

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED MARCH 28, 2018**

*IN THE OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL, INTEREST ON THE BONDS IS EXCLUDABLE FROM GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES UNDER EXISTING LAW, AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX ON INDIVIDUALS. SEE "TAX MATTERS" FOR A DISCUSSION OF THE OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL.*

THE BONDS HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. SEE "TAX MATTERS—QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS."

**NEW ISSUE – Book-Entry-Only**

Insured Rating (BAM): S&P "AA" (stable outlook)  
 Underlying Rating: Moody's "Baa2"  
 See "MUNICIPAL BOND RATING" and  
 "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" herein.

**\$2,500,000**

**VALLEY RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1**  
*(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Montgomery County)*  
**UNLIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2018**

**Dated: April 1, 2018**

**Due: September 1, as shown below**

Principal of the Bonds will be payable at stated maturity or redemption upon presentation of the Bonds at the principal payment office of the paying agent/registrar, initially The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (the "Paying Agent/Registrar", "Paying Agent" or "Registrar") in Dallas, Texas. Interest on the Bonds will accrue from April 1, 2018, and be payable on September 1, 2018 (five months of interest) and on each March 1 and September 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or redemption. The Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as shown below.

The Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), which will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Beneficial owners of the Bonds will not receive physical certificates representing the Bonds, but will receive a credit balance on the books of the nominees of such beneficial owners. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds, the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid by the Paying Agent directly to DTC, which will, in turn, remit such principal and interest to its participants for subsequent disbursement to the beneficial owners of the Bonds as described herein. See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM."



The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be guaranteed under a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds by **BUILD AMERICA MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY**. See "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" herein.

**MATURITIES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, INTEREST RATES AND INITIAL REOFFERING YIELDS**

Due Sept. 1	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Initial Reoffering Yield (a)	CUSIP Number (b)	Due Sept. 1	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Initial Reoffering Yield (a)	CUSIP Number (b)
2019	\$ 50,000	5.500 %	1.800 %	92006T JZ1	2025	\$ 70,000 (c)	3.000 %	2.850 %	92006T KF3
2020	55,000	5.500	2.000	92006T KA4	2026	75,000 (c)	3.000	2.950	92006T KG1
2021	60,000	5.500	2.200	92006T KB2	2027	75,000 (c)	3.000	3.050	92006T KH9
2022	60,000	5.500	2.400	92006T KC0	2028	80,000 (c)	3.000	3.150	92006T KJ5
2023	65,000	5.500	2.600	92006T KD8	2029	85,000 (c)	3.000	3.200	92006T KK2
2024	65,000 (c)	3.000	2.750	92006T KE6	2030	90,000 (c)	3.000	3.250	92006T KL0

\$195,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2032 (c), 92006T KN6 (b), 3.250% Interest Rate, 3.400% Yield (a)  
 \$215,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2034 (c), 92006T KQ9 (b), 3.375% Interest Rate, 3.500% Yield (a)  
 \$235,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2036 (c), 92006T KS5 (b), 3.375% Interest Rate, 3.600% Yield (a)  
 \$255,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2038 (c), 92006T KU0 (b), 3.500% Interest Rate, 3.700% Yield (a)  
 \$285,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2040 (c), 92006T KW6 (b), 3.625% Interest Rate, 3.740% Yield (a)  
 \$485,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2043 (c), 92006T KZ9 (b), 3.625% Interest Rate, 3.760% Yield (a)

- (a) Initial reoffering yield represents the initial offering yield to the public which has been established by the Initial Purchaser (as herein defined) for offers to the public and which may be subsequently changed by the Initial Purchaser and is the sole responsibility of the Initial Purchaser. The initial reoffering yields indicated above represent the lower of the yields resulting when priced at maturity or to the first call date. Accrued interest from April 1, 2018, is to be added to the price.
- (b) CUSIP Numbers have been assigned to the Bonds by CUSIP Service Bureau and are included solely for the convenience of the purchasers of the Bonds. Neither the District nor the Initial Purchaser shall be responsible for the selection or correctness of the CUSIP Numbers set forth herein.
- (c) Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2024, are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District, in whole or from time to time in part, on September 1, 2023, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. The Term Bonds (as defined herein) are also subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption as more fully described herein. See "THE BONDS—Redemption Provisions."

The Bonds, when issued, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District") and will be payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property located within the District. The Bonds are obligations solely of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Montgomery County, the City of Houston or any entity other than the District. The Bonds are subject to special investment risks described herein. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS."

The Bonds are offered by the Initial Purchaser subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued by the District and accepted by the Initial Purchaser, subject, among other things, to the approval of the Bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and the approval of certain legal matters by Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Bond Counsel. Delivery of the Bonds is expected on or about April 26, 2018.

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## USE OF INFORMATION IN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

No dealer, broker, salesman or other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the District.

This Official Statement is not to be used in an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy in any state in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

All of the summaries of the statutes, resolutions, orders, contracts, audited financial statements, engineering and other related reports set forth in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such documents. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions, and reference is made to such documents, copies of which are available from Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas, 77027, upon payment of duplication costs.

This Official Statement contains, in part, estimates, assumptions and matters of opinion which are not intended as statements of fact, and no representation is made as to the correctness of such estimates, assumptions or matters of opinion, or as to the likelihood that they will be realized. Any information and expressions of opinion herein contained are subject to change without notice and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District or other matters described herein since the date hereof. However, the District has agreed to keep this Official Statement current by amendment or sticker to reflect material changes in the affairs of the District and, to the extent that information actually comes to its attention, the other matters described in this Official Statement until delivery of the Bonds to the Initial Purchaser and thereafter only as specified in "PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT—Updating the Official Statement."

Build America Mutual Assurance Company ("BAM") makes no representation regarding the Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. In addition, BAM has not independently verified, makes no representation regarding, and does not accept any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement or any information or disclosure contained herein, or omitted herefrom, other than with respect to the accuracy of the information regarding BAM, supplied by BAM and presented under the heading "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" and "APPENDIX B—Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy."

## OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

The following information is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Official Statement.

### HURRICANE HARVEY

*General*..... The Houston area, including Montgomery County, sustained widespread flooding as a result of Hurricane Harvey’s landfall along the Texas Gulf Coast on August 25, 2017, and historic levels of rainfall during the succeeding four days. The District is located approximately 75 miles from the Texas Gulf Coast. Accordingly, like other coastal areas, land located in the District is susceptible to hurricanes, tropical storms, and other tropical disturbances.

*Impact on the District*..... According to Dannenbaum Engineering Corp. (the “Engineer”), the District’s System (as defined herein) did not sustain any material damage, there was no interruption of water and sewer service, and no homes or commercial improvements within the District experienced structural flooding or other material damage as a result of the storm.

Hurricane Harvey could have an adverse impact on the Houston region’s economy, including business activity and development in the region. The District cannot predict what impact, if any, Hurricane Harvey will have on the assessed value of homes and commercial improvements within the District. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Hurricane Harvey.”

### THE FINANCING

*The Issuer*..... Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the “District”), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, is located in Montgomery County, Texas. See “THE DISTRICT.”

*The Issue*..... \$2,500,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2018 (the “Bonds”) are issued pursuant to a resolution (the “Bond Resolution”) of the District’s Board of Directors. The Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds maturing serially on September 1 in each of the years 2019 through 2030, both inclusive, and as term bonds on September 1 in each of the years 2032, 2034, 2036, 2038, 2040, and 2043 (the “Term Bonds”) and in the principal amounts shown on the cover hereof. Interest on the Bonds accrues from April 1, 2018, and is payable on September 1, 2018 (five months of interest), and on each March 1 and September 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption.

The Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2024, are subject to redemption, in whole or in part, at the option of the District, prior to their maturity dates, on September 1, 2023, or on any date thereafter. Upon redemption, the Bonds will be payable at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. The Term Bonds are also subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption as more fully described herein. See “THE BONDS.”

*Source of Payment*..... The Bonds are payable from an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied upon all taxable property within the District (see “TAX PROCEDURES”). The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Montgomery County, the City of Houston or any other political subdivision or agency other than the District. See “THE BONDS—Source of and Security for Payment.”

*Payment Record*..... The District has previously issued eight series of unlimited tax bonds and one series of unlimited tax refunding bonds, of which a total of \$15,405,000 in the aggregate principal remain outstanding as of February 28, 2018 (the “Outstanding Bonds”). The District has never defaulted in the payment of principal and interest on its previously issued bonds.

*Use of Proceeds*.....Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used to capitalize six months of interest, reimburse a developer for construction and engineering costs and to pay certain costs associated with the issuance of the Bonds as shown herein under “THE SYSTEM—Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds.”

*Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations*.....In the Bond Resolution, the District has designated the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” within the meaning of Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. See “TAX MATTERS—Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations.”

*Municipal Bond Rating and Municipal Bond Insurance* .....It is expected that S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC (“S&P”), will assign its municipal bond rating of “AA” (stable outlook) to the Bonds with the understanding that upon delivery of the Bonds, a municipal bond insurance policy insuring the timely payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be issued by Build America Mutual Assurance Company (“BAM” or the “Insurer”). An explanation of their rating may be obtained from S&P. Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”), has assigned an underlying rating of “Baa2” to the Bonds. An explanation of the rating may be obtained from Moody’s. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Risk Factors Related to the Purchase of Municipal Bond Insurance,” “MUNICIPAL BOND RATING,” “MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE” and “APPENDIX B.”

*Legal Opinion*.....Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Bond Counsel, Houston, Texas.

*Financial Advisor* .....Hilltop Securities Inc., Houston, Texas.

*Engineer* .....Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation, Houston, Texas.

*Disclosure Counsel*.....Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Houston, Texas.

*Investment Considerations* .....The purchase and ownership of the Bonds are subject to special investment considerations and all prospective purchasers are urged to examine carefully the entire Official Statement for a discussion of investment risks, including particularly the section captioned “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS.”

**THE DISTRICT**

*Description*.....The District was created by order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the “Commission” or “TCEQ”) dated January 12, 2006. The District presently contains approximately 796 acres of land located approximately 30 miles north of downtown Houston, Texas. The District lies entirely within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston. The District is bounded on the east by U.S. Highway 59, on the north by White Oak Creek, on the west by Freeway Oaks Subdivision and on the south by Porter Municipal Utility District. See “THE DISTRICT” and “AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH” herein.

*Status of Development*.....The District is being developed as Valley Ranch and Azalea District, predominately single-family residential communities. The developers (as defined below) have financed the design and construction of water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities to serve Valley Ranch, Sections 1 through 11 (approximately 165 acres of land developed into 703 single-family residential lots), and Azalea District, Sections 1 through 5 (approximately 74 acres of land developed into 287 single-family residential lots). Construction of underground utilities and street paving is complete in these sections. Home construction in the District began in May 2006 and, as of January 3, 2018, there were 640 completed homes (636 occupied), 142 homes under construction or lots owned by a builder, and approximately 208 vacant developed lots available for home construction. Homebuilding in the District is being conducted by Signorelli Homes, Legend Classic Homes, Horizon Homes, Castle Rock Homes, D.R. Horton and First America Homes. New homes in the District range in offering prices from approximately \$150,000 to \$350,000.

In addition to the development described above, the District contains a 312-unit apartment complex on approximately 17 acres. According to the apartment complex management, the apartments are 97% occupied. Approximately 14 acres of commercial reserves are served with trunk facilities, upon which a 16-bay Texaco Gas Station with a convenience store, Neighbors Emergency Center, and Church's Fried Chicken have been constructed upon approximately 3 of such acres. Additionally, the District contains an elementary school on approximately 30 acres, which is not subject to taxation by the District, a recreation center with a pool on approximately 6 acres, and approximately 394 acres of developable land which are not provided with underground water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. Approximately 50 acres of land are contained in drainage easements, rights-of-way, and plants and the remaining 46 acres of land are in the 100-year flood plain and not planned for future development. See "THE DISTRICT—Status of Development."

*The Developers*.....The Valley Ranch and Azalea District subdivisions (except Valley Ranch, Section 9 as described below) are being developed by (a) Sig-Valley Ranch, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership ("Sig-Valley Ranch") formed for the sole purpose of owning and developing an approximately 1,272 acre tract of land, including approximately 749 acres of land in the District and (b) Valley Ranch Town Center One, Ltd., Valley Ranch Town Center Two, Ltd. And Valley Ranch Town Center Holdings, Ltd. (collectively referred to herein as "Valley Ranch Town Center"), each a Texas limited partnership, and all formed for the sole purpose of owning and developing an approximately 354 acre tract of land, including approximately 47 acres of land in the District acquired from Sig-Valley Ranch. The general partner of Sig-Valley Ranch is Sig-Valley Ranch Operating Company, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, and the general partner of Valley Ranch Town Center is Valley Ranch Town Center Holdings Operating Company, LLC, a Texas limited liability company.

In 2017, D.R. Horton-Texas, Ltd. ("D.R. Horton"), a Texas limited partnership, purchased approximately 32 acres of land and 81 lots in the District from Sig-Valley Ranch for the purpose of developing the land and building homes in the District. D.R. Horton is wholly owned by D.R. Horton, Inc., a Delaware corporation and publicly held company, the stock of which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "DHI." The land purchased by D.R. Horton is being developed as Valley Ranch, Section 9. The lots purchased by D.R. Horton are located in various sections of Valley Ranch.

Sig-Valley Ranch, Valley Ranch Town Center and D.R. Horton are collectively referred to herein as the "Developers." See "THE DEVELOPERS."

## SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation.....	\$144,401,740 (a)
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 .....	\$170,668,151 (b)
Gross Debt Outstanding (after the issuance of the Bonds) .....	\$17,905,000
Estimated Overlapping Debt .....	<u>17,598,613</u> (c)
Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt .....	\$35,503,613
Ratios of Gross Debt to:	
2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation .....	12.40%
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018.....	10.49%
Ratios of Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to:	
2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation .....	24.59%
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018.....	20.80%
2017 Tax Rate:	
Debt Service.....	\$0.79
Maintenance and Operations.....	<u>0.36</u>
Total .....	\$1.15/\$100 A.V.
Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2018-2043) of the Bonds and the	
Outstanding Bonds (“Average Requirement”) .....	\$1,020,385
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements (2019) of the Bonds and the	
Outstanding Bonds (“Maximum Requirement”).....	\$1,232,940
Tax rate required to pay Average Requirement based upon:	
2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation at a 95% collection rate .....	\$0.75/\$100 A.V.
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 at a 95% collection rate.....	\$0.63/\$100 A.V.
Tax rate required to pay Maximum Requirement based upon:	
2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation at a 95% collection rate .....	\$0.90/\$100 A.V.
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 at a 95% collection rate.....	\$0.77/\$100 A.V.
Connection count as of January 3, 2018:	
Homes Completed and Occupied .....	636
Homes Completed and Unoccupied .....	4
Homes Under Construction or Owned by a Builder .....	142
Commercial connections.....	5
Multifamily connections (312 units).....	2
Other connection .....	<u>13</u>
Total connections.....	802
Estimated 2018 population .....	2,832 (d)

- (a) As certified by the Montgomery Central Appraisal District (the “Appraisal District”). See “TAX PROCEDURES.”
- (b) Provided by the Appraisal District and reflects an estimate of the taxable assessed value within the District on January 1, 2018. Increases in value that occur between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, will be assessed for purposes of taxation on January 1, 2018, and no tax will be levied on such amount until it is certified.
- (c) See “ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT.”
- (d) Based on 3.5 persons per occupied single family residence and 2 persons per multi-family apartment unit (312 units).

## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

**\$2,500,000**

### **VALLEY RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1**

*(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Montgomery County)*

### **UNLIMITED TAX BONDS SERIES 2018**

This Official Statement provides certain information in connection with the issuance by Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District") of its \$2,500,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2018 (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are issued pursuant to Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, the general laws of the State of Texas regarding the issuance of bonds by political subdivisions of the State of Texas, an election held in the District, a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Bond Resolution") adopted by the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), and an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "Commission" or "TCEQ").

This Official Statement includes descriptions, among others, of the Bonds and the Bond Resolution, and certain other information about the District and the developers of land within the District. All descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each document. Copies of documents may be obtained from the District upon payment of the costs of duplication therefor.

## THE BONDS

### **General**

The Bonds will be dated and accrue interest from April 1, 2018, which interest is payable on September 1, 2018 (five months of interest) and on each March 1 and September 1 thereafter, until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds mature on September 1 in the amounts and years and bear interest at the rates shown on the cover page of this Official Statement. Interest calculations are based on a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

### **Authority for Issuance**

At a bond election held within the District on May 13, 2006, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$121,100,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for water, sewer and drainage facilities. The Bonds are being issued pursuant to such authorization. After issuance of the Bonds, \$101,545,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds will remain authorized but unissued for water, sewer and drainage facilities. See "Issuance of Additional Debt" below. The TCEQ has authorized the District to sell the Bonds for the purposes described in "THE SYSTEM—Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds."

The Bonds are issued by the District pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Bond Resolution, an order of the Commission, Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and the general laws of the State of Texas regarding the issuance of bonds by political subdivisions of the State of Texas.

### **Source of and Security for Payment**

While the Bonds or any part of the principal thereof or interest thereon remain outstanding and unpaid, the District covenants in the Bond Resolution to levy a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds, the Outstanding Bonds, and any future bonds payable in whole or in part from taxes, with full allowance being made for delinquencies and costs of collection.

The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not the obligations of the State of Texas, Montgomery County, the City of Houston or any entity other than the District.

## Funds

In the Bond Resolution, the Debt Service Fund is confirmed, and the proceeds from all taxes levied, assessed and collected for and on account of the Bonds authorized by the Bond Resolution shall be deposited, as collected, in such fund.

Accrued interest and six months of capitalized interest on the Bonds shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund upon receipt. The remaining proceeds from sale of the Bonds, including interest earnings thereon, shall be deposited into the Capital Projects Fund, to pay costs of acquiring or constructing District facilities and to pay the costs of issuing the Bonds. See “THE SYSTEM—Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds” for a more complete description of the use of Bond proceeds.

## Method of Payment of Principal and Interest

The Board has appointed The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. The principal of the Bonds shall be payable, without exchange or collection charges, in any coin or currency of the United States of America which, on the date of payment, is legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America, upon their presentation and surrender as they respectively become due and payable, at the principal payment office of the Paying Agent/Registrar in Dallas, Texas. Interest on each Bond shall be payable by check or draft payable on each Interest Payment Date, mailed by the Paying Agent/Registrar on or before each Interest Payment Date to the Registered Owners as shown on the Register on the fifteenth (15th) day (whether or not a business day) of the month prior to each interest payment date (defined herein as the “Record Date”), to the address of such Registered Owner as shown on the Register or by such other customary banking arrangements as may be agreed to by the Paying Agent/Registrar and the Registered Owners at the risk and expense of the Registered Owners.

If the date for payment of the principal of or interest on any Bond is not a business day, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding business day, as defined in the Bond Resolution.

## No Arbitrage

The District will certify as of the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for that, based upon all facts and estimates now known or reasonably expected to be in existence on the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for, the District reasonably expects that the proceeds of the Bonds will not be used in a manner that would cause the Bonds, or any portion of the Bonds, to be “arbitrage bonds” under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and the regulations prescribed thereunder. Furthermore, all officers, employees, and agents of the District have been authorized and directed to provide certifications of facts and estimates that are material to the reasonable expectations of the District as of the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for. In particular, all or any officers of the District are authorized to certify to the facts and circumstances and reasonable expectations of the District on the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for regarding the amount and use of the proceeds of the Bonds. Moreover, the District covenants in the Bond Resolution that it shall make such use of the proceeds of the Bonds, regulate investment of proceeds of the Bonds, and take such other and further actions and follow such procedures, including, without limitation, calculating the yield on the Bonds, as may be required so that the Bonds shall not become “arbitrage bonds” under the Code and the regulations prescribed from time to time thereunder.

## Redemption Provisions

*Mandatory Redemption:* The Bonds maturing on September 1 in each of the years 2032, 2034, 2036, 2038, 2040, and 2043 (the “Term Bonds”) shall be redeemed, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption (the “Mandatory Redemption Date”), on September 1 in each of the years and in the principal amounts set forth in the following schedule (with each such scheduled principal amount reduced, at the option of the District, by the principal amount as may have been previously redeemed through the exercise of the District’s reserved right of optional redemption, as provided under “Optional Redemption” below):

<u>\$195,000 Term Bond</u> <u>Due September 1, 2032</u>		<u>\$215,000 Term Bond</u> <u>Due September 1, 2034</u>		<u>\$235,000 Term Bond</u> <u>Due September 1, 2036</u>	
Mandatory		Mandatory		Mandatory	
<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>
2031	\$ 95,000	2033	\$ 105,000	2035	\$ 115,000
2032 (maturity)	100,000	2034 (maturity)	110,000	2036 (maturity)	120,000
<u>\$255,000 Term Bond</u> <u>Due September 1, 2038</u>		<u>\$285,000 Term Bond</u> <u>Due September 1, 2040</u>		<u>\$485,000 Term Bond</u> <u>Due September 1, 2043</u>	
Mandatory		Mandatory		Mandatory	
<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>
2037	\$ 125,000	2039	\$ 140,000	2041	\$ 155,000
2038 (maturity)	130,000	2040 (maturity)	145,000	2042	160,000
				2043 (maturity)	170,000



On or before 30 days prior to each Mandatory Redemption Date set forth above, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall (i) determine the principal amount of such Term Bond that must be mandatorily redeemed on such Mandatory Redemption Date, after taking into account deliveries for cancellation and optional redemptions as more fully provided for below, (ii) select, by lot or other customary random method, the Term Bond or portions of the Term Bond of such maturity to be mandatorily redeemed on such Mandatory Redemption Date, and (iii) give notice of such redemption as provided in the Bond Resolution. The principal amount of any Term Bond to be mandatorily redeemed on such Mandatory Redemption Date shall be reduced by the principal amount of such Term Bond which, by the 45th day prior to such Mandatory Redemption Date, either has been purchased in the open market and delivered or tendered for cancellation by or on behalf of the District to the Paying Agent/Registrar or optionally redeemed and which, in either case, has not previously been made the basis for a reduction under this sentence.

**Optional Redemption:** The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem the Bonds maturing on or after September 1, 2024, prior to their scheduled maturities, in whole or in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000, on September 1, 2023, or on any date thereafter, at a price of par plus accrued interest on the principal amounts called for redemption to the date fixed for redemption. If fewer than all of the Bonds are redeemed at any time, the particular maturities of Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the District. If less than all the Bonds of any maturity are redeemed at any time, the particular Bonds within a maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot or other customary method of selection (or by DTC in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form).

Notice of any redemption identifying the Bonds to be redeemed in whole or in part shall be given by the Paying Agent/Registrar at least thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption by sending written notice by first class mail to the Registered Owner of each Bond to be redeemed in whole or in part at the address shown on the register. Such notices shall state the redemption date, the redemption price, the place at which the Bonds are to be surrendered for payment and, if fewer than all the Bonds outstanding within any one maturity are to be redeemed, the numbers of the Bonds or the portions thereof to be redeemed. Any notice given shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the Registered Owner receives such notice. By the date fixed for redemption, due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for payment of the redemption price of the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. When Bonds have been called for redemption in whole or in part and due provision has been made to redeem the same as herein provided, the Bonds or portions thereof so redeemed shall no longer be regarded as outstanding except for the purpose of receiving payment solely from the funds so provided for redemption, and the rights of the Registered Owners to collect interest that would otherwise accrue after the redemption date on any Bond or portion thereof called for redemption shall terminate on the date fixed for redemption.

### **Registration and Transfer**

So long as any Bonds remain outstanding, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep the register at its principal payment office and, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the registration and transfer of Bonds in accordance with the terms of the Bond Resolution. While the Bonds are in the Book-Entry-Only System, the Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. and will not be transferred. See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM."

### **Replacement of Paying Agent/Registrar**

Provision is made in the Bond Resolution for replacement of the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the Paying Agent/Registrar is replaced by the District, the new paying agent/registrar shall act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. Any paying agent/registrar selected by the District shall be a national or state banking institution, a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any State, authorized under such laws to exercise trust powers, and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority, to act as Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds.

### **Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Bonds**

In the event the book-entry-only system is discontinued, upon the presentation and surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar of a mutilated Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a replacement Bond of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. If any Bond is lost, stolen or destroyed, the District, pursuant to the applicable laws of the State of Texas and in the absence of notice or knowledge that such Bond has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, shall, upon receipt of certain documentation from the Registered Owner and an indemnity bond, execute and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver a replacement Bond of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. Registered Owners of lost, stolen or destroyed bonds will be required to pay the District's costs to replace such bond. In addition, the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar may require the Registered Owner to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed.

### **Issuance of Additional Debt**

After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$101,545,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for water, sewer and drainage facilities, \$121,010,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for refunding such bonds and \$14,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for parks and recreational facilities. The District anticipates issuing additional bonds in the future. The Bond Resolution imposes no limitation on the amount of additional parity bonds which may be authorized for issuance by the District's voters or the amount ultimately issued by the District. See "THE SYSTEM—Future Debt" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Future Debt."

The District is authorized by statute to develop parks and recreational facilities, including the issuing of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose. The District has adopted a park plan and conducted a park election which resulted in voter approval of \$14,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax park bonds, all of which remains authorized but unissued. Before the District could issue park bonds payable from taxes, the following actions would be required: (a) approval of park bonds by the Commission; and (b) approval of the bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. If the District does issue park bonds, the outstanding principal amount of such bonds may not exceed an amount equal to one percent of the value of the taxable property in the District.

The District also is authorized by statute to engage in fire-fighting activities, including the issuing of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose. Before the District could issue fire-fighting bonds payable from taxes, the following actions would be required: (a) approval of a detailed fire plan by the Commission; (b) authorization of a detailed fire plan and bonds for such purpose by the qualified voters in the District; (c) approval of the bonds for such purpose by the Commission; and (d) approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The Board has not considered preparing a fire plan or calling such an election at this time.

Pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Water Code, a municipal utility district may petition the Commission for the power to issue bonds supported by property taxes to finance roads. Before the District could issue such bonds, the District would be required to receive a grant of such power from the Commission, authorization from the District's voters to issue such bonds, and approval of the bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The District has not considered filing an application to the Commission for "road powers" nor calling such an election at this time.

Issuance of additional bonds could dilute the investment security for the Bonds.

### **Annexation by the City of Houston**

Under existing Texas law, since the District lies wholly within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, the District must conform to a City of Houston ordinance consenting to the creation of the District. In addition, the District may be annexed by the City of Houston without the District's consent. If the District is annexed, the City of Houston will assume the District's assets and obligations (including the Bonds) and dissolve the District within ninety (90) days. Annexation of territory by the City of Houston is a policy-making matter within the discretion of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Houston, and therefore, the District makes no representation that the City of Houston will ever annex the District and assume its debt, nor does the District make any representation concerning the ability of the City of Houston to pay debt service on the District's bonds if annexation were to occur.

## **Strategic Partnership**

The District is authorized to enter into a strategic partnership agreement with the City of Houston to provide the terms and conditions under which the services would be provided and funded by the parties and under which the District would continue to exist for an extended period if the land within the District were to be annexed for full or limited purposes by the City of Houston. The terms of any such agreement would be determined by the City of Houston and the District, and could provide for the conversion of a limited purpose annexation to a general purpose annexation within twenty-nine years of limited purpose annexation. Although the City of Houston has negotiated and entered into such an agreement with one or more other districts in its extraterritorial jurisdiction, none is currently contemplated with respect to the District. However, no representation can be made regarding the future likelihood of an agreement or the terms thereof.

## **Consolidation**

The District has the legal authority to consolidate with other districts and, in connection therewith, to provide for the consolidation of its assets (such as cash and the utility system) and liabilities (such as the Bonds), with the assets and liabilities of districts with which it is consolidating. Although no consolidation is presently contemplated by the District, no representation is made concerning the likelihood of consolidation in the future.

## **Remedies in Event of Default**

If the District defaults in the payment of principal, interest, or redemption price on the Bonds when due, or if it fails to make payments into any fund or funds created in the Bond Resolution, or defaults in the observance or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Bond Resolution, the Registered Owners have the statutory right of a writ of mandamus issued by a court of competent jurisdiction requiring the District and its officials to observe and perform the covenants, obligations, or conditions prescribed in the Bond Resolution. Except for mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not specifically provide for remedies to protect and enforce the interests of the Registered Owners. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. Further, there is no trust indenture or trustee, and all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the Registered Owners. Statutory language authorizing local governments such as the District to sue and be sued does not waive the local government's sovereign immunity from suits for money damages, so that in the absence of other waivers of such immunity by the Texas Legislature, a default by the District in its covenants in the Bond Resolution may not be reduced to a judgment for money damages. If such a judgment against the District were obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the Registered Owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners may further be limited by a State of Texas statute reasonably required to attain an important public purpose or by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions, such as the District. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations."

## **Legal Investment and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas**

The following is quoted from Section 49.186 of the Texas Water Code, and is applicable to the District:

“(a) All bonds, notes, and other obligations issued by a district shall be legal and authorized investments for all banks, trust companies, building and loan associations, savings and loan associations, insurance companies of all kinds and types, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for all interest and sinking funds and other public funds of the state, and all agencies, subdivisions, and instrumentalities of the state, including all counties, cities, towns, villages, school districts, and all other kinds and types of districts, public agencies, and bodies politic.”

“(b) A district's bonds, notes, and other obligations are eligible and lawful security for all deposits of public funds of the state, and all agencies, subdivisions, and instrumentalities of the state, including all counties, cities, towns, villages, school districts, and all other kinds and types of districts, public agencies, and bodies politic, to the extent of the market value of the bonds, notes, and other obligations when accompanied by any unmatured interest coupons attached to them.”

The Public Funds Collateral Act (Chapter 2257, Texas Government Code) also provides that bonds of the District (including the Bonds) are eligible as collateral for public funds.

No representation is made that the Bonds will be suitable for or acceptable to financial or public entities for investment or collateral purposes. No representation is made concerning other laws, rules, regulations, or investment criteria which might apply to or which might be utilized by any of such persons or entities to limit the acceptability or suitability of the Bonds for any of the foregoing purposes. Prospective purchasers are urged to carefully evaluate the investment quality of the Bonds as to the suitability or acceptability of the Bonds for investment or collateral purposes.

### **Defeasance**

The Bond Resolution provides that the District may discharge its obligations to the Registered Owners of any or all of the Bonds to pay principal, interest and redemption price thereon in any manner permitted by law. Under current Texas law, such discharge may be accomplished either (i) by depositing with the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas a sum of money equal to the principal of, premium, if any, and all interest to accrue on the Bonds to maturity or redemption or (ii) by depositing with any place of payment (paying agent) of the Bonds or other obligations of the District payable from revenues or from ad valorem taxes or both or with a commercial bank or trust company designated in the proceedings authorizing such discharge, amounts sufficient to provide for the payment and/or redemption of the Bonds; provided that such deposits may be invested and reinvested only in (a) direct obligations of the United States of America, (b) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and (c) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and which mature and/or bear interest payable at such times and in such amounts as will be sufficient to provide for the scheduled payment and/or redemption of the Bonds.

Upon such deposit as described above, such bonds shall no longer be regarded as outstanding or unpaid. After firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment or redemption of the Bonds have been made as described above, all rights of the District to initiate proceedings to call the Bonds for redemption or take any other action amending the terms of the Bonds are extinguished; provided, however, that the right to call the Bonds for redemption is not extinguished if the District: (i) in the proceedings providing for the firm banking and financial arrangements, expressly reserves the right to call the Bonds for redemption; (ii) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Bonds immediately following the making of the firm banking and financial arrangements; and (iii) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes.

There is no assurance that the current law will not be changed in the future in a manner which would permit investments other than those described above to be made with amounts deposited to defease the Bonds.

## BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM

*The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof. The District cannot and does not give any assurances that DTC, DTC Direct Participants or Indirect Participants will distribute to the Beneficial Owners (a) payments of interest, principal or premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds, (b) Bonds representing ownership interest in or other confirmation or ownership interest in the Bonds, or (c) prepayment or other notices sent to DTC or Cede & Co., its nominee, as the registered owner of the Bonds, or that they will do so on a timely basis or that DTC, DTC Direct Participants or DTC Indirect Participants will act in the manner described in this Official Statement. The current "Rules" applicable to DTC are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the current "Procedure" of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Direct Participants are on file with DTC.*

### **General**

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds, of each series will be issued as fully-registered Bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. With respect to each series of the Bonds, one fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued of each such series for each maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC. DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.6 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of "AA+." The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com).

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the District as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

All payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with Bonds held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Paying Agent/Registrar, or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but neither the District nor the Initial Purchaser take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

## **THE DISTRICT**

### **General**

Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the “District”) is a municipal utility district created by order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the “Commission” or “TCEQ”), dated January 12, 2006, and operates under the provisions of Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code and other general statutes applicable to municipal utility districts. The District is located wholly within the exclusive extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas (the “City of Houston”).

The District is empowered, among other things, to purchase, construct, operate and maintain all works, improvements, facilities and plants necessary for the supply and distribution of water; the collection, transportation, and treatment of wastewater; and the control and diversion of storm water. The District may issue bonds and other forms of indebtedness to purchase or construct such facilities. The District is also empowered to establish parks and recreational facilities, to contract for or employ its own peace officers and, after approval by the Commission and the voters of the District, to establish, operate, and maintain fire-fighting facilities, independently or with one or more conservation and reclamation districts.

The Commission exercises continuing supervisory jurisdiction over the District. The District is required to observe certain requirements of the City of Houston which limit the purposes for which the District may sell bonds for the acquisition, construction, and improvement of waterworks, wastewater, and drainage facilities and parks and recreational facilities and the refunding of outstanding debt obligations; limit the net effective interest rate on such bonds and other terms of such bonds; require approval by the City of Houston of District construction plans; and permit connections only to platted lots and reserves which have been approved by the Planning Commission of the City of Houston. Construction and operation of the District's system are subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of additional government agencies. See “THE SYSTEM.”

The District presently contains approximately 796 acres of land. The District is located approximately 30 miles north of downtown Houston, Texas. The District is bounded on the east by U.S. Highway 59, on the north by White Oak Creek, on the west by Freeway Oaks Subdivision and on the south by Porter Municipal Utility District. See “AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH” herein.

### **Status of Development**

The District is being developed as Valley Ranch and Azalea District, predominately single-family residential communities. The Developers have financed the design and construction of water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities to serve Valley Ranch, Sections 1 through 11 (approximately 165 acres of land developed into 703 single-family residential lots), and Azalea District, Sections 1 through 5 (approximately 74 acres of land developed into 287 single-family residential lots). Construction of underground utilities and street paving is complete in these sections. Home construction in the District began in May 2006 and, as of January 3, 2018, there were 640 completed homes (636 occupied), 142 homes under construction or lots owned by a builder, and approximately 208 vacant developed lots available for home construction. Homebuilding in the District is being conducted by Signorelli Homes, Legend Classic Homes, Horizon Homes, Castle Rock Homes, D.R. Horton and First America Homes. New homes in the District range in offering prices from approximately \$150,000 to \$350,000.

In addition to the development described above, the District contains a 312-unit apartment complex on approximately 17 acres. According to the apartment complex management, the apartments are 97% occupied. Approximately 14 acres of commercial reserves are served with trunk facilities, upon which a 16-bay Texaco Gas Station with a convenience store, Neighbors Emergency Center, and Church’s Fried Chicken have been constructed upon approximately 3 of such acres. Additionally, the District contains an elementary school on approximately 30 acres, which is not subject to taxation by the District, a recreation center with a pool on approximately 6 acres, and approximately 394 acres of developable land which are not provided with underground water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. Approximately 50 acres of land are contained in drainage easements, rights-of-way, and plants and the remaining 46 acres of land are in the 100-year flood plain and not planned for future development.

## MANAGEMENT

### **Board of Directors**

The District is governed by the Board of Directors, consisting of five directors, which has control over and management supervision of all affairs of the District. Each of the five current Directors owns land and/or resides in the District. Directors are elected by the voters within the District for four-year staggered terms. Directors elections are held only in even numbered years. The Directors and Officers of the District are listed below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>District Board Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Chris Baughman	President	May 2020
Kyle Hoegemeyer	Vice President	May 2018
Neal J. Brussell	Secretary	May 2018
Corey Mills	Assistant Secretary	May 2018
David Knighten, Sr.	Assistant Vice President	May 2020

While the District does not employ any full time employees, it has contracted for certain services as follows:

### **Tax Assessor/Collector**

Land and improvements within the District are appraised for ad valorem taxation purposes by the Montgomery Central Appraisal District. The District's Tax Assessor/Collector is appointed by the Board of Directors of the District. Utility Tax Service, LLC is currently serving in this capacity for the District.

### **Bookkeeper**

The District has engaged District Data Services, Inc. to serve as the District's bookkeeper.

### **System Operator**

The District contracts with Inframark, LLC for maintenance and operation of the District's system.

### **Engineer**

The consulting engineer for the District is Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation (the "Engineer").

### **Attorney**

The District has engaged Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP as General Counsel and as Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The legal fees to be paid Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the Bonds actually issued, sold and delivered and, therefore, such fees are contingent on the sale and delivery of the Bonds. The legal fees paid to Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP in its capacity as General Counsel are based on time charges actually incurred.

### **Financial Advisor**

Hilltop Securities Inc. (the "Financial Advisor") serves as financial advisor to the District. The fee to be paid the Financial Advisor is contingent upon sale and delivery of the Bonds.

### **Auditor**

As required by the Texas Water Code, the District retains an independent auditor to audit the District's financial statements annually, which audit is filed with the Commission. The District's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 have been prepared by McGrath & Co., PLLC. See "APPENDIX A" for a copy of the District's June 30, 2017 audited financial statements.



## **THE DEVELOPERS**

### **Role of a Developer**

In general, the activities of a landowner or developer in a municipal utility district such as the District include designing the project, defining a marketing program and setting building schedules; securing necessary governmental approvals and permits for development; arranging for the construction of roads and the installation of utilities; and selling or leasing improved tracts or commercial reserves to other developers or third parties. While a developer is required by the Commission to pave certain streets, a developer is under no obligation to a district to undertake development activities according to any particular plan or schedule. Furthermore, there is no restriction on a developer's right to sell any or all of the land which the developer owns within a district. In addition, the developer is ordinarily the major taxpayer within the district during the early stages of development. The relative success or failure of a developer to perform in the above-described capacities may affect the ability of a district to collect sufficient taxes to pay debt service and retire bonds.

### **Sig-Valley Ranch, Ltd. and Valley Ranch Town Center Holdings, Ltd.**

The Valley Ranch and Azalea District subdivisions (except Valley Ranch, Section 9 as described below) are being developed by (a) Sig-Valley Ranch, Ltd. ("Sig-Valley Ranch"), a Texas limited partnership formed for the sole purpose of owning and developing an approximately 1,272 acre tract of land, including approximately 749 acres of land in the District and (b) Valley Ranch Town Center One, Ltd., Valley Ranch Town Center Two, Ltd. and Valley Ranch Town Center Holdings, Ltd. (collectively referred to herein as "Valley Ranch Town Center"), each a Texas limited partnership, and all formed for the sole purpose of owning and developing an approximately 354 acre tract of land, including approximately 47 acres of land in the District acquired from Sig-Valley Ranch. The general partner of Sig-Valley Ranch is Sig-Valley Ranch Operating Company, LLC, a Texas limited liability company, and the general partner of Valley Ranch Town Center is Valley Ranch Town Center Holdings Operating Company, LLC, a Texas limited liability company. Sig-Valley Ranch, Valley Ranch Town Center, and the general partners of each entity were formed by, and partnership interests in Sig-Valley Ranch and Valley Ranch Town Center are owned by, The Signorelli Company and its principals and affiliates.

The Signorelli Company is a privately owned real estate development company founded in 1994 by Daniel Signorelli. Neither The Signorelli Company nor any of its principals or affiliates is obligated to provide funds for the development of the District, to provide funds to pay taxes on property in the District owned by Sig-Valley Ranch and Valley Ranch Town Center or to pay any other obligations of Sig-Valley Ranch and Valley Ranch Town Center.

### **D.R. Horton-Texas, Ltd.**

In 2017, D.R. Horton-Texas, Ltd. ("D.R. Horton"), a Texas limited partnership, purchased approximately 32 acres of land and 81 lots in the District from Sig-Valley Ranch for the purpose of developing the land and building homes in the District. D.R. Horton is wholly owned by D.R. Horton, Inc., a Delaware corporation and publicly held company, the stock of which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "DHI." The land purchased by D.R. Horton is being developed at Valley Ranch, Section 9. The lots purchased by D.R. Horton are located in various sections of Valley Ranch.

Sig-Valley Ranch, Valley Ranch Town Center and D.R. Horton are collectively referred to herein as the "Developers."

Neither the Developers nor any of their affiliates is obligated to pay principal of or interest on the Bonds. Furthermore, the Developers have no binding commitment to the District to carry out any plan of development, and the furnishing of information relating to the proposed development by the Developers should not be interpreted as such a commitment. Prospective purchasers are encouraged to inspect Valley Ranch and Azalea District in order to acquaint themselves with the nature of development that has occurred or is occurring within the boundaries of the District. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS."

## THE SYSTEM

### Regulation

According to the Engineer, the District's water supply and distribution, wastewater collection and treatment, and storm drainage facilities (collectively, the "System") have been designed in accordance with accepted engineering practices and the then current requirements of various entities having regulatory or supervisory jurisdiction over the construction and operation of such facilities. The construction of the System was required to be accomplished in accordance with the standards and specifications of such entities and is subject to inspection by each such entity. Operation of the System must be accomplished in accordance with the standards and requirements of such entities. The Commission exercises continuing supervisory authority over the District. Discharge of treated sewage is subject to the regulatory authority of the Commission and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Construction of drainage facilities is subject to the regulatory authority of the City of Houston, Montgomery County and, in some instances, the Commission. Montgomery County and the City of Houston also exercise regulatory jurisdiction over the System. The regulations and requirements of entities exercising regulatory jurisdiction over the System are subject to further development and revision which, in turn, could require additional expenditures by the District in order to achieve compliance. In particular, additional or revised requirements in connection with any permit for the wastewater treatment plant in which the District owns capacity beyond the criteria existing at the time of construction of the plant could result in the need to construct additional facilities in the future. The following descriptions are based upon information supplied by the Engineer.

### Water, Sanitary Sewer and Drainage Facilities

Construction of the District's System has been financed with funds advanced by Sig-Valley Ranch, a portion of which has been reimbursed with proceeds from the Outstanding Bonds and an additional portion of which will be reimbursed with proceeds of the Bonds. Additional costs of the System will be reimbursed with the proceeds from the sale of future bonds.

*Source of Water Supply:* Porter Special Utility District ("Porter SUD") holds a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") which grants it authority over the provision of water supply service to the land in the District. Porter SUD and the District have entered a Water Supply Agreement, as amended (the "Water Agreement") that provides the terms and conditions under which Porter SUD will provide wholesale potable water supply to the District. Subject to certain notification and reservation requirements set forth in the Water Agreement, Porter SUD will provide sufficient water supply capacity to meet the District's total projected demand at full development. The District will pay Porter SUD an impact fee on a per connection basis in accordance with the Porter SUD impact fee schedule, which is currently \$1,800 per equivalent single-family connection ("ESFC"). Porter SUD is responsible for the cost of operating and maintaining its water supply facilities. The District pays Porter SUD wholesale water rates, as established from time to time by Porter SUD, per thousand gallons of water received to provide service to the District. The District, at its sole cost and expense, is responsible for designing, constructing, operating and maintaining all internal facilities necessary to receive water supply from Porter SUD and provide service to the District's customers.

Porter SUD's water plants consist of five active water wells with a total capacity of 6,745 gallons per minute ("gpm"), four ground storage tanks with a total capacity of 970,000 gallons, three elevated storage tanks with a total capacity of 800,000 gallons, one 10,000 gallon hydro-pneumatic tank, and twelve booster pumps with a total capacity of 6,950 gpm. A series of water mains has been designed to distribute the water and provide for redundancy should one of the water plants be out of service. According to the Engineer, the District's current water supply is sufficient to serve the 937 ESFCs currently located within the District.

*Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District:* Porter SUD and the District are within the boundaries of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District (the "Conservation District") which was created by the Texas legislature in 2001. The Conservation District was created to conserve, enhance, and protect the groundwater resources of Montgomery County. In the future, it is expected that the Conservation District will require a partial conversion to surface water. The Conservation District bills Porter SUD for water pumped by Porter SUD from its wells. The current fee billed to and passed on to the District by Porter SUD is \$0.105 per 1,000 gallons. The amount billed is subject to future increases.

*San Jacinto River Authority GRP Agreement:* In response to the Conservation District requirements, the San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) expressed a willingness to assume responsibility to construct and operate a surface water treatment plant at Lake Conroe and a water transmission system to major populated areas of Montgomery County, thus enabling the entire county to comply with the Conservation District requirements.

SJRA offered to enter into a contract for groundwater reduction planning, alternative water supply, and related goods and services (the GRP Contract) with all large water users in Montgomery County to achieve the goals for reduction of groundwater pumpage for the entire county. Approximately 81 larger volume water users in Montgomery County, including Porter SUD, approved and entered into the GRP Contract (collectively, the "Participants") and are in compliance with SJRA and Conservation District requirements applicable to groundwater pumpage from Porter SUD's wells.

Pursuant to the GRP Contract, SJRA has developed, implemented, and is enforcing a groundwater reduction plan ("GRP") covering all Participants to achieve and maintain compliance with the Conservation District requirements. The initial phase of the GRP was to design and construct a surface water treatment plant at the Lake Conroe Dam and a water transmission system (the "Project") to be owned and operated by SJRA for the benefit of all Participants. The first phase of the SJRA surface water treatment plant began delivering surface water to GRP Participants September 1, 2015, which was ahead of the Conservation District's January 1, 2016 deadline.

The SJRA designed, permitted, financed, and constructed the Project, and will own, operate, and maintain the Project. The Project will be constructed in phases. A group compliance approach will be utilized. Certain large volume Participants may be wholly converted to treated surface water while other Participants may continue to use groundwater. This approach is expected to minimize overall Project cost, equalize costs for Participants, and avoid geographic advantages and disadvantages.

All Participants are paying a monthly groundwater pumpage fee for groundwater pumped from wells. The pumpage fee has been set so that Participants are neither benefitted nor penalized for utilizing groundwater, and allowances will be made for Participant costs of operating and maintaining their wells.

Participants that receive treated surface water from the Project are paying the prevailing rate for water, which has been set so the Participants are neither benefitted nor penalized for being required to take water from the Project under the GRP, and allowances have been made for Participant costs of operating on-site water facilities, as well as operating and maintaining their wells. The pumpage fees and water service fees received from the Project will be comparable, so that all Participants are paying equivalent charges without preference for customers within or outside the areas converted to surface water.

SJRA is issuing bonds to finance the capital costs of the Project, and groundwater pumpage fees and water service fees will be used to cover costs of debt service on the bonds. The SJRA pumpage fees are currently \$2.64 per 1,000 gallons of water pumped from Porter SUD's wells and the District is paying its share of the pumpage fees based upon the amount of groundwater received by the District from Porter SUD. The District passes these pumpage fees and Conservation District fees on to its customers.

Porter SUD will not receive water from the first phase of the Project, but will instead continue to pay pumpage fees and Conservation District fees for the indefinite future. The SJRA pumpage fees will increase as the costs of the Project are incurred, but the District is unable to predict the magnitude or timing of such increases.

*Source of Wastewater Treatment:* Porter Municipal Utility District ("Porter MUD") currently holds a CCN which grants it authority over the provision of wastewater treatment service to the land in the District. Porter MUD and the District have entered into a Wastewater Treatment Capacity Agreement, as amended (the "Wastewater Agreement"), to provide the terms and conditions for the supply of wastewater treatment capacity to the District.

Wastewater treatment for the District is currently being provided by a temporary wastewater treatment plant (the "Temporary Plant") leased by the District from AUC Group, L.P and historically operated by Porter MUD pursuant to the Wastewater Agreement. The District is not charged any impact fees or capital contribution charges by Porter MUD for the wastewater treatment services it receives from the Temporary Plant. The District, at its sole cost and expense, is responsible for designing, constructing, operating, and maintaining all internal facilities necessary to collect wastewater from its customers and deliver it to the Temporary Plant for treatment. The Temporary Plant currently has a capacity of 200,000 gallons per day (gpd) and serves the District. The monthly flow rates at the Temporary Plant over the past 12 months have been below 150,000 gpd. Therefore, the District has capacity to serve the 937 equivalent single family connections currently located in the District. The District is currently in the process of expanding the Temporary Plant from 200,000 gpd to 400,000 gpd.

By letter dated January 19, 2018, Porter MUD notified the District of its desire to discontinue its operation of the Temporary Plant and to terminate the Wastewater Agreement. Effective February 28, 2018, Porter MUD and the District entered into an Agreement Regarding Termination of Wastewater Treatment Capacity Agreement (the "Termination Agreement") to ensure the orderly transition of Temporary Plant operations a termination of the Wastewater Agreement. Pursuant to the Termination Agreement: (i) Porter MUD will issue a final billing invoice for the period ending February 28, 2018 to the District; (ii) the District will begin to operate the Temporary Plant on March 1, 2018; (iii) Porter MUD will fully cooperate in the regulatory process to decertify the portion of its CCN that overlaps the District; and (iv) upon the decertification of the portion of Porter MUD's CCN that overlaps the District by the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the Wastewater Agreement will terminate.

Once the land within the District has been decertified from Porter MUD's CCN and the Wastewater Agreement has terminated, the District will have full authority over the provision of wastewater treatment service to the land within its boundaries. In order to serve the total projected demand at full development in the District, a permanent wastewater treatment plant (the "Permanent Plant") will need to be constructed. The District will be solely responsible for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Permanent Plant.

*100-Year Flood Plain:* According to the Engineer, there are approximately 46 acres within the District that are in the 100-year flood plain, none of which will be developed.

**Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds**

The estimated use and distribution of Bond proceeds is shown below. Of proceeds to be received from sale of the Bonds, \$1,893,050 is estimated for construction costs, and \$606,950 is estimated for non-construction costs, including six months of capitalized interest on the Bonds.

**I. CONSTRUCTION COSTS**

• Water, Sewer and Drainage Facilities to Serve:	
Azalea District Section 1.....	\$ 460,455
Azalea District Sections 2 and 3.....	988,409
Valley Ranch Section 11.....	121,651
• Engineering.....	362,535
• Less: Surplus Construction Funds.....	<u>(40,000)</u>
<b>Total Construction Costs.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,893,050</b>

**II. NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS**

• Legal Fees.....	\$ 75,000
• Financial Advisory Fees.....	50,000
• Developer Interest.....	263,561
• Capitalized Interest (Six Months) (a).....	45,256
• Bond Discount.....	75,000
• Bond Issuance Expenses.....	42,139
• Bond Application Report.....	30,000
• TCEQ Fee (0.25%).....	6,250
• Attorney General Fee.....	2,500
• Contingency (a).....	<u>17,244</u>
<b>Total Non-Construction Costs.....</b>	<b>\$ 606,950</b>
<b>TOTAL BOND ISSUE.....</b>	<b>\$ 2,500,000</b>

(a) Contingency represents the difference in the estimated and actual amount of capitalized interest.

