

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Dated May 24, 2016

Bonds to be sold June 2, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. E.D.S.T.

BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY-SYSTEM

Non Bank Qualified

Rating: Moody's "___" (See Ratings herein)

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing law, (i) interest on the Bonds (defined below) will be excludable from gross income of the holders thereof for purposes of federal income taxation and will not be a specific item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations and (ii) Interest on the Bonds is exempt from income taxation and the Bonds are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and all of its political subdivisions, all subject to the qualifications described herein under the heading "TAX TREATMENT."

ELECTRONIC BIDDING VIA PARITY

\$2,590,000*

CITY OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2016C

Dated: Date of Delivery

Due: July 1, as shown below

The Bonds will be issued and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds. Accordingly, principal, interest and premium, if any, on the Bonds will be paid by U. S. Bank, National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, as Paying Agent and Registrar, directly to DTC or Cede & Co., its nominee. DTC will in turn remit such principal, interest or premium to the DTC Participants (as defined herein) for subsequent distribution to the Beneficial Owners (as defined herein) of the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued in denominations of \$5,000 each or integral multiples thereof. The Bonds will bear interest payable on January 1, 2017 and thereafter semiannually on each July 1 and January 1.

The Bonds maturing on or after July 1, 2027 shall be subject to prior redemption at the option of the City on or after July 1, 2026, as discussed herein.

SCHEDULE OF MATURITIES

Due	CUSIP# 690887	Amount	Rate	Yield	Due	CUSIP# 690887	Amount	Rate	Yield
7/1/18		110,000			7/1/28		135,000		
7/1/19		110,000			7/1/29		140,000		
7/1/20		115,000			7/1/30		145,000		
7/1/21		115,000			7/1/31		150,000		
7/1/22		120,000			7/1/32		155,000		
7/1/23		120,000			7/1/33		160,000		
7/1/24		120,000			7/1/34		165,000		
7/1/25		125,000			7/1/35		170,000		
7/1/26		130,000			7/1/36		175,000		
7/1/27		130,000							

Purchaser's Option - The Purchaser of the Bonds may specify to the Financial Advisor that any Bonds may be combined with immediately succeeding sequential maturities into a Term Bond or Term Bonds, bearing a single rate of interest, with the maturities set forth above (or as may be adjusted as provided herein being subject to mandatory redemption in such maturities for such Term Bond(s)).

The City deems this Official Statement to be final for purposes of Security and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12.

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the approval of legality and tax exemption by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Bond Counsel, Covington, Kentucky. Certain legal matters have been passed upon for the City by Edward Ray, Esq., City Attorney. The Bonds are expected to be available for delivery on or about June 16, 2016.

THIS COVER PAGE CONTAINS CERTAIN INFORMATION FOR QUICK REFERENCE ONLY. IT IS NOT A SUMMARY OF THIS ISSUE. INVESTORS MUST READ THE ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ESSENTIAL TO THE MAKING OF AN INFORMED INVESTMENT DECISION.

*Preliminary, Subject to Permitted Adjustment

FIRST KENTUCKY SECURITIES CORPORATION
Financial Advisor

This Preliminary Official Statement and the information contained herein are subject to completion and revision in a final Official Statement. Under no circumstances shall this Preliminary Official Statement constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these Series 2016C Bonds in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to registration, qualification, or exemption under the securities laws of such jurisdiction.

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REGARDING THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

This Official Statement does not constitute an offering of any security other than the original offering of the Bonds of the City. No dealer, broker, salesman or other person has been authorized by the City to give any information or to make any representation, other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the City. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale.

The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the City since the date hereof.

Upon issuance, the Bonds will not be registered by the City under any federal or state securities law, and will not be listed on any stock or other securities exchange. Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other federal, state, municipal or other governmental entity or agency except the City will have, at the request of the City, passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Official Statement or approved the Bonds for sale.

All financial and other information presented in this Official Statement has been provided by the City from its records, except for information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of information, including tables of receipts from taxes and other sources, is intended to show recent historic information, and is not intended to indicate future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the City. No representation is made that past experience, as is shown by that financial and other information, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future.

Insofar as the statements contained in this Official Statement involve matters of opinion or estimates, even if not expressly stated as such, such statements are made as such and not as representations of fact or certainty, no representation is made that any of such statements have been or will be realized, and such statements should be regarded as suggesting independent investigation or consultation of other sources prior to the making of investment decisions. Certain information may not be current; however, attempts were made to date and document sources of information. Neither this Official Statement nor any oral or written representations by or on behalf of the City preliminary to sale of the Bonds should be regarded as part of the City's contract with the successful bidder or the holders from time to time of the Bonds.

References herein to provisions of Kentucky law, whether codified in the Kentucky Revised Statutes ("KRS") or uncodified, or to the provisions of the Kentucky Constitution or the City's ordinances or resolutions, are references to such provisions as they presently exist. Any of these provisions may from time to time be amended, repealed or supplemented.

As used in this Official Statement, "debt service" means principal of, interest and any premium on, the obligations referred to; "City" means the City of Owensboro; and "State" or "Kentucky" means the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT

\$2,590,000*
CITY OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
SERIES 2016C

Dated: Date of Delivery

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Official Statement, which includes the cover page and appendices hereto, is to provide certain information with respect to the issuance of \$2,590,000* aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016C, of the City of Owensboro, Kentucky (the "City") as specified on the cover hereof.

This introduction is not a summary of this Official Statement. It is only a brief description of and guide to, and is qualified by, more complete and detailed information contained in the entire Official Statement, including the cover page and appendices hereto, and the documents summarized or described herein. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement. The offering of Bonds to potential investors is made only by means of the entire Official Statement.

The Issuer

The Bonds are being issued by the City of Owensboro, Kentucky, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The City is in Daviess County in West Central Kentucky.

Sources of Payment for the Bonds

The Bonds are general obligation debt of the City. The basic security for the Bonds is the City's ability to levy an annual tax to pay the interest on and principal of the Bonds as and when the same become due and payable. (See "Security and Source of Payment for the Bonds," herein).

Purpose of the Bonds

The Series 2016C Bonds are being issued for the purpose of paying (i) a portion of the costs of the construction, installation and equipping of an approximately 47,000 square foot building to be located at 311 West Second Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, to be owned by the Issuer and leased to International Bluegrass Music Museum, Inc., a Kentucky nonprofit corporation ("Lessee"), for use by the Lessee as a museum and performance center in furtherance of the nonprofit purposes of the Lessee; and (ii) the costs of issuance of the 2016A Bonds.

Description of the Bonds

The Bonds mature as indicated on the cover page hereof. The Bonds are being offered in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (within the same maturity).

Redemption

The Bonds maturing on and after July 1, 2027 shall be subject to optional redemption prior to their maturity on any date on or after July 1, 2026, in whole or in part, in any order of maturity selected by the City and by lot within a maturity, at the election of the City upon 45 days' written notice to the Paying Agent and Registrar (as hereinafter defined) at a redemption price equal to the par amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

*Preliminary, Subject to Adjustment

Book Entry

Unless the successful purchaser notifies the City in writing within twenty-four hours of the award of the Bonds that it has elected (at such purchaser's expense) to take physical delivery of the Bonds, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Bonds and the Bonds initially will be issued solely in book-entry form to be held in the book-entry only system maintained by DTC. So long as such book-entry system is used, only DTC will receive or have the right to receive physical delivery of Bonds and, except as otherwise provided herein with respect to Beneficial Owners (as defined below) of beneficial ownership interests, Beneficial Owners will not be or be considered to be, and will not have any rights as, owners or holders of the Bonds under the Resolution.

The following information about the book-entry only system applicable to the Bonds has been supplied by DTC. Neither the City nor the Paying Agent and Registrar make any representations, warranties or guarantees with respect to its accuracy or completeness.

DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond will be issued for in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 2 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments from over 85 countries that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of Direct Participants of DTC and Members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Government Securities Clearing Corporation, MBS Clearing Corporation, and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation, (NSCC, GSCC, MBSCC, and EMCC, also subsidiaries of DTCC), as well as by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC, and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has Standard & Poor's highest rating: AAA. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements

among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Paying Agent and Registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Paying Agent and Registrar as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Paying Agent and Registrar, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with Bonds held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name" and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC or its nominee, the Paying Agent and Registrar or the City, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and interest payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the City or the Paying Agent and Registrar, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

A Beneficial Owner shall give notice to elect to have its Bonds purchased or tendered, through its Participant, to the Remarketing Agent and shall effect delivery of such Bonds by causing the Direct Participant to transfer the Participant's interest in the Bonds, on DTC's records, to the Remarketing Agent. The requirement for physical delivery of Bonds in connection with an optional tender or a mandatory purchase will be deemed satisfied when the ownership rights in the Bonds are transferred by Direct Participants on DTC's records and followed by a book-entry credit of tendered Bonds to the Remarketing Agent's DTC account.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the City believes to be reliable but neither the City nor the Paying Agent and Registrar take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

NEITHER THE CITY NOR THE PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR WILL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT, INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OR ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OR ANY OTHER PERSON NOT SHOWN ON THE REGISTRATION BOOKS OF THE PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR AS BEING A HOLDER WITH RESPECT TO: (1) THE BONDS; (2) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT; (3) THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT DUE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER IN RESPECT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF TENDERED BONDS OR THE PRINCIPAL OR REDEMPTION PRICE OF OR INTEREST ON THE BONDS; (4) THE DELIVERY BY ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY NOTICE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER WHICH IS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE RESOLUTION TO BE GIVEN TO HOLDERS; (5) THE SELECTION OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENT IN THE EVENT OF ANY PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS; OR (6) ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC AS HOLDER.

