

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
**North East Fire Company, Inc.**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of North East, Maryland (the "Town"), at its regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 14, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., Eastern Time, at the Town Hall, located at 106 South Main Street, North East, Maryland 21901, will hold a PUBLIC HEARING, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), concerning the proposed issuance by the North East Fire Company, Inc., a volunteer fire company (the "Fire Company") providing firefighting services to an area within the Town as well as to property within an extended area outside of the corporate limits of the Town when such area or areas are serviced by municipal water produced and distributed by the Town, of a bond or note of the Fire Company in the maximum aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 (the "Bond"), the proceeds of which will be used by the Fire Company to (i) finance the design and construction of a new fully functional 9375 square foot fire and EMS substation facility to enhance emergency response coverage and operational efficiency within the Fire Company's service area in order to support continued growth in call volume, improve response times, and ensure reliable service delivery to the community; and (ii) pay the costs of issuance of the Bond (collectively, the "Project"). The Project will be owned and operated by the Fire Company for use as a fire station. The proposed substation will be constructed on property owned by the Fire Company located at 2495 Theodore Road, North East, Maryland 21901, at the Southwest Corner of Theodore Road and Route 274.

Interested persons wishing to express their views on the location and nature of the Project and the issuance of the Bond or related matters will be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at the aforesaid time and place. Written comments will be accepted by the Town by emailing Melissa B. Cook-MacKenzie, the Town Administrator, at [mmackenzie@northeastmd.org](mailto:mmackenzie@northeastmd.org). Comments must be received on or before October 13, 2026.

Copies of the resolution approving the Project and the issuance of the Bond may be examined in advance of the public hearing at the office of the Town Administrator and additional information with respect to the proposed financing may be obtained from Drew Caudill, Theodore Substation Committee Chairman for the Fire Company, by contacting him at [drew.caudill@nefc4.com](mailto:drew.caudill@nefc4.com).