

## **Finance Department**

## **Presentation to the City of Houston Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee**

## **Upcoming Financial Transactions**

February 3, 2025

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# Agenda

- General Obligation (GO)
  - a) Commercial Paper Program, Series E-2
- Combined Utility System (CUS)
  - a) Variable Rate Demand Bonds, Series 2018C
  - b) Commercial Paper Program, Series B-4
  - c) Commercial Paper Program, Series B-7



### **GO Variable Rate Exposure Summary**

| Liquidity Type  | Series          | Size<br>(\$ millions)        | Bank                                    | Expiration | Requires Bank<br>Facility |
|---|-----------------|------------------------------|---|------------|---------------------------|
| Commercial Paper  | E-1             | 100                          | State Street                            | 7/10/2026  | Y                         |
|   | E-2             | 100                          | Wells Fargo                             | 4/22/2025  | Y                         |
|   | G-1             | 75                           | TD Bank                                 | 4/09/2027  | Y                         |
|   | G-2             | 125                          | Barclays                                | 11/19/2025 | Y                         |
|   | H-2             | 100                          | TD Bank                                 | 9/27/2028  | Y                         |
|   | J               | 125                          | State Street                            | 5/21/2026  | Y                         |
|   | K-1             | 200                          | RBC <sup>(1)</sup>                      | 2/2/2030   | N                         |
|   | K-2             | 200                          | RBC <sup>(1)</sup>                      | 2/2/2030   | N                         |
|   | Total           | 1,025                        |   |            |                           |
| Total G   | O Debt Outstand | ing <sup>(2)</sup> \$3,725.9 |   |            |                           |
| Total GO Commercial Paper Outstanding <sup>(2)</sup> \$65.0 |                 |                              | GO Current Variable Rate Exposure 1.74% |            |                           |

<sup>(1)</sup> The RBC facilities K-1 and K-2 are Forward Bond Purchase Agreements.

<sup>(2)</sup> As of December 31, 2024, Monthly Financial Report.



## GO Commercial Paper Program, Series E-2

#### **Background:**

- The Series E commercial paper program was created in 2002 and had operated as two separate programs (E-1 and E-2) under one combined ordinance since 2011.
- The Finance Working Group (FWG) recommended in 2023 that the Series E-1 and Series E-2 be bifurcated and operate under standalone ordinances rather than one combined ordinance.
- The underlying bank facility supporting the Series E-2 program of \$100 million provided by Wells Fargo is scheduled to expire on April 22, 2025.

- The City is expecting to issue a request for term sheet in February 2025.
- An RCA is expected to be presented to City Council in Spring 2025.



### **CUS Variable Rate Exposure Summary**

| Liquidity Type   | Series   | Size<br>(\$ millions) | Bank / Dealer                 | Expiration | Requires<br>Bank Facility |
|------------------|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| Commercial Paper | B-1      | 100.00                | Bank of America               | 8/19/2027  | Y                         |
|                  | B-2      | 275.00                | Morgan Stanley <sup>(1)</sup> | 12/15/2039 | N                         |
|                  | B-3      | 75.00                 | Sumitomo                      | 1/31/2029  | Y                         |
|                  | B-4      | 100.00                | PNC Bank                      | 7/12/2025  | Y                         |
|                  | B-5      | 250.00                | Morgan Stanley <sup>(1)</sup> | 2/1/2030   | N                         |
|                  | B-6      | 100.00                | Bank of America               | 8/19/2027  | Y                         |
|                  | B-7      | 100.00                | JP Morgan                     | 5/30/2025  | Y                         |
|                  |          |                       |                               |            |                           |
|                  | Subtotal | 1000.00               |                               |            |                           |
|                  | 2004B-2  | 100.00                | Sumitomo                      | 3/31/2026  | Y                         |
|                  | 2004B-3  | 75.00                 | Sumitomo                      | 3/28/2025  | Y                         |
|                  | 2004B-4  | 75.00                 | JP Morgan                     | 6/12/2026  | Y                         |
| Variable Rate    | 2004B-5  | 100.00                | RBC                           | 10/22/2027 | Y                         |
| Demand Bonds     | 2004B-6  | 78.33                 | Sumitomo                      | 3/28/2025  | Y                         |
|                  | 2012A    | 125.00                | TD Bank                       | 4/18/2025  | Y                         |
|                  | 2012B    | 100.00                | TD Bank                       | 5/21/2027  | Y                         |
|                  | 2018C    | 249.08                | Barclays                      | 7/28/2025  | Y                         |
| •                | Subtotal | 902.41                |                               |            |                           |

| Total Debt Outstanding <sup>(2)</sup>             | \$6,338.9 Million |  |
|---|-------------------|--|
| Total Commercial Paper Outstanding <sup>(2)</sup> | \$0.0             |  |
| Total Unhedged Variable Rate Debt <sup>(2)</sup>  | 0%                |  |

<sup>(1)</sup> The Series B-2 and B-5 are an Extendible Commercial Paper product.

<sup>(2)</sup> As of December 31, 2024, Monthly Financial Report.



## CUS Variable Rate Demand Bonds, Series 2018C

#### **Background:**

- Variable Rate Demand Bonds (VRDB) are long term bonds, which are remarketed on a weekly basis, at short term interest rates. In order to be marketable, the VRDBs require liquidity facilities provided by a highly rated bank.
- The underlying bank facility supporting the Series 2018C program of approximately \$249.08 million provided by Barclays is scheduled to expire on July 28, 2025.

- The City is expecting to issue a request for term sheet in Spring 2025.
- An RCA is expected to be presented to City Council in June 2025.



## CUS Commercial Paper Program, Series B-4

#### **Background:**

- Commercial Paper program has provided a cost-effective method of accessing cash and providing interim financing for the Combined Utility System's (CUS) capital Improvement program (CIP).
- The underlying bank facility supporting the Series B-4 program of \$100 million provided by PNC is scheduled to expire on July 12, 2025.
- There are no commercial paper notes outstanding on Series B-4.

- The City is awaiting a renewal proposal from the current liquidity provider.
- Depending on the terms of the renewal proposal, a future request for term sheet or Council action may be needed in late Spring 2025.



## CUS Commercial Paper Program, Series B-7

#### **Background:**

- The underlying bank facility supporting the Series B-7 program of \$100 million provided by JP Morgan is scheduled to expire on May 30, 2025.
- There are no commercial paper notes outstanding on Series B-7.

- The City is expecting to issue a request for term sheet in February 2025.
- An RCA is expected to be presented to City Council in April 2025.





# **Questions?**