Each Beneficial Owner for whom a Direct Participant or Indirect Participant acquires an interest in the Bonds, as nominee, may desire to make arrangements with such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant to receive a credit balance in the records of such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant, to have all notices of redemption, elections to tender Bonds or other communications to or by DTC which may affect such Beneficial Owner forwarded in writing by such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant, and to have notification made of all debt service payments. Beneficial Owners

may be charged a sum sufficient to cover any tax, fee, or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation to any transfer or exchange of their interests in the Bonds.

The City and the Paying Agent and Registrar cannot and do not give any assurances that DTC, Direct Participants, Indirect Participants or others will distribute payments of debt service on the Bonds made to DTC or its nominee as the registered owner, or any redemption or other notices, to the Beneficial Owners, or that they will do so on a timely basis, or that DTC, Direct Participants or Indirect Participants will serve and act in the manner described in this Official Statement.

DTC may determine to discontinue providing its service as securities depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving notice to the City and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law. In such event, the Resolution provides for issuance of fully registered Bonds ("Replacement Bonds") directly to the Beneficial Owners of Bonds, other than DTC or its nominee, only in the event that DTC resigns or is removed as the securities depository for the Bonds. Upon the occurrence of this event, the City and the Paying Agent and Registrar may appoint another qualified depository. If the City and the Paying Agent and Registrar fail to appoint a successor depository, the Bonds shall be withdrawn from DTC and issued in fully registered form, whereupon the City shall execute and the Paying Agent and Registrar, as authenticating agent, shall authenticate and deliver Replacement Bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. The City will pay for all costs and expenses of printing, executing and authenticating the Replacement Bonds. Transfer and exchange of such Replacement Bonds shall be made as provided in the Resolution.

Tax Treatment

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based upon present laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of delivery of the Bonds, and assuming continuing compliance with certain covenants made by the City and the Lessee, interest on the Bonds is excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes upon the conditions and subject to the limitations set forth herein under "Tax Matters." Interest on the Bonds held by corporations is includable in the computation of such corporations' adjusted current earnings and modified alternative minimum taxable income. Receipt of interest on the Bonds may result in other federal income tax consequences to certain owners of the Bonds.

Interest on the Bonds is also exempt from Kentucky income tax and the Bonds are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.

The City has not designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" with respect to certain financial institutions under Section 265 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

See "TAX TREATMENT" herein and Appendix E for the form of the opinion Bond Counsel proposes to deliver in connection with the Bonds.

Parties to the Issuance of the Bonds

The Registrar and Paying Agent is U. S. Bank National Association, Louisville, Kentucky. Legal matters incident to the issuance of the Bonds and with regard to the tax status of the interest thereon are subject to the approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Covington, Kentucky, Bond Counsel. The Financial Advisor to the City is First Kentucky Securities Corporation.

Authority for Issuance

Authority for the issuance of the Bonds is provided by Sections 66.011 through 66.171 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and an ordinance (the "Ordinance") adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the City on May 3, 2016.

Disclosure Information

This Official Statement speaks only as of its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. This Official Statement and continuing disclosure documents of the City are intended to be made available through one or more repositories. Copies of the basic documentation relating to the Bonds, including the Ordinance and the bond forms, are available from the City.

The City deems this Preliminary Official Statement to be final for the purposes of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), except for certain information on the cover page hereof, and certain pages herein which have been omitted in accordance with the Rule and will be provided with the final Official Statement.

Additional Information

Additional information concerning this Official Statement, as well as copies of the basic documentation relating to the Bonds, is available from First Kentucky Securities Corporation, Financial Advisor to the City of Owensboro, 377 East Main Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507, telephone (859) 425-1100, Attention: Stan Kramer.

DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS

The Bonds are dated the date of delivery (expected June 16, 2016) and bear interest from such date at the rates set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement. The Bonds are being issued as fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

Interest on the Bonds is payable semi-annually on January 1 and July 1, commencing January 1, 2017. The record dates for January 1 and July 1 interest payment dates shall be the preceding December 15 and June 15, respectively.

Optional Redemption

The Bonds maturing on and after July 1, 2027 shall be subject to optional redemption prior to their maturity on any date on or after July 1, 2026, in whole or in part, in any order of maturity selected by the City and by lot within a maturity, at the election of the City upon 45 days' written notice to the Paying Agent and Registrar (as hereinafter defined) at a redemption price equal to the par amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Notice of Redemption

At least thirty (30) days before the redemption date of any Bonds subject to optional or mandatory sinking fund redemption, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall cause a notice of such redemption either in whole or in part, signed by the Paying Agent and Registrar, to be mailed, first class, postage prepaid, to all registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed at their addresses as they appear on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent and Registrar, but failure to mail any such notice shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for such redemption of Bonds for which such notice has been sent. Each such notice shall set forth the date fixed for redemption, the redemption price to be paid and, if less than all of the Bonds being payable by their terms on a single date then outstanding shall be called for redemption, the distinctive number or letters, if any, of such Bonds to be redeemed.

U.S. Bank National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, has been appointed Paying Agent and Registrar for the Bonds.

Security and Source of Payment for Bonds

The Bonds are general obligations of the City and the full faith, credit and taxing power of the City is irrevocably pledged to the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. Payments by the Lessee to the City for the use of the Project are not pledged to the payment of the Bonds.

The basic security for the general obligation debt of the City, including the Bonds, is the City's ability to levy, and its pledge to levy, an annual tax to pay the interest on and principal of the Bonds as and when the same become due and payable. The tax must be levied in sufficient amount to pay, as the same become due, the principal of and interest on the Bonds as well as the principal of and interest on all outstanding general obligation bonds and bond anticipation notes of the City. The Constitution of the State mandates the collection of a tax sufficient to pay the interest on an authorized indebtedness and the creation of a sinking fund for the payment of the principal thereof. The Ordinance levies such annual tax which shall be collected to the extent other lawfully available moneys of the City are not provided. The Ordinance also creates a sinking fund into which the proceeds of such tax or other lawfully available moneys of the City are to be deposited for payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds and shall not be used for any other purpose.

Chapter 9 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code contains provisions relating to the adjustment of debts of a State's political subdivisions, public agencies and instrumentalities ("eligible entity"), such as the City. Under the Bankruptcy Code and in certain circumstances described therein, an eligible entity may be authorized to initiate Chapter 9 proceedings without prior notice to or consent of its creditors, which proceedings may result in material and adverse modification or alteration of the rights of its secured and unsecured creditors, including holders of its bonds and notes.

Section 66.400 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes permits a political subdivision, such as the City, for the purpose of enabling such subdivision to take advantage of the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, and for that purpose only, to file a petition stating that the subdivision is insolvent or unable to meet its debts as they mature, and that it desires to effect a

plan for the composition or readjustment of its debts, and to take such further proceedings as are set forth in the Bankruptcy Code as they relate to such subdivision. No taxing subdivision is permitted, in availing itself of the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, to scale down, cut down or reduce the principal sum of its securities except that interest thereon may be reduced in whole or in part.

THE PROJECT

The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of paying a portion of the costs of the construction, installation and equipping of an approximately 47,000 square foot building to be located at 311 West Second Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, (the "Project") to be owned by the Issuer and leased to International Bluegrass Music Museum, Inc., a Kentucky nonprofit corporation ("Lessee"), for use by the Lessee as a museum and performance center in furtherance of the nonprofit purposes of the Lessee. The total Project cost is \$15,300,000, and funding sources include:

Commonwealth of Kentucky grant	\$5,000,000
Private donations	\$4,400,000
Daviess County	\$ 500,000
City of Owensboro Series 2013C bonds	\$3,000,000
City of Owensboro Series 2016C bonds	<u>\$2,400,000</u>
TOTAL	\$15,300,000

Estimated Sources and Uses of Funds

Sources of Funds

Par Amount of Bonds	\$2,590,000
Intl. Bluegrass Music Museum, Inc. cash contribution	<u>35,300</u>
Total	\$2,625,300

Uses of Funds

Construction Cost	\$2,450,000
Underwriter's Discount	38,850
Costs of Issuance	32,957
Capitalized Interest	101,828
Rounding Amount	<u>1,665</u>
Total	2,625,300

INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The Bonds, like all obligations of state and local government, are subject to changes in value due to changes in the condition of the tax-exempt bond market and/or changes in the financial condition of the City.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds may need to consult their own tax advisors prior to any purchase of the Bonds as to the impact of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, upon their acquisition, holding or disposition of the Bonds.

It is possible under certain market conditions, or if the financial condition of the City should change, that the market price of the Bonds could be adversely affected.

With regard to the risk involved in a lowering of the City's bond rating, see "RATINGS" herein. With regard to creditors' rights, see "SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR BONDS" herein.

PROFILE OF THE CITY AND SURROUNDING AREA

Demographic, economic and financial information with respect to the City and the surrounding area is set forth in Appendix A hereto.

CITY GOVERNMENT

Organization and Major Offices

The City operates pursuant to the general statutes of the Commonwealth of Kentucky governing municipalities.

