

**NEW ISSUE BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY**

Enhanced/Unenhanced Ratings: S&P: "AA"/"AA-"  
(See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Ratings", "BOND INSURANCE" and  
"BOND INSURANCE GENERAL RISKS", herein)

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

**July 18, 2019**

In the opinion of Bond Counsel (defined herein), assuming continuing compliance by the County (defined herein) after the date of initial delivery of the Certificates (defined herein) to the Purchaser (defined herein) with certain covenants contained in the Order (defined herein) and subject to the matters set forth under "TAX MATTERS" herein, interest on the Certificates for federal income tax purposes under existing statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions (1) will be excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof pursuant to section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date of initial delivery of the Certificates, and (2) will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of the owners thereof. See "TAX MATTERS" herein.

**\$22,815,000**

**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2019**

**Dated Date: August 1, 2019**

**Due: February 1, as shown on the inside cover**

The \$22,815,000 Medina County, Texas (the "County" or the "Issuer") Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2019 (the "Certificates") are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including particularly Texas Local Government Code Section 271.041 through Section 271.064, Section 1473.002, as amended, Texas Government Code, and Chapter 323, as amended, Texas Local Government Code, and an order (the "Order") adopted by the Commissioners Court on July 18, 2019. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Authority for Issuance" herein.)

The Certificates constitute direct obligations of the Issuer payable from an annual ad valorem tax levied against all taxable property in the County, within the limits prescribed by law and are additionally payable from a lien on and limited pledge of the net revenues (the "Net Revenues") derived from the operation of the County's library system (the "System"); such pledge being limited to \$1,000 and being junior and subordinate to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues securing the payment of obligations senior thereto, if any, hereafter issued by the County. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Security for Payment" herein.)

Interest on the Certificates will accrue from August 1, 2019 (the "Dated Date") as shown above and will be payable on February 1, 2020, and on each August 1 and February 1 thereafter until the earlier of stated maturity or prior redemption, and will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The definitive Certificates will be issued as fully registered obligations in book-entry form only and when issued will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. DTC will act as securities depository. Book-entry interests in the Certificates will be made available for purchase in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Purchasers of the Certificates ("Beneficial Owners") will not receive physical delivery of certificates representing their interest in the Certificates purchased. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Certificates, the principal of and interest on the Certificates will be payable by UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas, as Paying Agent/Registrar, to DTC, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its participants, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to the Beneficial Owners of the Certificates. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.)

Proceeds from the sale of the Certificates will be used to pay all or a portion of the County's contractual obligations for (1) designing, constructing, renovating, expanding, improving, and equipping the Medina County Jail and renovations to the County Sheriff's Office, (2) renovating, improving, and equipping the County Courthouse, (3) designing, constructing, renovating, improving, expanding, and equipping a new County Courthouse Annex to be located in Hondo, Texas, (4) the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, landscaping, land, rights-of-way for authorized needs and purposes relating to the aforementioned capital improvements, and (5) payment for professional services relating to the design, construction, project management, and financing of the aforementioned projects. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Use of Certificate Proceeds" herein.)



The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Certificates when due will be guaranteed under a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Certificates by **Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.** (see "BOND INSURANCE" herein)

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SEE FOLLOWING PAGE FOR STATED MATURITIES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, INTEREST RATES, INITIAL YIELDS,  
CUSIP NUMBERS, AND REDEMPTION PROVISIONS FOR THE CERTIFICATES

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*The Certificates are offered for delivery, when, as and if issued and received by the initial purchaser thereof at a competitive sale (the "Purchaser") and subject to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the approval of certain legal matters by Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, San Antonio, Texas, Bond Counsel. (See "Appendix C – Form of Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel" and "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Legal Opinions and No-Litigation Certificate" herein). It is expected that the Certificates will be available for delivery through DTC on or about August 14, 2019.*

**\$22,815,000**  
**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2019**

**STATED MATURITY SCHEDULE**  
**(Due February 1)**

CUSIP Prefix No. 584734<sup>(1)</sup>

Stated				CUSIP	Stated				CUSIP
Maturity	Principal	Interest	Initial	No.	Maturity	Principal	Interest	Initial	No.
<u>2/1</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Suffix</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>2/1</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Yield</u> <sup>(2)</sup>	<u>Suffix</u> <sup>(1)</sup>
2020	\$ 100,000	3.000%	1.220%	EH6	2029	\$ 1,230,000	4.000%	1.830%	ES2
2021	235,000	3.000%	1.250%	EJ2	2030	1,285,000	4.000%	1.950%	ET0
2022	300,000	3.000%	1.280%	EK9	2031	1,335,000	4.000%	2.070%	EU7
2023	750,000	3.000%	1.310%	EL7	2032	1,380,000	3.000%	2.480%	EV5
2024	800,000	3.000%	1.340%	EM5	2033	1,425,000	3.000%	2.600%	EW3
2025	1,050,000	4.000%	1.430%	EN3	2034	1,470,000	3.000%	2.680%	EX1
2026	1,095,000	4.000%	1.530%	EP8	2035	1,510,000	3.000%	2.750%	EY9
2027	1,140,000	4.000%	1.610%	EQ6	2036	1,560,000	3.000%	2.820%	EZ6
2028	1,185,000	4.000%	1.710%	ER4	2037	1,605,000	3.000%	2.880%	FA0

**\$3,360,000 3.000% Term Certificates due on February 1, 2039 and priced to yield 3.000%<sup>(2)</sup> CUSIP Suffix FC6<sup>(1)</sup>**

(Interest to accrue from the Dated Date)

The Issuer reserves the right to redeem the Certificates maturing on or after February 1, 2029, in whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof on February 1, 2028, or any date thereafter, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest as further described herein. Additionally, the Certificates maturing on February 1, 2039 (the "Term Certificates") will also be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Redemption Provisions of the Certificates" herein.)

<sup>(1)</sup> CUSIP numbers are included solely for the convenience of the owner of the Certificates. CUSIP is a registered trademark of The American Bankers Association. CUSIP data herein is provided by CUSIP Global Services, managed by S&P Global Market Intelligence on behalf of The American Bankers Association. This data is not intended to create a database and does not serve in any way as a substitute for the CUSIP Services. None of the City, the Financial Advisor, or the Purchaser is responsible for the selection or correctness of the CUSIP numbers set forth herein.

<sup>(2)</sup> Yield calculated is based on the assumption that the Certificates denoted and sold at premium will be redeemed on February 1, 2028, the first optional call date for the Certificates, at a redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

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**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Name	Title	Date First Elected	Term Expires
Chris Schuchart	County Judge	1/1/2015	12/31/2022
Tim Neuman	Commissioner, Precinct 1	1/1/2017	12/31/2020
Larry Sittre	Commissioner, Precinct 2	1/1/2011	12/31/2022
David Lynch	Commissioner, Precinct 3	1/1/2009	12/31/2020
Jerry Beck	Commissioner, Precinct 4	1/1/2011	12/31/2022

**ADMINISTRATION**

Name	Position	Years with the County
Eduardo Lopez	County Auditor	2
Gina Champion	County Clerk	13
Debbie Southwell	County Treasurer	6
Melissa Lutz	Tax Assessor-Collector	16
Randy Brown	County Sheriff	25

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## USE OF INFORMATION IN THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

This Official Statement, which includes the cover page and the Appendices hereto, does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer, solicitation or sale.

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

Certain information set forth herein has been provided by sources other than the County that the County believes to be reliable, but the County makes no representation as to the accuracy of such information. Any information and expressions of opinion herein contained are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of the 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 County or other matters described herein since the date hereof. See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" for a description of the County's undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

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 its responsibilities to the Issuer 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.

NONE OF THE COUNTY, ITS FINANCIAL ADVISOR OR THE PURCHASER MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC") OR ITS BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM, AS SUCH INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY DTC.

THE CERTIFICATES ARE EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AND CONSEQUENTLY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED THEREWITH. THE REGISTRATION, QUALIFICATION, OR EXEMPTION OF THE CERTIFICATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW PROVISIONS OF THE JURISDICTIONS IN WHICH THESE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN REGISTERED, QUALIFIED, OR EXEMPTED SHOULD NOT BE REGARDED AS A RECOMMENDATION THEREOF.

The agreements of the County and others related to the Certificates are contained solely in the contracts described herein. Neither this Official Statement nor any other statement made in connection with the offer or sale of the Certificates is to be construed as constituting an agreement with a purchaser of the Certificates. INVESTORS SHOULD READ THE ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT, INCLUDING ALL APPENDICES ATTACHED HERETO, TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ESSENTIAL TO MAKING AN INFORMED INVESTMENT DECISION.

Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM") makes no representation regarding the Certificates or the advisability of investing in the Certificates. In addition, AGM 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 AGM supplied by AGM and presented under the heading "Bond Insurance" and "Appendix E - Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy".

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*The cover page, subsequent pages hereof and appendices attached hereto, are part of this Official Statement.*

## SELECTED DATA FROM THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

*The selected data is subject in all respects to the more complete information and definitions contained or incorporated in this Official Statement. The offering of the Certificates to potential investors is made only by means of this entire Official Statement. No person is authorized to detach this page from this Official Statement or to otherwise use it without the entire Official Statement.*

<b>The Issuer</b>	Medina County, Texas (the "County" or "Issuer"), is a southwest Texas county with the County seat in Hondo, Texas. Medina County is a rural county which lies within the City of San Antonio, Texas Metropolitan Statistical Area and is adjacent to the western boundary of Bexar County. The County is governed by the Commissioners and the County Judge. The current population estimate for the County is 50,066. (See "Appendix B - General Information Regarding Medina County" herein.)
<b>The Certificates</b>	The Certificates are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including particularly Texas Local Government Code Section 271.041 through Section 271.064, Section 1473.002, as amended, Texas Government Code, and Chapter 323, as amended, Texas Local Government Code, an order (the "Order") adopted by the Commissioners Court on July 18, 2019. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Authority for Issuance" herein.)
<b>Paying Agent/Registrar</b>	The initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates is UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas.
<b>Security</b>	The Certificates constitute direct obligations of the Issuer payable from an annual ad valorem tax levied against all taxable property in the County, within the limits prescribed by law and are additionally payable from a lien on and limited pledge of the Net Revenues derived from the operation of the County's library system. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Security for Payment" herein.)
<b>Redemption Provisions of the Certificates</b>	The Issuer reserves the right, at its sole option, to redeem Certificates stated to mature on or after February 1, 2029, in whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on February 1, 2028, or any date thereafter, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. Additionally, the Certificates maturing on February 1, 2039 (the "Term Certificates") will also be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Redemption Provisions of the Certificates" herein.)
<b>Tax Matters</b>	In the opinion of Bond Counsel, the interest on the Certificates will be excludable from gross income of the owners thereof for purposes of federal income taxation under existing statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions, subject to matters discussed herein under "TAX MATTERS". (See "TAX MATTERS" and, "Appendix C - Form of Opinion of Bond Counsel" herein.)
<b>Use of Certificate Proceeds</b>	Proceeds from the sale of the Certificates will be used to pay all or a portion of the County's contractual obligations for (1) designing, constructing, renovating, expanding, improving, and equipping the Medina County Jail and renovations to the County Sherriff's Office, (2) renovating, improving, and equipping the County Courthouse, (3) designing, constructing, renovating, improving, expanding, and equipping a new County Courthouse Annex to be located in Hondo, Texas, (4) the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, landscaping, land, rights-of-way for authorized needs and purposes relating to the aforementioned capital improvements, and (5) payment for professional services relating to the design, construction, project management, and financing of the aforementioned projects. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Use of Certificate Proceeds" herein.)
<b>Book-Entry-Only System</b>	The Issuer intends to utilize the Book-Entry-Only System of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York described herein. No physical delivery of the Certificates will be made to the beneficial owners of the Certificates. Such Book-Entry-Only System may affect the method and timing of payments on the Certificates and the manner the Certificates may be transferred. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.)
<b>Rating</b>	S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") has assigned an enhanced municipal bond rating of "AA" to the Certificates with the understanding that concurrently with the delivery of the Certificates a municipal bond insurance policy will be issued by Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM"). (See "BOND INSURANCE" herein.) The County received an S&P unenhanced underlying rating of "AA-" on the Certificates. (See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Ratings" herein.)
<b>Issuance of Additional Debt</b>	The Issuer does not anticipate the issuance of any additional ad valorem tax debt in 2019.
<b>Payment Record</b>	The County has never defaulted on the payment of its tax-supported indebtedness.
<b>Delivery</b>	When issued, anticipated on or about August 14, 2019.
<b>Legality</b>	Delivery of the Certificates is subject to the approval by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the rendering of an opinion as to legality by Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, San Antonio, Texas, Bond Counsel.

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT**  
relating to  
  
**\$22,815,000**  
**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2019**

**INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT**

This Official Statement provides certain information in connection with the issuance by Medina County, Texas (the "County" or the "Issuer") of its \$22,815,000 Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2019 (the "Certificates") identified on the cover page hereof.

The Issuer is a political subdivision of the State of Texas (the "State") and a municipal corporation organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas. Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms used in this Official Statement have the same meanings assigned to such terms in the Order (herein after defined). Included in this Official Statement are descriptions of the Certificates and certain information about the Issuer and its finances. ALL DESCRIPTIONS OF DOCUMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE SUMMARIES ONLY AND ARE QUALIFIED IN THEIR ENTIRETY BY REFERENCE TO EACH SUCH DOCUMENT. Copies of such documents may be obtained upon request from the Issuer or its Financial Advisor, SAMCO Capital Markets, Inc., 1020 NE Loop 410, Suite 640, San Antonio, Texas 78209, via electronic mail or upon payment of reasonable copying, handling, and delivery charges.

All financial and other information presented in this Official Statement has been provided by the County from its records, except for information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of information, including tables of receipts from taxes and other sources, is intended to show recent historic information, and is not intended to indicate future or continuing trends in financial position or other affairs of the County. No representation is made that past experience, as is shown by financial and other information, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future.

This Official Statement speaks only as to its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. A copy of the Final Official Statement pertaining to the Certificates will be deposited with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board through its Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system. See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" herein for a description of the County's undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

**THE CERTIFICATES**

**General**

The Certificates will be dated August 1, 2019 (the "Dated Date"). The Certificates are stated to mature on February 1 in the years and in the principal amounts set forth on page ii hereof. The Certificates shall bear interest from their Dated Date on the unpaid principal amounts, and the amount of interest to be paid with respect to each payment period shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Interest on the Certificates will be payable on February 1, 2020, and on each August 1 or February 1 thereafter until maturity. Principal is payable at the designated offices of the "Paying Agent/Registrar" for the Certificates, initially UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas. Interest on the Certificates shall be paid to the registered owners whose names appear on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the Record Date (as hereinafter defined) and shall be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar (i) by check sent United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, to the address of the registered owner recorded in the Security Register or (ii) by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by, and at the risk of, the registered owner. If the date for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Certificates shall be a Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday or a day when banking institutions in the city where the designated payment/transfer office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized to be closed, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a day, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the date payment was due.

Initially, the Certificates will be registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described below. No physical delivery of the Certificates will be made to the Beneficial Owners. Principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., which will distribute the amounts received to the appropriate DTC Participants, who shall in turn make payment to the Beneficial Owners of the Certificates. Such Book-Entry-Only System may change the method and timing of payment for the Certificates and the method of transfer. See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" below for a more complete description of such System.

## Authority for Issuance

The Certificates are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State, including particularly Texas Local Government Code Section 271.041 through Section 271.064, Section 1473.002, as amended, Texas Government Code, and Chapter 323, as amended, Texas Local Government Code, and an order (the "Order") adopted by the Commissioners Court on July 18, 2019.

## Security for Payment

The Certificates constitute direct obligations of the Issuer payable from an annual ad valorem tax levied against all taxable property in the County, within the limits prescribed by law and are additionally payable from a lien on and limited pledge of the Net Revenues (as defined in the Order) derived from the operation of the County's library system. (See "COUNTY APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE" herein.)

## Redemption Provisions of the Certificates

### *Optional Redemption*

The Issuer reserves the right, at its sole option, to redeem Certificates stated to mature, on or after February 1, 2029, in whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof on February 1, 2028, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. If less than all of the Certificates within a stated maturity are to be redeemed, the particular Certificates to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or by other customary random method by the Paying Agent/Registrar.

### *Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption*

The Certificates stated to mature on February 1, 2039 are referred to herein as the "Term Certificates". The Term Certificates are also subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity in part and by lot, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on February 1, in the years and principal amounts shown below:

<b>Term Certificates to Mature on February 1, 2039</b>	
	<b>Principal Amount</b>
Year	
2038	\$1,655,000
2039*	1,705,000

\*Payable at Stated Maturity.

Approximately forty-five (45) days prior to each mandatory redemption date for the Term Certificates, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall select by lot the numbers of the Term Certificates within the applicable Stated Maturity to be redeemed on the next following February 1 from money set aside for that purpose in the Bond Fund. Any Term Certificates not selected for prior redemption shall be paid on the date of their stated maturity.

The principal amount of a Term Certificate required to be redeemed pursuant to the operation of such mandatory redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the City, by the principal amount of any Term Certificates of such stated maturity which, at least fifty (50) days prior to the mandatory redemption date (1) shall have been defeased or acquired by the City and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, (2) shall have been purchased and canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the request of the City, or (3) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions set forth above and not theretofore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

## Notice of Redemption

At least 30 days prior to the date fixed for any redemption of any Certificates or portions thereof prior to stated maturity, the Issuer shall cause notice of such redemption to be sent by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the registered owner of each Certificate or a portion thereof to be redeemed at its address as it appeared on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar on the day such notice of redemption is mailed. By the date fixed for any such redemption, due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for the Certificates or portions thereof which are to be so redeemed. If such notice of redemption is given and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, the Certificates or portions thereof which are to be so redeemed thereby automatically shall be treated as redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, and they shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, and they shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the registered owner to receive the redemption price from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment.

ANY NOTICE OF REDEMPTION SO MAILED SHALL BE CONCLUSIVELY PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN DULY GIVEN IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER RECEIVED BY THE CERTIFICATEHOLDER, AND, PROVIDED THAT PROVISION FOR PAYMENT OF THE REDEMPTION PRICE IS MADE AND ANY OTHER CONDITIONS TO REDEMPTION ARE SATISFIED, INTEREST ON THE REDEEMED CERTIFICATES SHALL CEASE TO ACCRUE FROM AND AFTER SUCH REDEMPTION DATE NOTWITHSTANDING THAT A CERTIFICATE HAS NOT BEEN PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT.

The Paying Agent/Registrar and the Issuer, so long as a Book-Entry-Only System is used for the Certificates, will send any notice of redemption, notice of proposed amendment to the Ordinance or other notices with respect to the Certificates only to DTC. Any failure by DTC to advise any DTC participant, or of any DTC participant or indirect participant to notify the Beneficial Owner, will not affect the validity of the redemption of the Certificates called for redemption or any other action premised on any such notice. Redemption of portions of the Certificates by the Issuer will reduce the outstanding principal amount of such Certificates held by DTC. In such event, DTC may implement,



through its Book-Entry-Only System, a redemption of such Certificates held for the account of DTC participants in accordance with its rules or other agreements with

DTC participants and then DTC participants and indirect participants may implement a redemption of such Certificates from the Beneficial Owners. Any such selection of Certificates to be redeemed will not be governed by the Ordinance and will not be conducted by the Issuer or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Neither the Issuer nor the Paying Agent/Registrar will have any responsibility to DTC participants, indirect participants or the persons for whom DTC participants act as nominees, with respect to the payments on the Certificates or the providing of notice to DTC participants, indirect participants, or Beneficial Owners of the selection of portions of the Certificates for redemption. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.)

**Selection of Certificates to be Redeemed**

The Certificates of a denomination larger than \$5,000 may be redeemed in part (in increments of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof). The Certificates to be partially redeemed must be surrendered in exchange for one or more new Certificates for the unredeemed portion of the principal. If less than all of the Certificates are to be redeemed, the Issuer will determine the amounts to be redeemed and will direct the Paying Agent/Registrar (or DTC while the Certificates are in Book-Entry-Only form) to select, at random and by lot, the particular Certificates, or portion thereof, to be redeemed. If a Certificate (or any portion of the principal sum thereof) will have been called for redemption and notice or such redemption will have been given, such Certificate (or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed), will become due and payable on such redemption date and interest thereon will cease to accrue from and after the redemption date, provided funds for the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest thereon are held by the Paying Agent/Registrar on the redemption date.

**Use of Certificate Proceeds**

Proceeds from the sale of the Certificates will be used for the purpose of paying contractual obligations of the City to be incurred for making permanent public improvements and for other public purposes, to-wit: (1) designing, constructing, renovating, expanding, improving, and equipping the Medina County Jail and renovations to the County Sherriff's Office, (2) renovating, improving, and equipping the County Courthouse, (3) designing, constructing, renovating, improving, expanding, and equipping a new County Courthouse Annex to be located in Hondo, Texas, (4) the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, landscaping, land, rights-of-way for authorized needs and purposes relating to the aforementioned capital improvements, and (5) payment for professional services relating to the design, construction, project management, and financing of the aforementioned projects.

**Sources and Uses**

Sources	
Par Amount of the Certificates	\$ 22,815,000.00
Accrued Interest on the Certificates	27,720.69
Reoffering Premium	<u>1,639,044.70</u>
Total Sources of Funds	<u>\$ 24,481,765.39</u>
Uses	
Project Fund Deposit	\$ 24,000,000.00
Purchaser's Discount (Including Bond Insurance Premium)	244,096.72
Certificate Fund Deposit	27,720.69
Costs of Issuance	<u>209,947.98</u>
Total Uses	<u>\$ 24,481,765.39</u>

**Payment Record**

The Issuer has never defaulted on the payment of its ad valorem tax-backed indebtedness.

