



Rating Action: Moody's assigns MIG 1 to Framingham, MA's GO BANs

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New York, June 06, 2023 -- Moody's Investors Service has assigned a MIG 1 short-term rating to the City of Framingham, MA's General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs, dated June 21, 2023 and payable March 21, 2024) with an estimated par amount of \$20.4 million.

RATINGS RATIONALE

The MIG 1 rating reflects the strength of the city's Aa2 issuer rating including sufficient liquidity and history of consistent market access.

RATING OUTLOOK

Not applicable

FACTORS THAT COULD LEAD TO AN UPGRADE OF THE RATING

- Not applicable

FACTORS THAT COULD LEAD TO A DOWNGRADE OF THE RATING

- Downgrade of the issuer rating to A3

LEGAL SECURITY

The notes are backed by the city's full faith and credit general obligation limited tax pledge because not all of the debt service has been voted by the city as excluded from the Proposition 2 1/2 tax levy limit.

USE OF PROCEEDS

Note proceeds will fund various city capital projects including water and sewer, roads, recreation and parks, school repairs and an athletic turf field.

PROFILE

Framingham has a population of around 72,300 and is primarily residential with a large commercial and industrial presence acting as a regional economic center. The largest industry sectors that drive the local economy are professional, scientific, technical services, health services and retail trade. The city is located in Middlesex County approximately 20 miles west of Boston (Aaa stable).

METHODOLOGY

The principal methodology used in this rating was US Municipal Short-term Debt Methodology published in May 2023 and available at <https://ratings.moodys.com/rmc-documents/398329>. Alternatively, please see the Rating Methodologies page on <https://ratings.moodys.com> for a copy of this methodology.

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