Elected and Appointed Officials

The City operates under a City Manager form of government. The Owensboro Board of Commissioners (the "Board") is made up of a Mayor and four Commissioners elected at large by the citizens on a non-partisan ballot. The Mayor is elected for a four-year term and Commissioners for a two-year term. The Mayor and Commissioners have equal voting power.

The Board sets the policies that govern the City. It appoints advisory citizen groups that help in the decision making process. The City Manager is hired by the Board and is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the City's employees. The department managers are responsible for their various departments and report to the City Manager.

Financial Matters

The Finance and Support Services Director is the chief fiscal officer of the City, and is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Board. The Finance and Support Services Director is responsible for the accounting, collection, custody and disbursement of the funds of the City.

The City's fiscal year commences July 1 and ends the following June 30.

The administrative functions of the City are performed by or under the supervision of the following:

1. Establishment of overall financial policy, the Board.
2. Planning and development, the Mayor and Manager.
3. Assessment of real and personal property, the Daviess County Property Valuation Administrator.
4. Financial control functions, the Manager and the Finance and Support Services Director.
5. Inspection and supervision of the accounts and reports of the City as required by law, by the Kentucky Auditor of Public Accounts and by independent certified public accountants.

Financial Management

The Board is responsible for appropriating the funds used to support the various City activities. The Board exercises its legislative powers by budgeting, appropriating, levying taxes, issuing bonds and notes, and letting contracts for public works and services to provide this financial management.

Financial Reports and Examinations of Accounts

Each city in the State is required to keep its accounting records and render financial reports in such a way as to: (a) determine compliance with statutory provisions; (b) determine fairly and with full disclosure the financial operations of consistent funds and account groups of the city in conformity with generally accepted governmental accounting principles; and (c) readily provide such financial data as may be required by the federal revenue sharing program.

Municipal accounting systems are required to be organized and operated on a fund basis. The City maintains its accounts and other fiscal records on an appropriation and modified accrual basis in accordance with the procedures established and prescribed by the Kentucky Department for Local Government.

As required by law, financial reports are prepared annually by the City and filed with the Kentucky Department of Local Government. Audits are required to be completed by the February 1st immediately following the fiscal year being audited.

The accounting procedures prescribed by the Kentucky Department of Local Government are generally applicable to all cities in Kentucky and may be different from generally accepted government accounting principles as presented and recommended in the National Council on Governmental Accounting publication "Governmental Accounting Auditing and Financial Reporting," and the Industry Audit Guide of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, entitled "Audits of State and Local Governmental Units." Those publications, among other things, provide for a modified accrual basis of accounting for the general fund, all special revenue funds and the debt service fund, and for a full accrual basis of

accounting for all other funds, and further provide for the preparation for each fund of balance sheets, statements of revenues and expenditures, and statements showing changes in fund balances.

Budgeting and Appropriations Procedures

Detailed provisions for City budgeting, tax levies and appropriations are made in the Kentucky Revised Statutes. Cities are required to operate under an annual budget ordinance and no City may expend any moneys from a governmental or proprietary fund except in accordance with such budget. A budget proposal must be submitted to the City's legislative body no later than 30 days prior to the beginning of the fiscal year covered by the budget. No budget ordinance may be adopted which provides for appropriations to exceed revenues in a fiscal year. The full amount estimated to be required for debt service during the budget year must be appropriated.

Investment Policies

Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes sets forth the requirements and limitations for investments of the state's political subdivisions, including the City. Under that Section, the City must adopt an investment policy and may invest its funds only in the classifications of obligations which are eligible for investment, which are as follows:

- (a) Obligations of the United States and of its agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations subject to repurchase agreements, if delivery of these obligations subject to repurchase agreements is taken either directly or through an authorized custodian. These investments may be accomplished through repurchase agreements reached with sources including, but not limited to, national or state banks chartered in Kentucky;
- (b) Obligations and contracts for future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States or a United States governmental agency, including but not limited to:
 - 1. United States Treasury;
 - 2. Export-Import Bank of the United States;
 - 3. Farmers Home Administration;
 - 4. Governmental National Mortgage Corporation; and
 - 5. Merchant Marine bonds;(c) Obligations of any corporation of the United States government, including but not limited to:
 - 1. Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation;
 - 2. Federal Farm Credit Banks;
 - 3. Bank for Cooperatives;
 - 4. Federal Intermediate Credit Banks;
 - 5. Federal Land Banks;
 - 6. Federal Home Loan Banks;
 - 7. Federal National Mortgage Association; and
 - 8. Tennessee Valley Authority;
- (d) Certificates of deposit issued by or other interest-bearing accounts of any bank or savings and loan institution which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or similar entity or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligations permitted by KRS 41.240(d);
- (e) Uncollateralized certificates of deposit issued by any bank or savings and loan institutions rated in one (1) of the three (3) highest categories by a nationally recognized rating agency;
- (f) Bankers' acceptances for banks rated in one (1) of the three (3) highest categories by a nationally recognized rating agency;
- (g) Commercial paper rated in the highest category by a nationally recognized rating agency;
- (h) Bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state and of its agencies and instrumentalities;
- (i) Securities issued by a state or local government, or any instrumentality of agency thereof, in the United States, and rated in one (1) of the three highest categories by a nationally recognized rating agency; and
- (j) Shares of mutual funds, each of which shall have the following characteristics;

1. The mutual fund shall be an open-end diversified investment company registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended;
2. The management company of the investment company shall have been in operation for at least five (5) years; and
3. All of the securities in the mutual fund shall be investments described in (a) through (i) above.

The obligations invested in, in any event, shall mature not later than the time funds may be needed for the payments of Bond requirements. Any deposit in the Bond Fund in excess of FDIC coverage not so invested shall be earmarked and secured by a pledge of an equivalent amount of United States Government obligations or Bonds of the issue herein authorized until expended. In the event checks are required to accomplish the investment of funds in the Bond Fund, such checks shall be signed by the Treasurer of the Board, although such checks are not now contemplated. To the extent that the investment of Bond Fund monies generate funds in excess of the then current principal and interest requirements on the Bonds, the Board's obligation under the Lease shall be reduced in a like amount for the semi-annual period in question.

Debt Limitation

Kentucky Constitution Section 158 provides that cities shall not incur indebtedness to an amount exceeding the following maximum percentages on the value of the taxable property therein, to be estimated by the last assessment previous to the incurring of the indebtedness:

- (a) Cities having a population of fifteen thousand (15,000) or more, ten percent (10%);
- (b) Cities having a population of less than fifteen thousand (15,000) but not less than three thousand, five percent (5%);
and
- (c) Cities having a population of less than three thousand (3,000), three percent (3%).

Nothing shall prevent the issue of renewal bonds, or bonds to fund the floating indebtedness of any city, county, or taxing district. Subject to the limits and conditions set forth in that section and elsewhere in the Constitution, the General Assembly has the power to establish additional limits on indebtedness and conditions under which debt may be incurred by cities.

KRS 66.041 provides the same limitations as are set forth in the Constitution except that the limitations apply to "net indebtedness". In calculating "net indebtedness," KRS 66.031 provides that certain obligations of a municipality are not to be considered in the calculation, including self-supporting obligations, revenue bonds, and special assessment debt. (For a complete list of exempt debt see the Statement of Indebtedness attached as Appendix D.)

Other infrequently-issued types of obligations are also excluded from the calculation of net indebtedness. The City has no such obligations outstanding. Notes issued in anticipation of bonds excluded from the calculation of net indebtedness are also excluded from such calculation.

Appendix D of this Official Statement is a Statement of Indebtedness for the City, certified by the City, calculating the amount of the outstanding obligations of the City (including the Bonds) which are subject to the total direct debt limit (10% limit). The total principal amount of general obligation debt that could be issued by the City, subject to the 10% total direct debt limitation is \$330,211,564 and the City's net debt subject to such limitation presently outstanding (including the Bonds) is \$140,950,695 leaving a balance of approximately \$189,260,869 borrowing capacity issuable within such limitation. However, as described below, the City's ability to incur debt in these amounts is restricted by tax limitations. In the case of general obligation debt, both the debt limitations and tax limitations must be met.

Tax Limitation

The Kentucky Constitution Section 157 also indirectly imposes a debt limitation on general obligation indebtedness of Cities by limiting the tax rates cities may impose upon the value of taxable property, as follows:

- (a) cities having a population of fifteen thousand or more, one dollar and fifty cents on each hundred dollars of assessed value;

- (b) cities having a population of less than fifteen thousand and not less than ten thousand, one dollar on each hundred dollars of assessed value; and
- (c) cities having a population of less than ten thousand, seventy-five cents on the hundred dollars.

Section 159 of the Kentucky Constitution requires the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on contracted indebtedness and to retire indebtedness over a period not exceeding forty years. The two constitutional provisions operate as a limit on general obligation debt. Because the indirect debt limit results from tax limitations and the requirement to levy taxes to pay debt charges, it has application only to debts which are payable from taxes either initially or in the event other pledged non-tax revenues prove to be insufficient. It does not have any application where the type of debt being issued does not pledge the credit of the municipality or when the debt is payable solely out of the revenues of non-tax sources, such as utility income.

Appendix D of this Official Statement contains a Statement of Indebtedness, certified by the City, setting forth the real property tax rate currently levied by the City (.2593) and certifying that the issuance of the Bonds will not cause such rate to increase to an amount which would exceed the maximum permissible rate.

