NOTICE OF REFERENDUM \$5,250,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FRIPP ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Referendum will be held in the Fripp Island Public Service District, South Carolina (the "District"), on November 7, 2023, for the purpose of submitting to all persons qualified to vote in the District pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of South Carolina, the following questions:

Question #1

Shall the Fripp Island Public Service District, located in Beaufort County, South Carolina (the "District"), be authorized to issue and sell, either as a single issue or as several separate issues, general obligation bonds of the District in an aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$1,320,000 to defray the costs of acquiring, designing, constructing, renovating, and equipping fire service facilities, apparatus, equipment, and vehicles, to include, without limitation, station improvements, beach rescue equipment, squad trucks, and aerial apparatus; capitalized interest during construction; and the costs of issuance of such general obligation bonds?

\bigcirc	Yes, in favor of the question
\bigcirc	No, opposed to the question

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

If the voter wishes to vote in favor of the question, select "Yes, In Favor of the Question." If the voter wishes to vote against the question, select "No, Opposed to the Question."

Question #2

Shall the Fripp Island Public Service District, located in Beaufort County, South Carolina (the "District"), be authorized to issue and sell, either as a single issue or as several separate issues, general obligation bonds of the District in an aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$870,000 to defray the costs of repairing, reconstructing, and mitigating certain District revetments and related infrastructure; capitalized interest during construction; and the costs of issuance of such general obligation bonds?

\bigcirc	Yes, in favor of the question
\circ	No, opposed to the question

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

If the voter wishes to vote in favor of the question, select "Yes, In Favor of the Question." If the voter wishes to vote against the question, select "No, Opposed to the Question."

Question #3

Shall the Fripp Island Public Service District, located in Beaufort County, South Carolina (the "District"), be authorized to issue and sell, either as a single issue or as several separate issues, general obligation bonds of the District in an aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$3,060,000 to defray the costs of repairing, reconstructing, and improving the Fripp Inlet Bridge and related infrastructure, including, without limitation, bent retrofits and abutment protection; capitalized interest during construction; and the costs of issuance of such general obligation bonds?

\bigcirc	Yes, in favor of the question
\circ	No, opposed to the question

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

If the voter wishes to vote in favor of the question, select "Yes, In Favor of the Question." If the voter wishes to vote against the question, select "No, Opposed to the Question."

The questions are being submitted pursuant to Article X, Section 14 of the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, 1895, as amended, Title 6, Chapter 11, Article 3 and Title 4, Chapter 15 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the "South Carolina Code"), a resolution of the Commission of the District adopted on May 9, 2023, a resolution of the County Council of Beaufort County, South Carolina (the "County Council") adopted on August 14, 2023, and an ordinance of the County Council enacted on August 14, 2023. If a majority of the qualified electors of the District voting in the Referendum approve the issuance of general obligations bonds of the District, such bonds as approved may be issued by the District either at one time as a single issue or from time to time as several separate issues. The proceeds of the bonds will be used for the purpose of defraying the costs set forth in the Questions.

Every person offering to vote must be at least 18 years of age on the date of the Referendum, must reside in the County and the District, and must be duly registered on the books of registration for the County as an elector in the precinct in which he or she resides and offers to vote on or before the date on which said books of registration are closed for the Referendum.

Any person wishing to vote in this election must register:

In-person: No later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, October 6, 2023 *Email, Fax, or Online*: No later than 11:59 p.m. Sunday, October 8, 2023 *Bv Mail*: Must be postmarked by Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Beginning Monday, October 23, 2023, the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County will be open for early voting from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday until November 3, 2023. (Closed Sundays and holidays)

There are four (4) Early Voting Centers in Beaufort County:

Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County	Hilton Head Government Complex
(Main office)	539 William Hilton Pkwy
15 John Galt Rd	Hilton Head Island, SC 29928
Beaufort, SC 29906	
Bluffton Recreation Center - Gymnasium	St. Helena Branch Library
61A Ulmer Rd	6355 Jonathan Francis Senior Rd
Bluffton, SC 29910	St. Helena Island, SC 29920
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Voters will be asked to provide one of the following Photo IDs when voting in person.

- S.C. Driver's License
 - o Includes standard License and REAL ID
- S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles ID Card
 - o Includes standard ID card and REAL ID
 - o Includes SC Concealed Weapons Permit
- S.C. Voter Registration Card with Photo
- Federal Military ID
 - o Includes all Department of Defense Photo IDs and Veterans Affairs Benefits Card
- U.S. Passport
 - o Includes U.S. Passport ID Card

Voters should remember to bring one of these IDs with them to the polling place. Voters without Photo ID can get one free of charge from the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County office or the Department of Motor Vehicles. Voters who encounter an obstacle to getting a Photo ID should bring their paper voter registration card without a photo to their polling place. These voters can then sign an affidavit swearing to their identity and to their obstacle to obtaining a Photo ID and vote a provisional ballot. This ballot will count unless the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County has grounds to believe the affidavit is false. For more information on Photo ID, visit scVOTES.gov or call the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County at (843) 255-6900.

The polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the polling places designated below and shall be open during those hours without intermission or adjournment. Appropriate vote recorders will be provided at the polling places for the casting of ballots on the aforesaid question. Managers of Election will be appointed by the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County. The precincts (or portions thereof) within the District and locations of the several polling places for such Referendum are as follows:

Precinct Saint Helena 2C <u>Location</u>
Fripp Island Community Center
205 Tarpon Blvd.
St. Helena Island SC 29920

The process for examining absentee ballot returns will begin at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 5, 2023, at the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County office, 15 John Galt Rd, Beaufort, SC 29906.

At 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 9, 2023, the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Beaufort County Board of Canvassers will hold a hearing to determine the validity of all provisional ballots cast in the Referendum. This hearing will be held at the main office, located at 15 John Galt Rd., Beaufort, SC 29906.