In the event approved estimated amounts exceed actual costs, the difference comprises a surplus which may be expended for uses in accordance with the rules of the Commission. In the event actual costs exceed previously approved estimated amounts and contingencies, additional Commission approval and the issuance of additional bonds may be required.

**Future Debt**

The Developers have financed or are financing the engineering and construction costs of underground utilities to serve various subdivisions in the District, and certain other District improvements, including drainage facilities. After reimbursement from sale of the Bonds, the Developers will have expended approximately \$7,600,000 (as of January 31, 2018) for design, construction and acquisition of District utilities and parks and recreational facilities not yet reimbursed. It is anticipated that proceeds from future issues of District bonds will be used, in part, to reimburse the Developers for these costs to the extent allowed by the Commission. Additionally, the District presently contains approximately 407 acres of developable land not presently fully served with water distribution, wastewater collection and storm drainage facilities. It is anticipated that additional bonds will be issued to finance the construction of these facilities to serve this undeveloped acreage and to finance park and recreational facilities. The District makes no representation that any additional development will occur within the District. See “THE BONDS—Issuance of Additional Debt” and “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Future Debt.”

**UNLIMITED TAX BONDS AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED**

<u>Date of Authorization</u>		<u>Amount Authorized</u>	<u>Issued to Date</u>	<u>Amount Unissued</u>
5/13/2006	Water, Sewer and Drainage Bonds	\$121,100,000	\$19,555,000*	\$101,545,000
5/13/2006	Park Bonds	\$14,000,000	\$0	\$14,000,000
5/13/2006	Refunding Bonds	\$121,100,000	\$90,000	\$121,010,000

\* Includes the Bonds.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation.....	\$144,401,740 (a)
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 .....	\$170,668,151 (b)
Gross Debt Outstanding (after the issuance of the Bonds) .....	\$17,905,000
Estimated Overlapping Debt .....	<u>17,598,613</u> (c)
Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt .....	\$35,503,613
Ratios of Gross Debt to:	
2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation .....	12.40%
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018.....	10.49%
Ratios of Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to:	
2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation .....	24.59%
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018.....	20.80%

Area of District – 796 acres  
Estimated 2018 Population – 2,832 (d)

- (a) As certified by the Montgomery Central Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District"). See "TAX PROCEDURES."  
 (b) Provided by the Appraisal District reflects an estimate of the taxable assessed value within the District on January 1, 2018. Increases in value that occur between January 1, 2017 and January 1, 2018, will be assessed for purposes of taxation on January 1, 2018, and no tax will be levied on such amount until it is certified.  
 (c) See "ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT."  
 (d) Based on 3.5 persons per occupied single family residence and 2 persons per multi-family apartment unit (312 units).

**Cash and Investment Balances** (unaudited as of February 28, 2018)

Capital Projects Fund	Cash and Temporary Investments	\$60,182
Operating Fund	Cash and Temporary Investments	\$2,121,635
Debt Service Fund	Cash and Temporary Investments	\$1,539,168 (a)

- (a) Six months of capitalized interest on the Bonds will be deposited into the Debt Service Fund. Neither Texas law nor the Bond Resolution requires the District to maintain any minimum balance in the Debt Service Fund.

**Outstanding Bonds** (as of February 28, 2018)

Series	Original Principal Amount	Principal Amount Outstanding as of February 28, 2018
2009	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 130,000
2010	2,040,000	1,775,000
2012	1,500,000	1,300,000
2014	1,490,000	1,390,000
2014A	1,010,000	935,000
2016	2,465,000	2,365,000
2016A (a)	3,760,000	3,710,000
2017	3,800,000	3,800,000
		<u>\$ 15,405,000</u>

(a) Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds.

**ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT**

Expenditures of the various taxing entities within the territory of the District are paid out of ad valorem taxes levied by such entities on properties within the District. Such entities are independent of the District and may incur borrowings to finance their expenditures. This statement of direct and estimated overlapping ad valorem tax bonds (“Tax Debt”) was developed from information contained in the “Texas Municipal Reports” published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas. Except for the amounts relating to the District, the District has not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of such information, and no person should rely upon such information as being accurate or complete. Furthermore, certain of the entities listed may have issued additional bonds since the date hereof, and such entities may have programs requiring the issuance of substantial amounts of additional bonds, the amount of which cannot be determined. The following table reflects the estimated share of the overlapping Tax Debt of the District.

Taxing Jurisdiction	Outstanding Bonds	As of	Overlapping	
			Percent	Amount
Montgomery County.....	\$443,540,000	12/31/17	0.24%	\$ 1,064,496
New Caney Independent School District.....	409,703,762	12/31/17	3.92%	16,060,387
Lone Star College System .....	640,175,000	12/31/17	0.07%	<u>473,730</u>
Total Estimated Overlapping Debt				\$17,598,613
The District.....	17,905,000(a)	Current	100.00%	<u>17,905,000</u>
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt .....				\$35,503,613
Ratio of Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt to:				
2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation.....				24.59%
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 .....				20.80%

(a) Includes the Bonds.

**Overlapping Tax Rates for 2017**

	<u>2017 Tax Rate per \$100 of Taxable Assessed Valuation</u>
Montgomery County.....	\$ 0.466700
New Caney Independent School District.....	1.670000
Montgomery County Hospital District.....	0.066400
Montgomery County Emergency Services District No. 6.....	0.100000
Lone Star College System.....	<u>0.107800</u>
Total Overlapping Tax Rate.....	\$ 2.410900
The District (a).....	<u>1.150000</u>
Total Tax Rate.....	\$ 3.560900

(a) See "TAX DATA—Tax Rate Distribution."

**TAX DATA**

**Tax Collections**

The following statement of tax collections sets forth in condensed form the historical tax collection experience of the District. This summary has been prepared for inclusion herein, based upon information from District records. Reference is made to these records for further and more complete information.

Tax Year	Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Tax Levy	Total Collections As of January 31, 2018 (a)	
				Amount	Percent
2013	\$ 87,044,497	\$ 1.40	\$ 1,218,623	\$ 1,218,623	100.00%
2014	97,613,774	1.40	1,366,593	1,366,593	100.00%
2015	117,933,905	1.20	1,415,207	1,415,170	100.00%
2016	131,898,595	1.15	1,516,834	1,514,838	99.87%
2017	144,401,740	1.15	1,666,305	1,601,025	96.08%

(a) Unaudited.

Taxes are due October 1 or when billed, whichever comes later, and become delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. No split payments are allowed and no discounts are allowed.

**Tax Rate Distribution**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Debt Service	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.76
Maintenance and Operations	0.36	0.36	0.41	0.64	0.64
Total	<u>\$ 1.15</u>	<u>\$ 1.15</u>	<u>\$ 1.20</u>	<u>\$ 1.40</u>	<u>\$ 1.40</u>

**Tax Rate Limitations**

Debt Service: Unlimited (no legal limit as to rate or amount).  
 Maintenance and Operations: \$1.50 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

**Debt Service Tax**

The Board covenants in the Bond Resolution to levy and assess, for each year that all or any part of the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid, a tax adequate to provide funds to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The District levied a debt service tax for 2017 in the amount of \$0.79 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.



## Maintenance Tax

The Board of Directors of the District has the statutory authority to levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for maintenance of the District's improvements, if such maintenance tax is authorized by vote of the District's electors. Pursuant to an election held on May 13, 2006, the Board was authorized to levy such a maintenance tax in an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. Such tax is in addition to taxes which the District is authorized to levy for paying principal and interest on the District's bonds. The District levied a maintenance tax for 2017 in the amount of \$0.36 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

## Tax Exemptions

As discussed in the section titled "TAX PROCEDURES" herein, certain property in the District may be exempt from taxation by the District. The District does not exempt any percentage of the market value of any residential homesteads from taxation. Sig-Valley Ranch executed a Waiver of Special Appraisal in 2008, waiving its right to claim any agriculture or open space exemptions, or any other type of exemption or valuation, for the property it owns within the District that would reduce the assessed value of such land below its market value for purposes of ad valorem taxation by the District. Such waiver is binding for a period of thirty years.

## Additional Penalties

The District has contracted with a delinquent tax attorney to collect certain delinquent taxes. In connection with that contract, the District established an additional penalty of twenty percent (20%) of the tax to defray the costs of collection. This 20% penalty applies to taxes that either: (1) become delinquent on or after February 1 of a year, but not later than May 1 of that year, and that remain delinquent on April 1 (for personal property) and July 1 (for real property) of the year in which they become delinquent or (2) become delinquent on or after June 1, pursuant to the Texas Property Tax Code.

## Principal Taxpayers

The following list of principal taxpayers was provided by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector based upon the 2017 certified tax roll. A list of principal taxpayers based upon Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 is not available from the Appraisal District.

<u>Taxpayer</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>	<u>2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>% of 2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation</u>
Lawford No. 21 LLC	Apartments	\$ 21,726,320	15.05%
Sig-Valley Ranch Ltd. (a)	Land & Improvements	3,567,140	2.47%
Legend Classic Homes Ltd.	Home Builder	3,509,188	2.43%
Porter JFP LLC	Gas Station & Convenience Store	1,365,240	0.95%
AFJR Corporation	Commercial	1,100,730	0.76%
Castlerock Communities LP	Home Builder	633,300	0.44%
First America Homes Ltd	Home Builder	538,590	0.37%
TNH Properties, LLC	Land & Improvements	522,070	0.36%
Horizon Homes Houston LLC	Home Builder	500,750	0.35%
Individual	Land & Improvements	489,730	0.34%
Total		\$ 33,953,058	23.51%

(a) See "The DEVELOPERS."

**Summary of Assessed Valuation**

The following summary of the 2017, 2016, and 2015 certified assessed valuation is provided by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector based on information contained in the 2017, 2016, and 2015 tax rolls of the District. A breakdown of the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 is not available from the Appraisal District. Information in this summary may differ slightly from the assessed valuations shown herein due to differences in dates of data.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Land	\$ 30,266,900	\$ 27,539,210	\$ 23,235,880
Improvements	118,445,330	109,552,290	99,614,460
Personal Property	2,430,839	1,258,195	1,194,071
Exemptions	<u>(6,741,329)</u>	<u>(6,451,100)</u>	<u>(6,110,506)</u>
Total Assessed Valuation	\$ 144,401,740	\$ 131,898,595	\$ 117,933,905

**Tax Adequacy for Debt Service**

The calculations shown below assume, solely for purposes of illustration, no increase or decrease in assessed valuation over the 2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation or Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018, no use of available funds, and utilize tax rates necessary to pay the District's average and maximum annual debt service requirements on the Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds.

Average annual debt service requirement (2018-2043).....	\$1,020,385
\$0.75 tax rate on the 2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$144,401,740 at a 95% collection rate produces.....	\$1,028,862
\$0.63 tax rate on the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 of \$170,668,151 at a 95% collection rate produces.....	\$1,021,449
Maximum annual debt service requirement (2019).....	\$1,232,940
\$0.90 tax rate on the 2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$144,401,740 at a 95% collection rate produces.....	\$1,234,635
\$0.77 tax rate on the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 of \$170,668,151 at a 95% collection rate produces.....	\$1,248,438

**TAX PROCEDURES**

**Authority to Levy Taxes**

The Board is authorized to levy an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property within the District in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Outstanding Bonds, the Bonds and any additional bonds payable from taxes which the District may hereafter issue (see "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Future Debt") and to pay the expenses of assessing and collecting such taxes. The District agrees in the Bond Resolution to levy such a tax from year to year as described more fully herein under "THE BONDS—Source of and Security for Payment." Under Texas law, the Board may also levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for the operation and maintenance of the District and for the payment of certain contractual obligations. See "TAX DATA."

**Property Tax Code and County-Wide Appraisal District**

The Texas Property Tax Code (the "Property Tax Code") specifies the taxing procedures of all political subdivisions of the State of Texas, including the District. Provisions of the Property Tax Code are complex and are not fully summarized here.

The Property Tax Code requires, among other matters, county-wide appraisal and equalization of taxable property values and establishes in each county of the State of Texas an appraisal district with the responsibility for recording and appraising property for all taxing units within a county and an appraisal review board with responsibility for reviewing and equalizing the values established by the appraisal district. The Montgomery Central Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") has the responsibility for appraising property for all taxing units within Montgomery County, including the District. Such appraisal values are subject to review and change by the Montgomery Central Appraisal Review Board (the "Appraisal Review Board").

## **Property Subject to Taxation by the District**

Except for certain exemptions provided by Texas law, all real property, tangible personal property held or used for the production of income, mobile homes and certain categories of intangible personal property with a tax situs in the District are subject to taxation by the District. Principal categories of exempt property include, but are not limited to: property owned by the State of Texas or its political subdivisions if the property is used for public purposes; property exempt from ad valorem taxation by federal law; certain household goods, family supplies, and personal effects; certain goods, wares and merchandise in transit; farm products owned by the producer; certain property of charitable organizations, youth development associations, religious organizations, and qualified schools; designated historical sites; travel trailers; and most individually owned automobiles. In addition, the District may by its own action exempt residential homesteads of persons sixty-five (65) years or older and of certain disabled persons to the extent deemed advisable by the Board. The District may be required to offer such an exemption if a majority of voters approves it at an election. The District would be required to call such an election upon petition by twenty percent (20%) of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election. The District is authorized by statute to disregard exemptions for the disabled and elderly if granting the exemption would impair the District's obligation to pay tax supported debt incurred prior to adoption of the exemption by the District. Furthermore, the District must grant exemptions to disabled veterans or certain surviving dependents of disabled veterans, if requested, of between \$5,000 and \$12,000 depending on the disability rating of the veteran. A veteran who receives a disability rating of 100% is entitled to an exemption for the full amount of the veteran's residence homestead. Additionally, subject to certain conditions, the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran who was entitled to an exemption for the full value of the veteran's residence homestead is also entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of the same property to which the disabled veteran's exemption applied. A partially disabled veteran or certain surviving spouses of partially disabled veterans are entitled to an exemption from taxation of a percentage of the appraised value of their residence homestead in an amount equal to the partially disabled veteran's disability rating if the residence homestead was donated by a charitable organization. Also, the surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces who was killed in action is, subject to certain conditions, entitled to a total tax exemption on such surviving spouse's residence homestead. If the surviving spouse changes homesteads, but does not remarry, then the amount of the exemption as of the last year of the first qualifying residential homestead is applicable to the subsequent homesteads. The surviving spouse of a first responder who was killed or fatally injured in the line of duty is, subject to certain conditions, also entitled to an exemption of the total appraised value of the surviving spouse's residence homestead, and, subject to certain conditions, an exemption up to the same amount may be transferred to a subsequent residence homestead of the surviving spouse. See "TAX DATA."

***Residential Homestead Exemptions:*** The Property Tax Code authorizes the governing body of each political subdivision in the State of Texas to exempt up to twenty percent (20%) of the appraised value of residential homesteads from ad valorem taxation. Where ad valorem taxes have previously been pledged for the payment of debt, the governing body of a political subdivision may continue to levy and collect taxes against the exempt value of the homesteads until the debt is discharged, if the cessation of the levy would impair the obligations of the contract by which the debt was created. The adoption of a homestead exemption may be considered each year, but must be adopted before July 1.

***Freeport Goods and Goods-in-Transit Exemptions:*** A "Freeport Exemption" applies to goods, wares, ores, and merchandise other than oil, gas, and petroleum products (defined as liquid and gaseous materials immediately derived from refining petroleum or natural gas), and to aircraft or repair parts used by a certified air carrier acquired in or imported into Texas which are destined to be forwarded outside of Texas and which are detained in Texas for assembling, storing, manufacturing, processing or fabricating for less than 175 days. Although certain taxing units may take official action to tax such property in transit and negate such exemption, the District does not have such an option. A "Goods-in-Transit" Exemption is applicable to the same categories of tangible personal property which are covered by the Freeport Exemption, if, for tax year 2011 and prior applicable years, such property is acquired in or imported into Texas for assembling, storing, manufacturing, processing, or fabricating purposes and is subsequently forwarded to another location inside or outside of Texas not later than 175 days after acquisition or importation, and the location where said property is detained during that period is not directly or indirectly owned or under the control of the property owner. For tax year 2012 and subsequent years, such Goods-in-Transit Exemption includes tangible personal property acquired in or imported into Texas for storage purposes only if such property is stored under a contract of bailment by a public warehouse operator at one or more public warehouse facilities in Texas that are not in any way owned or controlled by the owner of such property for the account of the person who acquired or imported such property. A property owner who receives the Goods-in-Transit Exemption is not eligible to receive the Freeport Exemption for the same property. Local taxing units such as the District may, by official action and after public hearing, tax goods-in-transit personal property. A taxing unit must exercise its option to tax goods-in-transit property before January 1 of the first tax year in which it proposes to tax the property at the time and in the manner prescribed by applicable law. The District has taken official action to allow taxation of all such goods-in-transit personal property for all prior and subsequent years.

## **Tax Abatement**

Montgomery County may designate all or part of the area within the District as a reinvestment zone. Thereafter, Montgomery County, the District, and the City of Houston (if it were to annex the District), under certain circumstances, may enter into tax abatement agreements with owners of property within the zone. Prior to entering into a tax abatement agreement, each entity must adopt guidelines and criteria for establishing tax abatement, which each entity will follow in granting tax abatement to owners of property. The tax abatement agreements may exempt from ad valorem taxation by each of the applicable taxing jurisdictions, including the District, for a period of up to ten (10) years, all or any part of any increase in the assessed valuation of property covered by the agreement over its assessed valuation in the year in which the agreement is executed, on the condition that the property owner make specified improvements or repairs to the property in conformity with the terms of the tax abatement. Each taxing jurisdiction has discretion to determine terms for its tax abatement agreements without regard to the terms approved by the other taxing jurisdictions.

## **Valuation of Property for Taxation**

Generally, property in the District must be appraised by the Appraisal District at market value as of January 1 of each year. Once an appraisal roll is prepared and finally approved by the Appraisal Review Board, it is used by the District in establishing its tax rolls and tax rate. Assessments under the Property Tax Code are to be based on one hundred percent (100%) of market value, as such is defined in the Property Tax Code.

Nevertheless, certain land may be appraised at less than market value under the Property Tax Code. In November 1997, Texas voters approved a constitutional amendment to limit increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads to ten percent (10%) annually regardless of the market value of the property. The Property Tax Code permits land designated for agricultural use, open space or timberland to be appraised at its value based on the land's capacity to produce agricultural or timber products rather than at its fair market value. The Property Tax Code permits under certain circumstances that residential real property inventory held by a person in the trade or business be valued at the price all such property would bring if sold as a unit to a purchaser who would continue the business. Provisions of the Property Tax Code are complex and are not fully summarized here. Landowners wishing to avail themselves of the agricultural use, open space or timberland designation or residential real property inventory designation must apply for the designation and the appraiser is required by the Property Tax Code to act on each claimant's right to the designation individually. A claimant may waive the special valuation as to taxation by some political subdivisions while claiming it as to another. If a claimant receives the agricultural use designation and later loses it by changing the use of the property or selling it to an unqualified owner, the District can collect taxes based on the new use, including taxes for the previous three (3) years for agricultural use and taxes for the previous five (5) years for open space land and timberland.

The Property Tax Code requires the Appraisal District to implement a plan for periodic reappraisal of property to update appraisal values. The plan must provide for appraisal of all real property in the Appraisal District at least once every three (3) years. It is not known what frequency of reappraisal will be utilized by the Appraisal District or whether reappraisals will be conducted on a zone or county-wide basis. The District, however, at its expense has the right to obtain from the Appraisal District a current estimate of appraised values within the District or an estimate of any new property or improvements within the District. While such current estimate of appraised values may serve to indicate the rate and extent of growth of taxable values within the District, it cannot be used for establishing a tax rate within the District until such time as the Appraisal District chooses formally to include such values on its appraisal roll.

## **District and Taxpayer Remedies**

Under certain circumstances taxpayers and taxing units (such as the District) may appeal the orders of the Appraisal Review Board by filing a timely petition for review in State district court. In such event, the value of the property in question will be determined by the court or by a jury if requested by any party. Additionally, taxing units may bring suit against the Appraisal District to compel compliance with the Property Tax Code.

The Property Tax Code sets forth notice and hearing procedures for certain tax rate increases by the District and provides for taxpayer referenda which could result in the repeal of certain tax increases. The Property Tax Code also establishes a procedure for notice to property owners of reappraisals reflecting increased property value, appraisals which are higher than renditions, and appraisals of property not previously on an appraisal roll.

## **Levy and Collection of Taxes**

The District is responsible for the levy and collection of its taxes unless it elects to transfer such functions to another governmental entity. The rate of taxation is set by the Board of Directors, after the legally required notice has been given to owners of property within the District, based upon: a) the valuation of property within the District as of the preceding January 1, and b) the amount required to be raised for debt service, maintenance purposes, and authorized contractual obligations. Taxes are due October 1, or when billed, whichever comes later, and become delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. However, a person who is 65 years of age or older or disabled is entitled by law to pay current taxes on his residential homestead in installments or to receive a deferral or abatement of delinquent taxes without penalty during the time he owns or occupies his property as his residential homestead. A delinquent tax incurs a penalty of six percent (6%) of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent, plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. If the tax is not paid by July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent, the tax incurs a total penalty of twelve percent (12%) regardless of the number of months the tax has been delinquent and incurs an additional penalty for collection costs of an amount established by the District and a delinquent tax attorney. A delinquent tax on personal property incurs an additional penalty, in an amount established by the District and a delinquent tax attorney, 60 days after the date the taxes become delinquent. The delinquent tax accrues interest at a rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month it remains unpaid. The Property Tax Code makes provisions for the split payment of taxes, discounts for early payment and the postponement of the delinquency date of taxes under certain circumstances which, at the option of the District, which may be rejected by taxing units. The District's tax collector is required to enter into an installment payment agreement with any person who is delinquent on the payment of tax on a residence homestead, if the person requests an installment agreement and has not entered into an installment agreement with the collector in the preceding 24 months. The installment agreement must provide for payments to be made in equal monthly installments and must extend for a period of at least 12 months and no more than 36 months. In addition, taxing entities are required by the Property Tax Code to accept four equal installment payments without penalty and interest for taxpayers whose damaged property is in a declared disaster area as long as the taxpayer pays at least one-fourth of the tax bill before the delinquency date.

## **Rollback of Operation and Maintenance Tax Rate**

The qualified voters of the District have the right to petition for a rollback of the District's operation and maintenance tax rate only if the total tax bill on the average residence homestead increases by more than eight percent over the previous year. If a rollback election is called and passes, the rollback tax rate is the current year's debt service and contract tax rates plus 1.08 times the previous year's operation and maintenance tax rate. Thus, debt service and contract tax rates cannot be changed by a rollback election.

## **District's Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies**

Taxes levied by the District are a personal obligation of the owner of the property as of January 1 of the year for which the tax is imposed. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all state and local taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of the State of Texas and each local taxing unit, including the District, having power to tax the property. The District's tax lien is on a parity with tax liens of such other taxing units. See "ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT—Overlapping Tax Rates for 2017." A tax lien on real property takes priority over the claim of most creditors and other holders of liens on the property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before the attachment of the tax lien; however, whether a lien of the United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the District is determined by applicable federal law. Personal property under certain circumstances is subject to seizure and sale for the payment of delinquent taxes, penalty, and interest.

At any time after taxes on property become delinquent, the District may file suit to foreclose the lien securing payment of the tax, to enforce personal liability for the tax, or both subject to the restrictions on residential homesteads described above under "Levy and Collection of Taxes." In filing a suit to foreclose a tax lien on real property, the District must join other taxing units that have claims for delinquent taxes against all or part of the same property. Collection of delinquent taxes may be adversely affected by the amount of taxes owed to other taxing units, by the effects of market conditions on the foreclosure sale price, by taxpayer redemption rights or by bankruptcy proceedings which restrict the collection of taxpayer debts. A taxpayer may redeem property within six (6) months for commercial property and two (2) years for residential and all other types of property after the purchaser's deed issued at the foreclosure sale is filed in the county records or by bankruptcy proceedings which restrict the collection of taxpayer debts. The District's ability to foreclose its tax lien or collect penalties or interest on delinquent taxes may be limited on property owned by a financial institution which is under receivership by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation pursuant to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. 1825, as amended. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—General" and "—Tax Collection Limitations," and "—Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations."

## WATER AND SEWER OPERATIONS

### General

The Bonds are payable from the levy of an ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District. Net revenues, if any, derived from the operation of the District's water and sewer operations are not pledged to the payment of the Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds but are available for any lawful purpose including payment of debt service on the Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds, at the discretion and upon action of the Board. It is not anticipated that any significant revenues will be available for the payment of debt service on the Bonds.

### Waterworks and Sewer System Operating Statement

The following statement sets forth in condensed form the historical results of operation of the District's General Fund. Accounting principles customarily employed in the determination of net revenues have been observed and in all instances exclude depreciation. Such summary is based upon information obtained from the District's audited financial statements for fiscal years June 30, 2014 through 2017, and an unaudited summary for the period ending January 31, 2018 prepared by the District's Bookkeeper. Reference is made to such statements and records for further and more complete information.

