#### **EXHIBIT A**

(Form of Bond)

REGISTERED		REGISTERED
No. R		\$
	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF ARKANSAS COUNTY OF CRAIGHEAD CITY OF JONESBORO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE SERIES 2025	
Interest Rate:% Dated Date: July 22, 20		Maturity Date: August 1,
Registered Owner: Principal Amount: CUSIP No.:		Dollars

### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That the City of Jonesboro, County of Craighead, State of Arkansas (the "City"), for value received, hereby promises to pay, but solely from the source as hereinafter provided and not otherwise, to the Registered Owner shown above upon the presentation and surrender hereof at the principal corporate trust office of First Security Bank, Searcy, Arkansas, or its successor or successors, as Trustee and Paying Agent (the "Trustee"), on the Maturity Date shown above, the Principal Amount shown above, in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts and to pay by check or draft interest thereon, but solely from the source as hereinafter provided and not otherwise, in like coin or currency from the interest commencement date specified below at the Interest Rate per annum shown above, payable February 1, 2026 and semiannually thereafter on the first days of February and August of each year, until payment of such principal sum or, if this bond or a portion hereof shall be duly called for redemption, until the date fixed for redemption, and to pay interest on overdue principal and interest (to the extent legally enforceable) at the rate borne by this bond. Payment of each installment of interest shall be made to the person in whose name this bond is registered on the registration books of the City maintained by the Trustee at the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month (whether or not a business day) next preceding each interest payment date (the "Record Date"), irrespective of any transfer or exchange of this bond subsequent to such Record Date and prior to such interest payment date.

This bond shall bear interest from the payment date next preceding the date on which it is authenticated unless it is authenticated on an interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from such date, or unless it is authenticated prior to the first interest payment date, in which event it shall bear interest from the Dated Date shown above, or unless it is

authenticated during the period from the Record Date to the next interest payment date, in which case it shall bear interest from such interest payment date, or unless at the time of authentication hereof interest is in default hereon, in which event it shall bear interest from the date to which interest has been paid.

Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC") to the Trustee for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

This bond is one of an issue of City of Jonesboro, Arkansas Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2025, aggregating Seventeen Million Five Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$17,595,000) in principal amount (the "bonds"), and is issued for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of various improvements, providing a debt service reserve and paying necessary expenses of issuing and insuring the bonds.

The bonds are issued pursuant to and in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas (the "State"), including particularly Title 14, Chapter 164, Subchapter 4 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated, and pursuant to Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the City, \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 (the "Authorizing Ordinance"), and do not constitute an indebtedness of the City within any constitutional or statutory limitation. The bonds are not general obligations of the City, but are special obligations secured solely by a pledge of revenues received by the City that are derived from the payment of franchise fees by public utilities (the "Pledged Revenues"). The Pledged Revenues shall be deemed to be a special source for the payment of the bonds. The bonds shall never give rise to a charge against the City's general credit or taxing power and no funds derived from the City's taxes are pledged to pay the bonds. An amount of Pledged Revenues sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds has been duly pledged and set aside into the 2025 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond Fund identified in the Authorizing Ordinance. Reference is hereby made to the Authorizing Ordinance for a detailed statement of the terms and conditions upon which the bonds are issued, of the nature and extent of the security for the bonds, and the rights and obligations of the City, the Trustee and the registered owners of the bonds. Nothing herein or in the Authorizing Ordinance shall require the City to pay the principal of and interest on this bond except from the Pledged Revenues, but nothing herein or in the Authorizing Ordinance shall prevent the City from doing so.

The bonds shall be subject to optional, extraordinary and mandatory sinking fund redemption as follows:

1. The bonds are subject to redemption at the option of the City, from funds from any source, in whole or in part at any time on and after February 1, 2031, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If fewer than all of the bonds shall be called for redemption, the particular maturities of the bonds

to be redeemed shall be selected by the City in its discretion. If fewer than all of the bonds of any one maturity shall be called for redemption, the particular bonds or portion thereof to be redeemed from such maturity shall be selected by lot by the Trustee.