Bond Anticipation Notes

Under Kentucky law, notes, including renewal notes, issued in anticipation of general obligation bonds may be issued from time to time upon the same terms and conditions as bonds except that notes may be sold by private negotiated sale in a manner determined or authorized by the legislative authority.

The ability of the City to retire bond anticipation notes from the proceeds of the sale of either renewal notes or bonds will be dependent upon the marketability of such renewal notes or bonds under market conditions then prevailing.

Future Borrowings of the City

From time to time public interest groups approach the City with proposals for the financing of various projects. At the present time, the City does not anticipate issuing additional General Obligation Bonds in 2016. The City regularly reviews and considers public projects for future funding that may be in the best interests of the residents of the City.

LEGAL MATTERS

General Information

Legal matters incident to the issuance of the Bonds and with regard to the tax-exempt status thereof are subject to the approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Bond Counsel. Upon delivery of the Bonds of the City to the successful bidder therefor, the Bonds will be accompanied by an approving opinion dated the date of such delivery, rendered by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP. A draft of such legal opinion for the Bonds is attached as Appendix E.

Said firm as Bond Counsel has performed certain functions to assist the City in the preparation by the City of its Official Statement. However, said firm assumes no responsibility for, and will express no opinion regarding the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement or any other information relating to the City or the Bonds that may be made available by the City or others to the bidders or holders of the Bonds or others.

The engagement of said firm as Bond Counsel is limited to the preparation of certain of the documents contained in the transcript of proceedings with regard to the Bonds, and an examination of such transcript proceedings incident to rendering its legal opinion. In its capacity as Bond Counsel, said firm has reviewed the information in this Official Statement under Sections entitled "General Information" as to legal matters, "Authority for Issuance", "Security and Source of Payment for Bonds", "Debt Limitation", "Tax Limitation" and "Tax Exemption", which review did not include any independent verification of financial statements and statistical data included therein, if any.

Transcript and Closing Certificates

A complete transcript of proceedings, a no-litigation certificate and other appropriate closing documents will be delivered by the City when the Bonds are delivered to the original purchaser. The City will also provide to the original purchaser, at the time of such delivery, a certificate from the City's Mayor and/or Clerk addressed to such purchaser relating to the accuracy and completeness of this Official Statement.

Litigation

To the knowledge of the City, no litigation or administrative action or proceeding is pending or threatened directly affecting the Bonds, the security for the Bonds or the improvements being refinanced from the proceeds of the Bonds. A No-Litigation Certificate to that effect will be delivered to the purchaser at the time of the delivery of the Bonds.

TAX TREATMENT

General

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions, interest on the Bonds will be excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds will not be a specific item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code for purposes of the federal individual and corporate alternative minimum taxes. Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds is exempt from Kentucky income taxation and the Bonds are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its agencies or political subdivisions.

The substantially final form of the opinion of Bond Counsel for the Bonds is set forth in APPENDIX E, attached hereto.

The Code imposes various restrictions, conditions, and requirements relating to the qualification of the Bonds as so-called "tax-exempt bonds." Both the City and the Lessee have covenanted to comply with certain restrictions designed to ensure that interest on Bonds will not be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with these covenants could result in the Bonds not qualifying as "tax-exempt bonds" and thus interest on the Bonds being includable in the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes. Such failure to qualify and the resulting inclusion of interest could be required retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The opinion of Bond Counsel assumes compliance with these covenants. However, Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine (or to inform any person) whether any actions taken (or not taken) or events occurring (or not occurring) after the date of issuance of the Bonds may adversely affect the federal or Kentucky tax status of the Bonds.

Certain requirements and procedures contained, or referred to, in the Bond Indenture, the Tax Agreement and other relevant documents may be changed and certain actions (including, without limitation, defeasance of the Bonds) may be taken or omitted under the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in such documents. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to the Bonds or the interest thereon if any such change occurs or action is taken or omitted upon the advice or approval of bond counsel other than Dinsmore & Shohl LLP.

Although Bond Counsel for the Bonds is of the opinion that interest on the Bonds is excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes and the above-described opinions with respect to state and local taxation, the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds may otherwise affect a holder's federal, state or local tax liabilities. The nature and extent of these other tax consequences may depend upon the particular tax status of the holder or the holder's other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel expresses no opinions regarding any tax consequences other than what is set forth in its opinion and each holder or potential holder is urged to consult with tax counsel with respect to the effects of purchasing, holding or disposing the Bonds on the tax liabilities of the individual or entity.

For example, although Bond Counsel is of the opinion that interest on the Bonds is not a specific item of tax preference for the federal alternative minimum tax, corporations are required to include all tax-exempt interest in determining "adjusted current earnings" under Section 56(c) of the Code, which may increase the amount of any alternative minimum tax owed. Receipt of tax-exempt interest, ownership or disposition of the Bonds may result in other collateral federal, state or local tax consequence for certain taxpayers. Such effects may include, without limitation, increasing the federal tax liability of certain foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by § 884 of the Code, increasing the federal tax liability of certain insurance companies, under § 832 of the Code, increasing the federal tax liability and affecting the status of certain S Corporations subject to §§ 1362 and 1375 of the Code, increasing the federal tax liability of certain individual recipients of Social Security or the Railroad Retirement benefits, under Section 86 of the Code and, for tax years beginning in 1997, limiting the amount of the Earned Income Credit under Section 32 of the Code that might otherwise be available. Ownership of any Bonds may also result in the limitation of interest and certain other deductions for financial institutions and certain other taxpayers, pursuant to § 265 of the Code. Finally, residence of the holder of Bonds in a state other than Kentucky or being subject to tax in a state other than Kentucky, may result in income or other tax liabilities being imposed by such states or their political subdivisions based on the interest or other income from the Bonds.

The City has not designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under Section 265 of the Code.

Original Issue Discount

The Bonds having a yield that is higher than the interest rate (as shown on the inside cover page hereof) are being offered and sold to the public at an original issue discount ("OID") from the amounts payable at maturity thereon (the "Discount Bonds"). OID is the excess of the stated redemption price of a bond at maturity (the face amount) over the "issue price" of such bond. The issue price is the initial offering price to the public (other than to bond houses, brokers or similar persons acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at which a substantial amount of bonds of the same maturity are sold pursuant to that initial offering. For federal income tax purposes, OID on each bond will accrue over the term of the bond, and for the Discount Bonds, the amount of accretion will be based on a single rate of interest, compounded semiannually (the "yield to maturity"). The amount of OID that accrues during each semi-annual period will do so ratably over that period on a daily basis. With respect to an initial purchaser of a Discount Bond at its issue price, the portion of OID that accrues during the period that such purchaser owns the Discount Bond is added to such purchaser's tax basis for purposes of determining gain or loss at the maturity, redemption, sale or other disposition of that Discount Bond and thus, in practical effect, is treated as stated interest, which is excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Holders of Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the treatment of OID and the tax consequences of the purchase of such Discount Bonds other than at the issue price during the initial public offering and as to the treatment of OID for state tax purposes.

Original Issue Premium

"Acquisition Premium" is the excess of the cost of a bond over the stated redemption price of such bond at maturity or, for bonds that have one or more earlier call dates, the amount payable at the next earliest call date. The Bonds that bear an interest rate that is higher than the yield (as shown on the inside cover page hereof), are being initially offered and sold to the public at an Acquisition Premium (the "Premium Bonds"). For federal income tax purposes, the amount of Acquisition Premium on each bond the interest on which is excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes ("tax-exempt bonds") must be amortized and will reduce the bondholder's adjusted basis in that bond. However, no amount of amortized Acquisition Premium on tax-exempt bonds may be deducted in determining bondholder's taxable income for federal income tax purposes. The amount of any Acquisition Premium paid on the Premium Bonds, or on any of the Bonds, that must be amortized during any period will be based on the "constant yield" method, using the original bondholder's basis in such bonds and compounding semiannually. This amount is amortized ratably over that semiannual period on a daily basis.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF THE BONDS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS PRIOR TO ANY PURCHASE OF THE BONDS AS TO THE IMPACT OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 AS AMENDED, UPON THEIR ACQUISITION, HOLDING OR DISPOSITION OF THE BONDS.

RATING

As noted on the cover page of this Official Statement, Moody's Investor's Service ("Moody's") has assigned its municipal bond rating of "___", to this issue of Bonds.

Such rating reflects only the view of said organization. Any explanation of the significance of such rating may only be obtained from Moody's, at the following address: Moody's Investors Service, 7 World Trade Center at 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007.

There can be no assurance that a rating when assigned will continue for any given period of time or that it will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency if in its judgment circumstances so warrant. Any such downward change in or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the marketability and/or market price of the Bonds.