	7/1/2017 to 1/31/2018 (a)	Fiscal Year Ended June 30			
		2017	2016	2015	2014
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>					
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Water Service	\$ 237,986	\$ 401,491	\$ 307,280	\$ 322,242	\$ 267,240
Sewer Service	243,540	391,151	348,629	352,246	271,605
Property Taxes	361,384	476,380	487,418	618,620	556,822
Penalties and Interest	6,161	8,014	8,840	11,666	12,441
Tap Connections	334,450	34,829	96,271	66,870	110,400
Miscellaneous	2,392	7,281	2,261	1,235	285
Investment Earnings	13,149	11,412	4,394	696	416
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,199,062</b>	<b>\$ 1,330,558</b>	<b>\$ 1,255,093</b>	<b>\$ 1,373,575</b>	<b>\$ 1,219,209</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Purchased Services	\$ 364,709	\$ 414,842	\$ 439,161	\$ 303,979	\$ 264,385
Professional Fees	91,712	176,837	186,577	203,938	141,087
Contracted Services	108,058	285,470	260,140	265,006	233,930
Repairs and Maintenance	150,586	226,154	163,541	100,637	124,986
Utilities	7,112	19,316	16,412	13,994	21,528
Administrative	313	22,589	18,512	16,536	15,712
Lease Expense	74,750	95,100	95,100	103,590	128,330
Other	23,453	16,410	25,287	12,372	8,689
Capital Outlay	318,418	79,482	21,000	31,500	81,250
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 1,139,111</b>	<b>\$ 1,336,200</b>	<b>\$ 1,225,730</b>	<b>\$ 1,051,552</b>	<b>\$ 1,019,897</b>
<b>Net Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 59,951</b>	<b>\$ (5,642)</b>	<b>\$ 29,363</b>	<b>\$ 322,023</b>	<b>\$ 199,312</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>					
<b>Beginning of Period</b>	<b>\$ 1,612,091</b>	<b>\$ 1,612,091</b>	<b>\$ 1,582,728</b>	<b>\$ 1,122,705</b>	<b>\$ 923,393</b>
Internal Transfers	-	43,532	-	138,000	-
<b>Fund Balance</b>					
<b>End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 1,672,042</b>	<b>\$ 1,649,981</b>	<b>\$ 1,612,091</b>	<b>\$ 1,582,728</b>	<b>\$ 1,122,705</b>

(a) Unaudited. Prepared by the District's bookkeeper.

## DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The following table sets forth the debt service requirements for the Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Outstanding Bonds Debt Service Requirements</u>	<u>Debt Service on the Bonds</u>			<u>Debt Service Requirements</u>
		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>	
2018	\$ 1,083,723	\$ -	\$ 37,714	\$ 37,714	\$ 1,121,436
2019	1,092,428	50,000	90,513	140,513	1,232,940
2020	1,084,818	55,000	87,763	142,763	1,227,580
2021	1,079,510	60,000	84,738	144,738	1,224,248
2022	1,078,323	60,000	81,438	141,438	1,219,760
2023	1,079,173	65,000	78,138	143,138	1,222,310
2024	1,073,760	65,000	74,563	139,563	1,213,323
2025	1,067,444	70,000	72,613	142,613	1,210,056
2026	1,064,869	75,000	70,513	145,513	1,210,381
2027	1,066,211	75,000	68,263	143,263	1,209,474
2028	1,066,499	80,000	66,013	146,013	1,212,511
2029	1,055,501	85,000	63,613	148,613	1,204,114
2030	1,043,461	90,000	61,063	151,063	1,194,524
2031	1,035,460	95,000	58,363	153,363	1,188,823
2032	1,041,360	100,000	55,275	155,275	1,196,635
2033	1,034,895	105,000	52,025	157,025	1,191,920
2034	1,012,371	110,000	48,481	158,481	1,170,853
2035	1,013,128	115,000	44,769	159,769	1,172,896
2036	912,125	120,000	40,888	160,888	1,073,013
2037	892,496	125,000	36,838	161,838	1,054,334
2038	672,474	130,000	32,463	162,463	834,936
2039	285,000	140,000	27,913	167,913	452,913
2040	276,250	145,000	22,838	167,838	444,088
2041	267,500	155,000	17,581	172,581	440,081
2042	258,750	160,000	11,963	171,963	430,713
2043	-	170,000	6,163	176,163	176,163
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 22,637,526</b>	<b>\$ 2,500,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,392,495</b>	<b>\$ 3,892,495</b>	<b>\$ 26,530,021</b>

Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2018-2043) .....\$1,020,385  
 Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements (2019).....\$1,232,940

## **INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

### **General**

The Bonds, which are obligations of the District and not obligations of the State of Texas, Montgomery County, the City of Houston, or any other entity other than the District, will be secured by a continuing, direct, annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property within the District. The ultimate security for payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds depends on the ability of the District to collect from the property owners within the District all taxes levied against the property, or in the event of foreclosure, on the value of the taxable property with respect to taxes levied by the District and by other taxing authorities.

### **Hurricane Harvey**

The Houston area, including Montgomery County, sustained widespread flooding as a result of Hurricane Harvey's landfall along the Texas Gulf Coast on August 25, 2017, and historic levels of rainfall during the succeeding four days. The District is located approximately 75 miles from the Texas Gulf Coast. Accordingly, like other coastal areas, land located in the District is susceptible to hurricanes, tropical storms, and other tropical disturbances.

According to Dannenbaum Engineering Corp. (the "Engineer"), the District's System (as defined herein) did not sustain any material damage, there was no interruption of water and sewer service, and no homes or commercial improvements within the District experienced structural flooding or other material damage as a result of the storm.

Hurricane Harvey could have an adverse impact on the Houston region's economy, including business activity and development in the region. The District cannot predict what impact, if any, Hurricane Harvey will have on the assessed value of homes and commercial improvements within the District.

### **Economic Factors and Interest Rates**

A substantial percentage of the taxable value of the District results from the current market value of multi-family properties, single-family residences and developed lots. The market value of such properties is related to general economic conditions in Houston, the State of Texas and the nation and those conditions can affect the demand for such properties. Demand for multifamily dwellings and residential lots of this type and the construction thereon can be significantly affected by factors such as interest rates, credit availability (see "Credit Market and Liquidity in the Financial Markets" below), construction costs and the prosperity and demographic characteristics of the urban center toward which the marketing of such properties is directed. Decreased levels of construction activity would tend to restrict the growth of property values in the District or could adversely impact such values.

### **Credit Markets and Liquidity in the Financial Markets**

Interest rates and the availability of mortgage and development funding have a direct impact on construction activity, particularly short-term interest rates at which developers are able to obtain financing for development costs. Interest rate levels may affect the ability of a landowner with undeveloped property to undertake and complete construction activities within the District. Because of the numerous and changing factors affecting the availability of funds, particularly liquidity in the national credit markets, the District is unable to assess the future availability of such funds for continued construction within the District. In addition, since the District is located approximately 30 miles north of the central downtown business district of the City of Houston, the success of development within the District and growth of District taxable property values are, to a great extent, a function of the Houston metropolitan and regional economies and national credit and financial markets. A downturn in the economic conditions of Houston or a decline in the nation's real estate and financial markets could adversely affect development and home-building plans in the District and restrain the growth or reduce the value of the District's property tax base.

### **Landowner Obligation to the District**

There are no commitments from or obligations of the Developers or any landowner to the District to proceed at any particular rate or according to any specified plan with the development of land or the construction of improvements in the District, and there is no restriction on any landowner's right to sell its land. Failure to construct taxable improvements on developed tracts of land or developed lots would restrict the rate of growth of taxable values in the District. The District cannot and does not make any representations that over the life of the Bonds, the District will increase or maintain its taxable value.



### **Impact on District Tax Rates**

Assuming no further development, the value of the land and improvements currently within the District will be the major determinant of the ability or willingness of District property owners to pay their taxes. The 2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of the District (see “FINANCIAL STATEMENT”) is \$144,401,740. After issuance of the Bonds, the maximum annual debt service requirement will be \$1,232,940 (2019) and the average annual debt service requirement will be \$1,020,385 (2018-2043). Assuming no increase or decrease from the 2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation and no use of funds other than tax collections, a tax rate of \$0.90 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation at a 95% collection rate would be necessary to pay the maximum annual debt service requirement of \$1,232,940 and a tax rate of \$0.75 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation at a 95% collection rate would be necessary to pay the average annual debt service requirement of \$1,020,385. See “DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS.” The Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 within the District is \$170,668,151. Assuming no increase or decrease from the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018 and a 95% collection rate, tax rates of \$0.77 and \$0.63 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation would be necessary to pay the maximum annual debt service requirement and the average annual debt service requirement, respectively. Although calculations have been made regarding average and maximum tax rates necessary to pay the debt service on the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds based upon the 2017 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation and the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of January 1, 2018, the District makes no representations regarding the future level of assessed valuation within the District. Increases in taxable values depend primarily on the continuing construction and sale of homes and other taxable improvements within the District. See “TAX PROCEDURES” and “TAX DATA—Tax Adequacy for Debt Service.”

### **Dependence on Principal Taxpayers**

Based upon the 2017 certified tax rolls, the top ten taxpayers were responsible for approximately 23.51% of the District’s 2017 taxes (levied on approximately \$33,953,058 in taxable property value). The principal taxpayer in the District is Lawford No. 21 LLC, owner of the apartment complex, which is responsible for approximately 15.05% of the District’s 2017 taxes. See “THE DISTRICT—Status of Development” and “TAX DATA—Principal Taxpayers.” The ability of any principal taxpayer to make full and timely payments of taxes levied against its property by the District will directly affect the District’s ability to meet its debt service obligations. If, for any reason, any one or more principal taxpayers do not pay taxes due or do not pay in a timely manner, the District may need to levy additional taxes or use other funds available for debt service purposes. However, the District has not covenanted in the Bond Resolution, nor is it required by Texas law, to maintain any particular balance in its Debt Service Fund or any other funds to allow for any such delinquencies. Therefore, failure by one or more principal taxpayers to pay their taxes on a timely basis in amounts in excess of the District’s available funds could have a material adverse effect upon the District’s ability to pay debt service on the Bonds on a current basis.

### **Future Debt**

The District reserves in the Bond Resolution the right to issue the remaining \$101,545,000 principal amount of authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds for water, sewer and drainage facilities, \$121,010,000 principal amount of authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds for refunding such bonds, and \$14,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for parks and recreational facilities, and the District may issue additional bonds which may be voted hereafter. The Developers have advanced funds on the District’s behalf in the amount of approximately \$7,600,000 (as of January 31, 2018) for water, sewer, drainage and parks and recreational facilities, which will be reimbursed with future bond proceeds. See “THE BONDS—Issuance of Additional Debt” and “THE SYSTEM—Future Debt.” The issuance of such obligations may adversely affect the investment security of the Bonds. The District does not employ any formula with regard to assessed valuations or tax collections or otherwise to limit the amount of bonds which may be issued. However, the principal amount of bonds issued to finance parks and recreational facilities may not exceed one percent (1%) of the District’s taxable value. Any bonds issued by the District, however, must be approved by the Attorney General of Texas and the Board of the District and any bonds issued to acquire or construct water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities or parks and recreational facilities must be approved by the Commission.

## **Tax Collection Limitations**

The District's ability to make debt service payments may be adversely affected by its inability to collect ad valorem taxes. Under Texas law, the levy of ad valorem taxes by the District constitutes a lien in favor of the District on a parity with the liens of all other state and local taxing authorities on the property against which taxes are levied, and such lien may be enforced by foreclosure. The District's ability to collect ad valorem taxes through such foreclosure may be impaired by market conditions limiting the proceeds from a foreclosure sale of taxable property and collection procedures. While the District has a lien on taxable property within the District for taxes levied against such property, such lien can be foreclosed only in a judicial proceeding. The costs of collecting any such taxpayer's delinquencies could substantially reduce the net proceeds to the District from a tax foreclosure sale. Finally, a bankruptcy court with jurisdiction over bankruptcy proceedings initiated by or against a taxpayer within the District pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Code could stay any attempt by the District to collect delinquent ad valorem taxes against such taxpayer. In addition to the automatic stay against collection of delinquent taxes afforded a taxpayer during the pendency of a bankruptcy, a bankruptcy could affect payment of taxes in two other ways: first, a debtor's confirmation plan may allow a debtor to make installment payments on delinquent taxes for up to six years; and, second, a debtor may challenge, and a bankruptcy court may reduce, the amount of any taxes assessed against the debtor, including taxes that have already been paid. See "TAX PROCEDURES—District's Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies."

## **Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations**

If the District defaults in the payment of principal, interest, or redemption price on the Bonds when due, or if it fails to make payments into any fund or funds created in the Bond Resolution, or defaults in the observation or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Bond Resolution, the Registered Owners have the statutory right of a writ of mandamus issued by a court of competent jurisdiction requiring the District and its officials to observe and perform the covenants, obligations, or conditions prescribed in the Bond Resolution. Except for mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not specifically provide for remedies to protect and enforce the interests of the Registered Owners. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. Further, there is no trust indenture or trustee, and all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the Registered Owners. Statutory language authorizing local governments such as the District to sue and be sued does not waive the local government's sovereign immunity from suits for money damages, so that in the absence of other waivers of such immunity by the Texas Legislature, a default by the District in its covenants in the Bond Resolution may not be reduced to a judgment for money damages. If such a judgment against the District were obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the Registered Owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners may further be limited by a State of Texas statute reasonably required to attain an important public purpose or by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions, such as the District.

Subject to the requirements of Texas law discussed below, a political subdivision such as the District may voluntarily file a petition for relief from creditors under Chapter 9 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. Sections 901-946. The filing of such petition would automatically stay the enforcement of Registered Owner's remedies, including mandamus. The automatic stay would remain in effect until the federal bankruptcy judge hearing the case dismisses the petition, enters an order granting relief from the stay or otherwise allows creditors to proceed against the petitioning political subdivision. A political subdivision such as the District may qualify as a debtor eligible to proceed in a Chapter 9 case only if it is (1) authorized to file for federal bankruptcy protection by applicable state law, (2) is insolvent or unable to meet its debts as they mature, (3) desires to effect a plan to adjust such debts, and (4) has either obtained the agreement of or negotiated in good faith with its creditors or is unable to negotiate with its creditors because negotiation is impracticable. Special districts such as the District must obtain the approval of the Commission as a condition to seeking relief under the Federal Bankruptcy Code. The Commission is required to investigate the financial condition of a financially troubled district and authorize such district to proceed under federal bankruptcy law only if such district has fully exercised its rights and powers under Texas law and remains unable to meet its debts and other obligations as they mature.

Notwithstanding noncompliance by a district with Texas law requirements, the District could file a voluntary bankruptcy petition under Chapter 9, thereby invoking the protection of the automatic stay until the bankruptcy court, after a hearing, dismisses the petition. A federal bankruptcy court is a court of equity and federal bankruptcy judges have considerable discretion in the conduct of bankruptcy proceedings and in making the decision of whether to grant the petitioning district relief from its creditors. While such a decision might be appealable, the concomitant delay and loss of remedies to the Registered Owner could potentially and adversely impair the value of the Registered Owner's claim.

If a petitioning district were allowed to proceed voluntarily under Chapter 9 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code, it could file a plan for an adjustment of its debts. If such a plan were confirmed by the bankruptcy court, it could, among other things, affect Registered Owners by reducing or eliminating the amount of indebtedness, deferring or rearranging the debt service schedule, reducing or eliminating the interest rate, modifying or abrogating the collateral or security arrangements, substituting (in whole or in part) other securities, and otherwise compromising and modifying the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners' claims against a district.

A district may not be forced into bankruptcy involuntarily.

### **Continuing Compliance with Certain Covenants**

The Bond Resolution contains covenants by the District intended to preserve the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds. Failure by the District to comply with such covenants in the Bond Resolution on a continuous basis prior to maturity of the Bonds could result in interest on the Bonds becoming taxable retroactively to the date of original issuance. See "TAX MATTERS."

### **Marketability**

The District has no agreement with the Initial Purchaser regarding the reoffering yields or prices of the Bonds and has no control over trading of the Bonds in the secondary market. Moreover, there is no assurance that a secondary market will be made in the Bonds. If there is a secondary market, the difference between the bid and asked price of the Bonds may be greater than the difference between the bid and asked price of bonds of comparable maturity and quality issued by more traditional issuers as such bonds are generally bought, sold or traded in the secondary market.

### **Environmental and Air Quality Regulations**

Wastewater treatment, water supply, storm sewer facilities and construction activities within the District are subject to complex environmental laws and regulations at the federal, state and local levels that may require or prohibit certain activities that affect the environment, such as:

- Requiring permits for construction and operation of water wells, wastewater treatment and other facilities;
- Restricting the manner in which wastes are treated and released into the air, water and soils;
- Restricting or regulating the use of wetlands or other properties; or
- Requiring remedial action to prevent or mitigate pollution.

Sanctions against a municipal utility district or other type of special purpose district for failure to comply with environmental laws and regulations may include a variety of civil and criminal enforcement measures, including assessment of monetary penalties, imposition of remedial requirements and issuance of injunctions to ensure future compliance. Environmental laws and compliance with environmental laws and regulations can increase the cost of planning, designing, constructing and operating water production and wastewater treatment facilities. Environmental laws can also inhibit growth and development within the District. Further, changes in regulations occur frequently, and any changes that result in more stringent and costly requirements could materially impact the District.

***Air Quality/Greenhouse Gas Issues.*** Air quality control measures required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ") may impact new industrial, commercial and residential development in the Houston area. Under the Clean Air Act ("CAA") Amendments of 1990, the eight-county Houston Galveston area ("HGB area")—Harris, Galveston, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Waller, Montgomery and Liberty counties—was designated by the EPA in 2008 as a severe ozone nonattainment area under the 1997 "eight-hour" ozone standards ("the 1997 Ozone Standards"). In December 2015, the EPA determined that the HGB area has reached attainment under the 1997 Ozone Standards, and in May 2016, the EPA issued a proposed rule approving Texas's redesignation substitute demonstration for the HGB area. However, until the EPA issues a final ruling, the HGB area is still subject to anti-backsliding obligations and nonattainment new source review requirements associated with the 1997 Ozone Standards.

In 2008, the EPA lowered the ozone standard from 80 parts per billion (“ppb”) to 75 ppb (“the 2008 Ozone Standard”), and designated the HGB area as a marginal ozone nonattainment area, effective July 20, 2012. Such nonattainment areas are required to demonstrate progress in reducing ozone concentrations each year until the EPA’s 2008 Ozone Standard is met. The HGB area did not reach attainment under the 2008 Ozone Standard by the 2016 deadline, and on September 21, 2016, the EPA proposed to reclassify the HGB area from marginal to moderate under the 2008 Ozone Standard. If reclassified, the HGB area’s 2008 Ozone Standard attainment deadline must be met as expeditiously as practicable, but in any event no later than July 20, 2018. If the HGB area fails to demonstrate progress in reducing ozone concentration or fails to meet the EPA’s 2008 Ozone Standard, the EPA may impose a moratorium on the awarding of federal highway construction grants and other federal grants for certain public works construction projects, as well as severe emissions offset requirements on new major sources of air emissions for which construction has not already commenced.

On October 1, 2015, the EPA lowered the ozone standard from 75 ppb to 70 ppb (“the 2015 Ozone Standard”). On August 3, 2016, the TCEQ recommended to the EPA that all counties designated as nonattainment for the 2008 Ozone Standard be designated nonattainment for the 2015 Ozone Standard as well, which will impose additional ozone-reduction obligations on the HGB area. This could make it more difficult for the HGB area to demonstrate progress in reducing ozone concentration.

In order to comply with the EPA’s ozone standards for the HGB area, the TCEQ has established a state implementation plan (“SIP”) setting emission control requirements, some of which regulate the inspection and use of automobiles. These types of measures could impact how people travel, what distances people are willing to travel, where people choose to live and work, and what jobs are available in the HGB area. It is possible that additional controls will be necessary to allow the HGB area to reach attainment by the EPA’s attainment deadlines. These additional controls could have a negative impact on the HGB area’s economic growth and development.

***Water Supply & Discharge Issues.*** Water supply and discharge regulations that municipal utility districts, including the District, may be required to comply with involve: (1) public water supply systems, (2) waste water discharges from treatment facilities, (3) storm water discharges, and (4) wetlands dredge and fill activities. Each of these is addressed below:

Pursuant to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (“SDWA”) and Environmental Protection Agency’s National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (“NPDWRs”), which are implemented by the TCEQ’s Water Supply Division, a municipal utility district’s provision of water for human consumption is subject to extensive regulation as a public water system. Municipal utility districts must generally provide treated water that meets the primary and secondary drinking water quality standards adopted by the TCEQ, the applicable disinfectant residual and inactivation standards, and the other regulatory action levels established under the agency’s rules. The EPA has established NPDWRs for more than ninety (90) contaminants and has identified and listed other contaminants which may require national drinking water regulation in the future.

Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“TPDES”) permits set limits on the type and quantity of discharge, in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. The TCEQ reissued the TPDES Construction General Permit (TXR150000) on February 19, 2013. The TPDES Construction General Permit became effective on March 5, 2013, and is a general permit authorizing the discharge of stormwater runoff associated with small and large construction sites and certain nonstormwater discharges into surface water in the state. It has a 5-year permit term, and is then subject to renewal. Moreover, the Clean Water Act (“CWA”) and Texas Water Code require municipal wastewater treatment plants to meet secondary treatment effluent limitations and must establish the total maximum allowable daily load (“TMDL”) of certain pollutants into the water bodies. The TMDLs that municipal utility districts may discharge may have an impact on the municipal utility district’s ability to obtain and maintain TPDES permits.

On May 27, 2015, the EPA and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (“USACE”) jointly issued a final version of the Clean Water Rule (“CWR”), which expands the scope of the federal government’s CWA jurisdiction over intrastate water bodies and wetlands. The final rule became effective on August 28, 2015. On October 9, 2015, the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit put the CWR on hold nationwide. On January 22, 2018, the United States Supreme Court held that challenges to the CWR must proceed in federal district court as they do not fall within one of the CWA’s enumerated categories of EPA actions for which the federal courts of appeal have jurisdiction. On February 6, 2018, the states of Texas, Louisiana, and Mississippi filed a lawsuit in federal district court seeking an injunction enjoining the implementation and enforcement of the CWR.

On June 27, 2017, the EPA and the USACE released a proposed rule rescinding the CWR, reinstating language in place before 2015 changes, and proposing the development of a revised definition of “waters of the United States.” This proposed rule was published in the Federal Register on July 27, 2017, the comment period ended on September 28, 2017, and comments are currently under review by the agencies. The EPA plans to issue a proposed new regulation in the spring of 2018, and finalize the revised rule by the end of 2018. On January 31, 2018, the EPA and the USACE finalized a rule extending the effective date of the CWR by two years from the date the rule is published in the Federal Register, until 2020. In response, a coalition of states filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York alleging the EPA violated the Administrative Procedure Act by enacting this rule without the customary 30-day comment period. If the CWR is not rescinded, operations of municipal utility districts, including the District, are potentially subject to additional restrictions and requirements, including permitting requirements, if construction or maintenance activities require the dredging, filling or other physical alteration of jurisdictional waters of the United States or associated wetlands that are within the “waters of the United States.”

The District is subject to the TCEQ’s General Permit for Phase II (Small) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (the “MS4 Permit”), which was renewed by the TCEQ on December 11, 2013. The MS4 Permit authorizes the discharge of stormwater to surface water in the state from small municipal separate storm sewer systems. The renewed MS4 Permit contains more stringent requirements than the standards contained in the previous MS4 Permit. The District has submitted all necessary documentation to the TCEQ for MS4 Permit compliance. In order to maintain its current compliance with the TCEQ under the MS4 Permit, the District continues to develop and implement the required plans as well as to install or implement best management practices to minimize or eliminate unauthorized pollutants that may otherwise be found in stormwater runoff. Unknown future costs associated with these compliance activities may be significant in the future.

### **Changes in Tax Legislation**

Certain tax legislation, whether currently proposed or proposed in the future, may directly or indirectly reduce or eliminate the benefit of the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal tax purposes. Any proposed legislation, whether or not enacted, may also affect the value and liquidity of the Bonds. Prospective purchasers should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to any proposed, pending or future legislation.

### **Risk Factors Related to the Purchase of Municipal Bond Insurance**

The long-term ratings on the Bonds are dependent in part on the financial strength of the Insurer and its claim paying ability. The Insurer’s financial strength and claims paying ability are predicated upon a number of factors which could change over time. No assurance is given that the long-term ratings of the Insurer and of the ratings on the Bonds insured by the Insurer will not be subject to downgrade and such event could adversely affect the market price of the Bonds or the marketability (liquidity) for the Bonds. See description of “MUNICIPAL BOND RATING” and “MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE.”

The obligations of the Insurer are contractual obligations and in an event of default by the Insurer, the remedies available may be limited by applicable bankruptcy law or state law related to insolvency of insurance companies.

Neither the District nor the Initial Purchaser has made independent investigation into the claims paying ability of the Insurer and no assurance or representation regarding the financial strength or projected financial strength of the Insurer is given. Thus, when making an investment decision, potential investors should carefully consider the ability of the District to pay principal and interest on the Bonds and the claims-paying ability of the Insurer, particularly over the life of the investment. See “MUNICIPAL BOND RATING” and “MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE” for further information provided by the Insurer and the Policy, which includes further instructions for obtaining current financial information concerning the Insurer.

## LEGAL MATTERS

### **Legal Proceedings**

Delivery of the Bonds will be accompanied by the approving legal opinion of the Attorney General of Texas to the effect that the Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the District under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax levied, without limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property within the District, and, based upon their examination of a transcript of certified proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel, to a like effect and to the effect that (i) interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal tax purposes under existing law and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not subject to the alternative minimum tax on individuals.

Bond Counsel has reviewed the information appearing in this Official Statement under “THE BONDS,” “THE DISTRICT—General,” “TAX PROCEDURES,” “LEGAL MATTERS,” “TAX MATTERS,” and “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION” solely to determine if such information, insofar as it relates to matters of law, is true and correct, and whether such information fairly summarizes the provisions of the documents referred to therein. Bond Counsel has not, however, independently verified any of the factual information contained in this Official Statement nor has it conducted an investigation of the affairs of the District for the purpose of passing upon the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. No person is entitled to rely upon Bond Counsel’s limited participation as an assumption of responsibility for or an expression of opinion of any kind with regard to the accuracy or completeness of any information contained herein.

Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP also serves as General Counsel to the District on matters other than the issuance of bonds. The legal fees paid to Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the bonds actually issued, sold, and delivered and, therefore, such fees are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. The legal fees paid to Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP in its capacity as General Counsel are based on time charges actually incurred.

### **No Material Adverse Change**

The obligations of the Initial Purchaser to take and pay for the Bonds, and of the District to deliver the Bonds, are subject to the condition that, up to the time of delivery of and receipt of payment for the Bonds, there shall have been no material adverse change in the condition (financial or otherwise) of the District from that set forth or contemplated in the Preliminary Official Statement.

### **No-Litigation Certificate**

The District will furnish the Initial Purchaser a certificate, executed by both the President or Vice President and Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Board, and dated as of the date of delivery of the Bonds, to the effect that no litigation of any nature is pending or to its knowledge threatened, either in state or federal courts, contesting or attacking the Bonds; restraining or enjoining the levy, assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes to pay the interest or the principal of the Bonds; in any manner questioning the authority or proceedings for the issuance, execution or delivery of the Bonds; or affecting the validity of the Bonds or the title of the present officers of the District.

## **TAX MATTERS**

In the opinion of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Bond Counsel, (i) interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law, and (ii) interest on the Bonds is not subject to the alternative minimum tax on individuals.

The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) imposes a number of requirements that must be satisfied for interest on state or local obligations, such as the Bonds, to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. These requirements include limitations on the use of proceeds and the source of repayment, limitations on the investment of proceeds prior to expenditure, a requirement that excess arbitrage earned on the investment of proceeds be paid periodically to the United States and a requirement that the issuer file an information report with the Internal Revenue Service (the “Service”). The District has covenanted in the Bond Resolution that it will comply with these requirements.

Bond Counsel’s opinion will assume continuing compliance with the covenants of the Bond Resolution pertaining to those sections of the Code which affect the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes and, in addition, will rely on representations by the District, the District’s Financial Advisor and the Underwriter with respect to matters solely within the knowledge of the District, the District’s Financial Advisor and the Underwriter, respectively, which Bond Counsel has not independently verified. If the District should fail to comply with the covenants in the Bond Resolution or if the foregoing representations should be determined to be inaccurate or incomplete, interest on the Bonds could become taxable from the date of delivery of the Bonds, regardless of the date on which the event causing such taxability occurs.

Under the Code, taxpayers are required to report on their returns the amount of tax exempt interest, such as interest on the Bonds, received or accrued during the year. Payments of interest on tax-exempt obligations such as the Bonds are in many cases required to be reported to the Service. Additionally, backup withholding may apply to any such payments to any owner who is not an “exempt recipient” and who fails to provide certain identifying information. Individuals generally are not exempt recipients, whereas corporations and certain other entities generally are exempt recipients.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that the ownership of tax exempt obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to financial institutions, life insurance and property and casualty insurance companies, certain S corporations with Subchapter C earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax exempt obligations, taxpayers owning an interest in a FASIT that holds tax-exempt obligations, and individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income credit. In addition, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States may be subject to the “branch profits tax” on their effectively-connected earnings and profits, including tax exempt interest such as interest on the Bonds. These categories of prospective purchasers should consult their own tax advisors as to the applicability of these consequences.

Bond Counsel’s opinions are based on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on Bond Counsel’s knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. Bond Counsel assumes no duty to update or supplement its opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to Bond Counsel’s attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, Bond Counsel’s opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Service; rather, such opinions represent Bond Counsel’s legal judgment based upon its review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that it deems relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures the Service is likely to treat the District as the taxpayer and the owners of the Bonds may not have a right to participate in such audit. Public awareness of any future audit of the Bonds could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Bonds during the pendency of the audit regardless of the ultimate outcome of the audit.

### **Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Discount Bonds**

The issue price of certain of the Bonds (the “Original Issue Discount Bonds”) is less than the stated redemption price at maturity. In such case, under existing law, and based upon the assumptions hereinafter stated (a) the difference between (i) the stated amount payable at the maturity of each Original Issue Discount Bond and (ii) the issue price of such Original Issue Discount Bond constitutes original issue discount with respect to such Original Issue Discount Bond in the hands of any owner who has purchased such Original Issue Discount Bond at the initial public offering price in the initial public offering of the Bonds; and (b) such initial owner is entitled to exclude from gross income (as defined in Section 61 of the Code) an amount of income with respect to such Original Issue Discount Bond equal to that portion of the amount of such original issue discount allocable to the period that such Original Issue Discount Bond continues to be owned by such owner.

In the event of the redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bond prior to stated maturity, however, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Original Issue Discount Bond in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the original issue discount allocable to the period for which such Bond was held by such initial owner) is includable in gross income. (Because original issue discount is treated as interest for federal income tax purposes, the discussion regarding interest on the Bonds under the caption "TAX MATTERS" generally applies, except as otherwise provided below, to original issue discount on an Original Issue Discount Bond held by an owner who purchased such Bond at the initial offering price in the initial public offering of the Bonds, and should be considered in connection with the discussion in this portion of the Official Statement.)

The foregoing is based on the assumptions that (a) the Initial Purchaser has purchased the Bonds for contemporaneous sale to the general public and not for investment purposes, and (b) all of the Original Issue Discount Bonds have been offered, and a substantial amount of each maturity thereof has been sold, to the general public in arm's-length transactions for a cash price (and with no other consideration being included) equal to the initial offering prices thereof stated on the cover page of this Official Statement, and (c) the respective initial offering prices of the Original Issue Discount Bonds to the general public are equal to the fair market value thereof. Neither the District nor Bond Counsel warrants that the Original Issue Discount Bonds will be offered and sold in accordance with such assumptions.

Under existing law, the original issue discount on each Original Issue Discount Bond is accrued daily to the stated maturity thereof (in amounts calculated as described below for each six-month period ending on the date before the semiannual anniversary dates of the Bonds and ratably within each such six-month period) and the accrued amount is added to an initial owner's basis for such Bond for purposes of determining the amount of gain or loss recognized by such owner upon redemption, sale or other disposition thereof. The amount to be added to basis for each accrual period is equal to (a) the sum of the issue price plus the amount of original issue discount accrued in prior periods multiplied by the yield to stated maturity (determined on the basis of compounding at the close of each accrual period and properly adjusted for the length of the accrual period) less (b) the amounts payable as current interest during such accrual period on such Bond.

The federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and redemption, sale or other disposition of Original Issue Discount Bonds which are not purchased in the initial offering at the initial offering price may be determined according to rules which differ from those described above. All owners of Original Issue Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal, state and local income tax purposes of interest accrued upon redemption, sale or other disposition of such Bonds and with respect to the federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and redemption, sale or other disposition of such Bonds.

### **Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations**

The Code requires a pro rata reduction in the interest expense deduction of a financial institution to reflect such financial institution's investment in tax-exempt obligations acquired after August 7, 1986. An exception to the foregoing provision is provided in the Code for "qualified tax-exempt obligations," which include tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, (a) designated by the issuer as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and (b) issued by or on behalf of a political subdivision for which the aggregate amount of tax-exempt obligations (not including private activity bonds other than qualified 501(c)(3) bonds) to be issued during the calendar year is not expected to exceed \$10,000,000.

The District has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and has represented that the aggregate amount of tax-exempt bonds (including the Bonds) issued by the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code during calendar year 2018 is not expected to exceed \$10,000,000 and that the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code have not designated more than \$10,000,000 in "qualified tax-exempt obligations" (including the Bonds) during calendar year 2018.

Notwithstanding these exceptions, financial institutions acquiring the Bonds will be subject to a 20% disallowance of allocable interest expense.



## **SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE BONDS**

### **Award of the Bonds**

After requesting competitive bids for the Bonds, the District accepted the bid resulting in the lowest net interest cost, which bid was tendered by SAMCO Capital Markets, Inc. (the “Initial Purchaser”) bearing the interest rates shown on the cover page hereof, at a price of 97.00% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of delivery which resulted in a net effective interest rate of 3.690728% as calculated pursuant to Chapter 1204 of the Texas Government Code.

### **Prices and Marketability**

The prices and other terms with respect to the offering and sale of the Bonds may be changed at any time by the Initial Purchaser after the Bonds are released for sale, and the Bonds may be offered and sold at prices other than the initial offering prices, including sales to dealers who may sell the Bonds into investment accounts. In connection with the offering of the Bonds, the Initial Purchaser may over-allot or effect transactions that stabilize or maintain the market prices of the Bonds at levels above those that might otherwise prevail in the open market. Such stabilizing, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

The District has no control over trading of the Bonds in the secondary market. Moreover, there is no guarantee that a secondary market will be made in the Bonds. In such a secondary market, the difference between the bid and asked price of utility district bonds may be greater than the difference between the bid and asked price of bonds of comparable maturity and quality issued by more traditional municipal entities, as bonds of such entities are more generally bought, sold, or traded in the secondary market.

### **Securities Laws**

No registration statement relating to the offer and sale of the Bonds has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemptions provided thereunder. The Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Bonds been registered or qualified under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction. The District assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification of the Bonds under the securities laws of any other jurisdiction in which the Bonds may be offered, sold or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Bonds shall not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration or qualification provisions in such other jurisdiction.

## **MUNICIPAL BOND RATING**

It is expected that S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC (“S&P”), will assign its municipal bond rating of “AA” (stable outlook) to this issue of Bonds with the understanding that upon delivery of the Bonds, a municipal bond insurance policy insuring the timely payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be issued by BUILD AMERICA MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY (“BAM” or the “Insurer”). Moody’s Investors Service (“Moody’s”) has assigned a credit rating of “Baa2” to the Bonds. An explanation of the rating may be obtained from Moody’s. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Risk Factors Related to the Purchase of Municipal Bond Insurance,” “MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE” and “APPENDIX B.”

There is no assurance that such rating will continue for any given period of time or that it will not be revised or withdrawn entirely by S&P, if in its judgment, circumstances so warrant. Any such revisions or withdrawal of the rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

## MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE

### **Bond Insurance Policy**

Concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds, Build America Mutual Assurance Company (“BAM”) will issue its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy for the Bonds (the “Policy”). The Policy guarantees the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due as set forth in the form of the Policy included as an exhibit to this Official Statement.

The Policy is not covered by any insurance security or guaranty fund established under New York, California, Connecticut or Florida insurance law.

### **Build America Mutual Assurance Company**

BAM is a New York domiciled mutual insurance corporation and is licensed to conduct financial guaranty insurance business in all fifty states of the United States and the District of Columbia. BAM provides credit enhancement products solely to issuers in the U.S. public finance markets. BAM will only insure obligations of states, political subdivisions, integral parts of states or political subdivisions or entities otherwise eligible for the exclusion of income under section 115 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. No member of BAM is liable for the obligations of BAM.

The address of the principal executive offices of BAM is: 200 Liberty Street, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10281, its telephone number is: 212-235-2500, and its website is located at: [www.buildamerica.com](http://www.buildamerica.com).

BAM is licensed and subject to regulation as a financial guaranty insurance corporation under the laws of the State of New York and in particular Articles 41 and 69 of the New York Insurance Law.

BAM’s financial strength is rated “AA/Stable” by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC (“S&P”). An explanation of the significance of the rating and current reports may be obtained from S&P at [www.standardandpoors.com](http://www.standardandpoors.com). The rating of BAM should be evaluated independently. The rating reflects the S&P’s current assessment of the creditworthiness of BAM and its ability to pay claims on its policies of insurance. The above rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold the Bonds, and such rating is subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by S&P, including withdrawal initiated at the request of BAM in its sole discretion. Any downward revision or withdrawal of the above rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds. BAM only guarantees scheduled principal and scheduled interest payments payable by the issuer of the Bonds on the date(s) when such amounts were initially scheduled to become due and payable (subject to and in accordance with the terms of the Policy), and BAM does not guarantee the market price or liquidity of the Bonds, nor does it guarantee that the rating on the Bonds will not be revised or withdrawn.

### *Capitalization of BAM*

BAM’s total admitted assets, total liabilities, and total capital and surplus, as of December 31, 2017 and as prepared in accordance with statutory accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the New York State Department of Financial Services were \$515 million, \$87.7 million and \$427.3 million, respectively.

BAM is party to a first loss reinsurance treaty that provides first loss protection up to a maximum of 15% of the par amount outstanding for each policy issued by BAM, subject to certain limitations and restrictions.

BAM’s most recent Statutory Annual Statement, which has been filed with the New York State Insurance Department and posted on BAM’s website at [www.buildamerica.com](http://www.buildamerica.com), is incorporated herein by reference and may be obtained, without charge, upon request to BAM at its address provided above (Attention: Finance Department). Future financial statements will similarly be made available when published.

BAM makes no representation regarding the Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. In addition, BAM has not independently verified, makes no representation regarding, and does not accept any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement or any information or disclosure contained herein, or omitted herefrom, other than with respect to the accuracy of the information regarding BAM, supplied by BAM and presented under the heading “MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE”.

### *Additional Information Available from BAM*

**Credit Insights Videos.** For certain BAM-insured issues, BAM produces and posts a brief Credit Insights video that provides a discussion of the obligor and some of the key factors BAM's analysts and credit committee considered when approving the credit for insurance. The Credit Insights videos are easily accessible on BAM's website at [buildamerica.com/creditsights/](http://buildamerica.com/creditsights/). (The preceding website address is provided for convenience of reference only. Information available at such address is not incorporated herein by reference.)

**Credit Profiles.** Prior to the pricing of bonds that BAM has been selected to insure, BAM may prepare a pre-sale Credit Profile for those bonds. These pre-sale Credit Profiles provide information about the sector designation (e.g. general obligation, sales tax); a preliminary summary of financial information and key ratios; and demographic and economic data relevant to the obligor, if available. Subsequent to closing, for any offering that includes bonds insured by BAM, any pre-sale Credit Profile will be updated and superseded by a final Credit Profile to include information about the gross par insured by CUSIP, maturity and coupon. BAM pre-sale and final Credit Profiles are easily accessible on BAM's website at [buildamerica.com/obligor/](http://buildamerica.com/obligor/). BAM will produce a Credit Profile for all bonds insured by BAM, whether or not a pre-sale Credit Profile has been prepared for such bonds. (The preceding website address is provided for convenience of reference only. Information available at such address is not incorporated herein by reference.)

**Disclaimers.** The Credit Profiles and the Credit Insights videos and the information contained therein are not recommendations to purchase, hold or sell securities or to make any investment decisions. Credit-related and other analyses and statements in the Credit Profiles and the Credit Insights videos are statements of opinion as of the date expressed, and BAM assumes no responsibility to update the content of such material. The Credit Profiles and Credit Insight videos are prepared by BAM; they have not been reviewed or approved by the issuer of or the underwriter for the Bonds, and the issuer and underwriter assume no responsibility for their content.

BAM receives compensation (an insurance premium) for the insurance that it is providing with respect to the Bonds. Neither BAM nor any affiliate of BAM has purchased, or committed to purchase, any of the Bonds, whether at the initial offering or otherwise.

## **PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

### **Sources and Compilation of Information**

The financial data and other information contained in this Official Statement has been obtained primarily from the District's records, the Developer, the Engineer, the Tax Assessor/Collector, the Appraisal District and information from certain other sources. All of these sources are believed to be reliable, but no guarantee is made by the District as to the accuracy or completeness of the information derived from sources other than the District, and its inclusion herein is not to be construed as a representation on the part of the District except as described below under "Certification of Official Statement." Furthermore, there is no guarantee that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will be realized. The summaries of the agreements, reports, statutes, resolutions, engineering and other related information set forth in this Official Statement are included herein subject to all of the provisions of such documents. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions, and reference is made to such documents for further information.

### **Financial Advisor**

Hilltop Securities Inc. is employed as the Financial Advisor to the District to render certain professional services, including advising the District on a plan of financing and preparing the Official Statement, including the Official Notice of Sale and the Official Bid Form for the sale of the Bonds. In its capacity as Financial Advisor, Hilltop Securities Inc. has compiled and edited this Official Statement. In addition to compiling and editing, the Financial Advisor has obtained the information set forth herein under the caption indicated from the following sources:

"THE DISTRICT" - Sig-Valley Ranch, Ltd., Valley Ranch Town Center Holdings, Ltd., and D.R. Horton-Texas, Ltd. (collectively the "Developers"), Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation ("Engineer"), and Records of the District ("Records"); "THE DEVELOPERS" - Developers; "THE SYSTEM" - Engineer; "UNLIMITED TAX BONDS AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED" - Records; "FINANCIAL STATEMENT" - Montgomery Central Appraisal District and Utility Tax Service, LLC, Tax Assessor/Collector; "ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT" - Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and Financial Advisor; "TAX DATA" - Utility Tax Service, LLC ; "MANAGEMENT" - Records; "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS" - Financial Advisor; "THE BONDS," "TAX PROCEDURES," "LEGAL MATTERS," and "TAX MATTERS" - Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP.

The Financial Advisor has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this official statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this official statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to the District and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

### **Consultants**

In approving this Official Statement the District has relied upon the following consultants.

**Engineer:** The information contained in this Official Statement relating to engineering matters and to the description of the System and in particular that information included in the sections entitled “THE DISTRICT” and “THE SYSTEM” has been provided by Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of said firm as experts in the field of civil engineering.

**Appraisal District:** The information contained in this Official Statement relating to the assessed valuations has been provided by the Montgomery Central Appraisal District and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of such entity as experts in assessing the values of property in Montgomery County, including the District.

**Tax Assessor/Collector:** The information contained in this Official Statement relating to the historical breakdown of the Assessed Valuation, principal taxpayers, and certain other historical data concerning tax rates and tax collections has been provided by Utility Tax Service, LLC, and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such entity as experts in assessing and collecting taxes.

**Auditor:** As required by the Texas Water Code, the District retains an independent auditor to audit the District’s financial statements annually, which audit is filed with the Commission. The District’s audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 have been prepared by McGrath & Co., PLLC. See “APPENDIX A” for a copy of the District’s June 30, 2017 audited financial statements.

**Bookkeeper:** The information related to the “unaudited” summary of the District's General Operating Fund as it appears in “WATER AND SEWER OPERATIONS” has been provided by District Data Services, Inc., and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such firm as experts in the tracking and managing the various funds of municipal utility districts.

### **Updating the Official Statement**

If, subsequent to the date of the Official Statement, the District learns, through the ordinary course of business and without undertaking any investigation or examination for such purposes, or is notified by the Initial Purchaser, of any adverse event which causes the Official Statement to be materially misleading, and unless the Initial Purchaser elects to terminate its obligation to purchase the Bonds, the District will promptly prepare and supply to the Initial Purchaser an appropriate amendment or supplement to the Official Statement satisfactory to the Initial Purchaser; provided, however, that the obligation of the District to so amend or supplement the Official Statement will terminate when the District delivers the Bonds to the Initial Purchaser, unless the Initial Purchaser notifies the District on or before such date that less than all of the Bonds have been sold to ultimate customers, in which case the District's obligations hereunder will extend for an additional period of time as required by law (but not more than 90 days after the date the District delivers the Bonds).

### **Certification of Official Statement**

The District, acting through its Board of Directors in its official capacity, hereby certifies, as of the date hereof, that the information, statements, and descriptions or any addenda, supplement and amendment thereto pertaining to the District and its affairs contained herein, to the best of its knowledge and belief, contain no untrue statement of a material fact and do not omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements herein, in light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading. With respect to information included in this Official Statement other than that relating to the District, the District has no reason to believe that such information contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements herein, in the light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading; however, the Board has made no independent investigation as to the accuracy or completeness of the information derived from sources other than the District. In rendering such certificate, the official executing this certificate may state that he has relied in part on his examination of records of the District relating to matters within his own area of responsibility, and his discussions with, or certificates or correspondence signed by, certain other officials, employees, consultants and representatives of the District.

## **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION**

In the Bond Resolution, the District has made the following agreement for the benefit of the registered and beneficial owners of the Bonds. The District is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Bonds. Under the agreement, the District will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of certain specified events, to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"). The MSRB has established the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") System.

### **Annual Reports**

The District will provide certain financial information and operating data annually to the MSRB. The financial information and operating data which will be provided with respect to the District includes all quantitative financial information and operating data of the general type included in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT under the headings "THE SYSTEM" (except for "Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds"), "FINANCIAL STATEMENT" (except for Estimated Overlapping Debt), "TAX DATA," "WATER AND SEWER OPERATIONS," and in APPENDIX A (Financial Statements of the District and certain supplemental schedules). The District will update and provide this information to the MSRB within six months after the end of each of its fiscal years ending in or after 2018. Any financial statements provided by the District shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards or other such principles as the District may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation, and audited if the audit report is completed within the period during which it must be provided. If the audit report is not complete within such period, then the District shall provide unaudited financial statements for the applicable year to the MSRB within such six month period and audited financial statements when the audit becomes available.

The District's current fiscal year end is June 30. Accordingly, it must provide updated information by December 31 in each year, unless the District changes its fiscal year. If the District changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change.

### **Event Notices**

The District will provide timely notices of certain specified events to the MSRB, but in no event will such notices be provided to the MSRB in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of an event. The District will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, if material; (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District or other obligated person within the meaning of 17 CFR § 240.15c2-12 (the "Rule"); (13) consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or other obligated person within the meaning of the Rule or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District or other obligated person within the meaning of the Rule, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of an definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material. The term "material" when used in this paragraph shall have the meaning ascribed to it under federal securities laws. Neither the Bonds nor the Bond Resolution make any provision for debt service reserves or liquidity enhancement. In addition, the District will provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide financial information, operational data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports."

### **Availability of Information from MSRB**

The District has agreed to provide the foregoing information only to the MSRB. The MSRB makes the information available to the public without charge through the EMMA internet portal at [www.emma.msrb.org](http://www.emma.msrb.org).

## **Limitations and Amendments**

The District has agreed to update information and to provide notices of specified events only as described above. The District has not agreed to provide other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of its financial results of operations, condition, or prospects or agreed to update any information that is provided, except as described above. The District makes no representation or warranty concerning such information or concerning its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date. The District disclaims any contractual or tort liability for damages resulting in whole or in part from any breach of its continuing disclosure agreement or from any statement made pursuant to its agreement, although Registered or Beneficial Owners of Bonds may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the District to comply with its agreement.

The District may amend its continuing disclosure agreement from time to time to adapt the changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the District, if but only if the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the offering made hereby in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and either the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds consent to the amendment or any person unaffiliated with the District (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the Registered and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. The District may amend or repeal the agreement in the Bond Resolution if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction determines that such provisions are invalid or unenforceable, but only to the extent that its right to do so would not prevent the Initial Purchaser from lawfully purchasing the Bonds in the initial offering. If the District so amends the agreement, it has agreed to include with any financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports" an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information and operating data so provided.

## **Compliance with Prior Undertakings**

During the last five years, the District has complied in all material respects with its previous continuing disclosure agreements.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

All estimates, statements and assumptions in this Official Statement and the Appendices hereto have been made on the basis of the best information available and are believed to be reliable and accurate. Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any such statements will be realized.

This Official Statement was approved by the Board of Directors of Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1, as of the date shown on the cover page.

/s/ Chris Baughman  
President, Board of Directors  
Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1

ATTEST:

/s/ Neal J. Brussell  
Secretary, Board of Directors  
Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1

**AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH**  
**(Approximate boundaries of the District as of February 2018)**

VALLEY-RANCH  
MUD 1

U.S. 59

GRAND PARKWAY





## **PHOTOGRAPHS**

The following photographs were taken in the District in February 2018, solely to illustrate the type of improvements which have been constructed in the District. The District cannot predict if any additional improvements will be constructed in the future.













**APPENDIX A**

**District Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017**



EXHIBIT B

**VALLEY RANCH MUNICIPAL  
UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
June 30, 2017**

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## Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors  
Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
Montgomery County, Texas

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these basic financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting principles used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

*Board of Directors  
Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
Montgomery County, Texas*

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Other-Matters**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's financial statements as a whole. The Texas Supplementary Information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Texas Supplementary Information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied to the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

*W. G. Gatt & Co, P.C.*

Houston, Texas  
October 25, 2017

## Management's Discussion and Analysis

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***Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
Management's Discussion and Analysis  
June 30, 2017***

## **Using this Annual Report**

Within this section of the financial report of Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District"), the District's Board of Directors provides a narrative discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. This analysis should be read in conjunction with the independent auditors' report and the basic financial statements that follow this section.

In addition to this discussion and analysis, this annual report consists of:

- The District's basic financial statements;
- Notes to the basic financial statements, which provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements;
- Supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) concerning the District's budget; and
- Other Texas supplementary information required by the District's state oversight agency, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

## **Overview of the Financial Statements**

The District prepares its basic financial statements using a format that combines fund financial statements and government-wide statements onto one financial statement. The combined statements are the *Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet* and the *Statement of Activities and Governmental Funds Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances*. Each statement contains an adjustments column which quantifies the differences between the government-wide and fund level statements. Additional details of the adjustments are provided in Note 2 to the basic financial statements.

## **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The focus of government-wide financial statements is on the overall financial position and activities of the District, both long-term and short-term. The District's government-wide financial statements consist of the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities*, which are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The *Statement of Net Position* includes all of the District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources with the residual reported as net position. Over time, changes in net position may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District as a whole is improving or deteriorating.

Accounting standards establish three components of net position. The net investment in capital assets component represents the District's investments in capital assets, less any outstanding debt or other borrowings used to acquire those assets. Resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. The restricted component of net position consists of financial resources that are restricted for a specific purpose by enabling legislation or external parties. The unrestricted component of net position represents resources not included in the other components.

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**June 30, 2017**

The *Statement of Activities* reports how the District's net position has changed during the fiscal year. All revenues and expenses are included on this statement, regardless of whether cash has been received or paid.

**Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements include the *Governmental Funds Balance Sheet* and the *Governmental Funds Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances*. The focus of fund financial statements is on specific activities of the District rather than the District as a whole, reported using modified accrual accounting. These statements report on the District's use of available financial resources and the balances of available financial resources at the end of the year. Except for the General Fund, a specific fund is established to satisfy managerial control over resources or to satisfy finance-related legal requirements established by external parties, governmental statutes or regulations.

For further discussion on the government-wide and fund financial statements, please refer to Note 1 in the financial statements.

**Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole**

The District's net position at June 30, 2017, was negative \$1,954,391. A comparative summary of the District's overall financial position, as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, is as follows:

	2017	2016
Current and other assets	\$ 4,017,144	\$ 4,343,439
Capital assets	15,552,245	13,124,885
Total assets	<u>19,569,389</u>	<u>17,468,324</u>
 Total deferred outflows of resources	 <u>374,460</u>	 <u>                    </u>
 Current liabilities	 1,326,814	 2,227,001
Long-term liabilities	<u>20,571,426</u>	<u>15,841,999</u>
Total liabilities	<u>21,898,240</u>	<u>18,069,000</u>
 Net position		
Net investment in capital assets	(5,023,414)	(3,328,368)
Restricted	1,328,453	1,023,454
Unrestricted	<u>1,740,570</u>	<u>1,704,238</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ (1,954,391)</u>	<u>\$ (600,676)</u>



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**June 30, 2017**

The total net position of the District decreased during the current fiscal year by \$1,353,715. A comparative summary of the District's *Statement of Activities* for the past two years is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Revenues		
Water and sewer service	\$ 792,642	\$ 655,909
Property taxes, penalties and interest	1,532,117	1,427,044
Other	<u>60,041</u>	<u>111,439</u>
Total revenues	<u>2,384,800</u>	<u>2,194,392</u>
Expenses		
Current service operations	1,345,837	1,305,152
Interest and fees	1,320,010	470,804
Debt issuance costs	672,028	25,900
Depreciation and amortization	<u>400,640</u>	<u>297,243</u>
Total expenses	<u>3,738,515</u>	<u>2,099,099</u>
Change in net position	(1,353,715)	95,293
Net position, beginning of year	<u>(600,676)</u>	<u>(695,969)</u>
Net position, end of year	<u><u>\$ (1,954,391)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (600,676)</u></u>

**Financial Analysis of the District's Funds**

The District's combined fund balances, as of June 30, 2017, were \$3,294,207, which consists of \$1,737,868 in the General Fund, \$1,490,032 in the Debt Service Fund, and \$66,307 in the Capital Projects Fund.

*General Fund*

A comparative summary of the General Fund's financial position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,451,915</u>	<u>\$ 2,226,429</u>
Total liabilities	\$ 711,345	\$ 522,191
Total deferred inflows	2,702	4,260
Total fund balance	<u>1,737,868</u>	<u>1,699,978</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balance	<u><u>\$ 2,451,915</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,226,429</u></u>

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A comparative summary of the General Fund's activities for the current and prior fiscal year is as follows:

	2017	2016
Total revenues	\$ 1,330,558	\$ 1,255,093
Total expenditures	(1,336,200)	(1,225,730)
Revenues over/(under) expenditures	(5,642)	29,363
Other changes in fund balance	43,532	
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ 37,890</u>	<u>\$ 29,363</u>

The District manages its activities with the objectives of ensuring that expenditures will be adequately covered by revenues each year and that an adequate fund balance is maintained. The District's primary financial resources in the General Fund are from a property tax levy, the provision of water and sewer services to customers within the District, and tap connection fees charged to homebuilders in the District. Financial resources are influenced by a variety of factors each year:

- Property tax revenues are dependent upon assessed values in the District and the maintenance tax rate set by the District. While the District decreased its maintenance tax levy, property tax revenues increased because assessed values in the District increased from the prior year.
- Water and sewer revenues are dependent upon customer usage, which fluctuates from year to year as a result of factors beyond the District's control.
- Tap connection fees fluctuate with homebuilding activity within the District.

*Debt Service Fund*

A comparative summary of the Debt Service Fund's financial position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

	2017	2016
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,497,424</u>	<u>\$ 1,191,994</u>
Total liabilities	\$ 166	\$ 164
Total deferred inflows	7,226	10,880
Total fund balance	1,490,032	1,180,950
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balance	<u>\$ 1,497,424</u>	<u>\$ 1,191,994</u>

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A comparative summary of the Debt Service Fund's activities the current and prior fiscal year is as follows:

	2017	2016
Total revenues	\$ 1,079,121	\$ 943,431
Total expenditures	(942,218)	(794,943)
Revenues over expenditures	136,903	148,488
Other changes in fund balance	172,179	
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ 309,082</u>	<u>\$ 148,488</u>

The District's financial resources in the Debt Service Fund in both the current year and prior year are from property tax revenues. The difference between these financial resources and debt service requirements resulted in an increase in fund balance each year. It is important to note that the District sets its annual debt service tax rate as recommended by its financial advisor, who monitors projected cash flows in the Debt Service Fund to ensure that the District will be able to meet its future debt service requirements.

During the current year, the District issued \$3,760,000 in refunding bonds to refund \$3,670,000 of its outstanding Series 2008 and Series 2009 bonds. This refunding will save the District \$1,022,957 in future debt service requirements.

*Capital Projects Fund*

A comparative summary of the Capital Projects Fund's financial position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

	2017	2016
Total assets	<u>\$ 67,805</u>	<u>\$ 925,016</u>
Total liabilities	\$ 1,498	\$ 1,270
Total fund balance	66,307	923,746
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 67,805</u>	<u>\$ 925,016</u>

A comparative summary of activities in the Capital Projects Fund for the current and prior fiscal year is as follows:

	2017	2016
Total revenues	\$ 375	\$ 1,196
Total expenditures	(5,720,282)	(1,279,379)
Revenues under expenditures	(5,719,907)	(1,278,183)
Other changes in fund balance	4,862,468	1,245,000
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ (857,439)</u>	<u>\$ (33,183)</u>

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The District has had considerable capital asset activity in the last two years, which was financed with proceeds from the issuance of its Series 2016 and Series 2017 Unlimited Tax Bonds in the current year and Series 2015 Bond Anticipation Note in the prior year.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The Board of Directors adopts an annual unappropriated budget for the General Fund prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The Board did not amend the budget during the fiscal year.

Since the District's budget is primarily a planning tool, actual results varied from the budgeted amounts. Actual net change in fund balance was \$36,810 less than budgeted. The *Budgetary Comparison Schedule* on page 36 of this report provides variance information per financial statement line item.

**Capital Assets**

The District has entered into financing agreements with its developers for the financing of the construction of capital assets within the District. The Developers will be reimbursed from proceeds of future bond issues or other lawfully available funds. These developers funded capital assets are recorded on the District's financial statements upon completion of construction.

Capital assets held by the District at June 30, 2017 and 2016 are summarized as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Capital assets not being depreciated		
Land and improvements	\$ 3,028,368	\$ 3,272,597
Construction in progress	34,482	
	<u>3,062,850</u>	<u>3,272,597</u>
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized:		
Infrastructure	12,614,979	10,696,257
Park improvements	1,314,952	240,927
Impact fees	866,890	821,890
	<u>14,796,821</u>	<u>11,759,074</u>
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization		
Infrastructure	(1,849,922)	(1,567,572)
Park improvements	(140,172)	(65,227)
Impact fees	(317,332)	(273,987)
	<u>(2,307,426)</u>	<u>(1,906,786)</u>
Depreciable capital assets, net	<u>12,489,395</u>	<u>9,852,288</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 15,552,245</u>	<u>\$ 13,124,885</u>

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Capital asset additions during the current year include the following:

- Azalea District at Valley Ranch – landscaping improvements
- Azalea District - hardscape improvements
- Azalea District Sections 2 and 3 - Phase 2 water, sewer, and drainage improvements
- Valley Ranch Section 7 - water, sewer, and drainage improvements

The District's construction in progress is for costs related to the construction of the wastewater treatment plant expansion.

**Long-Term Debt and Related Liabilities**

As of June 30, 2017, the District owes \$5,051,072 to developers for completed projects. As discussed in Note 7, the District has an additional commitment in the amount of \$805,838 for projects under construction by the developers. As previously mentioned, the District will owe its developers for these projects upon completion of construction, at which time the capital assets and related liability will be recorded on the District's financial statements. The District intends to reimburse the developers from proceeds of future bond issues.

At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the District had total bonded debt outstanding as shown below:

Series	2017	2016
2008	\$ 75,000	\$ 2,240,000
2009	190,000	1,830,000
2010	1,825,000	1,870,000
2012	1,350,000	1,400,000
2014	1,425,000	1,460,000
2014A	960,000	985,000
2016	2,465,000	
2016A Refunding	3,760,000	
2017	3,800,000	
	\$ 15,850,000	\$ 9,785,000

During the year, the District issued \$10,025,000 in unlimited tax bonds. At June 30, 2017, the District had \$104,045,000 unlimited tax bonds authorized, but unissued for the purposes of acquiring, constructing and improving the water, sanitary sewer and drainage systems within the District; \$14,000,000 for parks and recreational facilities; and \$121,010,000 for refunding purposes.

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**Next Year's Budget**

In establishing the budget for the next fiscal year, the Board considered various economic factors that may affect the District, most notably projected revenues from property taxes and water/sewer services and the projected cost of operating the District and providing services to customers. A comparison of next year's budget to current year actual amounts for the General Fund is as follows:

	<u>2017 Actual</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>
Total revenues	\$ 1,330,558	\$ 1,289,500
Total expenditures	<u>(1,336,200)</u>	<u>(1,660,400)</u>
Revenues under expenditures	(5,642)	(370,900)
Other changes in fund balance	43,532	
Net change in fund balance	37,890	(370,900)
Beginning fund balance	<u>1,699,978</u>	<u>1,737,868</u>
Ending fund balance	<u>\$ 1,737,868</u>	<u>\$ 1,366,968</u>

**Property Taxes**

The District's property tax base increased approximately \$8,812,000 for the 2017 tax year from \$131,898,595 to \$140,710,423. This increase was primarily due to new construction in the District. For the 2017 tax year, the District has levied a maintenance tax rate of \$0.36 per \$100 of assessed value and a debt service tax rate of \$0.79 per \$100 of assessed value, for a total combined tax rate of \$1.15 per \$100. These are the same rates levied for the 2016 tax year.

## **Basic Financial Statements**

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**Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet**  
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	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Net Position
<b>Assets</b>						
Cash	\$ 105,613	\$ 53,179	\$ 80,518	\$ 239,310	\$ -	\$ 239,310
Investments	2,171,075	1,440,369		3,611,444		3,611,444
Taxes receivable	2,702	7,226		9,928		9,928
Customer service receivables, net	136,990			136,990		136,990
Internal balances	16,063	(3,350)	(12,713)			
Other receivables	8,017			8,017		8,017
Prepaid items	11,455			11,455		11,455
Capital assets not being depreciated					3,062,850	3,062,850
Capital assets, net					12,489,395	12,489,395
Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,451,915</u>	<u>\$ 1,497,424</u>	<u>\$ 67,805</u>	<u>\$ 4,017,144</u>	<u>15,552,245</u>	<u>19,569,389</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>						
Deferred difference on refunding					374,460	374,460
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Accounts payable	\$ 123,210	\$ -	\$ 1,498	\$ 124,708		124,708
Other payables	160	166		326		326
Customer deposits	79,620			79,620		79,620
Unearned revenue	88,355			88,355		88,355
Due to other governments	420,000			420,000		420,000
Accrued interest payable					168,805	168,805
Due to developers					5,051,072	5,051,072
Long-term debt						
Due within one year					445,000	445,000
Due after one year					15,520,354	15,520,354
Total Liabilities	<u>711,345</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>1,498</u>	<u>713,009</u>	<u>21,185,231</u>	<u>21,898,240</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>						
Deferred property taxes	<u>2,702</u>	<u>7,226</u>		<u>9,928</u>	<u>(9,928)</u>	
<b>Fund Balances/Net Position</b>						
<b>Fund Balances</b>						
Nonspendable	11,455			11,455	(11,455)	
Restricted		1,490,032	66,307	1,556,339	(1,556,339)	
Unassigned	<u>1,726,413</u>			<u>1,726,413</u>	<u>(1,726,413)</u>	
Total Fund Balances	<u>1,737,868</u>	<u>1,490,032</u>	<u>66,307</u>	<u>3,294,207</u>	<u>(3,294,207)</u>	
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 2,451,915</u>	<u>\$ 1,497,424</u>	<u>\$ 67,805</u>	<u>\$ 4,017,144</u>		
<b>Net Position</b>						
Net investment in capital assets					(5,023,414)	(5,023,414)
Restricted for debt service					1,328,453	1,328,453
Unrestricted					1,740,570	1,740,570
Total Net Position					<u>\$ (1,954,391)</u>	<u>\$ (1,954,391)</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.



*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
Statement of Activities and Governmental Funds Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017*

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Activities
<b>Revenues</b>						
Water service	\$ 401,491	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 401,491	\$ -	\$ 401,491
Sewer service	391,151			391,151		391,151
Property taxes	476,380	1,044,252		1,520,632	(3,837)	1,516,795
Penalties and interest	8,014	8,683		16,697	(1,375)	15,322
Tap connection and inspection	34,829			34,829		34,829
Accrued interest on bonds sold		20,042		20,042	(20,042)	
Miscellaneous	7,281	34		7,315		7,315
Investment earnings	11,412	6,110	375	17,897		17,897
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>1,330,558</b>	<b>1,079,121</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>2,410,054</b>	<b>(25,254)</b>	<b>2,384,800</b>
<b>Expenditures/Expenses</b>						
Current service operations						
Purchased services	414,842			414,842		414,842
Professional fees	176,837	550	59,601	236,988		236,988
Contracted services	285,470	24,717		310,187		310,187
Repairs and maintenance	226,154			226,154		226,154
Utilities	19,316			19,316		19,316
Administrative	22,589	4,251		26,840		26,840
Lease	95,100			95,100		95,100
Other	16,410			16,410		16,410
Capital outlay	79,482		4,285,512	4,364,994	(4,364,994)	
Debt service						
Principal		290,000		290,000	(290,000)	
Interest and fees		454,500	871,341	1,325,841	(5,831)	1,320,010
Debt issuance costs		168,200	503,828	672,028		672,028
Depreciation and amortization					400,640	400,640
<b>Total Expenditures/Expenses</b>	<b>1,336,200</b>	<b>942,218</b>	<b>5,720,282</b>	<b>7,998,700</b>	<b>(4,260,185)</b>	<b>3,738,515</b>
<b>Revenues Over/(Under) Expenditures</b>	<b>(5,642)</b>	<b>136,903</b>	<b>(5,719,907)</b>	<b>(5,588,646)</b>	<b>5,588,646</b>	
<b>Other Financing Sources/(Uses)</b>						
Proceeds from sale of bonds			6,265,000	6,265,000	(6,265,000)	
Proceeds from sale of refunding bonds		3,760,000		3,760,000	(3,760,000)	
Bond premium		380,662		380,662	(380,662)	
Bond discount			(114,000)	(114,000)	114,000	
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent		(3,968,483)		(3,968,483)	3,968,483	
Repayment of bond anticipation note			(1,245,000)	(1,245,000)	1,245,000	
Internal transfers	43,532		(43,532)			
<b>Net Change in Fund Balances</b>	<b>37,890</b>	<b>309,082</b>	<b>(857,439)</b>	<b>(510,467)</b>	<b>510,467</b>	
<b>Change in Net Position</b>					<b>(1,353,715)</b>	<b>(1,353,715)</b>
Fund Balance/Net Position						
Beginning of the year	1,699,978	1,180,950	923,746	3,804,674	(4,405,350)	(600,676)
<b>End of the year</b>	<b>\$ 1,737,868</b>	<b>\$ 1,490,032</b>	<b>\$ 66,307</b>	<b>\$ 3,294,207</b>	<b>\$ (5,248,598)</b>	<b>\$ (1,954,391)</b>

See notes to basic financial statements.

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*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1*  
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**Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies of Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the “District”) conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The following is a summary of the most significant policies:

**Creation**

The District was organized, created and established pursuant to an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality dated January 22, 2006, and operates in accordance with the Texas Water Code, Chapters 49 and 54. The Board of Directors held its first meeting on February 3, 2006 and the first bonds were sold on May 28, 2008.

The District’s primary activities include construction, maintenance and operation of water, sewer and drainage facilities. The District has contracted with various consultants to provide services to operate and administer the affairs of the District. The District has no employees, related payroll or pension costs.

**Reporting Entity**

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas governed by an elected five-member board. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has established the criteria for determining whether or not an entity is a primary government or a component unit of a primary government. The primary criteria are that it has a separately elected governing body; it is legally separate; and it is fiscally independent of other state and local governments. Under these criteria, the District is considered a primary government and is not a component unit of any other government. Additionally, no other entities meet the criteria for inclusion in the District’s financial statements as component units.

**Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

Government-wide financial statements display information about the District as a whole. These statements focus on the sustainability of the District as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. Interfund activity, if any, has been removed from these statements. These aggregated statements consist of the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities*.

Fund financial statements display information at the individual fund level. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for a specific purpose. Each fund is considered to be a separate accounting entity. Most governments typically have many funds; however, governmental financial statements focus on the most important or “major” funds with non-major funds aggregated in a single column. The District has three governmental funds, which are all considered major funds.

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**Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (continued)**

The following is a description of the various funds used by the District:

- The General Fund is used to account for the operations of the District's water and sewer system and all other financial transactions not reported in other funds. The principal sources of revenue are property taxes and water and sewer service fees. Expenditures include costs associated with the daily operations of the District.
- The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the payment of interest and principal on the District's general long-term debt. The primary source of revenue for debt service is property taxes. Expenditures include costs incurred in assessing and collecting these taxes.
- The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for the expenditures of bond proceeds for the construction of the District's water, sewer and drainage facilities.

As a special-purpose government engaged in a single governmental program, the District has opted to combine its government-wide and fund financial statements in a columnar format showing an adjustments column for reconciling items between the two.

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The government-wide financial statements use the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied.

The fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized in the accounting period in which it becomes both available and measurable to finance expenditures of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty days of the end of the current fiscal period. Revenues susceptible to accrual include property taxes, interest earned on investments and income from District operations. Property taxes receivable at the end of the fiscal year are treated as deferred inflows because they are not considered available to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on long-term debt, which is recognized when due.

Note 2 further details the adjustments from the governmental fund presentation to the government-wide presentation.

**Use of Restricted Resources**

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, the District uses restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

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**Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Prepaid Items**

Certain payments made by the District reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Receivables**

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. Receivables from and payables to external parties are reported separately and are not offset, unless a legal right of offset exists. At June 30, 2017, an allowance of \$1,300 was provided for possible uncollectible water/sewer accounts. An allowance for possible uncollectible property taxes was not considered necessary.

**Interfund Activity**

During the course of operations, transactions occur between individual funds. This can include internal transfers, payables and receivables. This activity is combined as internal balances and is eliminated in both the government-wide and fund financial statement presentation.

**Capital Assets**

Capital assets do not provide financial resources at the fund level, and, therefore, are reported only in the government-wide statements. The District defines capital assets as assets with an initial cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at the estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The District has not capitalized interest incurred during the construction of its capital assets. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the assets or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Depreciable capital assets, which primarily consist of water, wastewater and drainage facilities, are depreciated (or amortized in the case of intangible assets) using the straight-line method as follows:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Useful Life</u>
Infrastructure	45 years
Park Improvements	10-30 years
Impact fees	20 years

The District's detention facilities are considered improvements to land and are non-depreciable.

**Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Financial Resources**

A deferred inflow of financial resources is the acquisition of resources in one period that is applicable to a future period, while a deferred outflow of financial resources is the consumption of financial resources in one period that is applicable to a future period. A deferred inflow results from the acquisition of an asset without a corresponding revenue or assumption of a liability. A deferred outflow results from the use of an asset without a corresponding expenditure or reduction of a liability.

At the fund level, property taxes receivable not collected within 60 days of fiscal year end do not meet the availability criteria required for revenue recognition and are recorded as deferred inflows of financial resources.

Deferred outflows of financial resources at the government-wide level are from a refunding bond transaction in which the amount required to repay the old debt exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt. This amount is being amortized to interest expense.

**Fund Balances – Governmental Funds**

Governmental accounting standards establish the following fund balance classifications:

Nonspendable - amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The District's nonspendable fund balance consists of prepaid items.

Restricted - amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments. The District's restricted fund balances consist of unspent bond proceeds in the Capital Projects Fund and property taxes levied for debt service in the Debt Service Fund.

Committed - amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Board of Directors. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the District. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by the Board. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements. The District does not have any committed fund balances.

Assigned - amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. The District has not adopted a formal policy regarding the assignment of fund balances and does not have any assigned fund balances.

Unassigned - all other spendable amounts in the General Fund.

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**Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Fund Balances – Governmental Funds (continued)**

When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and revenues and expenses/expenditures during the period reported. These estimates include, among others, the collectability of receivables; the useful lives and impairment of capital assets; the value of amounts due to developers; and the value of capital assets for which the developers has not been fully reimbursed. Estimates and assumptions are reviewed periodically and the effects of revisions are reflected in the financial statements in the period they are determined to be necessary. Actual results could differ from the estimates.

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**Note 2 – Adjustment from Governmental to Government-wide Basis**

**Reconciliation of the *Governmental Funds Balance Sheet* to the *Statement of Net Position***

Total fund balance, governmental funds		\$ 3,294,207
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in governmental funds.		
Historical cost	\$ 17,859,671	
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization	<u>(2,307,426)</u>	
Change due to capital assets		15,552,245
The difference between the face amount of bonds refunded and the amount paid to the escrow agent is recorded as a deferred difference on refunding in the <i>Statement of Net Position</i> and amortized to interest expense. It is not recorded in the fund statements because it is not a financial resource.		
		374,460
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. The difference consists of:		
Bonds payable, net	(15,965,354)	
Interest payable on bonds	<u>(168,805)</u>	
Change due to long-term debt		(16,134,159)
Amounts due to the District's developers for prefunded construction are recorded as a liability in the <i>Statement of Net Assets</i> .		
		(5,051,072)
Property taxes receivable and related penalties and interest have been levied and are due, but are not available soon enough to pay current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.		
		9,928
Total net position - governmental activities		<u><u>\$ (1,954,391)</u></u>



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**Note 2 – Adjustment from Governmental to Government-wide Basis (continued)**

**Reconciliation of the *Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances* to the *Statement of Activities***

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds \$ (510,467)

Governmental funds do not report revenues that are not available to pay current obligations. In contrast, such revenues are reported in the *Statement of Activities* when earned. The difference is for property taxes and related penalties and interest. (5,212)

Governmental funds report capital outlays for developer reimbursements and construction costs as expenditures in the funds; however, in the *Statement of Activities*, the cost of capital assets is charged to expense over the estimated useful life of the asset.

Capital outlays	\$ 4,364,994	
Depreciation/amortization expense	(400,640)	
		3,964,354

The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal uses current financial resources. However, neither transaction has any effect on net assets. Other elements of debt financing are reported differently between the fund and government wide statements.

Issuance of long term debt	(10,025,000)	
Bond discount	114,000	
Bond premium	(380,662)	
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	3,968,483	
Principal payments	290,000	
Repayment of bond anticipation note	1,245,000	
Interest expense accrual	(14,211)	
		(4,802,390)

Change in net position of governmental activities \$ (1,353,715)

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**Note 3 – Deposits and Investments**

**Deposit Custodial Credit Risk**

Custodial credit risk as it applies to deposits (i.e. cash) is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the depository institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities. The *Public Funds Collateral Act* (Chapter 2257, Texas Government Code) requires that all of the District's deposits with financial institutions be covered by federal depository insurance and, if necessary, pledged collateral held by a third party custodian. The act further specifies the types of securities that can be used as collateral. The District's written investment policy establishes additional requirements for collateralization of deposits.

**Restricted Cash**

During the current year, the TCEQ approved the use of \$834,000 in surplus bond proceeds from the District's Series 2008, 2010, 2012, and 2014A bond issues for the cost of certain water, wastewater, and drainage facilities to serve Azalea Boulevard.

**Investments**

The District is authorized by the *Public Funds Investment Act* (Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code) to invest in the following: (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, (2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities, (3) certain collateralized mortgage obligations, (4) other obligations, which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the State of Texas or the United States or its agencies or instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States, (5) certain A rated or higher obligations of states and political subdivisions of any state, (6) bonds issued, assumed or guaranteed by the State of Israel, (7) insured or collateralized certificates of deposit, (8) certain fully collateralized repurchase agreements, (9) bankers' acceptances with limitations, (10) commercial paper rated A-1 or P-1 or higher and a maturity of 270 days or less, (11) no-load money market mutual funds and no-load mutual funds, with limitations, (12) certain guaranteed investment contracts, (13) certain qualified governmental investment pools and (14) a qualified securities lending program.

The District has adopted a written investment policy to establish the principles by which the District's investment program should be managed. This policy further restricts the types of investments in which the District may invest.

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**Note 3 – Deposits and Investments (continued)**

As of June 30, 2017, the District’s investments consist of the following:

Type	Fund	Carrying Value	Rating	Weighted Average Maturity
TexPool	General	\$ 2,171,075		
	Debt Service	1,440,369		
Total		<u>\$ 3,611,444</u>	AAAm	38 days

**TexPool**

The District participates in TexPool, the Texas Local Government Investment Pool. The State Comptroller of Public Accounts exercises oversight responsibility of TexPool, which includes (1) the ability to significantly influence operations, (2) designation of management and (3) accountability for fiscal matters. Additionally, the State Comptroller has established an advisory board composed of both participants in TexPool and other persons who do not have a business relationship with TexPool. The Advisory Board members review the investment policy and management fee structure.

