the public of all of the Bonds at the Initial Reoffering Prices and provide Bond Counsel with reasonable supporting documentation, such as a copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication, the form of which is acceptable to Bond Counsel,
- (b) will neither offer nor sell to any person any Bonds within a maturity at a price that is higher, or a yield that is lower, than the Initial Reoffering Price of such maturity until the earlier of (i) the date on which the winning bidder has sold to the public at least 10 percent of the Bonds of such maturity at a price that is no higher, or a yield that is no lower, than the Initial Reoffering Price of such maturity or (ii) the close of business on the 5th business day after the date of the award of the Bonds, and
- (c) has or will include within any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail distribution agreement (to which the winning bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, language obligating each underwriter to comply with the limitations on the sale of the Bonds as set forth above.

## (2) 10% Sale (Follow the Price) Rule. The winning bidder:

- (a) will make a bona fide offering to the public of all of the Bonds at the Initial Reoffering Prices and provide the Town with reasonable supporting documentation, such as a copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication, the form of which is acceptable to Bond Counsel,
- (b) will report to the Town information regarding the first price that at least 10 percent of the Bonds within each maturity of the Bonds have been sold to the public,
- (c) will provide the Town with reasonable supporting documentation or certifications of such sale prices the form of which is acceptable to Bond Counsel. This reporting requirement, which may extend beyond the closing date of the Bonds, will continue until such date that the requirement set forth in paragraph (b) above for each maturity of the Bonds is satisfied, and
- (d) has or will include within any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail distribution agreement (to which the winning bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, language obligating each underwriter to comply with the reporting requirement described above.

For purposes of the "hold the price" or "follow the price" requirement, a "maturity" refers to Bonds that have the same interest rate, credit and payment terms.

**Obligation to Deliver Issue Price Certificate.** Regardless of whether or not the Competitive Sale Requirements were met, the winning bidder shall submit to the Town a certificate (the "Issue Price Certificate"), satisfactory to Bond Counsel, prior to the delivery of the Bonds stating the applicable facts as described above. The form of Issue Price Certificate is available by contacting Ms. Susan Caron, Vice president, Munistat Services, Inc., the Town's Municipal Advisor, Email: <a href="mailto:susan.caron@munistat.com">susan.caron@munistat.com</a>; Telephone (860) 372-1887.

If the winning bidder has purchased the Bonds for its own account and not with a view to distribution or resale to the public, then, whether or not the Competitive Sale Requirements were met, the Issue Price Certificate will recite such facts and identify the price or prices at which the purchase of the Bonds was made.

For purposes of this Notice, the "public" does not include the winning bidder or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the winning bidder to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (such as a retail distribution agreement between a national lead underwriter and a regional firm under which the regional firm participates in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public). In making the representations described above, the winning bidder must reflect the effect on the offering prices of any "derivative products" (e.g., a tender option) used by the bidder in connection with the initial sale of any of the Bonds.

#### CERTIFYING AND PAYING AGENT

The Bonds will be authenticated by U.S. Bank National Association, Hartford, Connecticut, which will also act as Paying Agent.

#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The Town has prepared a Preliminary Official Statement in connection with the issuance of the Bonds which is dated November 21, 2023. The Town deems such Preliminary Official Statement final as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), but is subject to revision and to completion or amendment in a final Official Statement. The Town will make available to the winning purchaser or purchasers of the Bonds a reasonable number of copies of the final Official Statement as prepared by the Town at the Town's expense. The copies of the final Official Statement will be made available to the winning purchaser or purchasers at the

office of the Town's Municipal Advisor, within seven (7) business days of the award of the Bonds (but not later than the date of the delivery of the Bonds). Additional copies of the final Official Statement may be obtained by purchaser at its own expense by arrangement with the printer.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The Town will enter into a Continuing Disclosure Agreement with respect to the Bonds, substantially in the form attached as Appendix C to the Official Statement (the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement"), to provide or cause to be provided, in accordance with the requirements of SEC Rule 15c2-12, (i) annual financial information and operating data, (ii) notice of the occurrence of certain events with respect to the Bonds, and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Town to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. The winning bidder's obligation to purchase the Bonds shall be conditioned upon its receiving, at or prior to the delivery of the Bonds, an executed copy of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

#### **CUSIP NUMBERS**

The deposit of the Bonds with DTC under a book-entry system requires the assignment of CUSIP numbers prior to delivery. The Municipal Advisor will obtain CUSIP numbers for the Bonds prior to delivery, and the Town will not be responsible for any delay occasioned by the inability to deposit such Bonds with DTC due to the failure to obtain such numbers and to supply them to the Town in a timely manner. Neither the failure to print such CUSIP number on any Bond, nor any error with respect thereto, shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and pay for such Bonds. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on the Bonds shall be paid for by the Town; *provided, however*, that the Town assumes no responsibility for any CUSIP Service Bureau charge or other charge that may be imposed for the assignment of such numbers, which charges shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the winning bidder.

#### **DELIVERY AND PAYMENT**

It is expected that the closing on the Bonds will occur on or about December 14, 2023 in New York, New York, against payment in immediately available Federal funds.

THOMAS SPARKMAN, First Selectman CHRIS MAYNARD, Treasurer

November 21, 2023

## FORM OF ISSUE PRICE RULE SELECTION CERTIFICATE (if Competitive Sale Requirements Not Met)

Town of Lisbon, Connecticut \$4,400,000\* General Obligation Bonds, Issue of 2023

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER/REPRESENTATIVE], [on behalf of itself and [OTHER UNDERWRITERS], hereby certifies that it will use the rule selected below for the respective maturity of the above-captioned bonds (the "Bonds"), as described in the Notice of Sale for the Bonds, dated November 21, 2023 (the "Notice of Sale"). For a description of the requirements of each rule, please refer to the section "ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE; OBLIGATIONS OF WINNING BIDDER - *If Competitive Sale Requirements Not Met*" in the Notice of Sale. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein are defined in the Notice of Sale.

			10% Sale Rule		Hold the Offering Price Rule	
			(Underwriter has or will		(Underwriter will comply with	
			comply with 10% Sale Rule for		Hold the Offering Price Rule for	
			this Maturity)		this Maturity)	
Date of	Principal	Interest	Check	Sales	Check	Initial
<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u> *	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Box</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Box</u>	Offering Price
08/15/2024	\$220,000			\$		\$
08/15/2025	220,000	%	\$		\$	
08/15/2026	220,000	%	\$		\$	
08/15/2027	220,000	%	\$		\$	
08/15/2028	220,000	%	\$		\$	
08/15/2029	220,000		\$		\$	
08/15/2030	220,000	%	\$		\$	
08/15/2031	220,000		\$		\$	
08/15/2032	220,000			\$		\$
08/15/2033	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2034	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2035	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2036	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2037	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2038	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2039	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2040	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2041	220,000	%		\$		\$
08/15/2042	220,000	<sub>%</sub>		\$		\$
08/15/2043	220,000	<u></u> %		\$		\$

(All Sales Prices or Initial Offering Prices must be filled in prior to the delivery date of the Bonds)

# [NAME OF UNDERWRITER / REPRESENTATIVE]

By:			
Name	<b>:</b> :		
Title			

Email this completed and executed certificate by 5:00 P.M. (Eastern Time) on November 30, 2023, to the following:

Bond Counsel: lhall@hawkins.com Municipal Advisor: susan.caron@munistat.com

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