**Amendments**

The County may amend the Order without the consent of or notice to any registered owners in any manner not detrimental to the interests of the registered owners, including the curing of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or formal defect or omission therein. In addition, the County may, with the written consent of the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Certificates then Outstanding amend, add to, or rescind any of the provisions of the Order, except that, without the consent of the registered owners of all of the Certificates then outstanding, no such amendment, addition, or rescission shall (i) extend the time or times of payment of the principal or, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates, reduce the principal amount thereof, or the rate of interest thereon or in any other way modify the terms of payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Certificates, (ii) give any preference to any Certificate over any other Certificate or (iii) reduce the aggregate principal amount of Certificates required for consent to any such amendment, addition or rescission.

**Defeasance**

The Order provides for the defeasance of the Certificates when payment of the principal amount of the Certificates plus interest accrued on the Certificates to their due date (whether such due date be by reason of stated maturity, redemption, or otherwise), is provided by

irrevocably depositing with a paying agent, or other authorized escrow agent, in trust (1) money in an amount sufficient to make such payment, and/or (2) Government Securities (defined below), to mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times to insure the availability, without reinvestment, of sufficient money to make such payment, and all necessary and proper fees, compensation and expenses of the paying agent for the Certificates. The foregoing deposits shall be certified as to sufficiency by an independent accounting firm, the County's Financial Advisor, the Paying Agent/Registrar, or such other qualified financial institution (as provided in the Order). The County has additionally reserved the right, subject to satisfying the requirements of (1) and (2) above, to substitute other Government Securities originally deposited, to reinvest the uninvested moneys on deposit for such defeasance and to withdraw for the benefit of the County moneys in excess of the amount required for such defeasance. The Order provides that "Government Securities" means any securities and obligations now or hereafter authorized by State law that are eligible to discharge obligations such as the Certificates. Current State law permits defeasance with the following types of securities: (a) direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, (b) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date of the purchase thereof, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, (c) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that on the date the governing body of the County adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the financial arrangements have been refunded and are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and (d) any additional securities and obligations hereafter authorized by State law as eligible for use to accomplish the discharge of obligations such as the Certificates. There is no assurance that the ratings for U.S. Treasury securities acquired to defease any Certificates, or those for any other Government Securities, will be maintained at any particular rating category. Further, there is no assurance that current State law will not be amended in a manner that expands or contracts the list of permissible defeasance securities (such list consisting of these securities identified in clauses (a) through (c) above), or any rating requirement thereon, that may be purchased with defeasance proceeds relating to the Certificates ("Defeasance Proceeds"), though the County has reserved the right to utilize any additional securities for such purpose in the event the aforementioned list is expanded. Because the Order does not contractually limit such permissible defeasance securities and expressly recognizes the ability of the County to use lawfully available Defeasance Proceeds to defease all or any portion of the Certificates, registered owners of Certificates are deemed to have consented to the use of Defeasance Proceeds to purchase such other defeasance securities, notwithstanding the fact that such defeasance securities may not be of the same investment quality as those currently identified under State law as permissible defeasance securities.

Upon such deposit as described above, such Certificates shall no longer be regarded to be outstanding or unpaid. After firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment of the Certificates have been made as described above, all rights of the County to initiate proceedings to call the Certificates for redemption or take any other action amending the terms of the Certificates are extinguished; provided, however, the County has the option, to be exercised at the time of the defeasance of the Certificates, to call for redemption at an earlier date those Certificates which have been defeased to their maturity date, if the County (i) in the proceedings providing for the firm banking and financial arrangements, expressly reserves the right to call the Certificates for redemption, (ii) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Certificates 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.

#### **Default and Remedies**

The Order does not specify events of default with respect to the Certificates. If the County defaults in the payment of principal or interest, on the Certificates when due, or if it fails to make payments into any fund or funds created in the Order, or defaults in the observation or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Order, the registered owners may seek a writ of mandamus to compel County officials to carry out their legally imposed duties with respect to the Certificates if there is no other available remedy at law to compel performance of the Certificates or Order and the County's obligations are not uncertain or disputed. The issuance of a writ of mandamus is controlled by equitable principles and rests with the discretion of the court, but may not be arbitrarily refused. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Certificates in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. The Order does not provide for the appointment of a trustee to represent the interest of the Certificateholders upon any failure of the County to perform in accordance with the terms of the Order, or upon any other condition and accordingly all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the registered owners. On June 30, 2006, the Texas Supreme Court ruled in *Tooke v. City of Mexia* 197 S.W.3d 325 (Tex. 2006), that a waiver of sovereign immunity in a contractual dispute must be provided for by statute in "clear and unambiguous" language. Because it is unclear whether the Texas legislature has effectively waived the County's sovereign immunity from a suit for money damages, Certificateholders may not be able to bring such a suit against the County for breach of the Certificates or Order covenants. Even if a judgment against the County could be obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the County's property. Further, the registered owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the County or sell property within the County to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Certificates. Furthermore, the County is eligible to seek relief from its creditors under Chapter 9 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code ("Chapter 9"). Although Chapter 9 provides for the recognition of a security interest represented by a specifically pledged source of revenues, the pledge of ad valorem taxes in support of a general obligation of a bankrupt entity is not specifically recognized as a security interest under Chapter 9 and the pledge of a specific source of revenues, such as the limited surplus Net Revenue, is subject to judicial discretion. Chapter 9 also includes an automatic stay provision that would prohibit, without Bankruptcy Court approval, the prosecution of any other legal action by creditors or Certificateholders of an entity which has sought protection under Chapter 9. Therefore, should the County avail itself of Chapter 9 protection from creditors, the ability to enforce would be subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court (which could require that

the action be heard in Bankruptcy Court instead of other federal or state court); and the Bankruptcy Code provides for broad discretionary powers of a Bankruptcy Court in administering any proceeding brought before it. The opinion of Bond Counsel will note that all opinions relative to the enforceability of the Order and the Certificates are qualified with respect to the customary rights of debtors relative to their creditors and general principles of equity that permit the exercise of judicial discretion.

Initially, the only registered owner of the Certificates will be Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein for a description of the duties of DTC with regard to ownership of the Certificates.

## **REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE**

### **Paying Agent/Registrar**

The initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates is UMB Bank, N.A., Austin, Texas. In the Order, the Issuer retains the right to replace the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the Paying Agent/Registrar is replaced by the Issuer, the new Paying Agent/Registrar shall accept the previous Paying Agent/Registrar's records and act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. Any successor Paying Agent/Registrar, selected at the sole discretion of the Issuer, shall be a bank, trust company, financial institution or other entity qualified and authorized to serve in such capacity and perform the duties and services of Paying Agent/Registrar. Upon a change in the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates, the Issuer agrees to promptly cause written notice thereof to be sent to each registered owner of the Certificates by United States mail, first-class, postage prepaid.

The Certificates will be issued in fully registered form in multiples of \$5,000 for any one stated maturity, and principal and semiannual interest will be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar. Interest will be paid by check or draft mailed on each interest payment date by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the registered owner at the last known address as it appears on the Paying Agent/Registrar's books or by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by and at the risk and expense of the registered owner. Principal will be paid to the registered owner at stated maturity or prior redemption upon presentation to the Paying Agent/Registrar; provided, however, that so long as Cede & Co. (or other DTC nominee) is the registered owner of the Certificates, all payments will be made as described under "Book-Entry-Only System" herein. If the date for the payment of the principal or interest on the Certificates shall be a Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday or a day when banking institutions in the city where the designated payment/transfer office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a day, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the date payment was due.

### **Record Date**

The record date ("Record Date") for determining the party to whom interest is payable on a Certificate on any Interest Payment Date means the fifteenth day of the month next preceding such Interest Payment Date.

In the event of a non-payment of interest on an Interest Payment Date, and for 30 days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the Issuer. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest (the "Special Payment Date", which shall be 15 days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, to the address of each registered owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice.

### **Future Registration**

In the event the Certificates are not in the Book-Entry-Only System, the Certificates will be printed and delivered to the registered owners thereof, and thereafter the Certificates may be transferred, registered, and assigned on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar only upon presentation and surrender thereof to the Paying Agent/Registrar, and such registration and transfer shall be without expense or service charge to the registered owner, except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration and transfer. A Certificate may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Certificate or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. A new Certificate or Certificates will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar in lieu of the Certificates being transferred or exchanged at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, or sent by United States mail, first class postage prepaid, to the new registered owner at the registered owner's request, risk, and expense. New Certificates issued in an exchange or transfer of Certificates will be delivered to the registered owner or assignee of the registered owner in not more than three (3) business days after the receipt of the Certificates to be canceled in the exchange or transfer and the written instrument of transfer or request for exchange duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized agent, in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Certificates registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in denominations of \$5,000 for any one stated maturity or any integral multiple thereof and for a like aggregate principal amount and rate of interest as the Certificate or Certificates surrendered for exchange or transfer. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein for a description of the system initially to be utilized in regard to ownership and transferability of the Certificates.)

### **Limitation on Transfer of Certificates**

Neither the County nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to make any such transfer, conversion or exchange (i) during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the opening of business on the next following principal or interest payment date or (ii) with respect to any Certificate or any portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to its redemption date; provided, however, that such limitation shall not apply to uncalled portions of a Certificate redeemed in part.

### **Replacement Certificates**

The Issuer has agreed to replace mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Certificates upon surrender of the mutilated Certificates to the Paying Agent/Registrar, or receipt of satisfactory evidence of authenticity of ownership thereof and of such destruction, loss, or theft, and receipt by the Issuer and Paying Agent/Registrar of security or indemnity as may be required by either of them to hold them harmless. The Issuer may require payment of taxes, governmental charges, and other expenses in connection with any such replacement. The person requesting the authentication of and delivery of a replacement Certificate must comply with such other reasonable regulations as the Paying Agent/Registrar may prescribe and pay such expenses as the Paying Agent/Registrar may incur in connection therewith.

### **BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM**

*This section describes how ownership of the Certificates is to be transferred and how the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates are to be paid to and credited by DTC while the Certificates are registered in its nominee name. The information in this section concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been provided by DTC for use in disclosure documents such as this Official Statement. The County and the Financial Advisor believe the source of such information to be reliable, but take no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof.*

*The County cannot and does not give any assurance that (1) DTC will distribute payments of debt service on the Certificates, or redemption or other notices, to DTC Participants, (2) DTC Participants or others will distribute debt service payments paid to DTC or its nominee (as the registered owner of the Certificates), or redemption or other notices, to the Beneficial Owners, or that they will do so on a timely basis, or (3) DTC will serve and act in the manner described in this Official Statement. The current rules applicable to DTC are on file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), and the current procedures of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Participants are on file with DTC.*

DTC will act as securities depository for the Certificates. The Certificates will be issued as fully-registered Certificates 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. One fully-registered certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Certificates, 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 3.5 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"). Direct Participants and Indirect Participants are jointly referred to as "Participants". DTC has a S&P Global Ratings rating of "AA+". The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the SEC. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com).

Purchases of Certificates under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Certificates on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Certificate ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the 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 Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Certificates are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive physical certificates representing their ownership interests in Certificates, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Certificates is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Certificates 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 Certificates 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 Certificates; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Certificates are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The 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 Certificates may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Certificates, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Certificate documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Certificates may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Certificates 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 for the Certificates shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Certificates 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 Certificates unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the County 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 Certificates are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

All payments on the Certificates 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 County 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 Securities 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 County, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment on the Certificates to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Issuer 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 Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Certificates at any time by giving reasonable notice to the County or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, physical certificates are required to be printed and delivered. The County may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Certificates will be printed and delivered.

Information concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been obtained from DTC and is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by, and is not to be construed as a representation by the County, the Financial Advisor, or the Purchaser of the Certificates.

#### **Effect of Termination of Book-Entry-Only System**

In the event that the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by DTC or the use of the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by the County, printed certificates representing the Certificates will be issued to the holders and the Certificates will be subject to transfer, exchange and registration provisions as set forth in the Order and summarized under "REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE – Future Registration."

#### **Use of Certain Terms in Other Sections of this Official Statement**

In reading this Official Statement it should be understood that while the Certificates are in the Book-Entry-Only System, references in other sections of this Official Statement to registered owners should be read to include the person for which the Participant acquires an interest in the Certificates, but (i) all rights of ownership must be exercised through DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System, and (ii) except as described above, notices that are to be given to registered owners under the Order will be given only to DTC.

## BOND INSURANCE

### BOND INSURANCE POLICY

Concurrently with the issuance of the Certificates, Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM" or the "Insurer") will issue its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy for the Certificates (the "Policy"). The Policy guarantees the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Certificates 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.

### ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP.

AGM is a New York domiciled financial guaranty insurance company and an indirect subsidiary of Assured Guaranty Ltd. ("AGL"), a Bermuda-based holding company whose shares are publicly traded and are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "AGO". AGL, through its operating subsidiaries, provides credit enhancement products to the U.S. and global public finance, infrastructure and structured finance markets. Neither AGL nor any of its shareholders or affiliates, other than AGM, is obligated to pay any debts of AGM or any claims under any insurance policy issued by AGM.

AGM's financial strength is rated "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P"), "AA+" (stable outlook) by Kroll Bond Rating Agency, Inc. ("KBRA") and "A2" (stable outlook) by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's"). Each rating of AGM should be evaluated independently. An explanation of the significance of the above ratings may be obtained from the applicable rating agency. The above ratings are not recommendations to buy, sell or hold any security, and such ratings are subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the rating agencies, including withdrawal initiated at the request of AGM in its sole discretion. In addition, the rating agencies may at any time change AGM's long-term rating outlooks or place such ratings on a watch list for possible downgrade in the near term. Any downward revision or withdrawal of any of the above ratings, the assignment of a negative outlook to such ratings or the placement of such ratings on a negative watch list may have an adverse effect on the market price of any security guaranteed by AGM. AGM only guarantees scheduled principal and scheduled interest payments payable by the issuer of bonds insured by AGM 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 relevant insurance policy), and does not guarantee the market price or liquidity of the securities it insures, nor does it guarantee that the ratings on such securities will not be revised or withdrawn.

#### *Current Financial Strength Ratings*

On June 27, 2019, S&P announced it had affirmed AGM's financial strength rating of "AA" (stable outlook). AGM can give no assurance as to any further ratings action that S&P may take.

On December 21, 2018, KBRA announced it had affirmed AGM's insurance financial strength rating of "AA+" (stable outlook). AGM can give no assurance as to any further ratings action that KBRA may take.

On May 7, 2018, Moody's announced it had affirmed AGM's insurance financial strength rating of "A2" (stable outlook). AGM can give no assurance as to any further ratings action that Moody's may take.

For more information regarding AGM's financial strength ratings and the risks relating thereto, see AGL's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018.

#### *Capitalization of AGM*

At March 31, 2019:

- The policyholders' surplus of AGM was approximately \$2,523 million.
- The contingency reserves of AGM and its indirect subsidiary Municipal Assurance Corp. ("MAC") (as described below) were approximately \$1,054 million. Such amount includes 100% of AGM's contingency reserve and 60.7% of MAC's contingency reserve.
- The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commission income of AGM and its subsidiaries (as described below) were approximately \$1,848 million. Such amount includes (i) 100% of the net unearned premium reserve and deferred

ceding commission income of AGM, (ii) the net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commissions of AGM's wholly owned subsidiary Assured Guaranty (Europe) plc ("AGE"), and (iii) 60.7% of the net unearned premium reserve of MAC.

The policyholders' surplus of AGM and the contingency reserves, net unearned premium reserves and deferred ceding commission income of AGM and MAC were determined in accordance with statutory accounting principles. The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commissions of AGE were determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### *Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference*

Portions of the following documents filed by AGL with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") that relate to AGM are incorporated by reference into this Official Statement and shall be deemed to be a part hereof:

- (i) the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 (filed by AGL with the SEC on March 1, 2019); and
- (ii) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2019 (filed by AGL with the SEC on May 10, 2019).

All consolidated financial statements of AGM and all other information relating to AGM included in, or as exhibits to, documents filed by AGL with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, excluding Current Reports or portions thereof "furnished" under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K, after the filing of the last document referred to above and before the termination of the offering of the Certificates shall be deemed incorporated by reference into this Official Statement and to be a part hereof from the respective dates of filing such documents. Copies of materials incorporated by reference are available over the internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>, at AGL's website at <http://www.assuredguaranty.com>, or will be provided upon request to Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp.: 1633 Broadway, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Communications Department (telephone (212) 974-0100). Except for the information referred to above, no information available on or through AGL's website shall be deemed to be part of or incorporated in this Official Statement.

Any information regarding AGM included herein under the caption "BOND INSURANCE – Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp." or included in a document incorporated by reference herein (collectively, the "AGM Information") shall be modified or superseded to the extent that any subsequently included AGM Information (either directly or through incorporation by reference) modifies or supersedes such previously included AGM Information. Any AGM Information so modified or superseded shall not constitute a part of this Official Statement, except as so modified or superseded.

#### *Miscellaneous Matters*

AGM makes no representation regarding the Certificates or the advisability of investing in the Certificates. In addition, AGM 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 AGM supplied by AGM and presented under the heading "BOND INSURANCE".

#### **BOND INSURANCE GENERAL RISKS**

In the event of default of the scheduled payment of principal of or interest on the Certificates when all or a portion thereof becomes due, any owner of the Certificates shall have a claim under the Policy for such payments. The payment of principal and interest in connection with mandatory or optional redemption of the Certificates by the County which is recovered by the County from the Beneficial Owners as a voidable preference under applicable bankruptcy law is covered by the Policy; however, such payments will be made by the Insurer at such time and in such amounts as would have been due absent such prepayment by the County (unless the Insurer chooses to pay such amounts at an earlier date).

Payment of principal of and interest on the Certificates is not subject to acceleration, but other legal remedies upon the occurrence of non-payment do exist (see "THE CERTIFICATES - Default and Remedies"). The Insurer may direct the pursuit of available remedies, and generally must consent to any remedies available to and requested by the beneficial owners. In the event the Insurer is unable to make payment of principal and interest as such payments become due under the Policy, the Certificates are payable from the ad valorem tax levied, within the limitations prescribed by law, on all taxable property located within the County. In the event the Insurer becomes obligated to make payments with respect to the Certificates, no assurance is given that such event will not adversely affect the market price or the marketability (liquidity) of the Certificates.

The long-term rating on the Certificates will be dependent on the financial strength of the Insurer and its claims 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 can be given that the long-term ratings of the Insurer and of the rating on the Certificates, whether or not subject to the Policy, will not be subject to downgrade and such event could adversely affect the market price or the marketability (liquidity) for the Certificates. (See the disclosure described in "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Ratings" herein.)

The obligations of the Insurer under the Policy are general obligations of the Insurer and in an event of default by the Insurer; the remedies available may be limited by applicable bankruptcy law. None of the County, the Underwriters, or the Financial Advisor has made an 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 County to pay principal of and interest on the Certificates and the claims paying ability of the Insurer, particularly over the life of the investment. See "BOND INSURANCE" herein.

#### **CLAIMS-PAYING ABILITY AND FINANCIAL STRENGTH OF MUNICIPAL BOND INSURERS**

Moody's Investors Services, Inc., S&P Global Ratings, and Fitch Ratings, Inc. (collectively the "Rating Agencies") have, since 2008, downgraded, and/or placed on negative credit watch, the claims-paying ability and financial strength of all providers of municipal bond insurance. Additional downgrades or negative changes in the rating outlook for all bond insurers is possible. In addition, recent events in the credit markets have had substantial negative effects on the bond insurance business. These developments could be viewed as having a material adverse effect on the claims-paying ability of municipal bond insurers. Thus, when making an investment decision, potential investors should carefully consider the ability of any such municipal bond insurer to pay principal and interest on the Certificates and the claims-paying ability of any such municipal bond insurer, particularly over the life of the investment.

#### **INVESTMENT AUTHORITY AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES OF THE ISSUER**

The County invests funds in instruments authorized by Texas law, specifically the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, in accordance with and investment policies approved by the Commissioners Court. The Commissioners Court has designated the County Treasurer as the "Investment officer" of the County. Both State law and the County's investment policies are subject to change.

##### **Legal Investments**

Under State law, the County is authorized to invest in (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including letters of credit; (2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; (4) other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by, or backed by the full faith and credit of, the State of Texas or the United States or their respective agencies and instrumentalities; (5) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "A" or its equivalent; (6) bonds issued, assumed, or guaranteed by the State of Israel; (7) interest-bearing banking deposits that are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or their respective successors, or otherwise meeting the requirements of the Texas Public Funds Investment Act; (8) certificates of deposit and share certificates that (i) are issued by or through an institution that has its main office or a branch in Texas and (a) are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or their respective successors, (b) are secured as to principal by obligations described in clauses (1) through (7) above, or (c) secured in any other manner and amount provided by law for County deposits, or (ii) certificates of deposit where (a) the funds are invested by the County through a broker that has its main office or a branch office in the State of Texas and is selected from a list adopted by the County as required by law, or a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State of Texas that is selected by the County; (b) the broker or the depository institution selected by the County arranges for the deposit of the funds in certificates of deposit in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the County, (c) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States, and (d) the County appoints the depository institution selected under (a) above, an entity as described by Section 2257.041(d) of the Texas Government Code, or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and operating pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 as custodian for the County with respect to the certificates of deposit issued for the account of the County; (9) fully collateralized repurchase agreements that (i) have a defined termination date, (ii) are fully secured by a combination of cash and obligations described in clause (1), (iii) require the securities being purchased by the County or cash held by the County to be pledged to the County, held in the County's name and deposited at the time the investment is made with the County or with a third party selected and approved by the County, and (iv) are placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve, or a financial institution doing business in the State; (10) securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time, and a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations



that are described in clauses (1) through (7) above, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than "A" or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (7) above and clauses (12) through (15) below, (ii) securities held as collateral under a loan are pledged to the County, held in the County's name and deposited at the time the investment is made with the County or a third party designated by the County, (iii) a loan made under the program is placed through either a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State of Texas, and (iv) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less; (11) certain bankers' acceptances if the bankers' acceptance (i) has a stated maturity of 270 days or fewer from the date of issuance, (ii) will be, in accordance with its terms, liquidated in full at maturity, (iii) is eligible for collateral for borrowing from a Federal Reserve Bank, and (iv) is accepted by a State or Federal bank, if the short-term obligations of the accepting bank or its holding company (if the accepting bank is the largest subsidiary) are rated at least "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency; (12) commercial paper with (i) a stated maturity of 270 days or less from the date of issuance, and (ii) a rating of at least "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by either (a) two nationally recognized credit rating agencies or (b) one nationally recognized credit rating agency if the paper is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a U.S. or state bank; (13) no-load money market mutual funds that are (i) registered with and regulated by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, (ii) provide the County with a prospectus and other information required by the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934; and (iii) comply with Federal Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a-7; (14) no-load mutual funds that are (i) registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, (ii) have an average weighted maturity of less than two years, and (iii) either (a) have a duration of one year or more and are invested exclusively in obligations described in this paragraph, or (b) have a duration of less than one year and the investment portfolio is limited to investment grade securities, excluding asset-backed securities; (15) investment pools if the County has authorized investment in the particular pool and the pool invests solely in investments permitted by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, and is continuously rated no lower than "AAA" or "AAA-m" or at an equivalent rating by at least one nationally recognized rating service; and (16) guaranteed investment contracts that (i) have a defined termination date, (ii) are secured by obligations which meet the requirements of the Texas Public Funds Investment Act in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under such contract, and (iii) are pledged to the County and deposited with the County or with a third party selected and approved by the County.