- 2. The bonds shall be redeemed from proceeds of the bonds which are not needed for the purposes intended, in whole or in part, on any interest payment date, in inverse order of maturity (and by lot within a maturity in such manner as the Trustee shall determine), at a price equal to the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued interest to the redemption date.
- 3. To the extent not previously redeemed, the bonds maturing on August 1 in the years 2035, 2039, 2042, 2047, 2051 and 2055 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption by lot in such manner as the Trustee shall determine, on August 1 in the years and in the amounts set forth below, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount being redeemed plus accrued interest to the date of redemption:

# Bonds Maturing August 1, 2035

Year	Principal
(August 1)	<u>Amount</u>
2033	\$390,000
2034	405,000
2035 (maturity)	425,000

## Bonds Maturing August 1, 2039

Year	Principal
(August 1)	<u>Amount</u>
2036	\$440,000
2037	460,000
2038	480,000
2039 (maturity)	500,000

### Bonds Maturing August 1, 2042

Year	Principal
(August 1)	<u>Amount</u>
2040	\$520,000
2041	545,000
2042 (maturity)	570,000

### Bonds Maturing August 1, 2047

Year	Principal
(August 1)	<u>Amount</u>
2043	\$600,000
2044	630,000
2045	660,000
2046	695,000
2047 (maturity)	730,000

### Bonds Maturing August 1, 2051

Year	Principal
(August 1)	<u>Amount</u>
2048	\$765,000
2049	805,000
2050	845,000
2051 (maturity)	890,000

# Bonds Maturing August 1, 2055

Year	Principal
(August 1)	<u>Amount</u>
2052	\$ 935,000
2053	985,000
2054	1,035,000
2055 (maturity)	1.090.000

In case any outstanding bond is in a denomination greater than \$5,000, each \$5,000 of face value of such bond shall be treated as a separate bond of the denomination of \$5,000.

Notice of redemption identifying the bonds or portions thereof (which shall be \$5,000 or a multiple thereof) to be redeemed shall be given by the Trustee, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, or sending a copy of the redemption notice via other standard means, including electronic or facsimile communication, to all registered owners of bonds to be redeemed. Failure to mail or send an appropriate notice or any such notice to one or more registered owners of bonds to be redeemed shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for redemption of other bonds as to which notice of redemption is duly given in proper and timely fashion. All such bonds or portions thereof thus called for redemption and for the retirement of which funds are duly provided in accordance with the Authorizing Ordinance prior to the date fixed for redemption will cease to bear interest on such redemption date.

This bond is transferable by the registered owner hereof in person or by his attorney-in-fact duly authorized in writing at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges provided in the

Authorizing Ordinance, and upon surrender and cancellation of this bond. Upon such transfer a new fully registered bond or bonds of the same maturity, of authorized denomination or denominations, for the same aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor. This bond is issued with the intent that the laws of the State shall govern its construction.

The City and the Trustee may deem and treat the registered owner hereof as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of principal hereof and premium, if any, hereon and interest due hereon and for all other purposes, and neither the City nor the Trustee shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The bonds are issuable only as fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$5,000, and any integral multiple thereof. Subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges provided in the Authorizing Ordinance, fully registered bonds may be exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of fully registered bonds of the same maturity of other authorized denominations.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED AND DECLARED that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of the bonds do exist, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law; that the indebtedness represented by the bonds, together with all obligations of the City, does not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation; and that the above referred to revenues pledged to the payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the bonds as the same become due and payable will be sufficient in amount for that purpose.

This bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under the Authorizing Ordinance until the Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Trustee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas has caused this bond to be executed by its Mayor and City Clerk, their signatures thereunto duly authorized and its corporate seal to be impressed or imprinted on this bond, all as of the Dated Date shown above.

ATTEST:

By \_\_\_\_\_\_

City Clerk

(SEAL)

[A Statement of Insurance provided by the Insurer shall be placed on the bonds]

### (Form of Trustee's Certificate)

#### TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This bond is one of the bonds issued under the provisions of the within mentioned Authorizing Ordinance. Date of Authentication: FIRST SECURITY BANK Searcy, Arkansas Trustee By \_\_\_\_\_Authorized Signature (Form of Assignment) **ASSIGNMENT** FOR VALUE RECEIVED, \_\_\_\_\_ ("Transferor"), hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto \_\_\_\_\_\_, the within bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints \_\_\_\_\_\_ as attorney to transfer the within bond on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises. DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Transferor **GUARANTEED BY:** 

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by a member of or participant in the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program (STAMP), or in another signature guaranty program recognized by the Trustee.