The City presently expects to furnish such rating agency with information and material that it may request on future general obligation bond issues. However, the City assumes no obligation to furnish requested information and materials, and may issue debt for which a rating is not requested. Failure to furnish requested information and materials, or the issuance of debt for which a rating is not requested, may result in the suspension or withdrawal of the rating agency's ratings on outstanding general obligation bonds.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") and so long as the Bonds are outstanding the City (the "Obligated Person") will agree pursuant to a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking dated as of

June 16, 2016 (the "Disclosure Undertaking"), to be delivered on the date of delivery of the Bonds, to cause the following information to be provided:

- (i) to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"), certain annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units, generally consistent with the information contained in "Appendix A" under the headings, "Tax Base Information," "Assessment Rates," and "Tax Collections," and "Appendix C" ("Comprehensive Annual Financial Report") of the Official Statement; such information shall be provided within 210 days following the fiscal year ending on the preceding June 30, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, provided that the audited financial statements may not be available by such date, but will be made available immediately upon delivery thereof by the auditor to the Obligated Person;
- (ii) to the MSRB, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, notice of the occurrence of the following events with respect to the Bonds:
 - (a) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
 - (b) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
 - (c) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (d) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (e) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
 - (f) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
 - (g) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
 - (h) Bond calls, except for mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event;
 - (i) Defeasances;
 - (j) Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the securities;
 - (k) Rating changes;
 - (l) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the obligated person (Note: For the purposes of this event, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: The appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for an obligated person in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person);
 - (m) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and
 - (n) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.
- (iii) in a timely manner to the MSRB, notice of a failure (of which the Obligated Persons have knowledge) of an Obligated Person to provide the required Annual Financial Information on or before the date specified in the Disclosure Undertaking.

The Disclosure Undertaking provides bondholders, including beneficial owners of the Bonds, with certain enforcement rights in the event of a failure by the Obligated Person to comply with the terms thereof; however, a default under the Disclosure Undertaking does not constitute an event of default under the Ordinance. The Disclosure Undertaking may also be amended or terminated under certain circumstances in accordance with the Rule as more fully described therein. For purposes of this transaction with respect to material events as defined under the Rule:

- (a) there are no debt service reserve funds applicable to the Bonds;
- (b) there are no credit enhancements applicable to the Bonds;

- (c) there are no liquidity providers applicable to the Bonds; and
- (d) there is no property securing the Bonds.

The City has entered into previous disclosure undertakings regarding its General Obligation debt under the Rule. To the best of the City's knowledge, the City has been in compliance with its continuing disclosure undertakings for the past five years, with the following exceptions: Financial Information for Fiscal Year 2011 was timely published but does not appear on EMMA for all of the City's bond issues bearing the same base CUSIP number. The City is taking steps to ensure that the disclosure for Fiscal Year 2011 is properly published for all bond issues bearing the same base CUSIP number. In addition, certain prior undertakings provided for continuing disclosure of debt service schedules for certain bonds. There has been no change in these schedules since the initial filing, so these disclosures have not been updated on EMMA. Certain demographic and economic and tax information related to Daviess County, Kentucky, contained in Appendices which were the subject of prior continuing disclosure undertakings do not constitute operating data of the city and the city has not updated this data on EMMA. Other demographic and economic and tax information related to the City has been updated by inclusion in the annual audited financial report.

The City has also entered into previous disclosure undertakings regarding water and sewer revenue bonds and electric revenue bonds. These utilities are operated by Owensboro Municipal Utilities. In the past five years there have been numerous rating actions reported by Moody's Investors Service, Standard & Poor's Rating Corporation and Fitch Ratings affecting the municipal bond insurance companies, some of which had insured bonds previously issued by the City and its related utility revenue entities. Due to widespread knowledge of these rating actions, material event notices were not filed by the City in each instance.

UNDERWRITING

The Bonds are being purchased for reoffering by _____ (the "Underwriter"). The Underwriter has agreed to purchase the Bonds at an aggregate purchase price of \$_____ (reflecting the par amount of the Bonds, less underwriter's discount of \$_____). The initial public offering prices which produce the yields set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement may be changed by the Underwriter and the Underwriter may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing Bonds into investment trusts) and others at prices lower than the offering prices which produce the yields set forth on the cover page.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

The Bonds will be sold by the solicitation and receipt of competitive bids. First Kentucky Securities Corporation, Frankfort, Kentucky, is Financial Advisor to the City, and will receive a fee, subject to sale and delivery of the Bonds, for its advisory services.

MISCELLANEOUS

To the extent any statements made in this Official Statement involve matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly stated to be such, such statements are made as such and not as representations of fact or certainty, and no representation is made that any of such statements will be realized. Information herein has been derived by the City from official and other sources and is believed by the City to be reliable, but such information other than that obtained from official records of the City has not been independently confirmed or verified by the City and its accuracy is not guaranteed. Neither this Official Statement nor any statement which may have been made orally or in writing is to be construed as a contract with the holders of the Bonds.

This Official Statement has been duly executed and delivered for and on behalf of the City of Owensboro, Kentucky, by its Mayor.

CITY OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY

By: /s/Ronald Payne
Mayor

APPENDIX A

City of Owensboro Demographic, Economic and Financial Data

City of Owensboro

General Information

Owensboro, originally known as "Yellowbanks" in reference to the color of the soil along the Ohio River banks, was first settled in 1797. By 1810, David Morton had opened a general store and population of the settlement grew to 100 by 1815. An 1817 Act of the Kentucky Legislature incorporated the town as "Owensborough", later shortened to "Owensboro." The Owensboro area has grown steadily, while retaining the "small town quality" of a friendly city of warm-hearted and hospitable people. Owensboro ranks as Kentucky's third largest city in terms of population and is the industrial and cultural capital of western Kentucky.

In 2013, Owensboro was named an All-American city by the National Civic League, one of only ten communities selected nationwide. Forbes Magazine ranked Owensboro #6 on their 2013 "Best Small Cities for Jobs" rankings and #62 "Best Small Places for Business and Careers," including a #24 in job growth and #37 ranking for "Low Cost of Doing Business." Other recent national recognitions include being named Kentucky's representative on Money Magazine #93 ranking on their Top 100 list of "America's Best Places to Live."

Location & Transportation



Owensboro lies on the southern banks of the Ohio River, one of the nation's major waterways, in the western Kentucky coal field region. It is situated 32 miles southeast of Evansville, IN; 123 miles north of Nashville, TN; and 109 miles southwest of Louisville, KY and has direct access via highway, rail, river and air. The William H. Natcher Bridge provides a route to Interstate 64 in Indiana. Construction has commenced on the I-69 spur and I-64 / I-65 corridor linking Owensboro to the region. The Owensboro–Davies County Regional Airport serves access to the national air transportation system and has recently positioned itself to receive \$1 million in Federal Aviation Administration funding.

Education

Quality education is a priority and education facilities in the area abound. The Owensboro Independent and Daviess County and parochial school systems provide elementary, middle and secondary school students with a quality education. The average student-teacher ratio for the public schools is 20-and 25-to-1.



Brescia University and Kentucky Wesleyan College are four-year education institutions offering Bachelor of Science and Arts degrees. The University of Louisville School of Nursing facilitates a BSN program locally in conjunction with Owensboro Health System. Owensboro Community and Technical College (“OCTC”) offers two-year Associate of Arts and Science degrees, and several doctoral degree programs via telecommunications. Daymar College is a private two-year accredited business school. Graduate programs are offered through Brescia, Western Kentucky University and Murray State University. These programs provide area residents with the opportunity to earn post-graduate degrees without leaving the city. Western Kentucky University offers Junior and Senior level college courses, as well as Graduate programs, at its Owensboro Extended Campus adjacent to the OCTC campus. Each year more than 1,500 students participate in graduate programs for credit hours. Another 500 students utilize short courses or adult education workshops each year.

Medical Facilities



The Owensboro area has an excellent hospital that is rated among the top five percent in the nation: Owensboro Health Regional Hospital. This organization serves eleven counties in Kentucky and southern Indiana. Its new \$385 million state-of-the-art hospital facility opened June 1, 2013. OMHS also leads two key initiatives for cancer research in the Owensboro region, and is accredited by the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons as a Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Arts, Entertainment & Recreation

Owensboro offers a wide range of recreational and cultural activities. The City has everything from fishing on a nearby lake to live performances of the Owensboro Symphony Orchestra, one of the finest in the state. Municipal parks provide areas for picnicking, golf, tennis, softball, football and relaxing. Water sport activities may be enjoyed on the Ohio River.

The City recently opened the only municipal ice arena in Kentucky, Edge Ice Center. The year-round facility features a 42,600 square foot arena and is the home to the Owensboro Youth Hockey Association and the Owensboro Figure Skating Club. During the summer months, the City maintains two swimming pools and a Spraypark.



The Spraypark addition to Legion Park was an enhancement to a beautiful park located in the center of Owensboro that already features basketball courts, a walking trail, playground equipment, and covered shelters. Owensboro hosts many local, state, regional and national softball and baseball tournaments at our softball complex located at Jack C. Fisher Park.

Cultural activities play a major role in the everyday lives of Owensboro residents. Owensboro RiverPark Center, a performing arts and civic center, boasts a 1,500 seat multi-purpose auditorium, and experimental theatre, a riverfront plaza, an open-air courtyard, meeting/reception rooms, and the International Bluegrass Museum. Each year the RiverPark Center hosts over 150 performance events and 900 civic events. Many cultural agencies are funded in part by the City of Owensboro. The City is also home to the Owensboro Museum of Fine Arts and the Owensboro Museum of Science and History, as well as the Owensboro Symphony Orchestra.

Demographics and workforce

<i>Total Population</i>	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Labor Market Area	491,586	492,797	494,099	495,127	496,696
Daviess County	97,298	97,847	98,218	98,336	99,259
Owensboro	57,759	58,083	58,416	58,374	58,374

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Annual Estimates.

