

JASON E. MUMPOWER

Comptroller

April 19, 2024

Honorable Paul Young, Mayor and Honorable Councilmembers City of Memphis 125 N. Main Street Memphis, TN 38103

Dear Mayor Young and Councilmembers:

Thank you for your request. We acknowledge receipt on April 15, 2024, of a request from the City of Memphis ("the City") for approval of a plan of balloon indebtedness (the "Plan"). The City plans to issue an estimated \$149,200,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2024B (the "Series 2024B Bonds").

Balloon Indebtedness

The repayment structure for the Series 2024B Bonds is defined as balloon indebtedness under T.C.A. § 9-21-133 because the proposed issuance does not maintain a level or declining debt structure.

The City stated in its Plan that issuing this debt as balloon indebtedness is in the public's interest because it "allows the City to improve its fiscal position in FY 2025 and FY 2026 by reducing debt service obligations while simultaneously refunding certain outstanding maturities for aggregate debt service savings."

Approval

The Comptroller of the Treasury or the Comptroller's designee shall evaluate each plan of balloon indebtedness based on the plan's particular circumstances and shall approve the plan only if a determination is made that the repayment structure is in the public's interest. Based on the review of the Plan in accordance with statute, the Plan is approved.

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If you should have questions or need assistance, please refer to our online resources on our website or feel free to contact your financial analyst, Nate Fontenot, at 615.747.5238 or Nate.Fontenot@cot.tn.gov.

Sincerely,

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