

**EXHIBIT A**

**FORM OF SERIES 2012B BOND**

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
RAMSEY COUNTY

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CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA  
GENERAL OBLIGATION STREET IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BOND  
SERIES 2012B

<u>INTEREST RATE</u>	<u>MATURITY DATE</u>	<u>DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE</u>	<u>CUSIP</u>
%		April 2, 2012	

REGISTERED OWNER: CEDE & CO.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS that the City of Saint Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota (the "Issuer" or "City"), certifies that it is indebted and for value received promises to pay to the registered owner specified above or on the certificate of registration below, or registered assigns, in the manner hereinafter set forth, the principal amount specified above, on the maturity date specified above, unless called for earlier redemption, and to pay interest thereon semiannually on May 1 and November 1 of each year (each, an "Interest Payment Date"), commencing November 1, 2012, at the rate per annum specified above (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) until the principal sum is paid or has been provided for. This Series 2012B Bond will bear interest from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from the date of original issue hereof. The principal of and premium, if any, on this Series 2012B Bond are payable in same-day funds by 2:30 p.m., Eastern time, upon presentation and surrender hereof at the principal office of the Treasurer of the City in Saint Paul, Minnesota (the "Bond Registrar"), acting as paying agent, or any successor paying agent duly appointed by the Issuer; provided, however, that upon a partial redemption of this Series 2012B Bond which results in the stated amount hereof being reduced, the Holder may in its discretion be paid without presentation of this Series 2012B Bond, which payment shall be received no later than 2:30 p.m., Eastern time, and may make a notation on the panel provided herein of such redemption, stating the amount so redeemed, or may return the Series 2012B Bond to the Series 2012B Bond Registrar in exchange for a new Series 2012B Bond in the proper principal amount. Such notation, if made by the Holder, shall be for reference only, and may not be relied upon by any other person as being in any way determinative of the principal amount of this Series 2012B Bond outstanding, unless the Bond Registrar has signed the appropriate column of the panel. Interest on this Series 2012B Bond will be paid on each Interest Payment Date in same-day funds by 2:30 p.m., Eastern time, to the person in whose name this Series 2012B Bond is registered (the "Holder" or "Bondholder") on the registration books of the Issuer maintained by the Bond Registrar and at the address appearing thereon at the close of

business on the fifteenth day of the calendar month preceding such Interest Payment Date (the "Regular Record Date"). Interest payments shall be received by the Holder no later than 2:30 p.m., Eastern time; and principal and premium payments shall be received by the Holder no later than 2:30 p.m., Eastern time, if the Series 2012B Bond is surrendered for payment enough in advance to permit payment to be made by such time. Any interest not so timely paid shall cease to be payable to the person who is the Holder hereof as of the Regular Record Date, and shall be payable to the person who is the Holder hereof at the close of business on a date (the "Special Record Date") fixed by the Bond Registrar whenever money becomes available for payment of the defaulted interest. Notice of the Special Record Date shall be given to Bondholders not less than ten days prior to the Special Record Date. The principal of and premium, if any, and interest on this Series 2012B Bond are payable in lawful money of the United States of America.

Date of Payment Not Business Day. If the date for payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on this Series 2012B Bond shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in the City of New York, New York, or the city where the principal office of the Bond Registrar is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or a day on which such banking institutions are authorized to close, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of payment.

Optional Redemption. All Series 2012B Bonds of this issue (the "Series 2012B Bonds") maturing on or after November 1, 2020 are subject to redemption and prepayment at the option of the Issuer on May 1, 2020 and on any day thereafter at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, without premium. Redemption may be in whole or in part of the Series 2012B Bonds subject to prepayment. If redemption is in part, those Series 2012B Bonds remaining unpaid may be prepaid in such order of maturity and in such amount per maturity as the City shall determine; and if only part of the Series 2012B Bonds having a common maturity date are called for prepayment, this Series 2012B Bond may be prepaid in \$5,000 increments of principal.

[Scheduled Mandatory Redemption. The Series 2012B Bonds are subject to scheduled mandatory redemption through operation of a sinking fund as provided for in the Resolution

[No Scheduled Mandatory Redemption. There are no Series 2012B Bonds which are subject to mandatory redemption and prepayment on scheduled dates.]

Due Date. Series 2012B Bonds or portions thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the redemption date, and interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date.

Notice of Redemption. Mailed notice of redemption shall be given to the paying agent (if other than a City officer) and to each affected Holder of the Series 2012B Bonds. In the event any of the Series 2012B Bonds are called for redemption, written notice thereof will be given by first class mail mailed not less than thirty (30) days prior to the redemption date to each Holder of Series 2012B Bonds to be redeemed. In connection with any such notice, the "CUSIP" numbers assigned to the Series 2012B Bonds shall be used.