Population by Selected Age Groups, 2014

	Daviess County		Labor Market Area	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under 16	21,281	21.7	101,738	20.6
16-24	10,888	11.1	56,939	11.5
25-44	23,891	24.3	122,162	24.7
45-64	26,489	27.0	134,853	27.2
65-84	13,565	13.8	68,563	13.9
85 and older	2,161	2.2	10,733	2.2
Median Age	39.1		39.4	

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

Population by Race and Hispanic Origin, 2014

	Daviess County		Labor Market Area	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	90,318	91.9	450,329	91.0
Black	4,903	5.0	28,819	5.8
Am. Indian & Alaska Native	136	0.1	1,269	0.3
Asian	911	0.9	5,053	1.0
Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander	132	0.1	391	0.1
Other/Multirace	1,875	1.9	9,127	1.8
Hispanic Origin	2,759	2.8	12,068	2.4

Note: Hispanic is not a race category. A person can be white, black, etc. and be of hispanic origin. Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

Population Projections

	2015	2020	2025	2030
Daviess County	99,601	102,214	104,393	106,153

Source: Kentucky State Data Center, University of Louisville.

Personal Income

	2009	2014	Pct. Change
Daviess County	\$33,511	\$39,362	17.5 %
Kentucky	\$32,251	\$37,396	16.0 %
U.S.	\$39,376	\$46,049	16.9 %
Labor Market Area Range	\$25,886- \$38,636	\$30,055-\$45,596	

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Households

	2013		2013
	Number of Households	Persons Per Household	Median Household Income
Daviess County	37,677	2.51	\$46,908

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. (Median Household Income)
Kentucky State Data Center, University of Louisville (Number of Households, Persons Per Household).

Business & Industry

Summary of Recent Locations and Expansions, 2013-Present

	Companies	Reported Jobs	Investment
Manufacturing Location	2	90	\$24,020,000
Manufacturing Expansion	22	262-317	\$101,421,322
Supportive/Service Location	0	0	\$0
Supportive/Service Expansion	0	0	\$0

Click [here](#) for detailed location and expansion information.

Note: Totals include announced locations and expansions.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development (May 03, 2016).

Employment by Major Industry by Place of Work, 2013

	Daviness County		Labor Market Area	
	Employment	Percent	Employment	Percent
All Industries	44,521	100.0	215,262	100.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	213	0.5	778	0.4
Mining	140	0.3	553	0.3
Construction	1,733	3.9	11,376	5.3
Manufacturing	5,536	12.4	32,888	15.3
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	9,295	20.9	36,738	17.1
Information	0	0.0	2,301	1.1
Financial Activities	3,344	7.5	8,682	4.0
Services	16,179	36.3	80,167	37.2
Public Administration	1,070	2.4	4,393	2.0
Other	0	0.0	N/A	N/A

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Major Business & Industry (Manufacturing & Service & Technology Firms Only)

Firm	Product(s)/Service(s)	Emp.	Year Established
Owensboro			
Bimbo Bakeries USA	Breads & rolls	150	1935
Boardwalk Pipeline Partners	Headquarters; natural gas transmissions company	207	1960
Canteen Service Co	Headquarters: vending services, coffee and food service management	275	1977
Daramic LLC	Automotive deep cycle & Industrial battery separators	158	1959
Dart Polymers Inc	Polystyrene pellets & EPS	140	1983
Glenmore Distillery, The	Whiskey, gin, vodka, wines, brandy & cocktail bottling	400	1869
Kimberly-Clark Corporation	Tissue paper & towels	340	N/A
Messenger-Inquirer	Newspaper publishing, commercial offset printing & typesetting	140	1929
Metalsa Structural Products Inc	Steel pickup truck frames (Tundra and Sequoia) and cradles (Highlanders & Siera)	211	1997

MPD Inc	Commercial tubes & components, microwave & police radar equipment, breath analyzers, ceramics & ceramic to metal seals	210	1987
Owensboro Grain Company LLC	Soybean crude oil & meal; biodiesel	162	1906
R&B Foods Inc	Tomato-based pasta sauces, pizza sauces, dairy-based Alfredo sauces, cheese sauce - All packaged in glass or plastic jars under the Ragu and Bertolli brand names.	400	1975
Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline Inc	Headquarters	468	2004
Specialty Foods Group Inc aka Field Packing Division	Processed meat products	570	1915
Swedish Match North America	Smokeless tobacco products	327	1973
Toyotetsu Mid America LLC	Automotive stampings and welded assemblies	550	2002
Unifirst	Uniform distribution	375	1998
US Bank Home Mortgage	Loan servicing, correspondent lending risk services, data center.	2077	1992
Yager Materials LLC	Ready-mixed concrete, crushed limestone, sand & gravel	192	1914
Philpot			
Premium Allied Tool Inc	Precision metal stampings, deep draw stampings, wire forms & strip forms	146	1966

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development (May 03, 2016).

Tax Base Information

<u>Year</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Tangible Personal (1)</u>	<u>Real Estate Franchise</u>	<u>Tangible Franchise</u>	<u>Total Assessed Value</u>
15/16	\$2,902,109,087	\$344,568,191	\$23,942,484	\$31,495,873	\$3,302,115,635
14/15	2,835,131,548	326,911,764	23,262,348	47,145,593	3,232,451,253
13/14	2,778,153,246	321,912,768	27,954,015	49,960,972	3,177,981,001
12/13	2,705,000,357	323,853,657	27,954,015	49,960,972	3,106,769,001
11/12	2,654,566,364	304,153,090	25,725,162	50,423,188	3,034,867,804

(1) Does Not Include Motor Vehicles and Watercraft.

Assessment Rates (per \$100.00 assessed valuation)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Tangible Personal</u>	<u>Real Estate Franchise</u>	<u>Tangible Franchise</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>Watercraft</u>
15/16	.2593	.2631	.2593	.2631	.3030	.3030
14/15	.2593	.2713	.2593	.2713	.3030	.3030
13/14	.2593	.2713	.2593	.2713	.3030	.3030
12/13	.2593	.2713	.2593	.2713	.3030	.3030
11/12	.2593	.2905	.2593	.2905	.3030	.3030

Tax Collections

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Charges</u>	<u>Collected</u>
15/16(1)	\$10,135,256	\$8,861,491
14/15	9,924,083	9,811,443
13/14	9,757,982	9,576,596
12/13	9,589,865	9,391,239
11/12	9,292,423	9,172,609

(1) As of 4/30/16

Largest City Corporate Taxpayers (for fiscal year ended 6/30/15)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Wal-Mart	\$51,597,526
Toyotetsu Mid America	30,397,615
Towne Square Mall, LLC	29,000,000
ATMOS Energy	25,053,490
Unifirst Corporation	20,130,908
Unilever (R&B Foods)	19,808,143
Owensboro Grain	18,735,169
Owensboro Towne Center LLC	17,296,264
Menards	16,437,284
SFG Inc.	15,144,597

APPENDIX B

Estimated Debt Service Requirements for the Series 2016C Bonds

**CITY OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2016C**

Estimated Debt Service Requirements

Maturity Date	Principal	Interest	Total P&I Paymt	Fiscal Yr Total
1/1/2017				
7/1/2017				
1/1/2018				
7/1/2018	110,000			
1/1/2019				
7/1/2019	110,000			
1/1/2020				
7/1/2020	115,000			
1/1/2021				
7/1/2021	115,000			
1/1/2022				
7/1/2022	120,000			
1/1/2023				
7/1/2023	120,000			
1/1/2024				
7/1/2024	120,000			
1/1/2025				
7/1/2025	125,000			
1/1/2026				
7/1/2026	130,000			
1/1/2027				
7/1/2027	130,000			
1/1/2028				
7/1/2028	135,000			
1/1/2029				
7/1/2029	140,000			
1/1/2030				
7/1/2030	145,000			
1/1/2031				
7/1/2031	150,000			
1/1/2032				
7/1/2032	155,000			
1/1/2033				
7/1/2033	160,000			
1/1/2034				
7/1/2034	165,000			
1/1/2035				
7/1/2035	170,000			
1/1/2036				
7/1/2036	175,000			
Totals	2,590,000			

Source: First Kentucky Securities Corp.

APPENDIX C

*City of Owensboro, Kentucky Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015*

To view this report, please use the following
link:

<https://www.owensboro.org/page/finance-department>

APPENDIX D

Statement of Indebtedness of the City

(f) Leases entered into under KRS 65.940 to 65.956 after July 15, 1996 which are not tax-supported leases.....	-0-
(g) Bonds issued in the case of an emergency, when the public health or safety should so require	-0-
(h) Bonds issued to fund a floating indebtedness.....	16,900
TOTAL EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS.....	270,885,460
5. The total of bonds, notes and other obligations subject to the debt limitation set forth in KRS 66.041 (3 minus 4) is.....	140,950,695
6. The total of bonds, notes and other obligations subject to the debt limitation set forth in KRS 66.041 as computed in 5 above, does not exceed 10% of the assessed valuation of all the taxable property in the City.	
7. The current tax rate of the City, for other than school purposes, upon the value of the taxable property therein is .2593 which does not exceed the maximum permissible tax rate for the City as set forth in Section 157 of the Kentucky Constitution.	
8. The issuance of the bonds, notes or other obligations set forth in 3 hereof will not cause the tax rate set forth in 7 hereof to increase in an amount which would exceed the maximum permissible tax rate for the City as set forth in Section 157 of the Kentucky Constitution.	

