



Delaware County Finance Authority

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Delaware County Finance Authority (the “Authority”) will hold a public hearing on behalf of itself and Delaware County, Ohio (the “County”) at 12:00 p.m. local time, August 12, 2026, West Conference Room, Byxbe Building, 1610 State Route 521, Delaware, Ohio 43015, with respect to the proposed issuance by the Authority (as the “Issuer”), pursuant to Article VIII, Sections 13 and 16 of the Ohio Constitution and Sections 4582.21 through 4582.99 of the Ohio Revised Code, as amended, of its Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Columbus Zoo and Aquarium Project) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$50 million (fifty million dollars) (the “Bonds”). If the issuance of the Bonds is authorized, the proceeds will be used to pay costs of capital expenditures to construct, furnish, equip and otherwise improve zoological facilities including, without limitation, an aquarium, animal habitat improvements and related appurtenances at the Columbus Zoo, located at 4850 W. Powell Road, Powell, Ohio 43065 (the “Project”) that will be owned and operated by The Columbus Zoological Park Association, an Ohio non-profit corporation and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. If authorized, the Bonds will be qualified 501(c)(3) bonds as defined in Section 145 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

THE BONDS SHALL NOT REPRESENT OR CONSTITUTE A DEBT OR PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE COUNTY, THE ISSUER OR THE STATE OF OHIO, OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF OHIO. All property financed by proceeds of the Bonds will constitute “port authority facilities” as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 4582.21

Interested persons are invited to attend this public hearing and will be given an opportunity to express their views concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds and the Project to be financed thereby. Anyone desiring to make written comments may submit them prior to the public hearing to the Authority by 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2026 to Chad Smith, cismith@co.delaware.oh.us, and clearly marked “Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Columbus Zoo and Aquarium Project)”. This notice is given pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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