

NOTICE OF SALE
\$8,705,000
TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES

Electronic bids (as described herein) will be received by the **TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT** (the “Town”), until 11:00 A.M. (E.T.) Thursday,

JULY 18, 2024

(the “Sale Date”) for the purchase of all or a portion of the \$8,705,000 Town of North Branford, Connecticut General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes (the “Notes”). Electronic bids must be submitted via **PARITY**[®]. (See “Electronic Bidding Procedures”).

The Town reserves the right to make changes to the provisions of this Notice of Sale, including the date and time of the sale, prior to the date and time of sale set forth above. Any such changes will be posted through **PARITY**[®]. Prospective bidders are advised to check for such **PARITY**[®] postings prior to the above stated sale time.

The Notes

The Notes will be dated August 2, 2024, and will be payable to the registered owner on August 1, 2025, as further described in the Preliminary Official Statement for the Notes dated July 8, 2024 (the “Preliminary Official Statement”). The Notes will bear interest (which interest shall be computed on the basis of twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year) payable at maturity at the rate or rates per annum set forth in the bid or bids accepted for their purchase, which rates shall be multiples of 1/1000 of one percent (1%) per annum.

The Notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

Nature of Obligation

The full faith and credit of the Town will be pledged for the prompt payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes when due. The Notes will be general obligations of the Town payable, unless paid from other sources, from ad valorem taxes which may be levied on all taxable property subject to taxation by the Town without limitation as to rate or amount except as to classified property such as certified forest lands taxable at a limited rate and dwelling houses of qualified elderly persons of low income or of qualified disabled persons taxable at limited amounts.

Bank Qualification

The Notes shall NOT 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 (the “Code”), for purposes of the deduction by financial institutions for interest expense allocable to the Notes.

Registration

The Notes will be issued by means of a book-entry system with no physical distribution of note certificates made to the public. The Notes will be issued in registered form and one note certificate for each interest rate will be issued to The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”), registered in the name of its nominee, Cede & Co., and immobilized in their custody. A book-entry system will be employed, evidencing ownership of the Notes in principal amounts of \$5,000 and integral

multiples 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 winning bidders, as a condition to delivery of the Notes, will be required to deposit the note certificates with DTC, or its custodian, registered in the name of Cede & Co. Principal of and interest on the Notes will be payable by the Town or its agent in Federal funds to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Notes. Principal and interest payments 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 to beneficial owners or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing the records maintained by DTC, its participants or persons acting through such participants.

Electronic Bidding Procedures

Any prospective bidder intending to submit an electronic bid must submit its electronic bid through the facilities of **PARITY®**. Subscription to i-Deal LLC's BiDCOMP Competitive Bidding System is required in order to submit an electronic bid and the Town will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidder to subscribe.

An electronic bid made through the facilities of **PARITY®** shall be deemed an irrevocable offer to purchase the Notes 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. 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.

All electronic bids shall be deemed to incorporate the provisions of this Notice of Sale. If any provisions of this Notice of Sale shall conflict with information provided by **PARITY®** as the approved provider of electronic bidding services, this Notice of Sale shall control. Further information about **PARITY®**, including any fee charged, may be obtained from **PARITY®**, 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018, Attention: Customer Service Department (telephone: (212) 849-5021 - email notice: parity@i-deal.com).

Bid Specifications/Basis of Award

A proposal may be for all or any part of the Notes but any proposal for a part must be for not less than \$100,000, or a whole multiple thereof, and a separate proposal will be required for each part of the Notes for which a separate interest rate is bid. As between proposals resulting in the same lowest net interest cost (rounded to six decimal places) to the Town, the award will be made on the basis of the highest principal amount of the Notes specified. No bid for less than par and accrued interest, if any, will be considered and the Town reserves the right to award to any bidder all or any part of the Notes bid for in its proposal. If a bidder is awarded only a part of the Notes bid for in its proposal, any premium offered in such proposal will be proportionately reduced so that the resulting net interest cost to the Town with respect to the Notes awarded is the same as that contained in the bidder's proposal with respect to the entire amount bid, rounded to six decimal places. The Notes will be awarded or all bids will be rejected promptly after the bid opening, but not later than 4:00 P.M. (E.T.) on the Sale Date. The purchase price must be paid in Federal funds.

For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by **PARITY®** shall constitute the official time. For information purposes only, bidders are requested to state in their bids the net interest cost to the Town, computed and rounded to six decimal places.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularity or informality with respect to any bid. The Town further reserves the right to postpone the sale to another time and date in its sole and absolute discretion for any reason, including, without limitation, internet difficulties. The Town will use its best efforts to notify prospective bidders in a timely manner of any need for a postponement.