As permitted by GAAP, TexPool uses amortized cost (which excludes unrealized gains and losses) rather than market value to compute share price and seeks to maintain a constant dollar value per share. Accordingly, the fair value of the District’s position in TexPool is the same as the value of TexPool shares. Investments in TexPool may be withdrawn on a same day basis, as long as the transaction is executed by 3:30 p.m.

**Investment Credit and Interest Rate Risk**

Investment credit risk is the risk that the investor may not recover the value of an investment from the issuer, while interest rate risk is the risk that the value of an investment will be adversely affected by changes in interest rates. The District’s investment policies do not address investment credit and interest rate risk beyond the rating and maturity restrictions established by state statutes

**Note 4 – Amounts Due to/from Other Funds**

Amounts due to/from other funds at June 30, 2017, consist of the following:

	Interfund	
	Receivable	Payable
General Fund	\$ 16,063	\$ -
Debt Service Fund	6,169	9,519
Capital Projects Fund		12,713
	<u>\$ 22,232</u>	<u>\$ 22,232</u>

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**Note 4 – Amounts Due to/from Other Funds (continued)**

Amounts reported as internal balances between funds are considered temporary balances and will be paid during the following fiscal year.

During the current year, the Capital Projects Fund transferred \$43,532 to the General Fund to reimburse bond application costs paid in the prior year.

**Note 5 – Capital Assets**

A summary of changes in capital assets, for the year ended June 30, 2017, is as follows:

	Beginning Balances	Additions/ Adjustments	Ending Balances
Capital assets not being depreciated			
Land and improvements	\$ 3,272,597	\$ (244,229)	\$ 3,028,368
Construction in progress		34,482	34,482
	<u>3,272,597</u>	<u>(209,747)</u>	<u>3,062,850</u>
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized			
Infrastructure	10,696,257	1,918,722	12,614,979
Park improvements	240,927	1,074,025	1,314,952
Impact fees	821,890	45,000	866,890
	<u>11,759,074</u>	<u>3,037,747</u>	<u>14,796,821</u>
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization			
Infrastructure	(1,567,572)	(282,350)	(1,849,922)
Park improvements	(65,227)	(74,945)	(140,172)
Impact fees	(273,987)	(43,345)	(317,332)
	<u>(1,906,786)</u>	<u>(400,640)</u>	<u>(2,307,426)</u>
Subtotal depreciable capital assets, net	<u>9,852,288</u>	<u>2,637,107</u>	<u>12,489,395</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 13,124,885</u>	<u>\$ 2,427,360</u>	<u>\$ 15,552,245</u>

Depreciation/amortization expense for the current year was \$400,640.

**Note 6 – Bond Anticipation Note**

The District uses a bond anticipation note (BAN) to provide short term financing for reimbursements to its developers. Despite its short-term nature, a BAN is not recorded as a fund liability, since it will not be repaid from current financial resources and will be repaid through the issuance of long term debt or another BAN. It is, however, recorded as a liability at the government-wide level.

At the beginning of the fiscal year, the District had a BAN outstanding in the amount of \$1,245,000. This BAN was repaid on August 30, 2016 with proceeds from the issuance of the District's Series 2016 Unlimited Tax Bonds.

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**Note 6 – Bond Anticipation Note (continued)**

The effect of this transaction on the District’s short-term obligations is as follows:

Beginning balance	\$ 1,245,000
Amount repaid	(1,245,000)
Ending balance	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

**Note 7 – Due to Developers**

The District has entered into financing agreements with its developers for the financing of the construction of water, sewer, drainage, and park and recreational facilities. Under the agreements, the developers will advance funds for the construction of facilities to serve the District. The developers will be reimbursed from proceeds of future bond issues or other lawfully available funds, subject to approval by TCEQ, as applicable. The District does not record the capital asset and related liability on the government-wide statements until construction of the facilities is complete.

Changes in amounts due to developers during the year is as follows:

Due to developers, beginning of year	\$ 6,588,066
Developer reimbursements	(4,285,512)
Developer funded construction and adjustments	2,748,518
Due to developers, end of year	<u><u>\$ 5,051,072</u></u>

In addition, the District will owe the developers approximately \$805,838, which is included in the following schedule of contractual commitments. The exact amount is not known until approved by the TCEQ and verified by the District’s auditor. As previously noted, these projects will be reported in the government-wide financial statements upon completion of construction.

	Contract Amount	Amounts Paid	Remaining Commitment
Azalea District force main for lift station	\$ 595,774	\$ -	\$ 595,774
Azalea lift station improvements - Phase 2	210,064		210,064
	<u><u>\$ 805,838</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 805,838</u></u>

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**Note 8 – Long-Term Debt**

Long-term debt is comprised of the following:

Bonds payable	\$ 15,850,000
Unamortized discounts	(246,275)
Unamortized premium	361,629
	<u>\$ 15,965,354</u>
Due within one year	<u>\$ 445,000</u>

The District's bonds payable at June 30, 2017, consists of unlimited tax bonds as follows:

Series	Amounts Outstanding	Original Issue	Interest Rates	Maturity Date, Serially, Beginning/ Ending	Interest Payment Dates	Call Dates
2008	\$ 75,000	\$ 2,650,000	4.8% - 5.0%	September 1, 2009-2017	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2017
2009	190,000	2,100,000	6.2% - 6.3%	September 1, 2010-2019	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2018
2010	1,825,000	2,040,000	4.0% - 5.0%	September 1, 2012-2035	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2019
2012	1,350,000	1,500,000	2.0% - 4.0%	September 1, 2014-2037	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2020
2014	1,425,000	1,490,000	2.5% - 4.875%	September 1, 2015-2038	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2021
2014A	960,000	1,010,000	3.0% - 4.15%	September 1, 2015-2038	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2022
2016	2,465,000	2,465,000	1.0% - 3.0%	September 1, 2017-2038	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2023
2016A	3,760,000	3,760,000	2.0% - 4.0%	September 1, 2017-2035	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2024
Refunding 2017	3,800,000	3,800,000	3.0% - 5.0%	September 1, 2018-2042	September 1, March 1	September 1, 2024
	<u>\$ 15,850,000</u>					

Payments of principal and interest on all series of bonds are to be provided from taxes levied on all properties within the District. Investment income realized by the Debt Service Fund from investment of idle funds will be used to pay outstanding bond principal and interest. The District is in compliance with the terms of its bond resolutions.

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**Note 8 – Long-Term Debt (continued)**

At June 30, 2017, the District had authorized but unissued bonds in the amount of \$104,045,000 for water, sewer and drainage facilities; \$14,000,000 for park and recreational facilities; and \$121,010,000 for refunding purposes.

On August 30, 2016, the District issued its \$2,465,000 Series 2016 Unlimited Tax Bonds at a net effective interest rate of 2.743779%. Proceeds of the bonds were used to reimburse developers for the cost of capital assets constructed within the District plus interest expense at the net effective interest rate of the bonds and to repay a \$1,245,000 BAN issued in the previous fiscal year

On October 13, 2016, the District issued its \$3,760,000 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds at a net effective interest rate of 2.919991% to advance refund \$3,670,000 of outstanding Series 2008 and 2009 bonds. The District advance refunded the bonds to reduce total debt service payments over future years by approximately \$1,022,957 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of approximately \$770,763. Proceeds of the bonds were placed in an escrow account with an escrow agent and irrevocably pledged to the payment of future debt service payments. As a result, the refunded bonds are considered defeased and the liability has been removed from the government-wide financial statements. As of June 30, 2017, the outstanding principal of defeased bonds is \$3,670,000.

On May 30, 2017, the District issued its \$3,800,000 Series 2017 Unlimited Tax Bonds at a net effective interest rate of 3.681375%. Proceeds of the bonds were used to reimburse developers for the cost of capital assets constructed within the District plus interest expense at the net effective interest rate of the bonds

The change in the District’s long term debt during the year is as follows:

Bonds payable, beginning of year	\$ 9,785,000
Bonds issued	10,025,000
Bonds retired	(290,000)
Bonds refunded	(3,670,000)
Bonds payable, end of year	<u>\$ 15,850,000</u>

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**Note 8 – Long-Term Debt (continued)**

As of June 30, 2017, annual debt service requirements on bonds outstanding are as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Totals
2018	\$ 445,000	\$ 542,740	\$ 987,740
2019	525,000	550,575	1,075,575
2020	550,000	533,622	1,083,622
2021	560,000	517,165	1,077,165
2022	570,000	501,418	1,071,418
2023	585,000	483,747	1,068,747
2024	605,000	463,966	1,068,966
2025	620,000	443,102	1,063,102
2026	635,000	421,156	1,056,156
2027	655,000	398,041	1,053,041
2028	680,000	373,856	1,053,856
2029	705,000	348,500	1,053,500
2030	720,000	321,982	1,041,982
2031	735,000	294,460	1,029,460
2032	755,000	265,910	1,020,910
2033	790,000	235,627	1,025,627
2034	815,000	203,634	1,018,634
2035	825,000	170,250	995,250
2036	860,000	135,127	995,127
2037	795,000	102,310	897,310
2038	805,000	72,484	877,484
2039	615,000	46,236	661,236
2040	250,000	30,625	280,625
2041	250,000	21,875	271,875
2042	250,000	13,125	263,125
2043	250,000	4,375	254,375
	<u>\$ 15,850,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,495,907</u>	<u>\$ 23,345,907</u>

**Note 9 – Property Taxes**

On May 13, 2006, the voters of the District authorized the District’s Board of Directors to levy taxes annually for use in financing general operations limited to \$1.50 per \$100 of assessed value. The District’s bond resolutions require that property taxes be levied for use in paying interest and principal on long-term debt and for use in paying the cost of assessing and collecting taxes. Taxes levied to finance debt service requirements on long-term debt are without limitation as to rate or amount.



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**Note 9 – Property Taxes (continued)**

All property values and exempt status, if any, are determined by the Montgomery Central Appraisal District. Assessed values are determined as of January 1 of each year, at which time a tax lien attaches to the related property. Taxes are levied around October/November, are due upon receipt and are delinquent the following February 1. Penalty and interest attach thereafter.

Property taxes are collected based on rates adopted in the year of the levy. The District’s 2017 fiscal year was financed through the 2016 tax levy, pursuant to which the District levied property taxes of \$1.15 per \$100 of assessed value, of which \$0.36 was allocated to maintenance and operations and \$0.79 was allocated to debt service. The resulting tax levy was \$1,516,834 on the adjusted taxable value of \$131,898,595.

Property taxes receivable, at June 30, 2017, consisted of the following:

Current year taxes receivable	\$	8,633
Penalty and interest receivable		1,295
Property taxes receivable	<u>\$</u>	<u>9,928</u>

**Note 10 – Lease Agreements**

On February 22, 2006, the District and AUC Group, Inc. entered into an operating lease agreement for a temporary wastewater treatment plant (Phase 1). This lease was initially for a 60 month term. It is currently being renewed every 90 days until otherwise terminated. Monthly payments for the Phase 1 lease are \$4,600.

On September 24, 2008, the District and AUC Group, Inc. entered into an operating lease for Phase 2 of the temporary wastewater treatment plant. This lease was initially for a 60 month term. It is currently being renewed every 90 days until otherwise terminated. Monthly payments for the Phase 2 lease are \$2,575.

On June 23, 2010, the District and AUC Group, Inc. entered into an operating lease for Phase 2A of the temporary wastewater treatment plant. This lease was initially for a 60 month term. It is currently being renewed every 90 days until otherwise terminated. Monthly payments for the Phase 2A lease are \$750.

On June 28, 2017, the District and AUC Group, Inc. entered into an operating lease for a temporary wastewater treatment plant. This lease is for a 60 month term, unless otherwise terminated, effective November 1, 2017. The District has the option to extend the lease on a month to month basis following expiration of the term. Monthly payments for the lease are \$13,600.

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**Note 10 – Lease Agreements (continued)**

Future minimum lease payments under the term lease as of June 30, 2017 is as follows:

Year	Amount
2018	\$ 122,400
2019	163,200
2020	163,200
2021	163,200
2022	163,200
2023	40,800
	\$ 816,000

Total costs for the leases for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, were \$95,100. The District is responsible for all ordinary expenses related to repairing and maintaining the equipment. Standard lease terms required the District to prepay the first and last month’s lease payment upon inception of the lease. All such amounts are recorded as a prepaid expense on the *Statement of Net Position*.

**Note 11 – Water Supply Agreement**

On October 3, 2016, the District entered into a second amended and restated water supply agreement with Porter Special Utility District (“Porter SUD”) to provide the District with treated water. It is estimated that the District will require 2,500 equivalent single family connections (ESFCs) at ultimate build out. At the time of the agreement Porter SUD had capacity for 1,000 ESFCs. The District can request additional capacity from Porter SUD, limited to 750 ESFC’s per request and no more than one request per 12 month period. If Porter SUD cannot meet the District’s capacity requirements within any 24 month period, then the District has the right to construct a water plant. The District is responsible for the cost of all water lines constructed within its boundaries to serve its customers.

The District will pay Porter SUD the Porter SUD impact fee on a per connection basis, quarterly, in accordance with the Porter SUD impact fee schedule uniformly applied to all that connect to the Porter SUD system, which is currently \$1,800 per ESFC. The District paid \$45,000 to Porter SUD during the current year for additional capacity.

The District pays Porter SUD on a monthly basis for the amount of water used based on a wholesale rate which is a base of \$310 plus \$2.10 per 1,000 gallons used. Porter SUD must provide a 60 day notice of any changes in the rate. Porter SUD’s meters were not functioning properly in the current and prior fiscal year. As a result, the District has not paid for all of the water received. The District estimates that it owes Porter SUD approximately \$420,000. This amount has been accrued as of June 30, 2017 and is shown on the *Statement of Net Position* as “Due to other governments.” The total cost of water purchased from Porter SUD during the fiscal year was \$354,280 (inclusive of the estimated accrual).

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**Note 12 – Wastewater Treatment Capacity Agreement**

On August 3, 2004, the developers (SIG-Valley Ranch, Ltd.) entered into a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) capacity agreement, as amended, with Porter Municipal Utility District (“Porter MUD”) for the sharing of a future permanent WWTP. The agreement was assigned to the District on September 27, 2006. The District is responsible for the cost of all sewer lines constructed within its boundaries to serve its customers. Porter MUD and the District agreed that Porter MUD did not currently have sufficient WWTP facilities to serve the District in an economical manner. Both parties agreed that a temporary WWTP would be more prudent until the District has more demand. The District agreed to lease a temporary WWTP at its sole cost until such time that the permanent WWTP is completed and to locate the temporary plant on a site provided by the District.

If the decision is made to proceed with the construction of the permanent WWTP, the District will advance funds to Porter MUD for its portion of construction costs. The District will provide the site for such permanent plant and the value of the land where the permanent WWTP will be constructed will be credited towards the District’s portion of overall costs. The District will own a proportionate share of the permanent WWTP based on the District’s capital contribution.

Porter MUD shall deliver to the District an Annual System Budget (ASB) at least 90 days prior to the beginning of Porter MUD’s fiscal year. The ASB shall break down the District’s portion of operating costs for the upcoming year. The parties shall meet semi-annually to go over the ASB and make amendments as necessary. The District shall have the right to have an independent auditor audit the Porter MUD accounting records.

The parties will apportion the operating costs of the system based on their respective proportional wastewater flow rates as a percentage of the total flow to the interim WWTP. The District’s percentage share of such cost shall be calculated by dividing the difference between the total flow reading and Porter MUD’s flow meter reading by the total flow reading at the plant.

The parties’ percentage shares of operating costs of the system was re-calculated and reapportioned once the interim WWTP expanded to a capacity of 200,000 gallons per day and will be re-calculated again every six months thereafter based on the current average 30-day flow readings. During the current fiscal year, the District paid Porter MUD \$94,018 pursuant to this agreement.

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**Note 12 – Wastewater Treatment Capacity Agreement (continued)**

**Amendments to Wastewater Treatment Capacity Agreement**

On September 16, 2014, the District and Porter MUD amended the Wastewater Treatment Capacity Agreement to provide 165 ESFCs of sanitary sewage flow from the Azalea District development within the District through Porter MUD's Forest Colony Drive lift station for treatment at the main Porter MUD wastewater treatment plant, instead of the temporary lift station. The conveyance will be limited to a maximum term of eighteen (18) months from the date on which the District first conveys the sanitary sewer flow, which occurred in November of 2015. On December 20, 2016, the term extended for an additional six months, to November of 2017. The District will pay Porter MUD a one-time base connection fee of \$300 per ESFC as the Azalea District development connections become active. The District will also pay Porter MUD \$57 per home per month for wastewater treatment. During the current year, the District paid Porter MUD \$60,562 for connections and wastewater treatment services pursuant to the amended agreement.

**Note 13 – Risk Management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts: theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and personal injuries. The risk of loss is covered by commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

## Required Supplementary Information

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 Required Supplementary Information - Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund  
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2017*

	Original and Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
<b>Revenues</b>			
Water service	\$ 288,000	\$ 401,491	\$ 113,491
Sewer service	339,000	391,151	52,151
Property taxes	459,000	476,380	17,380
Penalties and interest	9,000	8,014	(986)
Tap connection and inspection	50,000	34,829	(15,171)
Miscellaneous	2,000	7,281	5,281
Investment earnings	3,500	11,412	7,912
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>1,150,500</u>	<u>1,330,558</u>	<u>180,058</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Current service operations			
Purchased services	320,000	414,842	(94,842)
Professional fees	131,500	176,837	(45,337)
Contracted services	260,000	285,470	(25,470)
Repairs and maintenance	177,000	226,154	(49,154)
Utilities	16,000	19,316	(3,316)
Administrative	24,200	22,589	1,611
Lease	95,100	95,100	
Other	12,000	16,410	(4,410)
Capital outlay	40,000	79,482	(39,482)
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>1,075,800</u>	<u>1,336,200</u>	<u>(260,400)</u>
<b>Revenues Over/(Under) Expenditures</b>	74,700	(5,642)	(80,342)
<b>Other Financing Sources</b>			
Internal transfers		43,532	43,532
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	74,700	37,890	(36,810)
<b>Fund Balance</b>			
Beginning of the year	1,699,978	1,699,978	
<b>End of the year</b>	<u>\$ 1,774,678</u>	<u>\$ 1,737,868</u>	<u>\$ (36,810)</u>

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**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

An annual unappropriated budget is adopted for the General Fund by the District's Board of Directors. The budget is prepared using the same method of accounting as for financial reporting. There were no amendments to the budget during the year.

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**Texas Supplementary Information**

**Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1**  
**TSI-1. Services and Rates**  
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1. Services provided by the District During the Fiscal Year:

- |   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retail Water  | <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesale Water      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste/Garbage | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drainage |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Retail Wastewater   | <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesale Wastewater | <input type="checkbox"/> Flood Control                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Irrigation          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks / Recreation  | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Protection      | <input type="checkbox"/> Roads                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Security            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Participates in joint venture, regional system and/or wastewater service (other than emergency interconnect) |   |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify): _____   |   |   |  |

2. Retail Service Providers

(You may omit this information if your district does not provide retail services)

a. Retail Rates for a 5/8" meter (or equivalent):

	<u>Minimum Charge</u>	<u>Minimum Usage</u>	<u>Flat Rate (Y / N)</u>	<u>Rate per 1,000 Gallons Over Minimum Usage</u>	<u>Usage Levels</u>	
Water:	\$ 19.25	1,000	N	\$ 2.45	1,001	to 10,000
				\$ 2.75	10,001	to no limit
Wastewater:	\$ 32.00	1,000	N	\$ 1.60	1,001	to no limit

District employs winter averaging for wastewater usage?  Yes  No

Total charges per 10,000 gallons usage: Water \$ 41.30 Wastewater \$ 46.40

b. Water and Wastewater Retail Connections:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Total Connections</u>	<u>Active Connections</u>	<u>ESFC Factor</u>	<u>Active ESFCs</u>
Unmetered			x 1.0	
less than 3/4"	638	635	x 1.0	635
1"	8	8	x 2.5	20
1.5"			x 5.0	
2"	9	9	x 8.0	72
3"			x 15.0	
4"	1	1	x 25.0	25
6"			x 50.0	
8"	2	2	x 80.0	160
10"			x 115.0	
Total Water	658	655		912
Total Wastewater	644	641	x 1.0	641

See accompanying auditor's report.

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3. Total Water Consumption during the fiscal year (rounded to the nearest thousand):  
 (You may omit this information if your district does not provide water)

*Gallons purchased:	<u>78,047,798</u>	Water Accountability Ratio:
Gallons billed to customers:	<u>80,398,000</u>	(Gallons billed / Gallons pumped) <u>103.01%</u>

4. Standby Fees (authorized only under TWC Section 49.231):  
 (You may omit this information if your district does not levy standby fees)

Does the District have Debt Service standby fees? Yes  No

If yes, Date of the most recent commission Order: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the District have Operation and Maintenance standby fees? Yes  No

If yes, Date of the most recent commission Order: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Location of District (required for first audit year or when information changes,  
 otherwise this information may be omitted):

Is the District located entirely within one county? Yes  No

County(ies) in which the District is located: Montgomery County

Is the District located within a city? Entirely  Partly  Not at all

City(ies) in which the District is located: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the District located within a city's extra territorial jurisdiction (ETJ)?  
 Entirely  Partly  Not at all

ETJs in which the District is located: City of Houston

Are Board members appointed by an office outside the district? Yes  No

If Yes, by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

\* Purchased from Porter SUD  
 See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
TSI-2 General Fund Expenditures  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017*

Purchased services	<u>\$ 414,842</u>
Professional fees	
Legal	103,051
Audit	10,500
Engineering	63,286
	<u>176,837</u>
Contracted services	
Bookkeeping	14,659
Operator	41,491
Garbage collection	98,612
Tap connection and inspection	36,690
Porter MUD operations and billing	94,018
	<u>285,470</u>
Repairs and maintenance	<u>226,154</u>
Utilities	<u>19,316</u>
Administrative	
Directors fees	9,000
Printing and office supplies	527
Insurance	11,290
Other	1,772
	<u>22,589</u>
Lease	<u>95,100</u>
Other	<u>16,410</u>
Capital outlay	<u>79,482</u>
Total expenditures	<u><u>\$ 1,336,200</u></u>

Reporting of Utility Services in Accordance with HB 3693:

	<u>Usage</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Electrical	137,204 kWh	\$ 14,222
Water	N/A	N/A
Natural Gas	N/A	N/A

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-3. Investments  
 June 30, 2017*

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Identification or Certificate Number</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Balance at End of Year</u>
General				
TexPool	7914500002	Variable	N/A	\$ 2,171,075
Debt Service				
TexPool	7914500003	Variable	N/A	<u>1,440,369</u>
Total - All Funds				<u><u>\$ 3,611,444</u></u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1*  
*TSI-4. Taxes Levied and Receivable*  
*June 30, 2017*

	Maintenance Taxes	Debt Service Taxes	Totals	
Taxes Receivable, Beginning of Year	\$ 4,260	\$ 8,210	\$ 12,470	
Adjustments	(11)	(24)	(35)	
Adjusted Receivable	4,249	8,186	12,435	
2016 Original Tax Levy	452,946	993,964	1,446,910	
Adjustments	21,889	48,035	69,924	
Adjusted Tax Levy	474,835	1,041,999	1,516,834	
Total to be accounted for	479,084	1,050,185	1,529,269	
Tax collections:				
Current year	472,133	1,036,068	1,508,201	
Prior years	4,249	8,186	12,435	
Total Collections	476,382	1,044,254	1,520,636	
Taxes Receivable, End of Year	\$ 2,702	\$ 5,931	\$ 8,633	
Taxes Receivable, By Years				
2016	\$ 2,702	\$ 5,931	\$ 8,633	
	2016	2015	2014	2013
Property Valuations:				
Land	\$ 27,539,210	\$ 23,235,880	\$ 21,793,040	\$ 21,426,470
Improvements	109,552,290	99,614,460	80,743,010	70,436,130
Personal Property	1,258,195	1,194,071	979,458	983,278
Exemptions	(6,451,100)	(6,110,506)	(5,901,744)	(5,801,381)
Total Property Valuations	\$ 131,898,595	\$ 117,933,905	\$ 97,613,764	\$ 87,044,497
Tax Rates per \$100 Valuation:				
Maintenance tax rates	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.64
Debt service tax rates	0.79	0.79	0.76	0.76
Total Tax Rates per \$100 Valuation	\$ 1.15	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.40
Adjusted Tax Levy:	\$ 1,516,834	\$ 1,415,207	\$ 1,366,593	\$ 1,218,623
Percentage of Taxes Collected to Taxes Levied **	99.43%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

\* Maximum Maintenance Tax Rate Approved by Voters: \$1.50 on May 13, 2006

\*\* Calculated as taxes collected for a tax year divided by taxes levied for that tax year.

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2008-by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

Due During Fiscal Years Ending	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due September 1, March 1	Total
<u>2018</u>	<u>\$ 75,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,875</u>	<u>\$ 76,875</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2009--by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

<u>Due During Fiscal Years Ending</u>	<u>Principal Due September 1</u>	<u>Interest Due September 1, March 1</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 60,000	\$ 9,990	\$ 69,990
2019	60,000	6,270	66,270
2020	70,000	2,205	72,205
	<u>\$ 190,000</u>	<u>\$ 18,465</u>	<u>\$ 208,465</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.