The County may also contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of its public funds or other funds under its control for a term up to two years, but the County retains ultimate responsibility as fiduciary of its assets. In order to renew or extend such a contract, the County must do so by order, ordinance, or resolution. The County is specifically prohibited from investing in: (1) obligations whose payment represents the coupon payments on the outstanding principal balance of the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and pays no principal; (2) obligations whose payment represents the principal stream of cash flow from the underlying mortgage-backed security and bears no interest; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations that have a final stated maturity of greater than 10 years; and (4) collateralized mortgage obligations the interest rate of which is determined by an index that adjusts opposite to the changes in a market index.

### **Investment Policies**

Under State law, the County is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity; that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management; and that includes a list of authorized investments for County funds, maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual investment and the maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed for pooled fund groups, methods to monitor the market price of investments acquired with public funds, requirements for settlement of all transactions, except investment pool funds and mutual funds, on a delivery versus payment basis, and procedures to monitor rating changes in investments acquired with public funds and the liquidation of such investments consistent with the Texas Public Funds Investment Act. All County funds must be invested consistent with a formally adopted "Investment Strategy Statement" that specifically addresses each funds' investment. Each Investment Strategy Statement will describe its objectives concerning (1) suitability of investment type, (2) preservation and safety of principal, (3) liquidity, (4) marketability of each investment, (5) diversification of the portfolio, and (6) yield.

Under State law, County investments must be made "with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived." At least quarterly the investment officers of the County shall submit an investment report detailing: (1) the investment position of the County, (2) that all investment officers jointly prepared and signed the report, (3) the beginning market value, any additions and changes to market value and the ending value of each pooled fund group, (4) the book value and market value of each separately listed asset at the beginning and end of the reporting period, (5) the maturity date of each separately invested asset, (6) the account or fund or pooled fund group for which each individual investment was acquired, and (7) the compliance of the investment portfolio as it relates to: (a) adopted investment strategy statements and (b) state law. No person may invest County funds without express written authority from the Commissioners Court.

## Additional Provisions

Under State law the County is additionally required to: (1) annually review its adopted policies and strategies, (2) adopt an order or resolution stating that it has reviewed its investment policy and investment strategies and records any changes made to either its investment policy or investment strategy in the said order or resolution, (3) require any investment officers with personal business relationships or relatives with firms seeking to sell securities to the entity to disclose the relationship and file a statement with the Texas Ethics Commission and the Commissioners Court; (4) require the qualified representative of firms offering to engage in any investment transaction with the County to: (a) receive and review the County's investment policy, (b) acknowledge that reasonable controls and procedures have been implemented to preclude investment transactions conducted between the County and the business organization that are not authorize by the County's investment policy (except to the extent that this authorization is dependent on an analysis of the makeup of the County's entire portfolio, requires an interpretation of subjective investment standards (or relates to investment transactions of the entity that are not made through accounts or other contractual arrangements over which the business organization has accepted discretionary investment authority), and (c) deliver a written statement in a form acceptable to the County and the business organization attesting to these requirements; (5) perform an annual audit of the management controls on investments and adherence to the County's investment policy; (6) provide specific investment training for the Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, or other investment officers; (7) restrict reverse repurchase agreements to not more than 90 days and restrict the investment of reverse repurchase agreement funds to no greater than the term of the reverse repurchase agreement; (8) restrict the investment in no-load mutual funds to no more than 15% of the entity's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service; (9) require local government investment pools to conform to the new disclosure, rating, net asset value, yield calculation, and advisory board requirements, and (10) at least annually review, revise, and adopt a list of qualified brokers that are authorized to engage in investment transactions with the County.

## Current Investments

State law does not require the Issuer to periodically mark its investments to market price, and the Issuer does not do so, other than annually upon the conclusion of each fiscal year, for the purpose of compliance with applicable accounting policies concerning the contents of the Issuer's audited financial statements. Given the nature of its investments, the Issuer does not believe that the market value of its investments differs materially from book value.

### Current Investments <sup>(1)</sup>

**TABLE 1**

As of May 20, 2019 the County held investments as follows:

<u>Type of Security</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Percentage of Total</u>
CD's	\$ 5,000,000.00	33.98%
Investment Pools	9,714,952.00	66.02%
	<u>\$ 14,714,952.00</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

As of such date, the market value of such investments (as determined by the Issuer by reference to published quotations, dealer bids, and comparable information) was approximately 100% of their book value. No funds of the Issuer are invested in derivative securities, *i.e.*, securities whose rate of return is determined by reference to some other instrument, index, or commodity.

<sup>(1)</sup> Unaudited.

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The Texas State Comptroller of Public Accounts exercises oversight responsibility over the Texas Local Government Investment Pool ("TexPool"). Oversight includes the ability to significantly influence operations, designation of management and accountability for fiscal matters. Additionally, the State Comptroller has established an advisory board composed both of participants in TexPool and of the other persons who do not have a business relationship with TexPool. The advisory Board members review the investment policy and management fee structure. Finally, TexPool is rated AAA by S&P. TexPool operates in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. As such, TexPool uses amortized cost to report net assets and share prices since that amount approximates fair value.

## AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES

### Property Tax Code and Countywide Appraisal District

Title I, Texas Tax Code, as amended (the “Property Tax Code”), provides for countywide appraisal and equalization of taxable property values and establishes in each county of the State an appraisal district and an appraisal review board responsible for appraising property for all taxable units within the county. The Medina County Appraisal District (the “Appraisal District”) is responsible for appraising property within the County, generally, as of January 1 of each year. Excluding agricultural and open-space land, which may be taxed on the basis of productive capacity, the Appraisal District is required under the Property Tax Code to appraise all property within the Appraisal District on the basis of 100% of its market value and is prohibited from applying any assessment ratios.

### Valuation of Property for Taxation

In determining market value of property, different methods of appraisal may be used, including the cost method of appraisal, the income method of appraisal and the market data comparison method of appraisal, and the method considered most appropriate by the chief appraiser is to be used. Oil and gas reserves are assessed on the basis of pricing information contained in either the standard edition of the Annual Energy Outlook or, if the most recently published edition of the Annual Energy Outlook was published before December 1 of the preceding calendar year, the Short-Term Energy Outlook report published in January of the current calendar year. State law requires the appraised value of a residence homestead to be based solely on the property’s value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether residential use is considered to be the highest and best use of the property. State law further limits the appraised value of a residence homestead for a tax year to an amount not to exceed the lesser of (1) the market value of the property for the most recent tax year that the market value was determined by the appraisal office, or (2) the sum of (a) 10% of the property’s appraised value for the preceding tax year, plus (b) the property’s appraised value for the preceding tax year, plus (c) the market value of all new improvements to the property. The appraisal values set by the Appraisal District are subject to review and change by the Appraisal Review Board (the “Appraisal Review Board”) consisting of five members, which are appointed by the Board of Directors of the Appraisal District. Such appraisal rolls, as approved by the Appraisal Review Board, are used by the County in establishing its tax roll and tax rate. The Appraisal District is required to review the value of property within the Appraisal District at least every three years. The County, by resolution adopted by its governing body, may require the Appraisal District to appraise all property within the County as of a date specified in the resolution. The County must pay the Appraisal District for the cost of making such an appraisal. While such a current estimate of appraised value may serve to indicate the growth of taxable values within the County, it may not be used by the County as the basis for the imposition of property taxes.

The Property Tax Code 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. Article VIII, Section 21 of the Texas Constitution provides that, subject to any exception prescribed by general law, the total amount of property taxes imposed by a political subdivision in any year may not exceed the total amount of property taxes imposed in the preceding year unless a notice of intent to consider an increase in taxes is given and two public hearings on the proposed increase are held before the total taxes are increased. See “AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES – Public Hearing and Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate Limitations”, herein.

### Property Subject to Taxation by the Issuer

Reference is made to the Property Tax Code for identification of property subject to taxation; property exempt or which may be exempted from taxation, if claimed; the appraisal of property for ad valorem taxation purposes; and the procedures and limitations applicable to the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes.

Article VIII of the State Constitution (“Article VIII”) and State law provide for certain exemptions from property taxes, the valuation of agricultural and open-space lands at productivity value, and the exemption of certain personal property from ad valorem taxation.

Article VIII provides that eligible owners of both agricultural land (Section 1-d) and open-space land (Section 1-d-1), including open-space land devoted to farm or ranch purposes or open-space land devoted to timber production, may elect to have such property appraised for property taxation on the basis of its productive capacity. The same land may not be qualified under both Section 1-d and 1-d-1.

Article VIII, Section 1-j of the Texas Constitution provides for an exemption from ad valorem taxation for “freeport property,” which is defined as goods detained in the state for 175 days or less for the purpose of assembly, storage, manufacturing, processing or fabrication. Taxing units that took action prior to April 1, 1990 may continue to tax freeport property and decisions to continue to tax freeport property may be reversed in the future. However, decisions to exempt freeport property are not subject to reversal.

Article VIII, Section 1-l, provides for the exemption from ad valorem taxation of certain property used to control the pollution of air, water, or land. A person is entitled to an exemption from taxation of all or part of real and personal property that the person owns and that is used wholly or partly as a facility, device or method for the control of air, water or land pollution.

Article VIII, Section 1-n of the Texas Constitution provides for an exemption from taxation for "goods-in-transit", which are defined as personal property acquired or imported into the state and transported to another location inside or outside the state within 175 days of the date the property was acquired or imported into the state. The exemption excludes oil, natural gas, petroleum products, aircraft and special inventory, including motor vehicle, vessel and out-board motor, heavy equipment and manufactured housing inventory. After holding a public hearing, a taxing unit may take action by January 1 of the year preceding a tax year to tax goods-in-transit during the following tax year. A taxpayer may obtain only a freeport exemption or a goods-in-transit exemption for items of personal property. Senate Bill 1, passed by the 82nd Texas Legislature, 1st Called Session, requires again that the governmental entities take affirmative action after October 1 of the prior year but before January 1 of the first tax year in which the governing body proposes to tax goods-in-transit in the 2012 tax year and beyond.

### **Residential Homestead Exemptions**

The State of Texas approved a constitutional amendment authorizing counties, cities, towns or junior college districts to establish, on a local option basis, an ad valorem "tax freeze" on residence homesteads of the disabled and persons sixty-five years of age or older. This "tax freeze" can be implemented by official action of a governing body, or pursuant to an election called by the governing body upon receipt of a petition signed by 5% of registered voters of the political subdivision.

If the tax limitation is established, the total amount of ad valorem taxes imposed by the County on a homestead that receives the exemption may not be increased while it remains the residence homestead of that person or that person's spouse who is disabled or sixty-five years of age or older, except to the extent the value of the homestead is increased by improvements other than repairs. If a disabled or elderly person dies in a year in which the person received a residence homestead exemption, the total amount of ad valorem taxes imposed on the homestead by the taxing unit may not be increased while it remains the residence homestead of that person's surviving spouse if the spouse is (1) the deceased spouse died in a year in which the deceased spouse qualified for the exemption, (2) the surviving spouse was at least 55 years of age at the time of the death of the individual's spouse, and (3) the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the deceased spouse died and remains the residence homestead of the surviving spouse. In addition, the Texas Legislature by general law may provide for the transfer of all or a proportionate amount of the tax limitation applicable to a person's homestead to be transferred to the new homestead of such person if the person moves to a different residence within the taxing unit. Once established, the governing body of the taxing unit may not repeal or rescind the tax limitation.

Under Section 1-b, Article VIII of the Texas Constitution, and State law, the governing body of a political subdivision, at its option, may grant:

- (1) An exemption of not less than \$3,000 of the market value of the residence homestead of persons 65 years of age or older and the disabled from all ad valorem taxes thereafter levied by the political subdivision.
- (2) An exemption of up to 20% of the market value of residence homesteads; minimum exemption \$5,000.

After the exemption described in (1) above is authorized, such exemption may be repealed or decreased or increased in amount (a) by the governing body of the political subdivision or (b) by a favorable vote of a majority of the qualified voters at an election called by the governing body of the political subdivision, which election must be called upon receipt of a petition signed by at least 20% of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election of the political subdivision. In the case of a decrease, the amount of the exemption may not be reduced to less than \$3,000 of the market value. An eligible disabled person who is 65 or older may not receive both a disabled and an elderly residence homestead exemption but may choose either.

The surviving spouse of an individual who qualifies for the exemption listed in (1) above for the residence homestead of a person 65 or older (but not the disabled) is entitled to an exemption for the same property in an amount equal to that of the exemption for which the deceased spouse qualified if (i) the deceased spouse died in a year in which the deceased spouse qualified for the exemption, (ii) the surviving spouse was at least 55 years of age at the time of the death of the individual's spouse and (iii) the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the deceased spouse died and remains the residence homestead of the surviving spouse.

In the case of residence homestead exemptions granted under Section 1-b, Article VIII, ad valorem taxes may continue to be levied against the value of homesteads exempted where ad valorem taxes have previously been pledged for the payment of debt if cessation of the levy would impair the obligation of the contract by which the debt was created.

State law and Section 2, Article VIII, mandate an additional property tax exemption for disabled veterans or the surviving spouse or children of a deceased veteran who died while on active duty in the armed forces; the exemption applies to either real or personal property with the amount of assessed valuation exempted ranging from \$5,000 to a maximum of \$12,000.

A disabled veteran who receives from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor 100% disability compensation due to a service-connected disability and a rating of 100% disabled or of individual unemployability is entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of the veteran's residence homestead. Furthermore, the surviving spouse of a deceased veteran who had received a disability rating of 100% is entitled to receive a residential homestead exemption equal to the exemption received by the deceased spouse until such surviving spouse remarries.

A partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran is entitled to an exemption equal to the percentage of the veteran's disability, if the residence was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization at no cost to the disabled veteran, or at some cost to the disabled veteran in the form of a cash payment, a mortgage, or both in an aggregate amount that is not more than 50% of the good faith estimate of the market value of the residence homestead made by the charitable organization as of the date the donation is made. Such exemption is transferable to a different property of the surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse has not remarried, in an amount equal to the exemption received on the prior residence in the last year in which such exemption was received.

Also, the surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces who is killed in action is entitled to a property tax exemption for all or a part of the market value of such surviving spouse's residence homestead, if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the service member's death and said property was the service member's residence homestead at the time of death. Such exemption is transferable to a different property of the surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse has not remarried, in an amount equal to the exemption received on the prior residence in the last year in which such exemption was received.

The surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty is entitled to a property tax exemption for all or part of the market value of such surviving spouse's residence homestead, if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the service member's death and said property was the service member's residence homestead at the time of the death. Such exemption is transferable to a different property of the surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse has not remarried, in an amount equal to the exemption received on the prior residence in the last year in which such exemption was received.

### **Tax Abatement**

The County may designate areas within the County as a reinvestment zone. Thereafter, the Issuer 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 with taxing authority over the property will follow in granting tax abatement to owners of property. The tax abatement agreement may exempt from ad valorem taxation by each of the applicable taxing jurisdictions, including the Issuer, 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. The terms of all tax abatement agreements must be substantially the same.

### **Tax Increment Reinvestment (Financing) Zones**

The County, by action of the Commissioners Court, may create one or more tax increment reinvestment zones ("TIRZs") within the County, and in doing so, other overlapping taxing entities may agree to contribute taxes levied against the "Incremental Value" in the TIRZ to finance or pay for public improvements or projects within the TIRZ. At the time of the creation of the TIRZ, a "base value" for the real property in the TIRZ is established and the difference between any increase in the assessed valuation of taxable real property in the TIRZ in excess of the base value of taxable real property in the TIRZ is known as the "Incremental Value", and during the existence of the TIRZ, all or a portion (as determined by the County) of the taxes levied by the County against the Incremental Value in the TIRZ are restricted to paying project and financing costs within the TIRZ and are not available for the payment of other obligations of the County.

### **Economic Development Programs of Grants and Loans**

The County is also authorized, pursuant to Chapter 381, Texas Local Government Code, as amended ("Chapter 381"), to establish programs to promote state or local economic development and to stimulate business and commercial activity in the County. In accordance with a program established pursuant to Chapter 381, the County may make loans or grants of public funds for economic development purposes, however no obligations secured by ad valorem taxes may be issued for such purposes unless approved by voters of the County.

### **Issuer and Taxpayer Remedies**

Under certain circumstances, taxpayers and taxing units, including the Issuer, may appeal the orders of the Appraisal Review Board by filing a timely petition for review in district court within 45 days after notice is received that a final order has been entered. In such event, the property value in question may be determined by the court, or by a jury, if requested by any party, or through binding arbitration, if requested by the taxpayer. 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 Issuer and provides for taxpayer referenda that could result in the repeal of certain tax increases (see "AD VALOREM TAXATION – Public Hearing and Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate Limitations"). 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.

## The Financial Institutions Act of 1989

The "Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989" ("FIRREA"), enacted on August 9, 1989, contains certain provisions which affect the time for protesting property valuations, the fixing of tax liens and the collection of penalties and interest on delinquent taxes on real property owned by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC").

Under FIRREA, real property held by the FDIC is still subject to ad valorem taxation, but such act states that (i) no real property of the FDIC shall be subject to foreclosure or sale without the consent of the FDIC and no involuntary lien shall attach to such property, (ii) the FDIC shall not be liable for any penalties or fines, including those arising from the failure to pay any real property tax when due, (iii) no personal property owned by FDIC is subject to ad valorem taxation, and (iv) notwithstanding failure of a person to challenge an appraisal in accordance with State law, such value shall be determined as of the period for which such tax is imposed.

As of the date hereof, the Issuer is not aware of any significant properties in the County which are under the control of the FDIC, however, real property could come under their control while acting as the receiver of an insolvent financial institution. Accordingly, to the extent the FIRREA provisions are valid and applicable to property in the County, and to the extent that the FDIC attempts to enforce the same, the provisions may affect the time at which the Issuer can collect taxes on property owned by the FDIC, if any, in the County.

## Levy and Collection of Taxes

The Issuer is responsible for the levy and collection of its taxes unless it elects to transfer such functions to another governmental entity. Property within the County is generally assessed as of January 1 of each year based upon the valuation of property within the County as of the preceding January 1. Business inventory may, at the option of the taxpayer, be assessed as of September 1. Certain taxpayers, including the disabled, persons 65 years or older, disabled veterans, and first responders who qualified for certain tax exemptions are permitted by State law to pay taxes on homesteads in four installments with the first due before February 1 of each year and the final installment due before August 1. The Property Tax Code also makes provision, on a local option basis, for the split payment of taxes, discounts for early payment and the postponement of the delinquency date of taxes under certain circumstances.

## Penalties and Interest

Charges for penalty and interest on the unpaid balance of delinquent taxes are made as follows:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Penalty</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
February	6%	1%	7%
March	7	2	9
April	8	3	11
May	9	4	13
June	10	5	15
July <sup>(a)</sup>	12	6	18

<sup>(a)</sup> After July, the penalty remains at 12% and interest accrues at a rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid. A delinquent tax continues to accrue interest as long as the tax remains unpaid, regardless of whether a judgment for the delinquent tax has been rendered. The purpose of imposing such interest penalty is to compensate the taxing unit for revenue lost because of the delinquency. In addition the taxing unit may contract with an attorney for the collection of delinquent taxes and the amount of compensation as set forth in such contract may not provide for a fee not to exceed 20% of the amount of delinquent tax, penalty, and interest collected. Under certain circumstances, taxes, which become delinquent on the homestead of a taxpayer 65 years old or older incur a penalty of 8% per annum with no additional penalties or interest assessed.

In general, property subject to the County's lien may be sold, in whole or in parcels, pursuant to court order to collect the amounts due. Federal law does not allow for the collection of penalty and interest against an estate in bankruptcy. Federal bankruptcy law provides that an automatic stay of action by creditors and other entities, including governmental units, goes into effect with the filing of any petition in bankruptcy. The automatic stay prevents governmental units from foreclosing on property and prevents liens for post-petition taxes from attaching to property and obtaining secured creditor status unless, in either case, an order lifting the stay is obtained from the bankruptcy court. In many cases post-petition taxes are paid as an administrative expense of the estate in bankruptcy or by order of the bankruptcy court.