Issuance; Purpose; General Obligation. This Series 2012B Bond is one of an issue in the total principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, all of like date of original issue and tenor, except as to number, maturity, interest rate, denomination and redemption privilege, which Series 2012B

Bond has been issued pursuant to and in full conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota and the Charter of the Issuer, and pursuant to a resolution adopted by the City Council of the Issuer on March 21, 2012 (the "Resolution"), for the purpose of providing money to finance the construction of various street improvements in the City. This Series 2012B Bond is payable out of a special account relating to the Series 2012B Bonds in the General Obligation Special Assessments – Streets Debt Service Fund of the Issuer. This Series 2012B Bond constitutes a general obligation of the Issuer, and to provide moneys for the prompt and full payment of its principal, premium, if any, and interest when the same become due, the full faith and credit and taxing powers of the Issuer have been and are hereby irrevocably pledged.

Denominations: Resolution. The Series 2012B Bonds are issuable originally only as fully registered bonds in the denominations of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof of a single maturity. Reference is hereby made to the Resolution for a description of the rights and duties of the Registrar. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the principal office of the Registrar.

Transfer. This Series 2012B Bond shall be registered in the name of the payee on the books of the Issuer by presenting this Series 2012B Bond for registration to the Registrar, who will endorse its name and note the date of registration opposite the name of the payee in the certificate of registration attached hereto. Thereafter this Series 2012B Bond may be transferred by delivery with an assignment duly executed by the Holder or its legal representatives, and the Issuer and Registrar may treat the Holder as the person exclusively entitled to exercise all the rights and powers of an owner until this Series 2012B Bond is presented with such assignment for registration of transfer, accompanied by assurance of the nature provided by law that the assignment is genuine and effective, and until such transfer is registered on said books and noted hereon by the Registrar, all subject to the terms and conditions provided in the Resolution and to reasonable regulations of the Issuer contained in any agreement with, or notice to, the Registrar. Transfer of this Series 2012B Bond may, at the direction and expense of the Issuer, be subject to certain other restrictions if required to qualify this Series 2012B Bond as being "in registered form" within the meaning of Section 149(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Fees upon Transfer or Loss. The Bond Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with the transfer or exchange of this Series 2012B Bond and any legal or unusual costs regarding transfers and lost Series 2012B Bonds.

Treatment of Registered Owner. The Issuer and Bond Registrar may treat the person in whose name this Series 2012B Bond is registered as the owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment as herein provided (except as otherwise provided with respect to the Record Date) and for all other purposes, whether or not this Series 2012B Bond shall be overdue, and neither the Issuer nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

Authentication. This Series 2012B Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security unless the Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been executed by the Bond Registrar.

Not Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations. The Series 2012B Bonds have not been designated by the Issuer as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Series 2012B Bonds do not qualify for such designation.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED AND RECITED that all acts, conditions and things required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota and the Charter of the Issuer to be done, to happen and to be performed, precedent to and in the issuance of this Series 2012B Bond, have been done, have happened and have been performed, in regular and due form, time and manner as required by law, and that this Series 2012B Bond, together with all other debts of the Issuer outstanding on the date of original issue hereof and on the date of its issuance and delivery to the original purchaser, does not exceed any constitutional or statutory or Charter limitation of indebtedness.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Saint Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota, by its City Council has caused this Series 2012B Bond to be sealed with its official seal and to be executed on its behalf by the facsimile signature of its Mayor, attested by the facsimile signature of its City Clerk, and countersigned by the facsimile signature of its Director, Office of Financial Services.

**CITY OF SAINT PAUL,  
RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor or Designee

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk or Designee

Countersigned:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Director, Office of Financial Services or Designee

**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION**

This is one of the Series 2012B Bonds delivered pursuant to the Resolutions mentioned within.

**CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
City Treasurer

**ABBREVIATIONS**

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this Series 2012A Bond, will be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM -- as tenants in common

UNIF GIFT MIN ACT  
\_\_\_\_\_ Custodian \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cust) (Minor)

TEN ENT -- as tenants by entireties

under Uniform Gifts or Transfers to  
Minors Act, State of \_\_\_\_\_

JT TEN -- as joint tenants with right of  
survivorship and not as tenants in  
common

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

**ASSIGNMENT**

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto \_\_\_\_\_ the within Series 2012B Bond and all rights thereunder, and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_ attorney to transfer the said Series 2012B Bond on the books kept for registration of the within Series 2012B Bond, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Notice: The assignor's signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears upon the face of the within Series 2012B Bond in every particular, without alteration or any change whatever.

Signature Guaranteed:

\_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by a financial institution that is a member of the Securities Transfer Agent Medallion Program ("STAMP"), the Stock Exchange Medallion Program ("SEMP"), the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. Medallion Signatures Program ("MSP") or other such "signature guarantee program" as may be determined by the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP, SEMP or MSP, all in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The Registrar will not effect transfer of this Series 2012B Bond unless the information concerning the assignee requested below is provided.

Name and Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Include information for all joint owners if this Series 2012B Bond is held by joint account.)

Please insert social security or other identifying number of assignee

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