

EXHIBIT A

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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL QUESTION ELECTION
CITY OF GOODLAND, KANSAS**

The City Commission of the City of Goodland, Kansas (the "City"), has heretofore, pursuant to a resolution duly adopted on June 2, 2025, declared it advisable to conduct a special question election relating to the imposition of a new one-quarter percent (0.25%) Citywide general purpose retailers' sales tax. Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the City that such special question election has been called and will be held on November 4, 2025, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City the following proposition:

Shall the following be adopted?

Shall the City of Goodland, Kansas, be authorized to impose a one-quarter percent (0.25%) Citywide retailers' sales tax (the "New Educational Sales Tax"), to replace an existing one-quarter percent (0.25%) Citywide retailers' sales tax that was approved by the electors of the City on April 2, 2013 (the "Existing Educational Sales Tax"), with the New Educational Sales tax to be used first for the authorized purposes of the Existing Educational Sales Tax, and then to (a) assist Unified School District No. 352, Sherman County, Kansas (Goodland) (the "District"), in the repayment of the principal of and interest on District general obligation bonds (the "District Bonds") issued to pay a portion of the estimated costs to construct, equip and furnish a new Career and Technical Education Building; (b) provide for the payment of certain City infrastructure improvements to facilitate the use of District educational facilities; and (c) alleviate the property tax burden to the patrons of District, ***provided that*** imposition of such New Educational Sales Tax is subject to the following conditions: (x) approval by the City electors of the New Educational Sales Tax proposition; (y) approval by District electors of a proposition authorizing the issuance of the District Bonds at an election held on November 4, 2025; and (z) collection of the New Educational Sales Tax is to commence on April 1, 2026, upon termination of the Existing Educational Sales Tax, and to expire on September 30, 2036; all pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 12-187 *et seq.*, as amended?

To vote in favor of the question submitted on this ballot, darken the oval to the left of the word "Yes." To vote against it, darken the oval to the left of the word "No."

☐ YES
☐ NO

The polls will open at 7:00 o'clock A.M. and will close at 7:00 o'clock P.M., on November 4, 2025, the election day. The voting places in the City, and the area each voting place will serve, will be as follows:

Voters Residing In
Entire City

Will Vote At
Wolak Building
1006 Center Avenue
Goodland, Kansas

The election will be conducted by the officers and/or persons provided by law for holding elections, and the method of voting will be by ballot. Registered voters are eligible to vote by advance voting ballot upon application to the County Clerk at the address set forth below pursuant to K.S.A. 25-1117 *et seq.*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Educational Sales Tax. Approval of the special question election would authorize the City of Goodland, Kansas (the "City") to impose a new one-quarter percent (0.25%) Citywide general purpose retailers' sales tax (the "New Educational Sales Tax"), the revenues from which would be used first for the authorized purposes of an existing educational sales tax, and then to be used for the purposes of: (a) assisting Unified School District No. 352, Sherman County, Kansas (Goodland) (the "District"), in the repayment of the principal of and interest on District general obligation bonds (the "District Bonds") issued to pay a portion of the estimated costs to construct, equip and furnish a new Career and Technical Education Building; (b) providing for the payment of certain City infrastructure improvements to facilitate the use of District educational facilities; and (c) alleviating the property tax burden to the patrons of District.

The collection of the New Educational Sales Tax is to commence on April 1, 2026, upon termination of the existing educational sales tax, and to expire on September 30, 2036. The imposition of the New Educational Sales Tax is subject to the following

conditions: (a) approval by the electors of the City of this proposition; and (b) approval by the electors of the District of a proposition authorizing the issuance of the District Bonds as described below.

The governing body of the City has found and determined that the aforementioned sales tax would be a general purpose sales tax under K.S.A. 12-187 *et seq.*

U.S.D. No. 352 Bond Election. On the same date as the City special question election, the Board of Education of the District will submit to the electors of the District the proposition of authorizing the issuance of the District Bonds to pay costs to construct, equip and furnish a new Career and Technical Education Building. The issuance of the District Bonds is subject to the approval by the electors of the District of the District Bonds, but is **not** subject to approval by the electors of the City of the imposition of the New Educational Sales Tax.

The following additional information is provided by the City with respect to the aforementioned New Education Sales Tax proposition. This information has been obtained from sources deemed reliable by the City and is based upon projections. No assurances can be given that these projections will be accurate due to changing conditions and other matters unknown or unavailable at this time.

Projected Annual Revenues of One-Quarter Percent (0.25%) City-Wide Retailers' Sales Tax

\$402,352

(Based on 2024 collections from the Existing Educational Sales Tax, and related use tax)

The election officer conducting the election will be the County Clerk of Sherman County, Kansas, whose address is: County Courthouse, 813 Broadway, Room 102, Goodland, Kansas 67735.

DATED: September 15, 2025.

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Ashley Mannis, County Clerk
Sherman County, Kansas