

ORDINANCE 2018-19

BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF CERTAIN WATER/SEWER UTILITY BONDS OF THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING \$1,080,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,080,000 WATER/SEWER UTILITY REFUNDING BONDS OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Borough of Hightstown, in the County of Mercer, New Jersey (the "*Borough*"), is hereby authorized to currently refund all or a portion of the \$1,000,000 outstanding principal amount of its Water/Sewer Utility Bonds, dated March 1, 2002, originally issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$2,295,000 (the "Water/Sewer Utility Bonds") and maturing on March 1 in each of the years 2019 through 2028, inclusive (the "*Refunded Bonds*"), which Refunded Bonds are subject to redemption on or after March 1, 2011, at the option of the Borough at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds to be redeemed.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the purpose described in Section 1 hereof and the costs of issuance associated therewith, negotiable refunding bonds (the "*Refunding Bonds*") are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,080,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey (the "*Local Bond Law*").

Section 3. The Borough desires to provide for the refunding of the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds and the interest thereon in order to provide for savings in debt service as a result of lower interest rates in the bond market.

Section 4. An aggregate amount not to exceed \$30,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51(b) has been included in the aggregate principal amount of the Refunding Bonds authorized herein.

Section 5. The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough is increased by the authorization of the Refunding Bonds provided in this refunding bond ordinance by \$1,080,000, and that an amount representing the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds equal to \$1,000,000 will be deductible from gross debt. The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by law.

Section 6. A certified copy of this refunding bond ordinance as adopted on first reading has been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey prior to final adoption.

Section 7. This refunding bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law, provided that the consent of the Local Finance Board has been endorsed upon a certified copy of this ordinance as finally adopted.

Introduction: 10/01/2018

Adoption:

ATTEST:

DEBRA L. SOPRONYI
MUNICIPAL CLERK

LAWRENCE D. QUATTRONE
MAYOR