## Issuer's Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies

Taxes levied by the Issuer 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 and each local taxing unit, including the Issuer, having power to tax the property. The Issuer's tax lien is on a parity with tax liens of such other taxing units. 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 Issuer 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 Issuer may file suit to foreclose the lien securing payment of the tax, to enforce personal liability for the tax, or both. In filing a suit to foreclose a tax lien on real property, the Issuer 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 (a taxpayer may redeem property within two (2) years 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. Federal bankruptcy law provides that an automatic stay of actions by creditors and other entities, including governmental units, goes into effect with the filing of any petition in bankruptcy. The automatic stay prevents governmental units from foreclosing on property and prevents liens for post-petition taxes from attaching to property and obtaining secured creditor status unless, in either case, an order lifting the stay is obtained from the bankruptcy court. In many cases, post-petition taxes are paid as an administrative expense of the estate in bankruptcy or by order of the bankruptcy court.

#### **COUNTY APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE**

The County's taxes are collected by the Medina County Tax Assessor-Collector.

The County grants an exemption of not less than \$3,000 of the market value of the residence homestead of persons over-65 or disabled.

The County does grant a local optional percentage exemption up to 20% of the market value of residence homesteads; minimum exemption of \$5,000)

The County does not tax nonbusiness personal property.

The County does not permit split payments of taxes or discounts.

The County does grant the freeport exemption under Article VIII, Section 1-j.

The County does tax "goods in transit".

The County has entered into a tax abatement agreement with several entities.

The County participates in two tax increment reinvestment zones. The first, REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWO (2), CITY OF DEVINE, TEXAS, relates to approximately 260 acres of property within the City of Devine, Texas and has a base value for purposes of determining the County's increment of \$8,552,660. The County has agreed to contribute to this zone 70% of ad valorem tax collections on taxable assessed value in excess of this base until the earlier to occur of December 31, 2038 and the County's total contribution to the zone from its tax collections on the incremental value total \$1,705,424.

The second zone, REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWO, MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS, relates to approximately 404 acres of undeveloped property in the northeast portion of the County and has a base value for purposes of determining the County's increment of \$2,257,416. The County has agreed to contribute to this zone 70% of ad valorem tax collections on taxable assessed value in excess of this base until the earlier to occur of December 31, 2038 and the County's total contribution to the zone from its tax collections on the incremental value total \$12,295,461.

On March 28, 2019, the County created Medina County, Texas Reinvestment Zone No. 1 (AP Solar Project) and entered into a tax abatement agreement with AP Solar 1, LLC. Under the terms of this agreement, AP Solar will develop a solar farm, with an expected value of \$100 million on the currently undeveloped property comprising the zone, and in exchange therefor, receive an abatement from the County of taxes levied for maintenance and operations purposes (but not debt service purposes) for a period of 10 years. Thereafter, this property will be subject to taxation by the County for full purposes, but the expected value at such time (because of depreciation) is approximately 20% of the initial build-out value. Over the 10-year abatement period, the County will receive from AP Solar annual payments in lieu of taxes aggregating to at least \$590,000.

The County additionally participates in a tax abatement agreement with Blue Line Corporation ("Blue Line"), entered into as of March 10, 2011. Pursuant to the terms of this agreement, the County has agreed to abate ad valorem taxation on the certified appraisal value of any increase in assessed valuation from the base value (\$1,738,560) resulting from improvements on eligible property. The rate and term of tax abatement granted to Blue Line by the County is contingent on the new value of eligible improvements made by Blue

Line and the number of new jobs created, with the highest rate and term of abatement (up to 90% of property tax abatement for a term of 10 years, beginning January 1, 2012) awarded if Blue Line should create over \$10,000,000 of assessed value and create or retain 50 or more full-time employees with an average salary of at least \$30,000.

### TAX RATE LIMITATIONS

#### Limited Tax Obligations

The Texas Constitution (Article VIII, Section 9) imposes a tax rate limit of \$0.80 per \$100 assessed valuation of all taxable property within the County (the “\$0.80 Tax Limitation”) for all purposes which are for general funds, permanent improvement funds, road and bridge funds and jury funds, including debt service of bonds or other debt obligations issued against such funds.

Administratively, the Attorney General of Texas will not approve the issuance of limited tax obligations in an amount which produces debt service requirements exceeding that which can be paid from \$0.40 per \$100 valuation, as calculated at the time of issuance and based on a 90% collection rate, of the \$0.80 Tax Limitation. **The Certificates are limited tax obligations.**

Section 1301.003, as amended, Texas Government Code, limits the amount of limited tax obligations of counties issued for certain purposes as follows:

Courthouse	2% of Assessed Valuation
Jail	1 1/2% of Assessed Valuation
Courthouse and Jail	3 1/2% of Assessed Valuation
Road and Bridge	1 1/2% of Assessed Valuation

#### Unlimited Tax Bonds

The Texas Constitution (Article III, Section 52) authorizes the levy of a tax unlimited as to rate or amount for the payment of debt issued for various stated purposes; however, total unlimited tax debt cannot exceed 25% of the assessed valuation of real property.

#### Road Maintenance

Under Section 256.052, as amended, Texas Transportation Code, a county or a defined district within a County may adopt an additional ad valorem tax not to exceed \$0.15 on the \$100 assessed valuation of property provided by Article VIII, Section 9 of the Texas Constitution, for the further maintenance of county roads. This additional tax may be established by the Commissioners Court only upon approval by a majority of participating voters in an election held to approve such additional tax. The additional tax may not be used for debt service. Pursuant to this statutory authority and an election held within Medina County Precinct 2 (a defined district within the County) on November 3, 2015, a special road tax of not to exceed \$0.05 per \$100 assessed valuation is levied upon all taxable property within Medina County Precinct 2.

#### Road Bonds

Texas Constitution (Article III, Section 52) imposes an unlimited tax rate to pay debt service on voted County road bonds.

#### Farm-to Market and/or Flood Control

Under Section 256.054, as amended, Texas Transportation Code, a county may adopt an additional ad valorem tax not to exceed \$0.30 on the \$100 assessed valuation, after exemption of homesteads up to \$3,000, provided by Article VIII, Section 9 of the Texas Constitution, for the construction and maintenance of farm-to-market and lateral roads or for flood control. This additional tax may be established by the Commissioners Court only upon approval by a majority of participating voters in an election held to approve such additional tax. No allocation is prescribed by statute between debt service and maintenance. Therefore, all or part may be used for either purpose. The voters of the County have not approved the adoption of the additional county farm-to-market and flood control tax.

#### Public Hearing and Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate Limitations

The following terms as used in this section have the meanings provided below:

“adjusted” means lost values are not included in the calculation of the prior year’s taxes and new values are not included in the current year’s taxable values.



“de minimis rate” means the maintenance and operations tax rate that will produce the prior year’s total maintenance and operations tax levy (adjusted) from the current year’s values (adjusted), plus the rate that produces an additional \$500,000 in tax revenue when applied to the current year’s taxable value, plus the debt service tax rate.

“effective tax rate” means the rate that will produce the prior year’s total tax levy (adjusted) from the current year’s total taxable values (adjusted).

“no-new-revenue tax rate” means the combined maintenance and operations tax rate and debt service tax rate that will produce the prior year’s total tax levy (adjusted) from the current year’s total taxable values (adjusted). Certain counties for which certain expenditures for indigent legal defense or certain hospital expenditures exceed the amount for such expenditures for the preceding tax year, may increase their no-new-revenue tax rate proportionately with such expenditures in the manner provided by the Property Tax Code.

“rollback tax rate” means the rate that will produce the prior year’s total levy (adjusted) from the current year’s values (adjusted) multiplied by 1.08, plus a rate that will produce current year’s debt service from the current year’s values (unadjusted), divided by the anticipated tax collection rate.

“special taxing unit” means a county for which the maintenance and operations tax rate proposed for the current tax year is 2.5 cents or less per \$100 of taxable value.

“unused increment rate” means the cumulative difference between a county’s voter-approval tax rate and its actual tax rate for each of the tax years 2020 through 2022, which may be applied to a county’s tax rate in tax years 2021 through 2023 without impacting the voter-approval tax rate.

“voter-approval tax rate” means the maintenance and operations tax rate that will produce the prior year’s maintenance and operations tax levy (adjusted) from the current year’s values (adjusted) multiplied by 1.035, plus the debt service tax rate, plus the unused increment rate.

The County’s tax rate consists of two components: (1) rates for funding of maintenance and operations expenditures in the current year, which may additionally include the Road and Bridge Maintenance Tax and the Farm-to-Market Road and Flood Control Tax, if levied (collectively, the “maintenance and operations tax rate”), and (2) a rate for funding debt service in the current year (the “debt service tax rate”). Under State law, the assessor for the County must submit an appraisal roll showing the total appraised, assessed, and taxable values of all property in the County to the Commissioners Court by August 1 or as soon as practicable thereafter.

For the 2019 tax year, the procedures in this paragraph apply. After the assessor submits the appraisal roll to the County, a designated officer or employee of the County is required to calculate its rollback tax rate and effective tax rate. The Commissioners Court must adopt a tax rate before the later of September 30 or the 60th day after the date the certified appraisal roll is received by the County. The Commissioners Court may not adopt a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the rollback tax rate or 100% of the effective tax rate until it has held two public hearings on the proposed increase following notice to the taxpayers and otherwise complied with the Property Tax Code. The Property Tax Code provides that if the adopted tax rate exceeds the rollback tax rate, qualified voters of the County, by petition, may require that an election be held to determine whether or not to reduce the tax rate adopted for the current year to the rollback tax rate.

Effective January 1, 2020, the terms rollback tax rate and effective tax rate will be replaced, respectively, with the terms voter-approval tax rate and no-new-revenue tax rate. Beginning with the 2020 tax year, the procedures in this paragraph and the following paragraphs apply. The County must annually calculate and prominently post on its internet website, and submit to the County tax assessor-collector its voter-approval tax rate and no-new-revenue tax rate in accordance with forms prescribed by the State Comptroller. The Commissioners Court must adopt a tax rate before the later of September 30 or the 60th day after the date the certified appraisal roll is received by the County, except that a tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate must be adopted not later than the 71st day before the next occurring November uniform election date. If the County fails to timely adopt a tax rate, the tax rate is statutorily set as the lower of the no-new-revenue tax rate for the current tax year or the tax rate adopted by the County for the preceding tax year.

As described below, the Property Tax Code provides that if a county adopts a tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate or, in certain cases, the de minimis rate, an election must be held to determine whether or not to reduce the adopted tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate.

A county may not adopt a tax rate that exceeds the lower of the voter-approval tax rate or the no-new-revenue tax rate until the county appraisal district has delivered notice to each taxpayer of the estimated total amount of property taxes owed and the county has held a public hearing on the proposed tax increase.

If a county’s adopted tax rate for any tax year exceeds the greater of (i) the voter-approval tax rate or (ii) the de minimis rate, the county must conduct an election on the next occurring November uniform election date to determine whether or not to reduce the adopted tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate. However, for any tax year during which a county does not qualify as a special taxing

unit, if a county's adopted tax rate is equal to or less than the de minimis rate but greater than both (a) the no-new-revenue tax rate, multiplied by 1.08, plus the debt service tax rate or (b) the county's voter-approval tax rate, then a valid petition signed by at least three percent of the registered voters in the county would require that an election be held to determine whether or not to reduce the adopted tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate.

Any county located at least partly within an area declared a disaster area by the Governor of the State or the President of the United States during the current year may calculate its voter-approval tax rate using a 1.08 multiplier, instead of 1.035, until the earlier of (i) the second tax year in which such county's total taxable appraised value exceeds the taxable appraised value on January 1 of the year the disaster occurred, or (ii) the third tax year after the tax year in which the disaster occurred.

State law provides cities and counties in the State the option of assessing a maximum one-half percent (1/2%) sales and use tax on retail sales of taxable items for the purpose of reducing its ad valorem taxes, if approved by a majority of the voters in a local option election. If the additional sales and use tax for ad valorem tax reduction is approved and levied, the no-new-revenue tax rate and voter-approval tax rate must be reduced by the amount of the estimated sales tax revenues to be generated in the current tax year. The County does assess/collect the additional one-half cent sales tax for reduction of ad valorem taxes.

The calculations of the no-new-revenue tax rate and voter-approval tax rate do not limit or impact the County's ability to set a debt service tax rate in each year sufficient to pay debt service on all of the County's tax-supported debt obligations, including the Certificates.

Reference is made to the Property Tax Code for definitive requirements for the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes and the calculation of the various defined tax rates.

## **TAX MATTERS**

### **Tax Exemption**

The delivery of the Certificates is subject to the opinion of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Bond Counsel, to the effect that interest on the Certificates for federal income tax purposes (1) is excludable from the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date hereof (the "Code"), of the owners thereof pursuant to section 103 of the Code and existing regulations, published rulings, and court decisions, and (2) will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of the owners thereof. The statute, regulations, rulings, and court decisions on which such opinion is based are subject to change. A form of Bond Counsel's opinion is reproduced as Appendix C.

In rendering the foregoing opinions, Bond Counsel will rely upon representations and certifications of the County made in a certificate of even date with the initial delivery of the Certificates pertaining to the use, expenditure, and investment of the proceeds of the Certificates and will assume continuing compliance with the provisions of the Order by the County subsequent to the issuance of the Certificates. The Resolution contains covenants by the County with respect to, among other matters, the use of the proceeds of the Certificates and the facilities financed or refinanced therewith by persons other than state or local governmental units, the manner in which the proceeds of the Certificates are to be invested, if required, the calculation and payment to the United States Treasury of any arbitrage "profits" and the reporting of certain information to the United States Treasury. Failure to comply with any of these covenants may cause interest on the Certificates to be includable in the gross income of the owners thereof from the date of the issuance of the Certificates.

Except as described above, Bond Counsel will express no other opinion with respect to any other federal, state or local tax consequences under present law, or proposed legislation, resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or the acquisition or disposition of, the Certificates. Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a result, but represents its legal judgment based upon its review of existing statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions and the representations and covenants of the County described above. No ruling has been sought from the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") with respect to the matters addressed in the opinion of Bond Counsel, and Bond Counsel's opinion is not binding on the IRS. The IRS has an ongoing program of auditing the tax-exempt status of the interest on municipal obligations. If an audit of the Certificates is commenced, under current procedures the IRS is likely to treat the County as the "taxpayer," and the owners of the Certificates would have no right to participate in the audit process. In responding to or defending an audit of the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Certificates, the County may have different or conflicting interests from the owners of the Certificates. Public awareness of any future audit of the Certificates could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Certificates during the pendency of the audit, regardless of its ultimate outcome.

### **Tax Changes**

Existing law may change to reduce or eliminate the benefit to Certificate holders of the exclusion of interest on the Certificates from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any proposed legislation or administrative action, whether or not taken, could also affect the value and marketability of the Certificates. Prospective purchasers of the Certificates should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to any proposed or future changes in tax law.

## **Ancillary Tax Consequences**

Prospective purchasers of the Certificates should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations such as the Certificates may result in collateral federal tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, life insurance companies, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, S corporations with subchapter C earnings and profits, owners of an interest in a financial asset securitization investment trust ("FASIT"), individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations. Prospective purchasers should consult their own tax advisors as to the applicability of these consequences to their particular circumstances.

## **Tax Accounting Treatment of Discount Certificates**

The initial public offering price to be paid for certain Certificates may be less than the amount payable on such Certificates at maturity (the "Discount Certificates"). An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of a Discount Certificate (assuming that a substantial amount of the Discount Certificates of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and the amount payable at maturity constitutes original issue discount to the initial purchaser of such Discount Certificates. A portion of such original issue discount, allocable to the holding period of a Discount Certificate by the initial purchaser, will be treated as interest for federal income tax purposes, excludable from gross income on the same terms and conditions as those for other interest on the Certificates. Such interest is considered to be accrued actuarially in accordance with the constant interest method over the life of a Discount Certificate, taking into account the semiannual compounding of accrued interest, at the yield to maturity on such Discount Certificate and generally will be allocated to an initial purchaser in a different amount from the amount of the payment denominated as interest actually received by the initial purchaser during his taxable year.

However, such interest may be required to be taken into account in determining the amount of the branch profits tax applicable to certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment. In addition, the accrual of such interest may result in certain other collateral federal income tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, life insurance companies, property and casualty insurance companies, S corporations with "subchapter C" earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit, owners of an interest in a FASIT, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations. Moreover, in the event of the redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of a Discount Certificate by the initial owner prior to maturity, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Discount Certificate in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the original issue discount allocable to the period for which such Discount Certificate was held) is includable in gross income.

Owners of Discount Certificates should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal income tax purposes of accrued interest upon disposition of Discount Certificates and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning Discount Certificates. It is possible that, under applicable provisions governing determination of state and local income taxes, accrued interest on the Discount Certificates may be deemed to be received in the year of accrual even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment.

## **Tax Accounting Treatment of Premium Certificates**

The initial public offering price to be paid for certain Certificates may be greater than the stated redemption price on such Certificates at maturity (the "Premium Certificates"). An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of a Premium Certificate (assuming that a substantial amount of the Premium Certificates of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and its stated redemption price at maturity constitutes premium to the initial purchaser of such Premium Certificates. The basis for federal income tax purposes of a Premium Certificate in the hands of such initial purchaser must be reduced each year by the amortizable Certificate premium, although no federal income tax deduction is allowed as a result of such reduction in basis for amortizable Certificate premium with respect to the Premium Certificates. Such reduction in basis will increase the amount of any gain (or decrease the amount of any loss) to be recognized for federal income tax purposes upon a sale or other taxable disposition of a Premium Certificate. The amount of premium which is amortizable each year by an initial purchaser is determined by using such purchaser's yield to maturity.

Purchasers of the Premium Certificates should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of amortizable Certificate premium on Premium Certificates for federal income tax purposes and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Premium Certificates.

## **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION**

In the Order, the County has made the following agreement for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Certificates. The County is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Certificates. Under

the agreement, the County 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"). This information will be available to the public free of charge from the MSRB via the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system at [www.emma.msrb.org](http://www.emma.msrb.org), as further described below under "Availability of Information".

### **Annual Reports**

The County will provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB annually. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the Issuer of the general type included in this Official Statement and described in this paragraph. The information to be updated includes the information under "INVESTMENT AUTHORITY AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES OF THE ISSUER - Current Investments" herein and in Tables 1 - 9 of Appendix A. The Issuer will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year ending in and after 2019. The Issuer will additionally provide audited financial statements within six months after the end of each fiscal year ending in or after 2019. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within six months after any such fiscal year end, then the Issuer will file unaudited financial statements by the required time and audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year, when and if the audit report on such statements becomes available. Any such financial statements will be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Appendix D or such other accounting principles as the Issuer may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to State law or regulation.

The Issuer's current fiscal year end is September 30. Accordingly, the Issuer must provide updated information included in the above-referenced tables and audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year (or unaudited financial statements if the audited financial statements are not yet available) must be provided by the last day of March in each year, unless the Issuer changes its fiscal year. If the Issuer changes its fiscal year, it will file notice of the change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) with the MSRB prior to the next date by which the Issuer otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data as set forth above.

All financial information, operating data, financial statements and notices required to be provided to the MSRB shall be provided in an electronic format and be accompanied by identifying information prescribed by the MSRB. Financial information and operating data to be provided as set forth above may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document (including an official statement or other offering document) available to the public on the MSRB's Internet Web site or filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as permitted by SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule")

### **Notice of Certain Events**

The County will also provide timely notices of certain events to the MSRB. The County will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Certificates to the MSRB in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten Business Days after the occurrence of the event): (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 Certificates, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Certificates; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Certificates, if material; (8) Certificate calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Certificates, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the County, which shall occur as described below; (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the County or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into of a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material. (15) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the County (as defined by the Rule, which includes certain debt, debt-like, and debt-related obligations), if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of any such Financial Obligation of the County, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of any such Financial Obligation of the County, any of which reflect financial difficulties. Neither the Certificates nor the Order make any provisions for debt service reserves, liquidity enhancement, or credit enhancement. In the Order, the County adopted policies and procedures to ensure timely compliance of its continuing disclosure undertakings. In addition, the County will provide timely notice of any failure by the County to provide annual financial information in accordance with their agreement described above under "Annual Reports".

For these purposes, (a) any event described in clause (12) of the immediately preceding paragraph is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the County in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the County, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the County, and (b) the County intends the words used in the immediately preceding clauses (15) and (16) and in the definition of Financial Obligation above to have the meanings ascribed to

them in SEC Release No. 34-83885 dated August 20, 2018. As used above, the term “Business Day” means a day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, a legal holiday, or a day on which banking institutions in the city where the designated office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located (currently, its Austin, Texas office) are authorized by law or executive order to close.

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

The County has agreed to provide the foregoing information only as described above. Investors will be able to access continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB free of charge at [www.emma.msrb.org](http://www.emma.msrb.org).

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

The Issuer has agreed to update information and to provide notices of specified events only as described above. The Issuer 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 Issuer makes no representation or warranty concerning such information or concerning its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Certificates at any future date. The Issuer disclaims any contractual or tort liability for damages resulting in whole or in part from any breach of its agreement or from any statement made pursuant to its agreement, although holders or beneficial owners of Certificates may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the Issuer to comply with its agreement.

The Issuer may amend its agreement to adapt to 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 Issuer, if the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Certificates in the offering described herein 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 Certificates consent or any person unaffiliated with the Issuer (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the beneficial owners of the Certificates. The Issuer may also repeal or amend its agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or any court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but in either case only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates giving effect to (a) such provisions as so amended and (b) any amendments or interpretations of the Rule. If the Issuer amends its agreement, it must include with the next financial information and operating data 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 information and data provided.

#### **Compliance with Prior Agreements**

The County has not previously had a continuing disclosure obligation under the Rule.