Unless all bids are rejected or the bid is postponed, the Notes will be awarded to the bidder or bidders offering to purchase the Notes or a portion thereof at the lowest net interest cost computed as to each interest rate stated by adding the total interest which will be paid at such rate and deducting therefrom the premium offered, if any.

Closing Documents and Legal Opinion

The Notes will be certified by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Hartford, Connecticut. The legality of the Notes will be passed upon by Robinson & Cole LLP, Hartford, Connecticut (“Bond Counsel”), and the winning bidders will be furnished with their opinion without charge. Each winning bidder will also be furnished with a signature and no litigation certificate, a receipt of payment satisfactory in form to Bond Counsel, a signed copy of the final Official Statement prepared for the Notes, a certificate signed by the appropriate officials of the Town relating to the accuracy and completeness of information contained in the final Official Statement, and an executed Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The legal opinion will further state that (i) under existing statutes and court decisions, interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (ii) such interest is not treated as an item of tax preference for purposes of computing the federal alternative minimum tax, however, such interest is taken into account in determining the adjusted financial statement income of certain corporations for the purpose of computing the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on such corporations, (iii) under existing statutes, interest on the Notes is excluded from Connecticut taxable income for purposes of the Connecticut income tax on individuals, trusts and estates, and (iv) such interest 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. In rendering its legal opinion, Bond Counsel will rely upon and assume the material accuracy of the representations and statements of expectation contained in the Tax Regulatory Agreement entered into by the Town for the benefit of the owners of the Notes, and further, will assume compliance by the Town with the covenants and procedures set forth in such Tax Regulatory Agreement. A signed opinion and transcript of proceedings will be filed with U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Hartford, Connecticut, and will be available for examination upon request.

Obligation to Deliver Issue Price Certificate

Pursuant to the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations, the Town must establish the “issue price” of the Notes. In order to assist the Town, each winning bidder is obligated to deliver to the Town a certificate (an “Issue Price Certificate”) and such additional information satisfactory to Bond Counsel described below, prior to the delivery of the Notes. The Town will rely on the Issue Price Certificate and such additional information in determining the issue price of the Notes. The form of Issue Price Certificate is available by contacting Mark Chapman, Managing Director, Munistat Services, Inc., Email: mark.chapman@munistat.com, Telephone: (203) 421-2087, municipal advisor to the Town (the “Municipal Advisor”).

By submitting a bid, each bidder is certifying that (i) it is an underwriter of municipal notes which has an established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal notes, (ii) its bid is a firm offer to purchase the Notes, (iii) its bid is a good faith offer which the bidder believes reflects current market conditions, and (iv) its bid is not a “courtesy bid” being submitted for the purpose of assisting in meeting the competitive sale rule relating to the establishment of the issue price of the Notes pursuant to Section 148 of the Code, including the requirement that bids be received on all of the Notes from at least three (3) underwriters of municipal notes who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal notes (the “Competitive Sale Rule”).

The Municipal Advisor will advise the winning bidders if the Competitive Sale Rule was met at the same time it notifies the winning bidders of the award of the Notes. **Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the Competitive Sale Rule is not satisfied.**

Competitive Sale Rule Met. If the Municipal Advisor advises the winning bidders that the Competitive Sale Rule has been met, the winning bidders shall, within one (1) hour after being notified of the award of the Notes, advise the Municipal Advisor by electronic or facsimile transmission of the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public of the Notes as of the Sale Date.

Competitive Sale Rule Not Met. By submitting a bid, the winning bidders agree (unless the winning bidder is purchasing the Notes for its own account and not with a view to distribution or resale to the public) that if the Competitive Sale Rule is not met, it will satisfy either the **10% Sale Rule** or the **Hold the Offering Price Rule** described below with respect to each maturity of the Notes prior to the delivery date of the Notes. The rule selected with respect to each maturity of the Notes shall be set forth on an Issue Price Rule Selection Certificate, the form of which is attached hereto, which shall be sent to the winning bidders promptly after the award of the Notes. The winning bidders shall complete and execute the Issue Price Rule Selection Certificate and email it to Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor by 5:00 P.M. on the day after the Sale Date. **If the Issue Price Rule Selection Certificate is not returned by this deadline, or if no selection is made, the winning bidders agree that the Hold the Offering Price Rule shall apply to such Notes.**

10% Sale Rule. To satisfy the 10% Sale Rule for any maturity of the Notes, the winning bidders:

(i) will make a bona fide offering to the public of all of the Notes at the initial offering 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;

(ii) will report to the Town information regarding the actual prices at which at least 10 percent (10%) of the Notes (or each maturity thereof, if applicable) have been sold to the public;

(iii) will provide the Town with reasonable supporting documentation or certifications of such sale prices, the form of which is acceptable to Bond Counsel. If the 10% Sale Rule is used with respect to a maturity of the Notes, this reporting requirement will continue, beyond the closing date of the Notes, if necessary, until such date that at least 10 percent (10%) of such maturity of the Notes has been sold to the public; and

(iv) has or will include in any agreement among underwriters, selling group agreement or third party distribution agreement (to which the winning bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Notes to the public, together with the related pricing wires, language obligating each underwriter to comply with the reporting requirement described above.