*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2010--by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

<u>Due During Fiscal Years Ending</u>	<u>Principal Due September 1</u>	<u>Interest Due September 1, March 1</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 50,000	\$ 85,546	\$ 135,546
2019	55,000	83,446	138,446
2020	55,000	81,246	136,246
2021	60,000	78,946	138,946
2022	60,000	76,509	136,509
2023	65,000	73,890	138,890
2024	65,000	71,128	136,128
2025	75,000	68,106	143,106
2026	80,000	64,505	144,505
2027	85,000	60,463	145,463
2028	85,000	56,298	141,298
2029	90,000	52,010	142,010
2030	95,000	47,478	142,478
2031	100,000	42,700	142,700
2032	105,000	37,625	142,625
2033	110,000	32,250	142,250
2034	115,000	26,625	141,625
2035	225,000	18,125	243,125
2036	250,000	6,250	256,250
	<u>\$ 1,825,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,063,146</u>	<u>\$ 2,888,146</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2012-by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

Due During Fiscal Years Ending	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due September 1, March 1	Total
2018	\$ 50,000	\$ 48,375	\$ 98,375
2019	50,000	47,188	97,188
2020	50,000	45,937	95,937
2021	50,000	44,594	94,594
2022	50,000	43,094	93,094
2023	50,000	41,500	91,500
2024	50,000	39,812	89,812
2025	50,000	38,062	88,062
2026	50,000	36,312	86,312
2027	50,000	34,531	84,531
2028	50,000	32,719	82,719
2029	50,000	30,906	80,906
2030	50,000	29,000	79,000
2031	50,000	27,000	77,000
2032	50,000	25,000	75,000
2033	50,000	23,000	73,000
2034	50,000	21,000	71,000
2035	50,000	19,000	69,000
2036	50,000	17,000	67,000
2037	200,000	12,000	212,000
2038	200,000	4,000	204,000
	<u>\$ 1,350,000</u>	<u>\$ 660,030</u>	<u>\$ 2,010,030</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1*  
*TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements*  
*Series 2014-by Years*  
*June 30, 2017*

Due During Fiscal Years Ending	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due September 1, March 1	Total
2018	\$ 35,000	\$ 60,386	\$ 95,386
2019	35,000	59,511	94,511
2020	40,000	58,574	98,574
2021	40,000	57,515	97,515
2022	45,000	56,280	101,280
2023	45,000	54,872	99,872
2024	50,000	53,241	103,241
2025	50,000	51,391	101,391
2026	55,000	49,341	104,341
2027	55,000	47,114	102,114
2028	60,000	44,726	104,726
2029	65,000	42,036	107,036
2030	65,000	39,176	104,176
2031	70,000	36,136	106,136
2032	75,000	32,801	107,801
2033	80,000	29,156	109,156
2034	85,000	25,197	110,197
2035	85,000	21,085	106,085
2036	90,000	16,819	106,819
2037	95,000	12,309	107,309
2038	100,000	7,556	107,556
2039	105,000	2,559	107,559
	<u>\$ 1,425,000</u>	<u>\$ 857,781</u>	<u>\$ 2,282,781</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2014A-by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

Due During Fiscal Years Ending	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due September 1, March 1	Total
2018	\$ 25,000	\$ 35,310	\$ 60,310
2019	25,000	34,560	59,560
2020	30,000	33,735	63,735
2021	30,000	32,835	62,835
2022	30,000	31,935	61,935
2023	30,000	31,035	61,035
2024	35,000	30,060	65,060
2025	35,000	28,993	63,993
2026	35,000	27,873	62,873
2027	40,000	26,595	66,595
2028	40,000	25,175	65,175
2029	45,000	23,623	68,623
2030	45,000	21,890	66,890
2031	45,000	20,090	65,090
2032	50,000	18,190	68,190
2033	50,000	16,190	66,190
2034	55,000	14,090	69,090
2035	55,000	11,890	66,890
2036	60,000	9,545	69,545
2037	65,000	6,951	71,951
2038	65,000	4,253	69,253
2039	70,000	1,452	71,452
	<u>\$ 960,000</u>	<u>\$ 486,270</u>	<u>\$ 1,446,270</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2016-by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

Due During Fiscal Years Ending	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due September 1, March 1	Total
2018	\$ 100,000	\$ 55,700	\$ 155,700
2019	100,000	54,650	154,650
2020	100,000	53,500	153,500
2021	100,000	52,250	152,250
2022	100,000	50,850	150,850
2023	100,000	49,275	149,275
2024	100,000	47,450	147,450
2025	100,000	45,450	145,450
2026	100,000	43,450	143,450
2027	100,000	41,388	141,388
2028	100,000	39,263	139,263
2029	100,000	37,075	137,075
2030	100,000	34,825	134,825
2031	100,000	32,513	132,513
2032	100,000	30,138	130,138
2033	100,000	27,450	127,450
2034	100,000	24,450	124,450
2035	100,000	21,450	121,450
2036	100,000	18,450	118,450
2037	185,000	14,175	199,175
2038	190,000	8,550	198,550
2039	190,000	2,850	192,850
	<u>\$ 2,465,000</u>	<u>\$ 785,150</u>	<u>\$ 3,250,150</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2016A Refunding-by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

Due During Fiscal Years Ending	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due September 1, March 1	Total
2018	\$ 50,000	\$ 130,100	\$ 180,100
2019	120,000	128,400	248,400
2020	120,000	126,000	246,000
2021	195,000	122,850	317,850
2022	195,000	118,950	313,950
2023	200,000	114,000	314,000
2024	210,000	107,850	317,850
2025	210,000	101,550	311,550
2026	210,000	94,200	304,200
2027	215,000	85,700	300,700
2028	230,000	76,800	306,800
2029	235,000	67,500	302,500
2030	240,000	58,000	298,000
2031	245,000	48,300	293,300
2032	245,000	38,500	283,500
2033	260,000	28,400	288,400
2034	265,000	17,900	282,900
2035	160,000	9,400	169,400
2036	155,000	3,100	158,100
	<u>\$ 3,760,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,477,500</u>	<u>\$ 5,237,500</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 Series 2017-by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

Due During Fiscal Years Ending	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due September 1, March 1	Total
2018	\$ -	\$ 115,458	\$ 115,458
2019	80,000	136,550	216,550
2020	85,000	132,425	217,425
2021	85,000	128,175	213,175
2022	90,000	123,800	213,800
2023	95,000	119,175	214,175
2024	95,000	114,425	209,425
2025	100,000	109,550	209,550
2026	105,000	105,475	210,475
2027	110,000	102,250	212,250
2028	115,000	98,875	213,875
2029	120,000	95,350	215,350
2030	125,000	91,613	216,613
2031	125,000	87,722	212,722
2032	130,000	83,656	213,656
2033	140,000	79,181	219,181
2034	145,000	74,372	219,372
2035	150,000	69,300	219,300
2036	155,000	63,963	218,963
2037	250,000	56,875	306,875
2038	250,000	48,125	298,125
2039	250,000	39,375	289,375
2040	250,000	30,625	280,625
2041	250,000	21,875	271,875
2042	250,000	13,125	263,125
2043	250,000	4,375	254,375
	<u>\$ 3,800,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,145,690</u>	<u>\$ 5,945,690</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements  
 All Bonded Debt Series--by Years  
 June 30, 2017*

<u>Due During Fiscal Years Ending</u>	<u>Principal Due September 1</u>	<u>Interest Due September 1, March 1</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 445,000	\$ 542,740	\$ 987,740
2019	525,000	550,575	1,075,575
2020	550,000	533,622	1,083,622
2021	560,000	517,165	1,077,165
2022	570,000	501,418	1,071,418
2023	585,000	483,747	1,068,747
2024	605,000	463,966	1,068,966
2025	620,000	443,102	1,063,102
2026	635,000	421,156	1,056,156
2027	655,000	398,041	1,053,041
2028	680,000	373,856	1,053,856
2029	705,000	348,500	1,053,500
2030	720,000	321,982	1,041,982
2031	735,000	294,460	1,029,460
2032	755,000	265,910	1,020,910
2033	790,000	235,627	1,025,627
2034	815,000	203,634	1,018,634
2035	825,000	170,250	995,250
2036	860,000	135,127	995,127
2037	795,000	102,310	897,310
2038	805,000	72,484	877,484
2039	615,000	46,236	661,236
2040	250,000	30,625	280,625
2041	250,000	21,875	271,875
2042	250,000	13,125	263,125
2043	250,000	4,375	254,375
	<u>\$ 15,850,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,495,907</u>	<u>\$ 23,345,907</u>

See accompanying auditors' report.



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*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
TSI-6. Change in Long-Term Bonded Debt  
June 30, 2017*

	Bond Issue				
	Series 2008	Series 2009	Series 2010	Series 2012	Series 2014
Interest rate	4.8% - 5.0%	6.2% - 6.3%	4.0% - 5.0%	2.0% - 4.0%	2.5% - 4.875%
Dates interest payable	9/1; 3/1	9/1; 3/1	9/1; 3/1	9/1; 3/1	9/1; 3/1
Maturity dates	9/1/09 - 9/1/17	9/1/10 - 9/1/19	9/1/12 - 9/1/35	9/1/14 - 9/1/37	9/1/15 - 9/1/38
Beginning bonds outstanding	\$ 2,240,000	\$ 1,830,000	\$ 1,870,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,460,000
Bonds issued					
Bonds refunded	(2,090,000)	(1,580,000)			
Bonds retired	(75,000)	(60,000)	(45,000)	(50,000)	(35,000)
Ending bonds outstanding	<u>\$ 75,000</u>	<u>\$ 190,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,825,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,350,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,425,000</u>
Interest paid during fiscal year	<u>\$ 60,555</u>	<u>\$ 69,240</u>	<u>\$ 87,446</u>	<u>\$ 49,438</u>	<u>\$ 61,261</u>
Paying agent's name and city					
Series 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2012	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Texas				
Series 2014, 2014A, 2016, 2016A, and 2017	<u>The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas</u>				
Bond Authority:	Water, Sewer and Drainage Bonds	Park Bonds	Refunding Bonds		
Amount Authorized by Voters	\$ 121,100,000	\$ 14,000,000	\$ 121,100,000		
Amount Issued	(17,055,000)		(90,000)		
Remaining To Be Issued	<u>\$ 104,045,000</u>	<u>\$ 14,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 121,010,000</u>		

All bonds are secured with tax revenues. Bonds may also be secured with other revenues in combination with taxes.

Debt Service Fund cash and investments balances as of June 30, 2017: \$ 1,493,548

Average annual debt service payment (principal and interest) for remaining term of all debt: \$ 897,919

See accompanying auditors' report.

Bond Issue

Series 2014A	Series 2016	Series 2016A Refunding	Series 2017	Totals
3.0% - 4.15%	1.0% - 3.0%	2.0% - 4.0%	3.0% - 5.0%	
9/1; 3/1	9/1; 3/1	9/1; 3/1	9/1; 3/1	
9/1/15 - 9/1/38	9/1/17 - 9/1/38	9/1/17 - 9/1/35	9/1/18 - 9/1/42	
\$ 985,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,785,000
	2,465,000	3,760,000	3,800,000	10,025,000
				(3,670,000)
(25,000)				(290,000)
<u>\$ 960,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,465,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,760,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,800,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,850,000</u>
<u>\$ 36,060</u>	<u>\$ 32,783</u>	<u>\$ 54,417</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 451,200</u>

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1*  
*TSI-7a. Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures - General Fund*  
*For the Last Five Fiscal Years*

	Amounts				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Revenues					
Water service	\$ 401,491	\$ 307,280	\$ 322,242	\$ 267,240	\$ 313,845
Sewer service	391,151	348,629	352,246	271,605	303,976
Property taxes	476,380	487,418	618,620	556,822	496,142
Penalties and interest	8,014	8,840	11,666	12,441	11,617
Tap connection and inspection	34,829	96,271	66,870	110,400	66,450
Porter MUD billings					10,050
Miscellaneous	7,281	2,261	1,235	285	922
Investment earnings	11,412	4,394	696	416	983
Total Revenues	<u>1,330,558</u>	<u>1,255,093</u>	<u>1,373,575</u>	<u>1,219,209</u>	<u>1,203,985</u>
Expenditures					
Current service operations					
Purchased services	414,842	439,161	303,979	264,385	181,674
Professional fees	176,837	186,577	203,938	141,087	176,170
Contracted services	285,470	260,140	265,006	233,930	195,415
Repairs and maintenance	226,154	163,541	100,637	124,986	84,879
Utilities	19,316	16,412	13,994	21,528	8,630
Administrative	22,589	18,512	16,536	15,712	16,185
Lease	95,100	95,100	103,590	128,330	137,460
Other	16,410	25,287	12,372	8,689	6,215
Capital outlay	79,482	21,000	31,500	81,250	292,177
Debt issuance costs					
Total Expenditures	<u>1,336,200</u>	<u>1,225,730</u>	<u>1,051,552</u>	<u>1,019,897</u>	<u>1,098,805</u>
Revenues Over/(Under)					
Expenditures	<u>\$ (5,642)</u>	<u>\$ 29,363</u>	<u>\$ 322,023</u>	<u>\$ 199,312</u>	<u>\$ 105,180</u>

\*Percentage is negligible

See accompanying auditors' report.

Percent of Fund Total Revenues

2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
30%	24%	23%	22%	26%
29%	28%	26%	22%	25%
35%	39%	45%	46%	41%
1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
3%	8%	5%	9%	6%
				1%
1%	*	*	*	*
1%	*	*	*	*
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
31%	35%	22%	22%	15%
13%	15%	15%	12%	15%
21%	21%	19%	19%	16%
17%	13%	7%	10%	7%
1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
7%	8%	8%	11%	11%
1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
6%	2%	2%	7%	24%
99%	98%	76%	85%	91%
0.01	2%	24%	15%	9%

*Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1*

*TSI-7b. Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures - Debt Service Fund  
For the Last Five Fiscal Years*

	Amounts				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Revenues					
Property taxes	\$ 1,044,252	\$ 933,156	\$ 734,611	\$ 661,226	\$ 585,976
Penalties and interest	8,683	2,958	5,040	2,040	4,127
Accrued interest on bonds sold	20,042		1,549	4,857	3,607
Miscellaneous	34	319	36	654	1,614
Investment earnings	6,110	6,998	401	336	777
Total Revenues	1,079,121	943,431	741,637	669,113	596,101
Expenditures					
Tax collection services	29,518	26,612	23,591	20,982	19,464
Debt service					
Principal	290,000	270,000	210,000	150,000	140,000
Interest and fees	454,500	498,331	471,198	406,309	387,455
Debt issuance costs	168,200				
Total Expenditures	942,218	794,943	704,789	577,291	546,919
Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 136,903	\$ 148,488	\$ 36,848	\$ 91,822	\$ 49,182
Total Active Retail Water Connections	655	571	543	499	435
Total Active Retail Wastewater Connections	641	560	533	489	426

\*Percentage is negligible

See accompanying auditors' report.

Percent of Fund Total Revenues

2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
96%	99%	99%	99%	98%
1%	*	1%	*	1%
2%		*	1%	1%
*	*	*	*	*
1%	1%	*	*	*
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
27%	29%	28%	22%	23%
42%	53%	64%	61%	65%
16%				
88%	85%	95%	86%	91%
12%	15%	5%	14%	9%

**Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1**  
**TSI-8. Board Members, Key Personnel and Consultants**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

Complete District Mailing Address: 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, TX 77027  
District Business Telephone Number: (713) 860-6400  
Submission Date of the most recent District Registration Form  
(TWC Sections 36.054 and 49.054): May 22, 2016  
Limit on Fees of Office that a Director may receive during a fiscal year: \$ 7,200  
(Set by Board Resolution -- TWC Section 49.0600)

Names:	Term of Office (Elected or Appointed) or Date Hired	Fees of Office Paid *	Expense Reimburse- ments	Title at Year End
<b>Board Members:</b>				
Chris Baughman	5/16 - 5/20	\$ 1,200	\$ -	President
Kyle Hoegemeyer	5/14 - 5/18	1,500		Vice President
Neal J. Brussell	5/14 - 5/18	1,200		Secretary
Corey Mills	2/16 - 5/18	2,550	1,836	Assistant Secretary
David Knighten Sr.	5/16 - 5/20	2,550	1,808	Assistant Vice President
<b>Consultants:</b>				
		<u>Amounts Paid</u>		
Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP <i>General legal</i> <i>Bond counsel</i>	2006	\$ 136,141 184,245		Attorney
Severn Trent Services, Inc.	2006	241,541		Operator
District Data Services, Inc.	2006	19,659		Bookkeeper
Utility Tax Service, LLC	2006	15,390		Tax Collector
Montgomery Central Appraisal District	Legislation	13,119		Property Valuation
Purdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP	2006	2,344		Delinquent Tax Attorney
Dannenbaum Engineering Corp.	2006	186,369		Engineer
McGrath & Co., PLLC	Annual	24,550		Auditor
FirstSouthwest, a Division of Hilltop Securities	2006	136,726		Financial Advisor

\* *Fees of Office* are the amounts actually paid to a director during the District's fiscal year.

See accompanying auditors' report.



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October 25, 2017

Board of Directors  
Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1  
Montgomery County, Texas

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of governmental activities and each major fund of Valley Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal controls exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, detect or correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

The District's management consists of an elected Board of Directors (the "Directors"). Day-to-day operations are performed by private companies ("Consultants") under contract with the District. The Directors of the District supervise the performance of the Consultants; however, although the Consultants can be part of the District's system of internal control, the Consultants are not members of management. Ultimately, the Directors of the District are responsible for the design and implementation of the system of internal control.

## **Material Weaknesses**

We observed the following matters that we consider to be material weaknesses:

- As is common within the system of internal control of most small organizations, the accounting function of the District does not prepare the financial statements complete with footnotes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This could result in the District's financial statements and related note

disclosures not fully or accurately presenting the District's financial position and changes in financial position during the fiscal year in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

- During the course of performing an audit, it is not unusual for the auditor to prepare various journal entries to present the financial statements on both the fund basis and the government-wide basis of accounting. Management's reliance upon the auditor to detect and make these necessary adjustments could result in misstatements in the District's financial statements.
- The District's Management relies on the District's auditor to prepare the capital asset schedules and post adjustments related to the presentation of the capital assets in the government-wide financial statements. This reliance on the auditor to perform this function could result in the understatement or overstatement of capital assets and due to developer on the District's *Statement of Net Position* or an error in the amount reported as depreciation/amortization expense in the *Statement of Activities*.

### **Management's Response**

The District's financial statements have been prepared in a manner that is consistent with prior years. The Board engages a bonded bookkeeper who possesses industry knowledge and expertise, including a concentration in special districts accounting. The Board also engages a financial advisor and tax assessor/collector who possess industry knowledge and expertise, as well as legal and professional engineering services. The Board has consulted with its independent auditor concerning this "management letter" and the auditor does not recommend any change in the Board's bookkeeping or audit procedures at this time. To the best of its knowledge, the Board conducts the District's business affairs in the same manner as other similarly situated special districts, and, based on the recommendations of its auditor, does not believe that the addition of an employee to oversee the monthly and annual financial reporting process or to prepare financial statements or that undertaking an additional annual audit is necessary or cost effective.

### **Conclusion**

Management's written response to the material weaknesses identified in our audit has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, Board of Directors and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,



McGrath & Co., PLLC-CPAs  
Houston, Texas

**APPENDIX B**

**Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy**



**BAM**

**MUNICIPAL BOND  
INSURANCE POLICY**

ISSUER: [NAME OF ISSUER]

Policy No: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER: [NAME OF MEMBER]

BONDS: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in aggregate principal  
amount of [NAME OF TRANSACTION]  
[and maturing on]

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Risk Premium: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Member Surplus Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Insurance Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

BUILD AMERICA MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY (“BAM”), for consideration received, hereby UNCONDITIONALLY AND IRREVOCABLY agrees to pay to the trustee (the “Trustee”) or paying agent (the “Paying Agent”) for the Bonds named above (as set forth in the documentation providing for the issuance and securing of the Bonds), for the benefit of the Owners or, at the election of BAM, directly to each Owner, subject only to the terms of this Policy (which includes each endorsement hereto), that portion of the principal of and interest on the Bonds that shall become Due for Payment but shall be unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer.

On the later of the day on which such principal and interest becomes Due for Payment or the first Business Day following the Business Day on which BAM shall have received Notice of Nonpayment, BAM will disburse (but without duplication in the case of duplicate claims for the same Nonpayment) to or for the benefit of each Owner of the Bonds, the face amount of principal of and interest on the Bonds that is then Due for Payment but is then unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer, but only upon receipt by BAM, in a form reasonably satisfactory to it, of (a) evidence of the Owner’s right to receive payment of such principal or interest then Due for Payment and (b) evidence, including any appropriate instruments of assignment, that all of the Owner’s rights with respect to payment of such principal or interest that is Due for Payment shall thereupon vest in BAM. A Notice of Nonpayment will be deemed received on a given Business Day if it is received prior to 1:00 p.m. (New York time) on such Business Day; otherwise, it will be deemed received on the next Business Day. If any Notice of Nonpayment received by BAM is incomplete, it shall be deemed not to have been received by BAM for purposes of the preceding sentence, and BAM shall promptly so advise the Trustee, Paying Agent or Owner, as appropriate, any of whom may submit an amended Notice of Nonpayment. Upon disbursement under this Policy in respect of a Bond and to the extent of such payment, BAM shall become the owner of such Bond, any appurtenant coupon to such Bond and right to receipt of payment of principal of or interest on such Bond and shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Owner, including the Owner’s right to receive payments under such Bond. Payment by BAM either to the Trustee or Paying Agent for the benefit of the Owners, or directly to the Owners, on account of any Nonpayment shall discharge the obligation of BAM under this Policy with respect to said Nonpayment.

Except to the extent expressly modified by an endorsement hereto, the following terms shall have the meanings specified for all purposes of this Policy. “Business Day” means any day other than (a) a Saturday or Sunday or (b) a day on which banking institutions in the State of New York or the Insurer’s Fiscal Agent (as defined herein) are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed. “Due for Payment” means (a) when referring to the principal of a Bond, payable on the stated maturity date thereof or the date on which the same shall have been duly called for mandatory sinking fund redemption and does not refer to any earlier date on which payment is due by reason of call for redemption (other than by mandatory sinking fund redemption), acceleration or other advancement of maturity (unless BAM shall elect, in its sole discretion, to pay such principal due upon such acceleration together with any accrued interest to the date of acceleration) and (b) when referring to interest on a Bond, payable on the stated date for payment of interest. “Nonpayment” means, in respect of a Bond, the failure of the Issuer to have provided sufficient funds to the Trustee or, if there is no Trustee, to the Paying Agent for payment in full of all principal and interest that is Due for Payment on such Bond. “Nonpayment” shall also include, in respect of a Bond, any payment made to an Owner by or on behalf of the Issuer of principal or interest that is Due for Payment, which payment has been recovered from such Owner pursuant to the United States Bankruptcy Code in accordance with a final, nonappealable order of a court having competent jurisdiction. “Notice” means delivery to BAM of a notice of claim and certificate, by certified mail, email or telecopy as set forth on the attached Schedule or other acceptable electronic delivery, in a form satisfactory to BAM, from and signed by an Owner, the Trustee or the Paying Agent, which notice shall specify (a) the person or entity making the claim, (b) the Policy Number, (c) the claimed amount, (d) payment instructions and (e) the date such claimed amount becomes or became Due for Payment. “Owner” means, in respect of a Bond, the person or entity who, at the time of Nonpayment, is entitled under the terms of such Bond to payment thereof, except that “Owner” shall not include the Issuer, the Member or any other person or entity whose direct or indirect obligation constitutes the underlying security for the Bonds.

BAM may appoint a fiscal agent (the "Insurer's Fiscal Agent") for purposes of this Policy by giving written notice to the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Member and the Issuer specifying the name and notice address of the Insurer's Fiscal Agent. From and after the date of receipt of such notice by the Trustee, the Paying Agent, the Member or the Issuer (a) copies of all notices required to be delivered to BAM pursuant to this Policy shall be simultaneously delivered to the Insurer's Fiscal Agent and to BAM and shall not be deemed received until received by both and (b) all payments required to be made by BAM under this Policy may be made directly by BAM or by the Insurer's Fiscal Agent on behalf of BAM. The Insurer's Fiscal Agent is the agent of BAM only, and the Insurer's Fiscal Agent shall in no event be liable to the Trustee, Paying Agent or any Owner for any act of the Insurer's Fiscal Agent or any failure of BAM to deposit or cause to be deposited sufficient funds to make payments due under this Policy.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, BAM agrees not to assert, and hereby waives, only for the benefit of each Owner, all rights (whether by counterclaim, setoff or otherwise) and defenses (including, without limitation, the defense of fraud), whether acquired by subrogation, assignment or otherwise, to the extent that such rights and defenses may be available to BAM to avoid payment of its obligations under this Policy in accordance with the express provisions of this Policy. This Policy may not be canceled or revoked.

This Policy sets forth in full the undertaking of BAM and shall not be modified, altered or affected by any other agreement or instrument, including any modification or amendment thereto. Except to the extent expressly modified by an endorsement hereto, any premium paid in respect of this Policy is nonrefundable for any reason whatsoever, including payment, or provision being made for payment, of the Bonds prior to maturity. THIS POLICY IS NOT COVERED BY THE PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE SECURITY FUND SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 76 OF THE NEW YORK INSURANCE LAW. THIS POLICY IS ISSUED WITHOUT CONTINGENT MUTUAL LIABILITY FOR ASSESSMENT.

In witness whereof, BUILD AMERICA MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY has caused this Policy to be executed on its behalf by its Authorized Officer.

BUILD AMERICA MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Officer

SPECIAL MEMBER

**Notices (Unless Otherwise Specified by BAM)**

Email:

[claims@buildamerica.com](mailto:claims@buildamerica.com)

Address:

1 World Financial Center, 27<sup>th</sup> floor

200 Liberty Street

New York, New York 10281

Telecopy:

212-962-1524 (attention: Claims)

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