

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there will be heard before the presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Newton County, on August 17, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., at the Superior Court of Newton County, at the Newton County Courthouse in Covington, Georgia, the case of the State of Georgia v. Newton County Public Facilities Authority and City of Covington, Georgia, Civil Action File No. SUCV2026002491, in the Superior Court of Newton County, the same being a proceeding to confirm and validate the issuance of Newton County Public Facilities Authority's Revenue Bonds (City of Covington Projects), Series 2026 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 (the "Bonds") and the security therefor. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of (a) financing the construction and equipping of a fire station and the acquisition of a fire truck (collectively, the "Projects"), (b) funding capitalized interest (if any), and (c) paying the costs of issuing the Bonds.

In such proceeding, the Court will also pass upon the validity and enforceability of an Intergovernmental Contract, dated as of September 1, 2026 or the first day of the month in which the Bonds are issued (the "Contract"), between Newton County Public Facilities Authority (the "Authority") and City of Covington, Georgia (the "City"). Under the terms of the Contract, the Authority will agree to, among other things, issue the Bonds, and the City has agreed to, among other things, (a) acquire, construct, equip and operate the Projects, (b) pay the Authority amounts sufficient to enable the Authority to pay principal of, redemption premium (if any) and interest on the Bonds as the same become due (the "Contract Payments") and (c) levy an annual ad valorem property tax, unlimited as to rate or amount, on all property in the City subject to such tax in order to make such Contract Payments. The Contract and the Contract Payments have been pledged as security for the Bonds.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 36-82-100 (the "Audit Statute"), the Authority notifies all interested parties that no independent performance audit or performance review will be conducted with respect to the Bonds. However the Authority will continue to ensure that the proceeds of the Bonds are expended efficiently and economically, as intended by the Audit Statute.

Any resident of Newton County, or any other person wherever residing who has a right to object, may become a party to

these proceedings.

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