Hold the Offering Price Rule. To satisfy the Hold the Offering Price Rule for any maturity of the Notes, the winning bidders:

(i) will make a bona fide offering to the public of all of the Notes at the initial offering price(s) 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;

(ii) will neither offer nor sell to any person any Notes at a price that is higher than the initial offering price of such Notes until the earlier of (i) the date on which the winning bidder has sold to the public at least ten percent (10%) of such maturity of the Notes at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price of such maturity of the Notes or (ii) the close of business on the fifth (5th) business day after the Sale Date of the Notes; and

(iii) has or will include within any agreement among underwriters, selling group agreement or third party distribution agreement (to which each winning bidder is a party) relating to the initial

sale of the Notes to the public, together with the related pricing wires, language obligating each underwriter to comply with the limitations on the sale of the Notes as set forth above.

For purposes of the 10% Sale Rule or the Hold the Offering Price Rule, a “maturity” refers to Notes that have the same interest rate, credit and payment terms.

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

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

Settlement of the Notes

The Notes will be available for delivery on or about August 2, 2024. The deposit of the Notes with DTC or its custodian under a book-entry system requires the assignment of CUSIP numbers prior to delivery. The Municipal Advisor shall obtain CUSIP numbers for the Notes prior to delivery, and the Town will not be responsible for any delay occasioned by the failure of the winning bidders to obtain such numbers and to supply them to the Town in a timely manner. 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(s).

The Preliminary Official Statement is in a form “deemed final” by the Town for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1). The winning bidders will be furnished 25 copies of the final Official Statement prepared for the Notes at the Town’s expense. Additional copies may be obtained by the winning bidders at their own expense by arrangement with the printer. The copies of the final Official Statement will be made available to the winning bidders no later than seven business days after the bid opening at the office of the Town’s Municipal Advisor. If the Municipal Advisor is provided with the necessary information from the winning bidders by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day after the bid opening, the copies of the final Official Statement will include an additional cover page and other pages, if necessary, indicating the interest rates, ratings, yields or reoffering prices, and the names of the winning bidders of the Notes.

Continuing Disclosure

The Town will undertake in a Continuing Disclosure Agreement entered into in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, to provide notice of the occurrence of certain events within 10 business days of the occurrence of such events with respect to the Notes. Each winning bidder’s obligation to purchase the Notes shall be conditioned upon its receiving, at or prior to the delivery of the Notes, an executed copy of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement for the Notes.

Related Information

For more information regarding the Notes and the Town, reference is made to the Preliminary Official Statement. Copies of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Issue Price Certificate may be obtained from the undersigned, or from Mark Chapman, Managing Director, Munistat Services, Inc., Email: mark.chapman@munistat.com, Telephone: (203) 421-2087, municipal advisor to the Town.

MICHAEL P. DOWNES
Town Manager

ANTHONY P. ESPOSITO, JR.
Town Treasurer

July 8, 2024

ISSUE PRICE RULE SELECTION CERTIFICATE

Town of North Branford, Connecticut
 \$8,705,000 General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes

The undersigned, on behalf of _____, [on behalf of itself and _____], hereby certifies that it will use the rule selected below for the respective maturity of the above-captioned notes (the “Notes”), as described in the Notice of Sale for the Notes, dated July 8, 2024 (the “Notice of Sale”). For a description of the requirements of each rule, please refer to the section “Obligation to Deliver Issue Price Certificate” in the Notice of Sale. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein are defined in the Notice of Sale.

<u>Date of Maturity</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	10% Sale Rule (Underwriter has or will comply with 10% Sale Price Rule for this Maturity)		Hold the Offering Price Rule (Underwriter will comply with Hold the Offering Price Rule for this Maturity)	
			<u>Check Box</u>	<u>Sales Price</u>	<u>Check Box</u>	<u>Initial Offering Price</u>
08/01/2025	\$8,705,000	____%	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____

(All Sales Prices or Initial Offering Prices must be completed prior to the delivery date of the Notes.)

[NAME OF UNDER/REP]

By: _____
 Name:
 Title:

Email this completed and executed certificate to the following by 5:00 P.M. on July 19, 2024:

Bond Counsel: kpalmer@rc.com

Municipal Advisor: mark.chapman@munistat.com