*10% for cities having a population of fifteen thousand or more;
5% for cities having a population of less than fifteen thousand but not less than three thousand; and
3% for cities having a population of less than three thousand.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ____ day of ____, 20__.

/S/ _____
Angela Hamric
Finance and Support Services Director

APPENDIX E

Form of Final Approving Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel

[Form Of Bond Counsel Opinion for Appendix E]

The form of the legal approving opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, bond counsel, is set forth below. The actual opinion will be delivered on the date of delivery of the bonds referred to therein and may vary from the form set forth to reflect circumstances both factual and legal at the time of such delivery. Recirculation of the Final Official Statement shall create no implication that Dinsmore & Shohl LLP has reviewed any of the matters set forth in such opinion subsequent to the date of such opinion.

Gentlemen:

We have examined the transcript submitted relating to the issue of \$_____ General Obligation Bonds, (the "Bonds") of the City of Owensboro, Kentucky (the "Issuer"), dated June __, 2016, numbered RC-1 upwards, and of the denomination of \$5,000 and any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds mature, bear interest, and are subject to mandatory and optional redemption upon the terms set forth therein. We have also examined a specimen Bond.

Based on this examination, we are of the opinion, based upon laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date hereof, that:

1. The Bonds constitute valid obligations of the Issuer in accordance with their terms, which unless paid from other sources, are payable from taxes to be levied by the Issuer without limitation as to rate.
2. Under the laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions in effect as of the date hereof, interest on the Bonds is excludible from gross income for Federal income tax purposes, pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Furthermore, interest on the Bonds will not be treated as a specific item of tax preference, under Section 57(a)(5) of the Code, in computing the alternative minimum tax for individuals and corporations. In rendering the opinions in this paragraph, we have assumed continuing compliance with certain covenants designed to meet the requirements of Section 103 of the Code. We express no other opinion as to the federal tax consequences of purchasing, holding or disposing of the Bonds.
3. The interest on the Bonds is not subject to taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the Bonds are not subject to ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky or by any political subdivision thereof. We express no other opinion as to the state tax consequences of purchasing, holding or disposing of the Bonds

The Issuer has not designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" with respect to investments by certain financial institutions under Section 265 of the Code.

In giving this opinion, we have relied upon covenants and certifications of facts, estimates and expectations made by officials of the Issuer and others contained in the transcript; which we have not independently verified. It is to be understood that the enforceability of the Bonds may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws in effect from time to time affecting creditors' rights, and to the exercise of judicial discretion.

Very truly yours,

OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE

\$2,590,000*

City of Owensboro, Kentucky General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016C

SALE: June 2, 2016 at 11:00 A.M., E.T.

Notice is hereby given that electronic bids will be received by the City of Owensboro, Kentucky (the "City") until 11:00 a.m., E.T. on June 2, 2016 (or at such later time and date announced at least forty-eight hours in advance via the **BiDCOMP™/PARITY™** system) for the purchase of \$2,590,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016C (the "Bonds"). Alternatively, written sealed or facsimile bids for the Bonds by the designated time will be received by the Finance and Support Services Director, 101 East Fourth Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42302 (FAX: (270) 687-8526). Electronic bids must be submitted through the **BiDCOMP™/PARITY™** system as described herein and no other provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. Bids will be opened and acted upon later that same day.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY, PURPOSE OF ISSUE AND SECURITY

These Bonds are authorized pursuant to Sections 66.011 to 66.181, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and are being issued in accordance with a Bond Ordinance (the "Ordinance") adopted by the City of Owensboro, Kentucky (the "City") on May 3, 2016. The Bonds are general obligation bonds and constitute a direct indebtedness of the City. The Bonds are secured by the City's ability to levy and its pledge to levy an ad valorem tax on all property within the City in a sufficient amount to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

The Bonds are being issued for the purpose of (i) financing a portion of the costs of the construction, installation and equipping of an approximately 47,000 square foot multi-story building to be known as the International Bluegrass Music Center and located at 311 West Second Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, which is to be owned by the City and leased to International Bluegrass Music Museum, Inc., a Kentucky nonprofit corporation (the "Lessee"), for use by the Lessee as a museum and performance center (the "Project") and (ii) paying the costs of issuing the Bonds.

BOND MATURITIES, PRIOR REDEMPTION PROVISIONS AND PAYING AGENT

The Bonds will be dated their date of initial delivery, bearing interest from such date, payable on the first day of each January and July, commencing January 1, 2017.

The Bonds are scheduled to mature in each of the years as follows:

Maturities		Maturities	
<u>July 1</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>July 1</u>	<u>Amount*</u>
July 1, 2018	\$110,000	July 1, 2028	\$135,000
July 1, 2019	110,000	July 1, 2029	140,000
July 1, 2020	115,000	July 1, 2030	145,000
July 1, 2021	115,000	July 1, 2031	150,000
July 1, 2022	120,000	July 1, 2032	155,000
July 1, 2023	120,000	July 1, 2033	160,000
July 1, 2024	120,000	July 1, 2034	165,000
July 1, 2025	125,000	July 1, 2035	170,000
July 1, 2026	130,000	July 1, 2036	175,000
July 1, 2027	130,000		

*Preliminary; subject to change

The Bonds maturing on and after July 1, 2027 shall be subject to optional redemption prior to their maturity on any date on or after July 1, 2026, in whole or in part, in any order of maturity selected by the City and by lot within a maturity, at the election of the City upon 45 days' written notice to the Paying Agent and Registrar (as hereinafter defined) at a redemption prices equal to the par amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

At least thirty (30) days before the redemption date of any Bonds subject to optional or mandatory sinking fund redemption, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall cause a notice of such redemption either in whole or in part, signed by the Paying Agent and Registrar, to be mailed, first class, postage prepaid, to all registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed at their addresses as they appear on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent and Registrar, but failure to mail any such notice shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for such redemption of Bonds for which such notice has been sent. Each such notice shall set forth the date fixed for redemption, the redemption price to be paid and, if less than all of the Bonds being payable by their terms on a single date then outstanding shall be called for redemption, the distinctive number or letters, if any, of such Bonds to be redeemed.

U.S. Bank National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, has been appointed Paying Agent and Registrar for the Bonds.

BIDDING CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

The terms and conditions of the sale of the Bonds are as follows:

- (A) Electronic bids for the Bonds must be submitted through the **BIDCOMP™/PARITY™** system and no other provider of electronic bidding services will be accepted. Subscription to the **BIDCOMP™/PARITY™** system is required in order to submit an electronic bid. The City will neither confirm any subscription nor be responsible for the failure of any prospective bidders to subscribe. For the purposes of the bidding process, the time as maintained by **BIDCOMP™/PARITY™** system shall constitute the official time with respect to all bids whether in electronic or written form. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in **BIDCOMP™/PARITY™** system conflict with the terms of the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale, this Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale shall prevail. Electronic bids made through the facilities of **BIDCOMP™/PARITY™** system shall be deemed an offer to purchase in response to the Notice of Bond Sale and shall be binding upon the bidders as if made by signed, sealed written bids delivered to the City. Neither the City nor the Financial Advisor shall be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by or as a result of the use of the electronic bidding facilities provided and maintained by **BIDCOMP™/PARITY™** system. The use of **BIDCOMP™/PARITY™** system facilities are at the sole risk of the prospective bidders. Notwithstanding the foregoing non-electronic bids may be submitted via facsimile or by hand delivery utilizing the Official Bid Form. Written sealed bids (in a sealed envelope marked "Official Bid for Bonds") or facsimile bids for the Bonds by the designated time will be received by the Finance and Support Services Director, 101 East Fourth Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42302 (FAX: (270) 687-8526).
- (B) Bidders are required to bid for the entire issue of Bonds at a minimum price of not less than \$2,551,150 (98.50% of par) nor more than \$2,628,850 (101.50% of par), **PAYABLE IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS. THE MAXIMUM UNDERWRITER'S DISCOUNT (EXCLUDING ORIGINAL ISSUE PREMIUM OR DISCOUNT) MAY NOT EXCEED 1.50% OF THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF BONDS AWARDED.**
- (C) Interest rates for the Bonds of each series must be in multiples of one-eighth of one percent (.125%) and/or one-hundredth of one percent (.01%), and all Bonds of the same maturity and series shall bear the same and a single interest rate from the date thereof to maturity.
- (D) The determination of the best bid will be made on the basis of the lowest true interest cost to be calculated as that rate (or yield) that, when used in computing the present worth of all payments of principal and interest on the applicable series of Bonds (compounded semi-annually from the date of the applicable series of Bonds), produces an amount equal to the purchase price of the Bonds, as set forth in the Official Bid Form, for exactly \$2,590,000

principal amount of Bonds offered for sale hereunder; but the City may adjust the principal amount of Series 2016A Bonds which may be awarded to the best bidder upwards or downwards by up to \$260,000 (the " Permitted Adjustment") up to a maximum of \$2,850,000 or a minimum of \$2,330,000.

While it is the City's intention to sell and issue the approximate par amount of the Bonds as set forth herein, there is no guarantee that adjustments and/or revisions may not be necessary in order to properly size the Bonds. Among other factors the City may (but shall be under no obligation to) consider in sizing the par amounts and individual maturities of the Bonds, is the size of individual maturities or sinking fund installments, assuring level debt service, and/or other preferences of the City.