### **OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION**

#### **Registration and Qualification of Certificates for Sale**

The sale of the Certificates has not been registered under the Federal Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemption provided thereunder by Section 3(a)(2); and the Certificates have not been qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Certificates been qualified under the securities acts of any jurisdiction. The Issuer assumes no responsibility for qualification of the Certificates under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Certificates may be sold, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for qualification for sale or other disposition of the Certificates shall not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration provisions.

It is the obligation of the Purchaser to register or qualify the sale of the Certificates under the securities laws of any jurisdiction which so requires. The County agrees to cooperate, at the Purchaser’s written request and sole expense, in registering or qualifying the Certificates or in obtaining an exemption from registration or qualification in any state where such action is necessary; provided, however, that the County shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or to execute a general consent to service of process in any jurisdiction.

#### **Litigation**

In the opinion of County officials, the County is not a party to any litigation or other proceeding pending or to its knowledge threatened, in any court, agency or other administrative body (either state or federal) which, if decided adversely to the County would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the County.

At the time of the initial delivery of the Certificates, the County will provide the Purchaser with a certificate to the effect that no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending challenging the issuance of the Certificates or that affects the payment and security of the Certificates or in any other manner questioning the issuance, sale, or delivery of the Certificates.

## **Future Debt Issuance**

The County does not anticipate the issuance of additional debt within the next twelve months.

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

Section 1201.041 of the Public Security Procedures Act (Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code) provides that the Certificates are negotiable instruments governed by Chapter 8, Texas Business and Commerce Code, and are real and authorized investments for insurance companies, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for the sinking funds of municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State. With respect to investment in the Certificates by municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State, the PPIA requires that the Certificates be assigned a rating of not less than "A" or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency. See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Rating" herein. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Certificates are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with capital of one million dollars or more, and savings and loan associations. The Certificates are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, its agencies, and its political subdivision, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their fair market value. No review by the County has been made of the laws in other states to determine whether the Certificates are legal investments for various institutions in those states.

No representation is made that the Certificates will be acceptable to public entities to secure their deposits or acceptable to such institutions for investment purposes. The County has made no investigation of other laws, rules, regulations or investment criteria which might apply to any such persons or entities or which might otherwise limit the suitability of the Certificates for any of the foregoing purposes or limit the authority of such persons or entities to purchase or invest in the Certificates for such purposes.

## **Legal Opinions and No-Litigation Certificate**

The Issuer will furnish the Purchaser with a complete transcript of proceedings incident to the authorization and issuance of the Certificates, including the unqualified approving legal opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas to the effect that the Certificates are valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer, and based upon examination of such transcript of proceedings, the approval of certain legal matters by Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Bond Counsel, to the effect that the Certificates are valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer and, subject to the qualifications set forth herein under "TAX MATTERS", the interest on the Certificates is excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes under existing statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions existing on the date thereof. The customary closing papers, including a certificate to the effect that no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending to restrain the issuance and delivery of the Certificates, or which would affect the provision made for their payment or security, or in any manner questioning the validity of the Certificates will also be furnished. Bond Counsel was not requested to participate, and did not take part, in the preparation of the Official Notice of Sale, the Official Bid Form and the Official Statement, and such firm has not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto or undertaken independently to verify any of the information contained therein, except that, in its capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the information under the captions "THE CERTIFICATES" (except for the information contained in the subcaptions "Sources and Uses", "Payment Record", and "Default and Remedies", as to which no opinion is expressed), "TAX MATTERS", "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" (except under the subheading "Compliance with Prior Undertakings", as to which no opinion is expressed), "OTHER INFORMATION—Registration and Qualification of Certificates For Sale", "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION—Legal Investments and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas", and "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION—Legal Opinions and No-Litigation Certificate" in the Official Statement and such firm is of the opinion that the information relating to the Certificates and the Order contained under such captions is a fair and accurate summary of the information purported to be shown and that the information and descriptions contained under such captions relating to the provisions of applicable state and federal laws are correct as to matters of law. Such firm has not, however, independently verified any of the factual or statistical information contained in this Official Statement nor has it conducted an investigation of the affairs of the Issuer for the purpose of passing upon the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. No person is entitled to rely upon such firm'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 of the information contained herein. The legal fees to be paid Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Certificates are contingent on the sale and delivery of the Certificates. Though it represents the Financial Advisor and certain entities that may bid on the Certificates from time to time in matters unrelated to the issuance of the Certificates, Bond Counsel has been engaged by and only represents the County in connection with the issuance of the Certificates.

The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Certificates express the professional judgment of the attorneys rendering the opinions as to the legal issues explicitly addressed therein. In rendering a legal opinion the attorney does not become an insurer or guarantor of the expression of professional judgment, of the transaction opined upon, or of the future performance of the parties to the transaction. Nor does the rendering of an opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise from the transaction.

## **Rating**

S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") has assigned an enhanced municipal bond rating of "AA" to the Certificates with the understanding that concurrently with the delivery of the Certificates a municipal bond insurance policy will be issued by Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM"). (See "BOND INSURANCE" herein.) The County received an S&P unenhanced underlying rating of "AA-" on the Certificates.

An explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from the rating agency. An explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from the rating agency. A rating by a rating agency reflects only the view of such company at the time the rating is given, and the Issuer makes no representations as to the appropriateness of the rating. There is no assurance that such a rating will continue for any given period of time, or that it will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency if, in the judgment of such rating agency, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of the rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Certificates.

#### **Financial Advisor**

SAMCO Capital Markets, Inc. is employed as the Financial Advisor to the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Certificates. In this capacity, the Financial Advisor has compiled certain data relating to the Certificates and has assisted in drafting this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has not independently verified any of the data contained herein or conducted a detailed investigation of the affairs of the Issuer to determine the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. Because of its limited participation, the Financial Advisor assumes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of any of the information contained herein. The fees for the Financial Advisor are contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of the Certificates.

#### **Winning Bidder**

After requesting competitive bids for the Certificates, the County accepted the bid of Raymond James & Associates (the "Purchaser") to purchase the Certificates at the interest rates shown on the page ii of this Official Statement at a price of par, plus an original reoffering premium of \$1,639,044.70, less a Purchaser's discount (Including Bond Insurance Premium) of \$244,096.72, plus accrued interest on the Certificates from their Dated Date to their date of initial delivery. The County can give no assurance that any trading market will be developed for the County after their sale by the County to the Purchaser. The County has no control over the price at which the Certificates are subsequently sold and the initial yield at which the Certificates will be priced and reoffered will be established by and will be the responsibility of the Purchaser.

#### **Certification of the Official Statement**

At the time of payment for and delivery of the Certificates, the Purchaser will be furnished a certificate executed by a proper official of the County acting in his or her official capacity, to the effect that: (a) the descriptions and statements of or pertaining to the County contained in its Official Statement relating to the Certificates, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, on the date of such Official Statement, on the date of the sale of said Certificates, and the acceptance of the best bids therefor, and on the date of the delivery, were and are true and correct in all material respects; (b) insofar as the County and its affairs, including its financial affairs, are concerned, such Official Statement did not and does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statement therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; (c) to the best of his or her knowledge, insofar as the descriptions and statements, including financial data, of or pertaining to entities, other than the County and its activities, contained in such Official Statement are concerned, such statements and data have been obtained from sources which the County believes to be reliable and the County has no reason to believe that they are untrue in any material respect; and (d) there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the County since September 30, 2018, the date of the last audited financial statements of the Issuer, portions of which appear in the Official Statement.

The Official Statement will be approved as to form and content and the use thereof in the offering of the Certificates will be authorized, ratified and approved by the Commissioners Court on the date of sale, and the Purchaser will be furnished, upon request, at the time of payment for and the delivery of the Certificates, a certified copy of such approval, duly executed by the proper officials of the Issuer.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements Disclaimer**

The statements contained in this Official Statement, and in any other information provided by the County, that are not purely historical, are forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the County's expectations, hopes, intentions, or strategies regarding the future. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement are based on information available to the County on the date hereof, and the County assumes no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. The County's actual results could differ materially from those discussed in such forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements included herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal, and regulatory circumstances and conditions and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners and competitors, and legislative, judicial, and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond the control of the County. Any of such assumptions could be inaccurate and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement will prove to be accurate.

**Information from External Sources**

References to web site addresses presented herein are for informational purposes only and may be in the form of a hyperlink solely for the reader’s convenience. Unless specified otherwise, such web sites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not part of, this Official Statement for purposes of, and as that term is defined in, SEC Rule 15c2-12.

**Concluding Statement**

The financial data and other information contained in this Official Statement have been obtained from the County’s records, audited financial statements and other sources which are believed to be reliable. There is no guarantee that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will be realized. All of the summaries of the statutes and documents (including the Order) contained in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such statutes and documents (including the Order). These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions and reference is made to such documents for further information. Reference is made to original documents in all respects.

This Official Statement, in the Order, was approved by the Commissioners Court of the Issuer for distribution in accordance with the provisions of the Rule.

MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS

/s/ Judge Chris Schuchart

County Judge

Medina County, Texas



**APPENDIX A**  
**FINANCIAL INFORMATION RELATING TO**  
**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF THE ISSUER**

**ASSESSED VALUATION**

2018 Actual Certified Market Value of Taxable Property (100% of Market Value).....	\$ 6,391,676,612
Less Exemptions:	
Optional Over-65 or Disabled Homestead.....	\$ 59,742,901
Disabled/Deceased Veterans'.....	114,983,466
Pollution Control .....	6,842,290
Open-Space Land and Timberland.....	2,852,676,222
10% Per Year Cap on Residential Homesteads.....	<u>60,774,292</u>
<b>TOTAL EXEMPTIONS .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,095,019,171</b>
2018 Certified Assessed Value of Taxable Property.....	<u>\$ 3,296,657,441</u>
2019 Preliminary Assessed Value of Taxable Property.....	<u>\$ 3,507,573,363</u>

Source: Medina County Appraisal District.

**GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDED DEBT**

(as of June 1, 2019)

**General Obligation Debt Principal Outstanding**

Tax Notes, Series 2015	\$ 1,095,000
Tax Notes, Series 2016	725,000
Tax Notes, Series 2018	1,585,000
The Certificates	<u>22,815,000</u>
<b>Total Gross General Obligation Debt</b>	<b>\$ 26,220,000</b>
2018 Net Assessed Valuation	\$ 3,296,657,441
Ratio of Gross General Obligation Debt Principal to Certified Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	0.80%

Population: 2000 - 39,304; 2010 - 46,006; est. 2019 - 50,066  
 Per Capita Certified Net Taxable Assessed Valuation - \$65,846.23  
 Per Capita Gross General Obligation Debt Principal - \$523.71

**DEBT OBLIGATIONS - CAPITAL LEASE AND NOTES PAYABLE**

**TABLE 1**

**Operating Leases:**

The government has acquired certain fixed assets for governmental activities through the use of lease purchase agreements. These lease purchase agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The assets acquired through capital leases are as follows:

Governmental activities

Assets:

Motorola Communications Upgrade	\$ 1,729,664
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(518,898)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,210,766</b>

FYE (9/30)	Amount
2019	\$ 432,182
2020	432,182
<u>2021</u>	<u>196,340</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,060,704</b>
Less: Amount representing interest	(53,086)
Present Value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 1,007,618</u>

Source: The County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ended September 30, 2018.

**GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

Fiscal Year Ending (9/30)	Current Total Outstanding Debt	The Certificates			Total Net Debt Service
		Principal	Interest	Total	
2019	\$ 982,770				\$ 982,770
2020	804,393	\$ 100,000	\$ 766,150	\$ 866,150	1,670,542.50
2021	811,519	235,000	761,125	996,125	1,807,643.75
2022	807,661	300,000	753,100	1,053,100	1,860,761.25
2023	436,019	750,000	737,350	1,487,350	1,923,368.75
2024	436,905	800,000	714,100	1,514,100	1,951,005.00
2025	283,640	1,050,000	681,100	1,731,100	2,014,740.00
2026	-	1,095,000	638,200	1,733,200	1,733,200.00
2027	-	1,140,000	593,500	1,733,500	1,733,500.00
2028	-	1,185,000	547,000	1,732,000	1,732,000.00
2029	-	1,230,000	498,700	1,728,700	1,728,700.00
2030	-	1,285,000	448,400	1,733,400	1,733,400.00
2031	-	1,335,000	396,000	1,731,000	1,731,000.00
2032	-	1,380,000	348,600	1,728,600	1,728,600.00
2033	-	1,425,000	306,525	1,731,525	1,731,525.00
2034	-	1,470,000	263,100	1,733,100	1,733,100.00
2035	-	1,510,000	218,400	1,728,400	1,728,400.00
2036	-	1,560,000	172,350	1,732,350	1,732,350.00
2037	-	1,605,000	124,875	1,729,875	1,729,875.00
2038	-	1,655,000	75,975	1,730,975	1,730,975.00
2039	-	1,705,000	25,575	1,730,575	1,730,575.00
Total	<u>\$ 4,562,907</u>	<u>\$ 22,815,000</u>	<u>\$ 9,070,125</u>	<u>\$ 31,885,125</u>	<u>\$ 36,448,032</u>

**GENERAL OBLIGATION PRINCIPAL REPAYMENT SCHEDULE**

(As of June 1, 2019)

Fiscal Year Ending 9/30	Principal Repayment Schedule			Percent of Principal Retired (%)
	Currently Outstanding	The Certificates	Total	
2019	\$ -		\$ -	0.00%
2020	745,000	\$ 100,000	845,000	3.22%
2021	765,000	235,000	1,000,000	7.04%
2022	775,000	300,000	1,075,000	11.14%
2023	415,000	750,000	1,165,000	15.58%
2024	425,000	800,000	1,225,000	20.25%
2025	280,000	1,050,000	1,330,000	25.32%
2026	-	1,095,000	1,095,000	29.50%
2027	-	1,140,000	1,140,000	33.85%
2028	-	1,185,000	1,185,000	38.37%
2029	-	1,230,000	1,230,000	43.06%
2030	-	1,285,000	1,285,000	47.96%
2031	-	1,335,000	1,335,000	53.05%
2032	-	1,380,000	1,380,000	58.31%
2033	-	1,425,000	1,425,000	63.75%
2034	-	1,470,000	1,470,000	69.36%
2035	-	1,510,000	1,510,000	75.11%
2036	-	1,560,000	1,560,000	81.06%
2037	-	1,605,000	1,605,000	87.19%
2038	-	1,655,000	1,655,000	93.50%
2039	-	1,705,000	1,705,000	100.00%
Total	<u>\$ 3,405,000</u>	<u>\$ 22,815,000</u>	<u>\$ 26,220,000</u>	

**INTEREST AND SINKING FUND MANAGEMENT INDEX**

Interest and Sinking Fund Balance, Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2018	\$ (289,442)
2018 Anticipated Interest and Sinking Fund Tax Levy at 99% Collections Produce <sup>(1)</sup>	985,635
Total Available for General Obligation Debt	<u>\$ 696,193</u>
Less: General Obligation Debt Service Requirements, Fiscal Year Ending 9/30/19	982,770
Estimated Surplus at Fiscal Year Ending 12/31/2018 <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>\$ (286,578)</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Does not include delinquent tax collections, penalties and interest on delinquent tax collections or investment earnings.

**TAX ADEQUACY**

2018 Certified Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$ 3,296,657,441
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements (Fiscal Year Ending 9-30-2025)	2,014,740
Anticipated required I&S Fund Tax Rate at 98% Collections to produce Maximum Debt Service requirements	\$ 0.06236

\*Includes the Certificates.

Note: Above computations are exclusive of investment earnings, delinquent tax collections and penalties and interest on delinquent tax penalties and interest on delinquent tax collections, or investment earnings.

**TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION FOR TAX YEARS 2009-2018**

**TABLE 2**

Year	Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	Change From Preceding Year	
		Amount (\$)	Percent
2008-09	\$ 1,994,393,957		
2009-10	2,058,201,437	63,807,480	3.20%
2010-11	2,148,165,154	89,963,717	4.37%
2011-12	2,244,466,757	96,301,603	4.48%
2012-13	2,326,291,460	81,824,703	3.65%
2013-14	2,486,242,898	159,951,438	6.88%
2014-15	2,613,047,650	126,804,752	5.10%
2015-16	2,764,940,918	151,893,268	5.81%
2016-17	3,080,412,913	315,471,995	11.41%
2017-18	3,296,657,441	216,244,528	7.02%

Source: Medina County Appraisal District.

**TAX DATA**

**TABLE 3**

Taxes are due October 1 and become delinquent after January 31. Discounts are allowed: 3% October, 2% November, and 1% if paid in December. Current collections are those taxes collected through August 31, applicable to the current year's tax levy. Penalties and Interest: (a) a delinquent tax incurs a penalty of six percent of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent plus one percent 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. However, a tax delinquent on July 1 incurs a total penalty of twelve percent of the amount of the delinquent tax without regard to the number of months the tax has been delinquent; (b) a delinquent tax accrues interest at rate of one percent for each month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid; and an additional penalty up to a maximum of 20% of taxes, penalty and interest may be imposed to defray costs of collection for taxes delinquent after July 1. All percentage collections set forth below exclude penalties and interest.

Tax Year	Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Tax Levy	% of Collections		Year Ended
				Current	Total	
2008	\$ 1,914,349,928	\$ 0.4725	\$ 9,045,303	96.51	200.17	9/30/2009
2009	1,994,393,957	0.4500	8,974,773	96.39	99.14	9/30/2010
2010	2,058,201,437	0.4503	9,268,081	96.83	100.34	9/30/2011
2011	2,148,165,154	0.4481	9,625,928	97.25	100.39	9/30/2012
2012	2,244,466,757	0.4390	9,853,209	97.17	99.69	9/30/2013
2013	2,326,291,460	0.4350	10,119,368	97.46	100.38	9/30/2014
2014	2,486,242,898	0.5565	13,835,942	97.49	102.81	9/30/2015
2015	2,613,047,650	0.4599	12,017,406	97.62	99.96	9/30/2016
2016	2,764,940,918	0.4606	12,735,318	97.44	99.30	9/30/2017
2017	3,080,412,913	0.4637	14,283,875	97.30	99.73	9/30/2018
2018	3,296,657,441	0.4606	15,184,404	93.99	95.39	as of 5/28/19

Source: Medina County Appraisal District.

**CLASSIFICATION OF ASSESSED VALUATION**

**TABLE 4**

	2018	% of Total	2017	% of Total	2016	% of Total
Real, Residential, Single-Family	\$ 1,850,263,401	28.95%	\$ 1,655,198,581	28.93%	\$ 2,229,255,429	41.63%
Real, Residential, Multi-Family	16,621,970	0.26%	17,970,040	0.31%	2,577,530	0.05%
Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts	261,042,174	4.08%	212,333,079	3.71%	210,231,824	3.93%
Real, Acreage (Land Only)	2,973,156,209	46.52%	2,567,594,223	44.88%	2,364,805,135	44.16%
Real, Farm and Ranch	511,239,480	8.00%	475,376,222	8.31%	43,027,370	0.80%
Real, Commercial	224,921,648	3.52%	213,086,771	3.72%	60,939,279	1.14%
Real, Industrial	108,392,710	1.70%	125,955,000	2.20%	47,648,600	0.89%
Oil and Gas	6,814,680	0.11%	6,888,410	0.12%	10,906,707	0.20%
Real & Tangible, Personal Utilities	124,921,140	1.95%	123,077,600	2.15%	79,913,450	1.49%
Tangible Personal, Commercial	80,572,420	1.26%	75,226,530	1.31%	283,750,850	5.30%
Tangible Personal, Industrial	179,089,530	2.80%	189,051,300	3.30%	-	0.00%
Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes	33,795,690	0.53%	34,608,020	0.60%	7,360	0.00%
Real Property, Inventory	9,138,130	0.14%	10,632,040	0.19%	10,705,440	0.20%
Speical Inventory	11,707,430	0.18%	14,280,130	0.25%	10,842,590	0.20%
<b>Total Appraised Value</b>	<b>\$6,391,676,612</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$5,721,277,946</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$5,354,611,564</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>Less:</b>						
Optional Over-65 or Disabled						
Homestead	\$ 59,742,901		\$ 58,231,584		\$ 55,842,677	
Disabled/Deceased Veterans'	114,983,466		90,377,114		72,611,915	
Pollution Control	6,842,290		6,820,940		-	
Productivity Loss	2,852,676,222		2,445,231,413		2,430,782,837	
10% Homestead Cap Loss	60,774,292		40,203,982		30,433,217	
<b>Net Taxable Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>\$3,296,657,441</b>		<b>\$3,080,412,913</b>		<b>\$2,764,940,918</b>	

Source: Medina County Appraisal District.

**PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS 2018**

**TABLE 5**

Name	Type of Business/Property	2018 Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	% of 2018 Assessed Valuation
Martin Marietta Materials SW, Inc.	Aggregate Supplier	\$111,517,830	3.38%
Union Pacific Railroad	Railroad	38,509,140	1.17%
Electric Transmission Texas	Electric Utility	31,167,510	0.95%
Martin Products Sales LLC	Petroleum Products	15,625,000	0.47%
Medina Electric Coop, Inc.	Electric Utility	13,739,280	0.42%
Wal-Mart Real Estate Business	Retailer	12,554,950	0.38%
SPN Well Service	Oil & Gas	11,921,430	0.36%
Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.	Aggregate Supplier	11,148,090	0.34%
Martin Marietta Materials SW, Inc.	Aggregate Supplier	9,926,610	0.30%
Vulcan Materials Company	Construction	9,881,530	0.30%
		<b>\$265,991,370</b>	<b>7.77%</b>

**TAX RATE DISTRIBUTION**

**TABLE 6**

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
General Fund	\$ 0.430400	\$ 0.433900	\$ 0.444500	\$ 0.431500	\$ 0.419500
I&S Fund	0.030200	0.029800	0.016100	0.028400	0.137000
Total Tax Rate	<b>\$ 0.460600</b>	<b>\$ 0.463700</b>	<b>\$ 0.460600</b>	<b>\$ 0.459900</b>	<b>\$ 0.556500</b>
Road & Bridge*	<b>\$ 0.141100</b>	<b>\$ 0.088000</b>	<b>\$ 0.091100</b>	<b>\$ 0.091800</b>	<b>\$ 0.091800</b>

Source: Medina County Appraisal District.

