

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Washington State Housing Finance Commission (the “Commission”) will hold an open public hearing with respect to a proposed plan of financing for the issuance by the Commission of one or more series of tax-exempt revenue bonds (the “Bonds”) to refinance existing debt of The Seattle Aquarium Society (SEAS), a Washington nonprofit corporation and an organization described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and to finance the construction and equipping of a nonprofit facility to be owned by the City of Seattle, Washington, and to be operated by SEAS or one of its wholly owned subsidiaries. The Bonds may be issued as one or more series issued from time to time and may include one or more series of refunding obligations. The public hearing will be held starting at 1:00 p.m., Thursday, April 27, 2023 in the 28<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room of the Commission's offices located at 1000 Second Ave., Seattle, Washington 98104–3601.

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.030(2), which encourage public agencies to provide for public access to meetings, this meeting can also be viewed via Zoom or joined telephonically.

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**Please note that the line will be muted to the public except during the public comment portions of the hearing.**

The Bonds will be issued pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington, Chapter 43.180 for the purpose of financing a nonprofit facility under Section 145 of the Code.

The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance and refinance the following project:

Project:	Ocean Pavilion
Project Address:	1500 Alaskan Way Seattle, WA 98101
Total Estimated Project Cost:	\$168,504,000
Estimated Maximum Bond Amount:	\$70,000,000

Proceeds of the Bonds may be used to refinance an existing debt, to finance the costs of constructing and equipping a nonprofit facility, and to pay all or a portion of the costs of issuing the Bonds.

This notice is intended to comply with the public notice requirements of Section 147(f) of the Code. Written comments with respect to the Project and the proposed plan of financing with respect to the Bonds may be mailed or faxed to the attention of Jason Hennigan, WSHFC, Multifamily Housing and Community Facilities Division, 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 2700, Seattle, WA 98104–3601 or to (206) 587–5113, for receipt no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. Public testimony will be heard from all interested members of the public attending the hearing. The Commission will consider the public testimony and written comments in determining if the project will receive funding from a tax-exempt bond. Testimony and written comments regarding land use, zoning and environmental regulation

should be directed to the local jurisdiction that is authorized to consider these matters when issuing building permits for the project.

Anyone requiring an accommodation consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Multifamily Housing and Community Facilities Division at 206-464-7139 or 1 (800) 767-HOME (in state) at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing.

Results of the hearing will be sent to the Governor for approval.