In the event that the principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds is revised after the award, the interest rate and reoffering price for each maturity and the Underwriter's Discount on the Bonds as submitted by the successful bidder shall be held constant. The Underwriter's Discount shall be defined as the difference between the purchase price of the Bonds submitted by the bidder and the price at which the Bonds will be issued to the public, calculated from information provided by the bidder, divided by the par amount of the Bonds bid.

The successful bidder for the Bonds will be notified by no later than 4:00 p.m. (Central Time), on the sale date of the exact revisions and/or adjustment required, if any.

- (E) Bonds maturing in any two or more consecutive years may, in lieu of maturing in each of such years, be combined to comprise one or more maturities of Bonds scheduled to mature in the latest of such year and be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at par in each of the years and in the principal amounts of such term Bonds scheduled in the year of maturity of the term Bonds, which principal amount shall mature in that year.
- (F) CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds. Improper imprintation or the failure to imprint CUSIP numbers shall not constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of any accepted proposal for the purchase of the Bonds. The successful bidder for the Bonds shall be responsible for the procurement and payment of CUSIP numbers.
- (G) The City will provide to the successful purchasers a Final Official Statement in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12. A final Official Statement will be provided in Electronic Form to the successful bidder, in sufficient time to meet the delivery requirements of the successful bidders under SEC and Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Delivery Requirements. The successful bidder will be required to pay for the printing of Final Official Statements
- (H) Bids need not be accompanied by a certified or bank cashier's good faith check, but the successful bidder will be required to wire transfer to the order of the City an amount equal to 2% of the amount of the principal amount of Bonds awarded by the close of business on the day following the award. Said good faith amount will be forfeited as liquidated damages in the event of a failure of the successful bidder to take delivery of such Bonds when ready. The good-faith amount will be applied (without interest) to the purchase price upon delivery of the Bonds. The successful bidder shall not be required to take delivery and pay for the Bonds unless delivery is made within 45 days from the date the bid is accepted.
- (I) The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. They will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee). One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC. Purchases of the Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations (the "Direct Participants"), which will receive a

credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond (a "Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the records of Direct Participants or securities brokers and dealers, banks, and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant (the "Indirect Participants"). Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase, but Beneficial Owners are expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

- (J) The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in any bid or, upon 24 hours advance notice prior to the sale date given through the **BiDCOMP™/PARITY™** system, to postpone the sale date of the Bonds. The Bonds are offered for sale subject to the principal and interest of the Bonds not being subject to Federal income taxation and the Bonds not being subject to Kentucky income taxation or Kentucky ad valorem taxation on the date of their delivery to the successful bidders, in accordance with the final approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Covington, Kentucky, which opinion will be qualified in accordance with the section hereof on TAX TREATMENT.
- (L) Bidders are advised that First Kentucky Securities Corporation has been employed as Financial Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Their fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery thereof.
- (M) The purchaser of the Bonds will be required to certify to the City as to certain of their activities regarding any reoffering to the public of the Bonds, including any reoffering prices and yields. This information from the purchaser of the Bonds shall also be made available to the Financial Advisor immediately after the sale of the Bonds.
- (N) For purposes of calculating the true interest cost, the principal amount of any Term Bonds scheduled for mandatory sinking fund redemption as part of the Term Bond shall be treated as a serial maturity in such year. In the event that two or more bidders offer to purchase the respective series of Bonds at the same lowest true interest rate, the Mayor, upon the advice of the Financial Advisor, shall determine (in his sole discretion) which of the bidders shall be awarded such Bonds.
- (O) At the election and cost of the purchaser of the Bonds, one or more maturities of such Bonds may be insured under a municipal bond insurance policy. In such event, the City agrees to cooperate with the purchaser to qualify the applicable Bonds for bond insurance; however the City will not assume any of the expenses incident to the issuance of such a bond insurance policy, other than the costs for securing a rating of the Bonds from Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

TAX TREATMENT

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based upon present laws, regulations, rulings and decisions in effect on the date of delivery of the Bonds, and assuming continuing compliance with certain covenants made by the City and the Lessee, interest on the Bonds is excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes upon the conditions and subject to the limitations set forth herein under "Tax Matters." Interest on the Bonds held by corporations is includable in the computation of such corporations' adjusted current earnings and modified alternative minimum taxable income. Receipt of interest on the Bonds may result in other federal income tax consequences to certain owners of the Bonds.

Interest on the Bonds is also exempt from Kentucky income tax and the Bonds are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.

The City has not designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code.

/s/ Ronald Payne

Mayor, City of Owensboro, Kentucky

OFFICIAL BID FORM

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale for \$2,590,000* of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016C, dated as of initial issuance and delivery (the "Bonds") offered for sale by the City of Owensboro, Kentucky (the "City") in accordance with the Notice of Bond Sale, as advertised in The Courier-Journal, published in Louisville, Kentucky and the Messenger-Inquirer, published in Owensboro, Kentucky, to all of which the undersigned agrees, the undersigned hereby submits the following offer to purchase said Bonds.

We hereby bid for said \$2,590,000* principal amount of the Bonds, the total sum of \$_____ (not less than \$2,551,150 (98.50% of par) nor more than \$2,628,850 (101.50% of par), at the following annual rate(s), payable semiannually (rates on ascending scale, number of interest rates unlimited):

<u>MATURITY</u>	<u>AMOUNT*</u>	<u>INTEREST RATE</u>	<u>MATURITY</u>	<u>AMOUNT*</u>	<u>INTEREST RATE</u>
July 1, 2018	\$110,000	_____%	July 1, 2028	\$135,000	_____%
July 1, 2019	110,000	_____%	July 1, 2029	140,000	_____%
July 1, 2020	115,000	_____%	July 1, 2030	145,000	_____%
July 1, 2021	115,000	_____%	July 1, 2031	150,000	_____%
July 1, 2022	120,000	_____%	July 1, 2032	155,000	_____%
July 1, 2023	120,000	_____%	July 1, 2033	160,000	_____%
July 1, 2024	120,000	_____%	July 1, 2034	165,000	_____%
July 1, 2025	125,000	_____%	July 1, 2035	170,000	_____%
July 1, 2026	130,000	_____%	July 1, 2036	175,000	_____%
July 1, 2027	130,000	_____%			

*Subject to Permitted Adjustment.

The Bonds maturing in the following years: _____ are sinking fund redemption amounts for term bonds due _____.

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Bids may be submitted electronically via BiDCOMPTM/PARITYTM pursuant to this Notice until the appointed date and time, but no bid will be received after such time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, completed bid forms may be submitted until the appointed date and time (i) in a sealed envelope marked "Official Bid for Bonds" or (ii) by facsimile transmission, in each case delivered to the office of the Finance and Support Services Director of the City of Owensboro, City Hall, 101 East 4th Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42302 (FAX: (270) 687-8526). Neither the City nor the Financial Advisor assumes any responsibility whatsoever with regard to the receipt of bids, or that adequate personnel and/or equipment are available to accept all facsimile transfers of bids before the appointed date and time of sale. Bidders have the sole responsibility of assuring that their bids have been received via facsimile or delivered before the appointed date and time of sale. Any bids in progress by facsimile at the appointed time will be considered as received by the appointed time. No bids will be received via telephone.

We understand this bid may be accepted with variations in maturing amounts, at the same price per \$1,000 Bond, with the variation in such amount occurring in any maturity or all maturities, such variations to be determined by the City at the time of acceptance of the best bid.

It is understood that the City will furnish the final, approving Legal Opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Bond Counsel, of Covington, Kentucky.

No certified or bank cashier's check will be required to accompany the bid, but the successful bidder shall be required to wire transfer an amount equal to 2% of the principal amount of Bonds awarded by the close of business on the day following the award. Said good faith amount will be applied (without interest) to the purchase price when said Bonds are tendered for delivery.

If we are the successful bidder, we agree to accept and make payment for the Bonds in Federal Funds within forty-five (45) days from the date of sale in accordance with the terms of the sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Bidder

Address

By: _____
Signature

Total interest cost from date of delivery (estimated June 16, 2016) to final maturity	\$ _____
Less premium bid or plus discount, if any	\$ _____
Aggregate interest cost	\$ _____
True interest rate (i.e. TIC)	_____ %

The above computation of net interest cost and of average interest rate or cost is submitted for information only and is not a part of this Bid.

Accepted by the Mayor of the City of Owensboro, Kentucky for \$ _____ principal amount of Bonds at the price of \$ _____ as follows:

<u>MATURING</u>		<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>MATURING</u>		<u>INTEREST</u>
<u>JULY 1</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>JULY 1</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>RATE</u>
2018	_____	_____ %	2028	_____	_____ %
2019	_____	_____ %	2029	_____	_____ %
2020	_____	_____ %	2030	_____	_____ %
2021	_____	_____ %	2031	_____	_____ %
2022	_____	_____ %	2032	_____	_____ %
2023	_____	_____ %	2033	_____	_____ %
2024	_____	_____ %	2034	_____	_____ %
2025	_____	_____ %	2035	_____	_____ %
2026	_____	_____ %	2036	_____	_____ %
2027	_____	_____ %			

Dated: June 2, 2016

Mayor,
City of Owensboro, Kentucky