\*Pursuant to Section 256.052, as amended, Texas Transportaiton Code, and an election held within Medina County Precinct 2 (a defined district within the County) on November 3, 2015, a special road tax of not to exceed \$0.05 per \$100 assessed valuation is levied upon all taxable property within Medina County Precinct 2 in addition to the County Road and Bridge Tax. The Medina County Precinct 2 special road tax may not be used for debt service.

**MUNICIPAL SALES TAX COLLECTIONS**

**TABLE 7**

The County has adopted the provisions of Chapter 321, as amended, Texas Tax Code. In addition, some issuers are subject to a property tax relief and/or an economic and industrial development tax. The County's approved a 1/2 cent sales tax for property relief to be effective 01/1/88. Net collections on calendar year basis are as follows:

Calendar Year	Total Collected	% of Ad Valorem Tax Levy <sup>(1)</sup>	Equivalent of Ad Valorem Tax Rate
2010	\$ 953,688	10.63%	2.252
2011	1,050,972	11.34%	2.136
2012	1,253,058	13.02%	1.856
2013	1,315,682	13.35%	1.890
2014	1,503,120	14.85%	1.738
2015	1,726,114	12.48%	1.602
2016	1,824,555	15.18%	1.688
2017	1,925,940	15.12%	1.712
2018	2,282,286	15.98%	-
2019	937,417	(As of May, 2019)	

Source: State Comptroller's Office of the State of Texas.

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated to reflect only the sales tax revenues collected by the County from its 1/2% sales tax.

Source: State Comptroller's Office of the State of Texas.

**OVERLAPPING DEBT INFORMATION**

(As of June 1, 2019)

The following table indicates the indebtedness, defined as outstanding bonds payable from ad valorem taxes, of governmental entities overlapping the County and the estimated percentages and amounts of such indebtedness attributable to property within the County. Expenditures of the various taxing bodies overlapping the territory of the Issuer are paid out of ad valorem taxes levied by these taxing bodies on properties overlapping the Issuer. These political taxing bodies are independent of the Issuer and may incur borrowings to finance their expenditures. The following statements of direct and estimated overlapping ad valorem tax bonds 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 Issuer, the Issuer 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 below may have authorized or issued additional bonds since the date stated below, and such entities may have programs requiring the authorization and/or issuance of substantial amounts of additional bonds, the amount of which cannot be determined.

Taxing Body	Gross Debt (As of 5/31/19)	% Overlapping	Amount Overlapping
Castroville, City of	\$ -	100.00%	\$ -
D'Hanis ISD	4,695,000	100.00%	4,695,000
Devine ISD	12,080,000	90.06%	10,879,248
Devine, City of	1,120,000	100.00%	1,120,000
Hondo ISD	37,246,000	98.24%	36,590,470
Hondo, City of	11,402,000	100.00%	11,402,000
Lytle ISD	17,158,000	26.15%	4,486,817
Lytle, City of	1,270,000	26.17%	332,359
Medina Valley ISD	115,202,932	62.33%	71,805,988
Natalia ISD	2,714,000	100.00%	2,714,000
Natalia, City of	-	100.00%	-
Northside ISD	2,206,460,000	0.18%	3,971,628
Utopia ISD	-	2.23%	-
Total Gross Overlapping Debt			<u>\$ 147,997,510</u>
Medina County			\$ 26,220,000 *
Total Gross Direct and Overlapping Debt			<u>\$ 174,217,510</u> *
Ratio of Gross Direct Debt and Overlapping Debt			5.28% *
Per Capita Gross Direct Debt and Overlapping Debt			\$3,479.76
Total Net Direct and Overlapping Debt			\$ 174,217,510
Ratio of Net Direct and Overlapping Debt to 2018 Net Assessed Valuation			5.28%
Per Capita Net Direct and Overlapping Debt			\$3,479.76

Source: Texas Municipal Reports published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas

\* Includes the Certificateds.

**ASSESSED VALUATION AND TAX RATE OF OVERLAPPING ISSUERS**

Governmental Subdivision	2018 Assessed Valuation	% of Actual	2018 Tax Rate
Castroville, City of	\$ 210,978,791	100%	\$ 0.509000
D'Hanis ISD	192,933,967	100%	1.335000
Devine ISD	472,643,589	100%	0.510000
Devine, City of	189,032,068	100%	1.169000
Hondo ISD	666,053,965	100%	1.375000
Hondo, City of	309,767,634	100%	0.511000
La Coste, City of	33,473,952	100%	0.491000
Lytle ISD	298,147,162	100%	1.372000
Lytle, City of	173,630,548	100%	0.423000
Medina Valley ISD	1,815,203,814	100%	1.439000
Natalia ISD	227,738,095	100%	1.279000
Natalia, City of	35,887,681	100%	0.872000
Northside ISD	51,106,550,239	100%	1.376000
Utopia ISD	184,956,075	100%	1.040000

Source: Texas Municipal Reports published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

**AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION**

Issuer	Date of Authorization	Amount Authorized	Amount Issued to Date	Amount Unissued
Castroville, City of	None			
D'Hanis ISD	None			
Devine ISD	None			
Devine, City of	None			
Hondo ISD	None			
Hondo, City of	None			
La Coste, City of	None			
Lytle ISD	5/4/2019	\$ 8,500,000	\$ -	\$ 8,500,000
Lytle, City of	None			
Medina Valley ISD	5/4/2019	\$ 107,000,000	\$ -	\$ 107,000,000
Natalia ISD	11/6/2018	\$ 10,725,000	\$ -	\$ 10,725,000
Natalia, City of	None			
Northside ISD	5/5/2018	\$ 848,910,000	\$ -	\$ 848,910,000
	5/10/2014	648,340,000	598,340,000	50,000,000
	Total	\$ 1,497,250,000	\$ 598,340,000	\$ 898,910,000
Utopia ISD	None			
Medina County	None			
	Total	\$ 1,623,475,000		

Source: Texas Municipal Reports published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.



**GENERAL FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES****TABLE 8**

The following statements set forth in condensed form reflect the historical operations of the Issuer. Such summary has been prepared for inclusion herein based upon information obtained from the Issuer's audited financial statements and records. Reference is made to such statements for further and complete information.

	Fiscal Year Ended				
	9/30/2018	9/30/2017	9/30/2016	9/30/2015	9/30/2014
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	\$ 8,570,165	\$ 7,398,329	\$ 8,130,237	\$ 8,965,679	\$ 10,177,330
Revenues	19,027,638	18,138,068	16,310,014	15,294,097	14,074,690
Expenditures	16,383,641	15,362,005	15,255,880	14,987,473	14,249,285
Excess (Deficit) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 2,643,997	\$ 2,776,063	\$ 1,054,134	\$ 306,624	\$ (174,595)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Bond Proceeds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,812	\$ -	\$ -
Sale of Capital Assets	10,920	335,506	300,305	536,139	-
Lease Proceeds	-	-	-	1,729,664	-
Operating Transfers Out	(1,868,305)	(1,939,733)	(2,117,159)	(3,407,869)	(1,037,056)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses):	\$ (1,857,385)	\$ (1,604,227)	\$ (1,786,042)	\$ (1,142,066)	\$ (1,037,056)
Fund Balance - End of Year <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 9,356,777	\$ 8,570,165	\$ 7,398,329	\$ 8,130,237	\$ 8,965,679

Source: The Issuer's Annual Financial Report.

<sup>(1)</sup> The anticipated September 30, 2019 Fund Balance (unaudited) is approximately \$10,500,000.

**EMPLOYEES PENSION PLAN AND OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS****TABLE 9**

Information regarding the County's Defined Benefit Pension Plan can be found in the County's Annual Financial Report beginning on page 35 of the Audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018.

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**APPENDIX B**

**GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

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## General Information Regarding Medina County

Medina County, Texas (the "County") was formed on February 12, 1848, using land taken from Bexar County. The County was named after the river that flows through it, the Medina River, and has a total area of 1,334 square miles. The County is a rural county, but is a part of the San Antonio-New Braunfels Metropolitan Statistical Area. The San Antonio-New Braunfels Metro area is an eight-county metropolitan area that includes South Texas and Central Texas. In 2000 the U.S. Census estimated the metropolitan's population at 1,711,103; for 2018 that estimate grew up to 2,518,036.



The County is home to the Medina Dam, the fourth largest at its completion in 1913, which created Medina Lake. Medina Lake is a large reservoir for boating and fishing. It's a 6,060-acre reservoir on the Medina River. Castroville Regional park has 126 riverside acres with hiking trails and a swimming pool. The Hill Country State Natural Area is home to a large park with rugged terrain offering 40 miles of multiuse trails, campgrounds and primitive sites.

Historic sites include the Alsatian Steinbach House Park, St. Louis Catholic Church and the Landmark Inn State Historic Site. The surrounding cities also offer a wide variety of antique shops.

### Labor Force Statistics <sup>(1)</sup>

	<u>2019 (2)</u>	<u>2018 (3)</u>	<u>2017 (3)</u>	<u>2016 (3)</u>
Civilian Labor Force	21,811	21,595	21,304	21,000
Total Employed	21,231	20,849	20,477	20,077
Total Unemployed	580	746	827	923
% Unemployment	2.7	3.5	3.5	3.5
Texas Unemployment	3.0	3.9	4.3	4.6

(1) Source: Texas Workforce Commission.

(2) As of April 2019

(3) Average Annual Statistics.

### CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS

The City of Hondo, Texas (the "City") is the county seat of Medina County, Texas. The City was first settled in 1881 and incorporated in 1942. The City is located 40 miles west of San Antonio, Texas on Highway 90. The City sits on 9.6 square miles of land. The City's 2010 population was 8,807 and in 2018 9,305.

The City provides a full range of services, including police and fire protection, recreational facilities, airport operations, water, electric, sanitation and sewer services

Hondo is known for hosting seasonal festivals and fairs. The Cowboy Country Roundup in the spring, the Hondo Army Airfield Fly in May, in October Wild Game Festival, and in December the Hometown Holiday event.

Attractions in Hondo include: Medina County Museum, South Texas Maize, hunting and fishing.

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**APPENDIX C**

**FORM OF LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL**

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## FINAL

IN REGARD to the authorization and issuance of the “Medina County, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2019” (the *Certificates*), dated August 1, 2019 in the aggregate principal amount of \$22,815,000, we have reviewed the legality and validity of the issuance thereof by the Commissioners Court of Medina County, Texas (the *Issuer*). The Certificates are issuable in fully registered form only, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (within a Stated Maturity), and have Stated Maturities of February 1 in each of the years 2020 through 2037 and February 1, 2039, unless optionally or mandatorily redeemed prior to Stated Maturity in accordance with the terms stated on the face of the Certificates. Interest on the Certificates accrues from the dates, at the rates, in the manner, and is payable on the dates, all as provided in the order (the *Order*) authorizing the issuance of the Certificates. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Order.

WE HAVE SERVED AS BOND COUNSEL for the Issuer solely to pass upon the legality and validity of the issuance of the Certificates under the laws of the State of Texas and with respect to the exclusion of the interest on the Certificates from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes and for no other purpose. We have not been requested to investigate or verify, and have not independently investigated or verified, any records, data, or other material relating to the financial condition or capabilities of the Issuer or the Issuer’s library system (the *System*) and have not assumed any responsibility with respect to the financial condition or capabilities of the Issuer or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Certificates. We express no opinion and make no comment with respect to the sufficiency of the security for or the marketability of the Certificates. Our role in connection with the Issuer’s Official Statement prepared for use in connection with the sale of the Certificates has been limited as described therein.

WE HAVE EXAMINED, the applicable and pertinent laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America. In rendering the opinions herein we rely upon (1) original or certified copies of the proceedings of the Commissioners Court of the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Certificates, including the Order; (2) customary certifications and opinions of officials of the Issuer; (3) certificates executed by officers of the Issuer relating to the expected use and investment of proceeds of the Certificates and certain other funds of the Issuer and to certain other facts solely within the knowledge and control of the Issuer; and (4) such other documentation, including an examination of the Certificate executed and delivered initially by the Issuer and such matters of law as we deem relevant to the matters discussed below. In such examination, we have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original copies of all documents submitted to us as certified copies, and the accuracy of the statements and information contained in such certificates. We express

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no opinion concerning any effect on the following opinions which may result from changes in law effected after the date hereof.

BASED ON OUR EXAMINATION, IT IS OUR OPINION that the Certificates have been duly authorized and issued in conformity with the laws of the State of Texas now in force and that the Certificates are valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer enforceable in accordance with the terms and conditions described therein, except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights or the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity. The Certificates are payable from the proceeds of an ad valorem tax levied, within the limitations prescribed by law, upon all taxable property in the Issuer and are further payable from and secured by a lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues, being a limited amount of the Net Revenues derived from the operation of the System, such lien on and pledge of the limited amount of Net Revenues, being subordinate and inferior to the lien on and pledge of such Net Revenues securing the payment of any Prior Lien Bonds or Junior Lien Bonds hereafter issued by the Issuer. In the Order, the Issuer retains the right to issue Prior Lien Bonds, Junior Lien Bonds, and Parity Obligations without limitation as to principal amount but subject to any terms, conditions, or restrictions as may be applicable thereto under law or otherwise.

BASED ON OUR EXAMINATION, IT IS FURTHER OUR OPINION that, assuming continuing compliance after the date hereof by the Issuer with the provisions of the Order and in reliance upon the representations and certifications of the Issuer made in a certificate of even date herewith pertaining to the use, expenditure, and investment of the proceeds of the Certificates, under existing statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions (1) interest on the Certificates will be excludable from the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date hereof (the *Code*), of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, pursuant to section 103 of the Code, and (2) interest on the Certificates will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of the owners thereof.

WE EXPRESS NO OTHER OPINION with respect to any other federal, state, or local tax consequences under present law or any proposed legislation resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or the acquisition or disposition of, the Certificates. Ownership of tax-exempt obligations such as the Certificates may result in collateral federal tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, life insurance companies, property and casualty insurance companies, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, S corporations with subchapter C earnings and profits, owners of an interest in a financial asset securitization investment trust, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement Benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income credit, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations.

OUR OPINIONS ARE BASED on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or

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supplement our opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service; rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law that we deem relevant to such opinions and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above.

Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP

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**APPENDIX D**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

(Independent Auditor's Report, General Financial Statements and Notes to the Financial Statements – not intended to be a complete statement of the Issuer's financial condition. Reference is made to the complete Annual Financial Report for further information.)

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Honorable County Judge and  
Commissioners' Court  
Hondo, Texas

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Medina County, Texas, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Medina County, Texas' 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.

### *Auditors' Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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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 policies 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 and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Medina County, Texas, as of September 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### ***Change in Accounting Principle***

As discussed in the notes to the financial statements, in fiscal year 2018 the County adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### ***Other Matters***

#### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, pension and other post-employment benefit 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 to 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.



### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Medina County Texas' basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and were derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

### **Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 22, 2019, on our consideration of Medina County, Texas' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Medina County, Texas' internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Medina County, Texas' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Pattillo, Brown & Hill, LLP*

Waco, Texas  
May 22, 2019

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**MANAGEMENT'S  
DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis

As management of Medina County, we offer readers of Medina County's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Medina County for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018.

### Financial Highlights

- The assets of Medina County exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$38,692,646.
- The County's total net position increased by \$1,835,246.
- Unrestricted net position of \$10,809,782 is available to meet the County's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- Restricted net position of \$2,535,394 are funds set aside for specific purposes.
- As of the close of the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, Medina County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$13,367,825, an increase of \$2,299,143 from the prior year.
- Unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$8,758,590.

### Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is an introduction to Medina County's basic financial statements. The County's basic financial statements encompass three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-wide financial statements.** The government-wide financial statements provide readers with a broad overview of Medina County's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the County's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator as to the direction of the financial position of Medina County.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the County's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes, debt payments, and earned but unused vacation leave).

**Fund financial statements.** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The County, like the state and other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the County can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of available resources, as well as on balances of available resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Medina County maintains 54 individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General, Debt Service Fund, and the TAN Series 2018 Fund which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other 51 governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

Medina County adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund, certain Special Revenue Funds, and the Debt Service Fund. Budgetary comparison statements have been provided for these funds to demonstrate compliance with these budgets.

**Proprietary funds.** Medina County maintains proprietary funds in the form of Internal Service Funds. Internal Service Funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the County's various functions. Medina County uses an Internal Service Fund to account for its Employee Health Insurance funds and Claims Escrow. Because both of these services benefit governmental activities, they have been included within governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements.

**Fiduciary funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties which are not a component of the County. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support Medina County's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

**Notes to the financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with nonmajor governmental funds are presented immediately following the notes to the financial statements.

## Financial Analysis of Government-wide Statements

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of Medina County, assets exceeded liabilities by \$38,692,646 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

### MEDINA COUNTY'S NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities	
	2018	2017
Current assets	\$ 19,870,270	\$ 16,891,394
Capital assets	28,691,172	27,473,186
Total assets	<u>48,561,442</u>	<u>44,364,580</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>990,051</u>	<u>2,190,076</u>
Current liabilities	1,609,216	1,280,556
Noncurrent liabilities	8,742,419	8,246,806
Total liabilities	<u>10,351,635</u>	<u>9,527,362</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>507,212</u>	<u>169,894</u>
Net position:		
Net investment		
in capital assets	25,347,470	23,090,826
Restricted	2,535,394	2,555,457
Unrestricted	<u>10,809,782</u>	<u>11,211,117</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 38,692,646</u>	<u>\$ 36,857,400</u>

A portion of the County’s net position \$25,347,470 reflects its net investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, infrastructure, machinery, and equipment). Medina County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. It should be noted that the resources needed to repay the debt associated with these capital assets must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities. Capital assets are shown in the chart below.

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Non-depreciable:		
CIP	\$ 13,112	\$ 7,377,097
Land	<u>1,354,683</u>	<u>1,346,616</u>
Capital assets, non-depreciable	<u>1,367,795</u>	<u>8,723,713</u>
Capital assets, net of depreciation:		
Buildings and improvements	12,257,336	5,483,507
Equipment	3,862,429	3,915,419
Infrastructure	<u>11,203,612</u>	<u>9,350,547</u>
	<u>\$ 27,323,377</u>	<u>\$ 18,749,473</u>

An additional portion of the County’s net position \$2,535,394 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The unrestricted net position \$10,809,782 may be used to meet the County’s ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.



## MEDINA COUNTY'S CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities	
	2018	2017
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 4,343,174	\$ 4,454,957
Operating grants and contributions	1,625,614	1,515,523
Capital grants and contributions	28,470	176,887
General revenues:		
Property taxes	17,411,712	16,309,580
Sales taxes	2,645,597	2,369,409
Other	68,927	20,562
Investment earnings	167,037	82,505
Miscellaneous	673,169	462,866
Total revenues	26,963,700	25,392,289
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
General government	6,961,254	5,215,409
Legal	3,793,534	3,631,070
Public safety	7,901,444	7,884,518
Public transportation	3,573,388	4,736,594
Health and welfare	1,166,411	1,154,657
Interest on long-term debt	114,854	121,535
Total expenses	23,510,885	22,743,783
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	3,452,815	2,648,506
<b>NET POSITION, BEGINNING</b>	36,857,400	34,208,894
<b>PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT</b>	( 1,617,569)	-
<b>NET POSITION, ENDING</b>	\$ 38,692,646	\$ 36,857,400

Property taxes are collected to support government activity through the General Fund, special road and bridge funds, and Debt Service Fund. The county tax rate increased from the prior year. Property tax revenues increased by \$1,378,320 (7%) to \$20,057,309 for the year because of increased values and new developments added to the rolls.

### Financial Analysis of the Governmental Funds

As noted earlier, Medina County uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental funds.** The focus of the County's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing Medina County's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, Medina County's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$13,367,825, an increase of \$2,299,143 in comparison with the prior year. Approximately 63% percent of this total amount constitutes unassigned fund balance, which is available for spending at the government's discretion. The remainder of fund balance, \$5,002,230 is nonspendable, restricted or assigned and is not available for new spending.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the County. At the end of the current fiscal year, total fund balance of the General Fund was \$9,356,777. As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance to total fund expenditures. Fund balance in the General Fund represents 57% of total General Fund expenditures. Maintaining a significant fund balance is essential for sound financial management because a great majority of the grant funding for the County is in the form of reimbursements requiring the use of County funding upfront.

**Proprietary funds.** Proprietary funds are made up of two Internal Service Funds, which include the Employee Health Insurance and Claims Escrow Funds.

## **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget for fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, can be summarized as follows:

- Actual revenue exceeded budgeted revenue by \$1,203,663.
- Actual revenues exceeded expenditures by \$2,643,997.
- Final budgeted expenditures exceeded the actual final budgeted expenditure amount by \$499,031.

## **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

**Capital assets.** Medina County's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of September 30, 2018, amounts to \$28,691,172 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, system improvements, machinery and equipment, roads, highways, and bridges.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

- Acquisition of autos for various departments;
- Acquisition of additional machinery for road maintenance;
- Upgrades to software and IT equipment;

Additional information about Medina County's capital assets can be found in Note 3 of the notes to the financial statements.

**Long-term debt.** At the end of the current fiscal year, the County had total bonded debt outstanding of \$0. The full amount is backed by the full faith and credit of the County. Medina County's bonded debt decreased by \$375,000 during the current fiscal year. The County does have \$4.32 million of tax notes and issued \$2 million of those during fiscal year 2018. The County also had capital leases of \$1,007,618 outstanding at year-end as well.

Medina County is not currently rated because there is no outstanding public bond issues.

Additional information on Medina County's long-term debt can be found in Note 3 of the notes to the financial statements.

## **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The County of Medina develops a budget to help effectively accomplish the highest priorities and objectives throughout the upcoming fiscal year.

Our fiscal year 2018-2019 budget had a new taxable appraised value of \$3.30 billion, an increase of \$220 million (7.17%) from the previous fiscal year 2017-2018. This increase is mainly due to new properties and an increase in property values. The total tax rate adopted by the Commissioner's County for the County of Medina of \$0.5517 per \$100 of assessed valuation, was the same as the total tax rate for prior fiscal year 2017-2018. This tax rate will provide 51% of our approximate total \$34.5 million of budgeted expenses and expect the remaining from other revenue sources and beginning cash. The general operating fund spending increased in fiscal year 2018-2019 budget to \$19.7 million from \$18.3 million in prior fiscal year 2017-2018 budget. This 7.5% increase in the budget was primarily due to wage increases, personnel additions and our indigent defense assistance program.

The County of Medina continues to experience an increase in population throughout the area. This rapid growth along with a rising demand for local government services has placed a strain on existing facilities, particularly our County Courthouse and County Jail. Our County Courthouse is not large enough to house all administrative employees. Therefore, we have several external offices that are currently being leased or that have been purchased by the County. Our ninety-six (96) bed County Jail is well overcrowded, forcing us to house numerous inmates at nearby counties. Due to these significant matters, the County of Medina intends to reach out to the citizens of the County in the near future and obtain their approval to construct a new County Jail and a Courthouse Annex.

## **Requests for Information**

This financial report provides an overview of Medina County's finances for all those with an interest in its finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Chris Schuchart, Medina County Judge.

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**BASIC  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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# MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS

## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

	<u>Primary Government</u> <u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and investments	\$ 13,610,158
Receivables:	
Ad valorem taxes	1,323,825
Sales tax	456,127
Intergovernmental	256,473
Fines	3,773,992
Other	449,695
Capital assets:	
Nondepreciable	1,367,795
Depreciable, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>27,323,377</u>
Total assets	<u>48,561,442</u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	880,709
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	<u>109,342</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>990,051</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Accounts payable	1,021,402
Accrued liabilities	407,476
Interest payable	30,021
Unearned revenue	30,199
Other liabilities	120,118
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Due within one year	1,431,662
Due in more than one year	<u>7,310,757</u>
Total liabilities	<u>10,351,635</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	<u>507,212</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>507,212</u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	25,347,470
Restricted for:	
Road and bridge	1,551,129
Debt service	47,599
Records management and technology	446,235
Law enforcement and security	176,453
Grant requirements	313,978
Unrestricted	<u>10,809,782</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 38,692,646</u>

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# MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position <u>Primary Government</u>
					<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>Primary Government:</b>					
Governmental activities:					
General administration	\$ 6,961,254	\$ 1,357,787	\$ 447,502	\$ -	\$( 5,155,965)
Legal	3,793,534	376,976	491,017	-	( 2,925,541)
Public safety	7,901,444	1,620,844	20,516	-	( 6,260,084)
Public transportation	3,573,388	985,124	-	28,470	( 2,559,794)
Health and welfare	1,166,411	2,443	666,579	-	( 497,389)
Interest on long-term debt	114,854	-	-	-	( 114,854)
Total governmental activities	\$ 23,510,885	\$ 4,343,174	\$ 1,625,614	\$ 28,470	( 17,513,627)
General revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property					17,411,712
Sales					2,645,597
Other taxes					68,927
Investment earnings					167,037
Miscellaneous					673,169
Total general revenues					20,966,442
Change in net position					3,452,815
Net position, beginning					36,857,400
Prior period adjustment					( 1,617,569)
Net position, ending					\$ 38,692,646

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

	General	Debt Service	TAN Series 2018	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and investments	\$ 8,760,930	\$ 69,602	1,944,777	\$ 2,630,198	\$ 13,405,507
Receivables:					
Ad valorem taxes	1,039,492	83,949	-	200,384	1,323,825
Sales tax	456,127	-	-	-	456,127
Intergovernmental	24,357	-	-	232,116	256,473
Other	140,410	-	-	309,285	449,695
Due from other funds	726,554	-	-	-	726,554
Total assets	<u>11,147,870</u>	<u>153,551</u>	<u>1,944,777</u>	<u>3,371,983</u>	<u>16,618,181</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	458,009	-	-	317,863	775,872
Payroll liabilities	299,986	-	-	107,490	407,476
Other liabilities	97,885	-	-	22,233	120,118
Due to other funds	-	365,544	-	361,010	726,554
Unearned revenue	-	-	-	30,199	30,199
Total liabilities	<u>855,880</u>	<u>365,544</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>838,795</u>	<u>2,060,219</u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>					
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	935,213	77,449	-	177,475	1,190,137
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>935,213</u>	<u>77,449</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>177,475</u>	<u>1,190,137</u>
Fund balances:					
Nonspendable - prepaid items	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted for:					
Road and bridge	-	-	-	1,551,129	1,551,129
Debt service	-	-	-	171	171
Records management and technology	-	-	-	446,235	446,235
Law enforcement and security	-	-	-	176,453	176,453
Grant requirements	-	-	-	136,503	136,503
Capital Projects	-	-	1,944,777	148,775	2,093,552
Assigned for:					
Utilization of fund balance in subsequent year's budget	598,187	-	-	-	598,187
Unassigned	8,758,590	( 289,442)	-	( 103,553)	8,365,595
Total fund balances	<u>9,356,777</u>	<u>( 289,442)</u>	<u>1,944,777</u>	<u>2,355,713</u>	<u>13,367,825</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 11,147,870</u>	<u>\$ 153,551</u>	<u>\$ 1,944,777</u>	<u>\$ 3,371,983</u>	<u>\$ 16,618,181</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

Total fund balances - governmental funds balance sheet		\$ 13,367,825
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		28,691,172
Long-term liabilities applicable to governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and, accordingly, are not reported as fund liabilities. Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental funds, but rather is recognized in the statement of net position.		
Accrued interest	\$( 30,021)	
Tax Notes	( 4,320,000)	
Capital leases payable	( 1,007,618)	
Time Warrants	( 109,636)	
Compensated absences	( 228,274)	
Deferred outflow related to pensions	880,709	
Deferred inflow related to pensions	( 507,212)	
Deferred outflow related to OPEB	109,342	
Net pension liability	( 234,205)	
Net OPEB obligation	<u>( 2,842,686)</u>	
Total long-term liabilities		( 8,289,601)
The assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Fund are not included in the fund financial statement, but are included in the governmental activities of the Statement of Net Position.		
		( 40,879)
Long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and,		
Fines and court costs	3,773,992	
Property taxes	<u>1,190,137</u>	
Total long-term assets		<u>4,964,129</u>
Net position of governmental activities		<u>\$ 38,692,646</u>

**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES**  
**AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

	General	Debt Service	TAN Series 2018	Other Governmental	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Property taxes	\$ 13,289,759	\$ 877,727	\$ -	\$ 3,243,417	\$ 17,410,903
Sales tax	2,645,597	-	-	-	2,645,597
Other taxes	24,420	-	-	44,507	68,927
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	887,952	887,952
Intergovernmental	144,283	-	-	1,450,230	1,594,513
Charges for services	1,512,147	-	-	64,728	1,576,875
Fines and forfeitures	861,855	-	-	883,899	1,745,754
Interest	137,527	704	-	28,316	166,547
Miscellaneous	412,050	-	-	335,675	747,725
Total revenues	<u>19,027,638</u>	<u>878,431</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,938,724</u>	<u>26,844,793</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Current:					
General administration	5,040,424	-	-	844,769	5,885,193
Legal	3,183,452	-	-	468,716	3,652,168
Public safety	6,706,229	-	-	610,374	7,316,603
Public transportation	-	-	-	4,347,714	4,347,714
Health and welfare	343,654	-	-	727,222	1,070,876
Capital outlay	742,620	-	17,723	1,102,020	1,862,363
Debt service:					
Principal	335,446	865,000	-	336,465	1,536,911
Interest and other charges	31,816	41,686	37,500	16,278	127,280
Total expenditures	<u>16,383,641</u>	<u>906,686</u>	<u>55,223</u>	<u>8,453,558</u>	<u>25,799,108</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>2,643,997</u>	<u>( 28,255)</u>	<u>( 55,223)</u>	<u>( 1,514,834)</u>	<u>1,045,685</u>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>					
Proceeds from debt issuance	-	-	2,000,000	75,700	2,075,700
Sale of capital assets	10,920	-	-	24,838	35,758
Transfers in	-	749	-	1,038,775	1,039,524
Transfers out	<u>( 1,868,305)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>( 29,219)</u>	<u>( 1,897,524)</u>
Total other financing sources and uses	<u>( 1,857,385)</u>	<u>749</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>1,110,094</u>	<u>1,253,458</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	786,612	( 27,506)	1,944,777	( 404,740)	2,299,143
<b>FUND BALANCES, BEGINNING</b>	<u>8,570,165</u>	<u>( 261,936)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,760,453</u>	<u>11,068,682</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES, ENDING</b>	<u>\$ 9,356,777</u>	<u>\$ ( 289,442)</u>	<u>\$ 1,944,777</u>	<u>\$ 2,355,713</u>	<u>\$ 13,367,825</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ 2,299,143
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the		
Capital outlay	\$ 3,470,573	
Retirement of capital assets	( 10,854)	
Depreciation expense	( 1,831,413)	
Net adjustment		1,628,306

Repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but reduces the liability in the statement of net position.

Repayments:		
General Obligation Bonds	375,000	
Tax Notes	490,000	
Time Warrants	282,265	
Capital leases	<u>389,644</u>	
Net adjustment		1,536,909

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.

Accounts receivable:		
Fines and court costs	117,608	
Property taxes	<u>809</u>	
Net adjustment		118,417

An Internal Service Fund is used by management to charge the costs of certain activities, such as health insurance premiums, to individual funds. The net revenue (expense) of certain Internal Service Funds is reported with governmental activities.

220,230

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., capital leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net assets.

( 2,075,700)

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting used in the governmental funds, expenditures are recognized for transactions that are normally paid with expendable, available financial resources. In the statement of activities, however, which is presented on the accrual basis, expenses and liabilities are reported regardless of when financial resources are available. In addition, interest on long-term debt is not recognized as an expenditure under the modified accrual basis of accounting until due, rather than as it accrues.

Interest on long-term debt	12,426	
Compensated absences	( 46,211)	
OPEB cost	( 103,416)	
Pension cost	<u>( 137,289)</u>	
Net adjustment		( 274,490)

Change in net position of governmental activities		\$ <u>3,452,815</u>
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**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUND**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

**ASSETS**

Cash and investments \$ 204,651

Total assets \$ 204,651

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts payable \$ 245,530

Total liabilities \$ 245,530

**NET POSITION**

Unrestricted \$( 40,879)

Total net position \$( 40,879)

**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**

**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUND**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>	
Charges for services	\$ 2,613,374
Miscellaneous revenue	<u>5,094</u>
Total operating revenues	<u>2,618,468</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	
Claims	668,096
Premiums and administrative	<u>2,588,632</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>3,256,728</u>
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>	<u>( 638,260)</u>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES</b>	
Interest and investment earnings	<u>490</u>
Income before transfers	<u>( 637,770)</u>
<b>TRANSFERS</b>	
Transfer In	<u>858,000</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	220,230
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION, BEGINNING</b>	<u>( 261,109)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION, ENDING</b>	<u><u>\$( 40,879)</u></u>

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**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

**GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES - INTERNAL SERVICE FUND**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Cash received from users	\$ 2,618,468
Cash paid to suppliers for services	( 3,304,800)
Net cash used by operating activities	<u>( 686,332)</u>

**CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES**

Transfers in from other funds	<u>858,000</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>858,000</u>

**CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES**

Interest and investment earnings	<u>490</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>490</u>

**NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

172,158

**CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING**

32,493

**CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, ENDING**

\$ 204,651

**RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH  
USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

Operating loss	\$( 638,260)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	4,257
(Increase) decrease in prepaid items	1,605
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	<u>( 53,934)</u>
Net cash used by operating activities	<u>\$( 686,332)</u>



**MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

	<u>Agency Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and investments	\$ 3,320,838
Total assets	\$ 3,320,838
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Due to others	\$ 3,320,838
Total liabilities	\$ 3,320,838

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# MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Reporting Entity

Medina County, Texas, was organized in 1848. The County operates under a County Judge-Commissioners' Court type of government and provides the following services throughout the County: public safety (law enforcement), public transportation (highways and roads), health and welfare, conservation (agriculture), public facilities, judicial and legal, election functions, and general and financial administrative services. A summary of the significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of financial statements follows:

The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the notion of financial accountability. The elected officials governing Medina County are accountable to their constituents for their public policy decisions, regardless of whether those decisions are carried out directly through the operations of the County or by their appointees through the operations of a separate entity. Therefore, the County is not only financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity, it is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body and either it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on the County.

Depending upon the significance of the County's financial and operational relationships with various separate entities, the organizations are classified as blended or discretely presented component units, related organizations, joint ventures, or jointly governed organizations, and the financial disclosure is treated accordingly.

Based upon the foregoing criteria, there are no component units for Medina County.

#### B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. *Governmental activities* are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenue.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenue. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Certain indirect costs have been included as part of the program expenses reported for the various functional activities.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### **C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be *available* when it is collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenue to be available if collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the County.

The County reports the following major governmental funds:

The ***General Fund*** is the County's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The ***Debt Service Fund*** is used to account for the accumulation of resources for and the payment of long-term debt principal and interest. The primary source of revenue for Debt Service Funds is ad valorem taxes. The use of Debt Service Funds to service debt is not required unless legally mandated or if resources are accumulated for payments maturing in future years.

The ***TAN Series 2018*** was issued to finance the costs of paying contractual obligations to be incurred for the purpose of (i) designing, constructing, renovating, equipping, enlarging, and improving County facilities, including the expansion and renovation of the County Jail and Sheriff's Office and the construction of a new County Courthouse Annex, and (ii) paying professional services relating to the aforementioned projects and relating to the issuance of the obligations.

Additionally, the County reports the following fund types:

**Special Revenue Funds** are used to account for specific revenue sources (other than for capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. These legal restrictions can come from outside the county or from Commissioners' Court.

The **Capital Projects Funds** are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

The **Internal Service Fund** accounts for health insurance services provided to other departments or agencies of the County, or to other governments, on a cost-reimbursement basis.

**Agency Funds** account for assets held by the County in a trustee capacity or as an agent for others.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include: 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes.

#### **D. Assets, Liabilities and Net Position or Equity**

##### **Cash and Investments**

The government's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand and demand deposits.

Operating cash is administered using a "pool" concept which combines the monies of most County funds into a single interest-bearing bank account for control purposes. Each fund's portion of this pool is accounted for in the applicable fund. Interest earnings on these deposits are apportioned to each fund based on their end of month balance in the pool. Investments for the County are reported at fair value, except for the position in investment pools.

##### **Receivables and Payables**

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans).

## **Property Taxes**

Property is appraised and a lien on such property becomes enforceable as of January 1, subject to certain procedures for rendition, appraisal, appraisal review, and judicial review. Property taxes are levied by October 1 of the year in which assessed or as soon thereafter as practicable. The Medina County Tax Assessor-Collector bills and collects the ad valorem property taxes (including penalty and interest and delinquent tax attorney fees, if any) for the County. Property taxes are due and payable from October 1 of the year in which levied until January 31 of the following year without interest or penalty.

Collections of the current year's levy are reported as current collections if received by June 30 (within nine months of the October 1 due date). Collections received thereafter are reported as delinquent collections.

The County's taxes on Medina property are a lien against such property until paid. The County may foreclose on Medina property upon which it has a lien for unpaid taxes. The exception is homestead property belonging to persons 65 years of age or older. Although the County does collect delinquent taxes through foreclosure proceedings, delinquent taxes on property not otherwise collected, are generally paid when there is a sale or a transfer of the title to the property.

Any liens and subsequent suits against the taxpayer for payment of delinquent personal property taxes are barred unless instituted within four years from the time such taxes become delinquent. Unlike Medina property, the sale or transfer of most personal property does not require any evidence that taxes thereon are paid.

The County distributes all tax collections to the General Fund, Road and Bridge, and Debt Service Funds.

The 2017 Tax Rate for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, was \$0.5517 per \$100 valuation.

The Texas Legislature in 1979 adopted a comprehensive Property Tax Code (the "Code") which established a County-wide appraisal district and an appraisal review board in each County in the State. The Medina County Tax Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") is responsible for the recording and appraisal of property for all taxing units in the County.

The Appraisal District is required under the Code to assess property at 100% of its appraised value. Further, Medina County property must be reappraised at least every four years. Under certain circumstances, taxpayers and taxing units, including the County, may challenge orders of the Appraisal Review Board through various appeals and, if necessary, legal action. Under the Code, the Commissioners' Court will continue to set County tax rates on property.

## **Inventories**

Inventories of supplies on hand have not been recorded, as such supplies are of an expendable nature and are expensed when purchased. As these amounts do not seem to fluctuate a great deal from year to year, it is felt that the exclusion of inventories does not materially affect either the financial position or results of operations of these funds.

## Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, infrastructure (e.g. roads, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the governmental column in the government-wide financial statements. The County defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition cost, which is the price that would be paid to acquire an asset with equivalent service potential at the acquisition date.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	20-50
Improvements	5-50
Equipment	5-20

## Compensatory Time (Comp Time)

Medina County employees may be required by their department heads to work hours in excess of forty (40) hours per week. Due to our restricted revenues, only law enforcement departments are budgeted for overtime pay. Therefore, all non-exempt employees that work in excess of 40 hours per week for an unbudgeted department, Medina County uses compensatory time off (Comp Time) to compensate for overtime hours worked. Comp time accrues only when an employee actually works over 40 hours per week. An employee may accrue a maximum of 40 hours of Comp time, any additional overtime hours worked will be paid at the one-and-one-half (1 ½) times the employee's regular hourly pay rate. Overtime for law enforcement employees shall be handled in accordance with the policy for overtime compensation established by the Sheriff's Department and approved by the Commissioner's Court. Employees are not entitled to payment for unused Comp Time upon termination.

## **Personnel Time Off (PTO) & Vacation Leave**

All full-time regular employees of Medina County are eligible for Personnel Time Off (PTO) and vacation benefits. Accrual of PTO and vacation benefits shall begin on the employee's first day of work in a full-time position. However, an employee must work for a minimum of ninety (90) days in said position before he/she is eligible to use PTO or vacation time. Employees shall not be allowed to borrow PTO or vacation time against future accruals nor should employees be allowed to receive pay in lieu of taking time off. PTO and vacation time accrues at a rate of 3.08 hour per pay-period. An employee may carry over a maximum of 240 hours to PTO and a maximum of 160 hours vacation leave. Once an employee reaches the maximum accrual balance, he/she will stop accruing time until the balance is below the maximum allowed. An employee may carry over a maximum of 240 hours of PTO and a maximum of 40 hours of vacation leave from one calendar year to the next. Any accrued time over the carry-over maximum allowed will be removed from payroll records at the end of the calendar year and the employee will lose that time with no payment received. If a holiday falls during PTO or vacation leave, the holiday shall be charged in accordance with the policy on holidays and shall not be charged against the employee's PTO nor vacation balance. Unused PTO leave is cancelled upon leaving Medina County employment without compensation to the employee. Employees cannot use PTO in lieu of giving their two-week's notice. Unlike PTO, at the time of an employee's termination from Medina County employment, accrued vacation leave will be paid out at the employee's current rate of pay, not to exceed 160 hours.

## **Long-term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities or proprietary fund type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Gains or losses on refunding of bond issues are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

## **Pensions**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expenses, information about the Fiduciary Net Position of the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) and additions to/deductions from TCERS's Fiduciary Net Position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TCERS. For this purpose, plan contributions are legally due. Benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.



## **Other Post-Employment Benefits**

*Retiree Health Insurance.* For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, OPEB related deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and OPEB expense, benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Contributions are not required but are measured as payments by the County for benefits due and payable that are not reimbursed by plan assets. Information regarding the County's total OPEB liability is obtained from a reported prepared by a consulting actuary.

## **Fund Balance Classification**

The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the County is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

- **Nonspendable:** This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Nonspendable items are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.
- **Restricted:** This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- **Committed:** This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by ordinance of the Commissioners' Court, the County's highest level of decision making authority. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Commissioners' Court removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action that was employed when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.
- **Assigned:** This classification includes amounts that are constrained by the County's intent to be used for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent can be expressed by the Commissioners' Court or County Judge.
- **Unassigned:** This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund. The unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of assigned fund balance amounts.

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

### **Net Position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent proceeds. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislations adopted by the County or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

### **Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The County has the following items that qualify for reporting in this category:

- Pension and OPEB contributions after measurement date – These contributions are deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year.
- Difference in expected and actual pension experience - This difference is deferred and recognized over the estimated average remaining lives of all members determined as of the measurement date.
- Changes in actuarial assumptions – This difference is deferred and amortized over a closed five year period.

In addition to liability, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applied to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The County has two types of items that qualified for reporting in this category.

- Unavailable revenue is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.
- Difference in expected and actual pension experience – This difference is deferred and recognized over the estimated average remaining lives of all members determined as of the measurement date.

- Difference in projected and actual earnings on pension assets – This difference is deferred and amortized over a closed five-year period.

## 2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

### Deficit Fund Equity

The following funds had a deficit fund equity:

- Debt Service \$(289,442)
- Health Unit \$(29,487)
- Sheriff Short-term Grants \$(3,221)
- Purchase of Youth Services \$(514)
- Project Safe Neighborhoods \$(1,106)
- JAG – District Attorney \$(892)
- Capital Project \$(105,399)
- Internal Service Fund \$(40,879)

The County anticipates revenues in future periods will eliminate these deficit fund balances or the County will transfer funds from the General Fund to eliminate these deficits.

## 3. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

### Deposits and Investments

As of September 30, 2018, the County had the following investments:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Weighted Average Maturity (Days)</u>
TexPool	\$ 2,496,368	28
Logic	<u>1,784,227</u>	31
	<u>\$ 4,280,595</u>	

*Interest Rate Risk.* In accordance with its investment policy, the County manages its exposure to declines in fair market values by limiting the weighted average maturity of the investment portfolios to a maximum of 90 days.

*Custodial Credit Risk.* In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the County's deposits may not be returned to it. State statutes require that all deposits in financial institutions be fully collateralized by U. S. Government obligations or its agencies and instrumentalities or direct obligations of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities that have a fair value of not less than the principal amount of deposits. As of September 30, 2018, the County's deposit balance was collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution and FDIC insurance.

*Credit Risk.* It is the County's policy, as defined by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, to limit its investments to investment types with an investment quality rating not less than A or its equivalent by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The County's investments were rated as follows:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Rating Agency</u>
TexPool	AAAm	Standard & Poor's
Logic	AAAm	Standard & Poor's

TexPool has a redemption notice period of one day and may redeem daily. The investment pool's authority may only impose restrictions on redemptions in the event of a general suspension of trading on major securities markets, general banking moratorium or national state of emergency that affects the pool's liquidity.

### **Receivables**

Receivables as of year-end for the County's individual major funds and nonmajor, internal service, and fiduciary funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receivables:				
Property taxes	\$ 1,039,492	\$ 83,949	\$ 200,384	\$ 1,323,825
Sales tax	456,127	-	-	456,127
Intergovernmental	24,357	-	232,116	256,473
Other	140,410	-	309,285	449,695
Total receivables	<u>\$ 1,660,386</u>	<u>\$ 83,949</u>	<u>\$ 741,785</u>	<u>\$ 2,486,120</u>

## Capital Assets

### Primary Government

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2018, was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Transfers / Adjustments</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:					
Capital assets, not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 1,346,616	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,067	\$ 1,354,683
Construction in progress	<u>7,377,097</u>	<u>13,112</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>( 7,377,097)</u>	<u>13,112</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>8,723,713</u>	<u>13,112</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>( 7,369,030)</u>	<u>1,367,795</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	10,803,707	532,722	-	6,983,879	18,320,308
Equipment	11,390,691	794,816	( 108,530)	( 111,036)	11,965,941
Infrastructure	<u>19,061,465</u>	<u>2,129,923</u>	<u>( 235,425)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,955,963</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>41,255,863</u>	<u>3,457,461</u>	<u>( 343,955)</u>	<u>6,872,843</u>	<u>51,242,212</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Buildings and improvements	5,320,200	853,828	-	( 111,056)	6,062,972
Equipment	7,475,272	715,291	( 97,676)	10,625	8,103,512
Infrastructure	<u>9,710,918</u>	<u>262,294</u>	<u>( 235,425)</u>	<u>14,564</u>	<u>9,752,351</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>22,506,390</u>	<u>1,831,413</u>	<u>( 333,101)</u>	<u>( 85,867)</u>	<u>23,918,835</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>18,749,473</u>	<u>1,626,048</u>	<u>( 10,854)</u>	<u>6,958,710</u>	<u>27,323,377</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 27,473,186</u>	<u>\$ 1,639,160</u>	<u>\$ ( 10,854)</u>	<u>\$ ( 410,320)</u>	<u>\$ 28,691,172</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 853,678
Legal	267
Public safety	267,229
Public transportation	657,055
Health and welfare	<u>53,184</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,831,413</u>

**Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers**

The composition of interfund balances as of September 30, 2018, is as follows:

**Due to/from Other Funds:**

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Debt Service Fund	\$ 365,544
General Fund	Nonmajor governmental	<u>361,010</u>
Total		<u>\$ 726,554</u>

All balances of the due to/due from resulted from short-term loans that are to be reimbursed within the next year.

**Interfund Transfers:**

	<u>Transfers In</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental</u>	<u>Internal Service Fund</u>	
<u>Transfers Out:</u>				
General	\$ -	\$ 1,010,305	\$ 858,000	\$ 1,868,305
Nonmajor Governmental	<u>749</u>	<u>28,470</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,219</u>
Total Transfers Out	<u>\$ 749</u>	<u>\$ 1,038,775</u>	<u>\$ 858,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,897,524</u>

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, (2) move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the Debt Service Fund as debt service payments become due, and (3) use unrestricted revenues collected in the General fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

## Long-term Debt

### **Tax Note**

In November 2016, the County received a tax note in the amount of \$1,000,000 with interest rates ranging from .85 to 1.4%. The proceeds from the sale of the notes will be used for (i) constructing, acquiring, purchasing, renovating, equipping, enlarging, and improving County facilities, (ii) purchasing voting equipment, and (iii) payment of professional services relating to the aforementioned projects. Currently, the County has two outstanding tax notes.

<u>Interest Rates</u>	<u>Amount</u>
.35% - 2.60%	\$ 4,320,000

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the tax note are as follows:

<u>Year Ending September 30,</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2019	\$ 915,000	\$ 67,771
2020	745,000	59,393
2021	765,000	46,519
2022	775,000	32,662
2023	415,000	21,019
2024	425,000	11,905
2025	<u>280,000</u>	<u>3,640</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,320,000</u>	<u>\$ 242,909</u>

### **Time Warrants**

The County has 3 time warrants for the purchase of various machinery and equipment. The interest rates on the warrants are 3.00% to 5.00%. Annual debt service requirements to maturity for time warrants are as follows:

<u>Year Ending September 30,</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2019	\$ 69,316	\$ 3,188
2020	<u>40,320</u>	<u>1,232</u>
Total	<u>\$ 109,636</u>	<u>\$ 4,420</u>

## Capital Leases

The government has acquired certain fixed assets for governmental activities through the use of lease purchase agreements. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The assets acquired through capital leases are as follows:

	<u>Asset</u>
Governmental activities	
Assets:	
Motorola Communications Upgrade	\$ 1,729,664
Accumulated depreciation	<u>( 518,898)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,210,766</u>

The future minimum lease obligations and the net present value of these minimum lease payments as of September 30, 2018, were as follows:

<u>Year Ending September 30,</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
2019	\$ 432,182
2020	432,182
2021	<u>196,340</u>
Total minimum lease payments	1,060,704
Less: amount representing interest	<u>( 53,086)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 1,007,618</u>

## Changes in Long-term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended September 30, 2018, was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Amounts Due Within One Year</u>
<b>Government activities</b>					
General obligation bonds	\$ 375,000	\$ -	\$ 375,000	\$ -	\$ -
Tax note	2,810,000	2,000,000	490,000	4,320,000	915,000
Time warrants	316,201	75,700	282,265	109,636	69,316
Capital leases	1,397,262	-	389,644	1,007,618	401,691
Net pension liability	1,743,601	2,023,830	3,533,226	234,205	-
Net OPEB obligation	2,739,270	212,758	109,342	2,842,686	-
Compensated absences	<u>182,063</u>	<u>373,961</u>	<u>327,750</u>	<u>228,274</u>	<u>45,655</u>
Governmental activity					
long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 9,563,397</u>	<u>\$ 4,686,249</u>	<u>\$ 5,507,227</u>	<u>\$ 8,742,419</u>	<u>\$ 1,431,662</u>



## **Other Information**

The County is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the County carries commercial insurance. The County has not had any significant reductions in insurance coverage in the prior year. The County also provides medical insurance for County employees.

Liabilities are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred, but not reported (IBNRs). Claim liabilities are calculated considering the effects of inflation, recent claim settlement trends including frequency and amount of payouts and other economic and social factors. The liability for claims and judgments is reported in the Internal Service Fund. An excess coverage policy covers \$35,000 per participant annually and \$1,000,000 lifetime maximum benefit. Changes in the balances of claims liabilities during the past two years are as follows:

	Years Ended	
	9/30/2018	9/30/2017
Unpaid claims at beginning of year	\$ 299,464	\$ 498,873
Incurred claims (including IBNRs)	611,517	2,161,841
Claim payments	( 665,451)	( 2,361,250)
Unpaid claims at end of year	\$ <u>245,530</u>	\$ <u>299,464</u>

## **Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

**Plan Description.** The County participates in a nontraditional defined benefit pension plan in the statewide Texas County and District Retirement System (“TCDRS”). The Board of Trustees of TCDRS is responsible for the administration of the statewide agent, multiple-employer, public employee retirement system consisting of nontraditional defined benefit pension plans. TCDRS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) that can be obtained at [www.tcdrs.org](http://www.tcdrs.org).

All full and part-time non-temporary employees participate in the plan, regardless of the number of hours they work in a year. Employees in a temporary position are not eligible for membership.

**Benefits Provided.** TCDRS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits for all eligible employees. Benefit terms are established by the TCDRS Act. The benefit terms may be amended as of January 1, each year, but must remain in conformity with the Act.

Members can retire at age 60 and above with 8 or more years of service, with 20 years of service regardless of age, or when the sum of their age and years of service equals 75 or more. Members are vested after eight years of service, but must leave their accumulated contributions in the plan to receive any employer-financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by their employer.

Benefit amounts are determined by the sum of the employee's contributions to the plan, with interest, and employer-financed monetary credits. The level of these monetary credits is adopted by the governing body of the employer within the actuarial constraints imposed by the TCDRS Act so that the resulting benefits can be expected to be adequately financed by the employer's commitment to contribute. By law, employee accounts earn 7% interest. At retirement, death or disability, the benefit is calculated by converting the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions and the employer-financed monetary credits to a monthly annuity using annuity purchase rates prescribed by the TCDRS Act.

***Employees covered by benefit terms***

At the December 31, 2017 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	112
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	183
Active employees	237
	<u>532</u>

**Contributions.** The contribution rates for employees in TCDRS are either 4%, 5%, 6%, or 7% of employee gross earnings, as adopted by the employer's governing body. Participating employers are required to contribute at actuarially determined rates to ensure adequate funding for each employer's plan. Under the state law governing TCDRS, the contribution rate for each entity is determined annually by the actuary and approved by the TCDRS Board of Trustees. The replacement life entry age actuarial cost method is used in determining the contribution rate. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to fund benefits in an orderly manner for each participant over his or her career so that sufficient funds are accumulated by the time benefit payments begin, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Employees for the County were required to contribute 6% of their annual gross earnings during the fiscal year. The contribution rates for the County were 8.0% in calendar years 2017 and 2018. The County's contributions to TCDRS for the year ended September 30, 2018, were \$781,451, and were equal to the required contributions.

**Net Pension Liability.** The County's Net Pension Liability (NPL) was measured as of December 31, 2017, and the Total Pension Liability (TPL) used to calculate the Net Pension Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

***Actuarial Assumptions***

The Total Pension Liability in the December 31, 2017, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.75% per year
Overall payroll growth	3.25% per year
Investment rate of return	8.0%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

The County/District has no automatic cost-of-living adjustments (“COLA”) and one is not considered to be substantively automatic. Therefore, no assumption for future cost-of-living adjustments is included in the actuarial valuation. Each year, the County/District may elect an ad-hoc COLA for its retirees.

Mortality rates for active members, retirees, and beneficiaries were based on the following:

Depositing members	90% of the RP-2014 Active Employee Mortality Table for males and 90% of the RP-2014 Active Employee Mortality Table for females, projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate scale after 2014.
Service retirees, beneficiaries and non-depositing members	130% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for males and 110% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for females, both projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate scale after 2014.
Disabled retirees	130% of the RP-2014 Disabled Annuitant Mortality Table for males and 115% of the RP-2014 Disabled Annuitant Mortality Table for females, both projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate scale after 2014.

The actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability as of December 31, 2017, were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2012, except for mortality assumptions. Mortality assumptions were updated for the 2017 valuation to reflect projected improvements.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 8.0%. The pension plan’s policy in regard to the allocation of invested assets is established and may be amended by the TCDRS Board of Trustees.

The long-term expected rate of return on TCDRS is determined by adding inflation to expected long-term real returns, and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions and information below are based on January 2018 information for a 7 to 10 year time horizon. The valuation assumption for long-term expected return is re-assessed at a minimum of every four years, and is set based on a 30-year time horizon; the most recent analysis was performed in 2013. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates return for each major assets class are summarized in the following table:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Target Allocation <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>Geometric Real Rate of Return (Expected minus Inflation) <sup>(2)</sup></b>
US Equities	Dow Jones U.S. Total Stock Market Index	11.50%	4.55%
Private Equity	Cambridge Associates Global Private Equity & Venture Capital Index <sup>(3)</sup>	16.00%	7.55%
Global Equities	MSCI World (net) Index	1.50%	4.85%
International Equities - Developed	MSCI World Ex USA (net)	11.00%	4.55%
International Equities - Emerging	MSCI EM Standard (net) Index	8.00%	5.55%
Investment-Grade Bonds	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	3.00%	0.75%
Strategic Credit	FTSE High-Yield Cash-Pay Capped Index	8.00%	4.12%
Direct Lending	S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index	10.00%	8.06%
Distressed Debt	Cambridge Associates Distressed Securities Index <sup>(4)</sup>	2.00%	6.30%
REIT Equities	67% FTSE NAREIT Equity REITs Index + 33% S&P Global REIT (net) Index	2.00%	4.05%
Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs)	Alerian MLP Index	3.00%	6.00%
Private Real Estate Partnerships	Cambridge Associates Real Estate Index <sup>(5)</sup>	6.00%	6.25%
Hedge Funds	Hedge Fund Research, Inc. (HFRI) Fund of Funds Composite Index	18.00%	4.10%

(1) Target asset allocation adopted at the April 2018 TCDRS Board meeting.

(2) Geometric real rates of return equal the expected return minus the assumed inflation rate of 1.95%, per Cliffwater's 2018 capital market assumptions.

(3) Includes vintage years 2006-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

(4) Includes vintage years 2005-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

(5) Includes vintage years 2007-present of Quarter Pooled Horizon IRRs.

## **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the Total Pension Liability was 8.1%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee and employer contributions will be made at the rates specified in statute. Based on that assumption, the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all period of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

### ***Changes in the Net Pension Liability***

	Total Pension Liability (a)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a) - (b)
Balance at 12/31/2016	\$ 24,893,531	\$ 23,149,931	\$ 1,743,600
Changes for the year:			
Service cost	1,096,294	-	1,096,294
Interest on total pension liability <sup>(1)</sup>	2,058,841	-	2,058,841
Effect of plan changes <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-	-
Effect of economic/demographic gains or losses	( 119,781)	-	( 119,781)
Effect of assumptions changes or inputs	155,259	-	155,259
Refund of contributions	( 135,219)	( 135,219)	-
Benefit payments	( 1,031,564)	( 1,031,564)	-
Administrative expenses	-	( 17,747)	17,747
Member contributions	-	571,174	( 571,174)
Net investment income	-	3,381,770	( 3,381,770)
Employer contributions	-	762,738	( 762,738)
Other <sup>(3)</sup>	-	2,073	( 2,073)
Balance at 12/31/2017	<u>\$ 26,917,361</u>	<u>\$ 26,683,156</u>	<u>\$ 234,205</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects the change in the liability due to the time value of money. TCDRS does not charge fees or interest.

<sup>(2)</sup> No plan changes valued

<sup>(3)</sup> Relates to allocation of system-wide items.

### ***Sensitivity Analysis***

The following presents the net pension liability of the County, calculated using the discount rate of 8.1%, as well as what the County's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (7.1%) or 1-percentage-higher (9.1%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease 7.1%	Current Discount Rate 8.1%	1% Increase 9.1%
Total pension liability	\$ 30,616,111	\$ 26,917,362	\$ 23,831,914
Fiduciary net position	<u>26,683,157</u>	<u>26,683,157</u>	<u>26,683,157</u>
Net pension liability/(asset)	<u>\$ 3,932,954</u>	<u>\$ 234,205</u>	<u>\$( 2,851,243)</u>

### ***Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position***

Detailed information about the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position is available in a separately-issued TCDRS financial report. The report may be obtained on the Internet at [www.tcdrs.org](http://www.tcdrs.org).

**Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

For the year ended September 30, 2018, the County recognized pension expense of \$918,025. At September 30, 2018, the County reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Deferred Outflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 209,088	\$ 43,077
Changes in actuarial assumptions	-	234,360
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	298,124	-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	-	603,272
Total	<u>\$ 507,212</u>	<u>\$ 880,709</u>

\$603,272 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pension resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability for the year ending September 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expenses as follows:

For The Year Ended September 30,	
2018	\$ 199,550
2019	123,596
2020	( 259,894)
2021	( 293,027)

**Other Post-retirement Health Care Benefits**

**Plan Description**

The County provides certain health care and dental benefits, under county policy, for employees upon retirement that meet one of the following requirements: age 60 with 8 or more years of service, at least 30 years of service at any age, or a combined age plus service of at least 75. Employees hired on October 1, 2012 or after will no longer be eligible for such retiree coverage.

## **BENEFITS AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Except for employees hired on or after October 1, 2012, a Medina County employee who retires and chooses a monthly pension through Texas County and District Retirement System is covered on Medina County's health and dental insurance plan through the month he or she turns 65. Retirees who take a lump sum payment of retirement savings are only eligible to remain on Medina County's health and dental insurance plan as provided for by COBRA guidelines. The qualified retiree may continue any dependent coverage up to the retiree's age of 65 at the same rate afforded to current employees. When the retiree turns 65 and becomes Medicare eligible, he or she is removed from coverage on Medina County's health and dental insurance plan. The retiree may continue dependent coverage according to COBRA guidelines.

Expenses for post-retirement health care benefits are recognized on a pay-as-you-go basis. During the year, post-retirement health care benefits paid by the County were \$109,342.

The number of employees currently covered by the benefit terms is as follows:

Inactive employees receiving benefits	10
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	-
Active employees	<u>97</u>
	<u>107</u>

## Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

Significant methods and assumptions were as follows:

Actuarial cost method	Individual Entry Age
Inflation rate	3.00%
Salary increases	3.50%
Demographic assumptions	Based on the experience study covering the four year period ending December 31, 2016 as conducted for the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS).
Mortality	RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for males and females, both projected with the MP-2018.
Health care cost trend rates	Level 5.00%
Participation rates	It was assumed that 100% of retirees who are eligible for the County subsidy and 100% of active employees would choose to receive health care benefits through the County.
Discount rate	4.06% as of September 30, 2018.

Projections of health benefits are based on the plan as understood by the County and include the types of benefits in force at the valuation date and the pattern of sharing benefit costs between the County and its employees to that point. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective and employ methods and assumptions that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets.

A Single Discount Rate of 4.06% was used to measure the total OPEB liability. This Single Discount Rate was based on the municipal bond rates as of the measurement date. The source of the municipal bond rate was Fixed-income municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds as reported in Fidelity Index's "20-year Municipal GO AA Index" as of September 30, 2018.

### Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

The County's total OPEB liability of \$2,842,686 was measured as of September 30, 2018 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of September 30, 2018.

	Total OPEB Liability
Balance at 10/01/2017	\$ 2,739,270
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	99,715
Interest on the total liability	113,043
Benefit payments	( 109,342)
Net changes	103,416
Balance at 09/30/2018	\$ 2,842,686



### *Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis*

The following schedule shows the impact of the total OPEB liability if the discount rate used was 1% less than and 1% greater than the discount rate that was used (4.06%) in measuring the total OPEB liability.

	<u>1% Decrease in Discount Rate (3.06%)</u>	<u>Discount Rate (4.06%)</u>	<u>1% Increase in Discount Rate (5.06%)</u>
County's total OPEB liability	\$ 3,128,930	\$ 2,842,686	\$ 2,582,199

### *Healthcare Cost Trend Rate Sensitivity Analysis*

The following schedule shows the impact of the total OPEB liability if the Healthcare Cost Trend Rate used was 1% less than and 1% greater than what was used in measuring the total OPEB liability.

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rate Assumption</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
County's total OPEB liability	\$ 2,490,902	\$ 2,842,686	\$ 3,261,071

### *OPEB Expense*

For the year ended September 30, 2018, the County recognized OPEB expense of \$212,758.

### **Commitments and Contingencies**

Various claims and lawsuits are pending against the County. The evaluation of County management is that any liability to the County relating to such claims and lawsuits will not have a material impact on the County's financial position. Historically, the County has not incurred significant losses from claims or lawsuits which arise during the ordinary course of business.

In addition, the County also participates in several federally assisted grant programs, all of which are subject to federal regulations and guidelines. Should any of the grant program expenditures be disallowed by any of the respective grantor agencies or should any other contingency become a Medina liability, funds would have to be appropriated in future County budgets for settlements.

### **Prior Period Commitment**

The County implemented GASB No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB). The effect of this standard was to decrease beginning net position by \$1,207,249. The County also had some adjustments to capital assets that reduced beginning net position by \$410,320.

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**APPENDIX E**

**SPECIMEN MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY**

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# MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

ISSUER:

Policy No: -N

BONDS: \$ in aggregate principal amount of

Effective Date:

Premium: \$

ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP. ("AGM"), for consideration received, hereby UNCONDITIONALLY AND IRREVOCABLY agrees to pay to the trustee (the "Trustee") or paying agent (the "Paying Agent") (as set forth in the documentation providing for the issuance of and securing the Bonds) for the Bonds, for the benefit of the Owners or, at the election of AGM, 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 Business Day next following the Business Day on which AGM shall have received Notice of Nonpayment, AGM will disburse to or for the benefit of each Owner of a Bond the face amount of principal of and interest on the Bond that is then Due for Payment but is then unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer, but only upon receipt by AGM, in a form reasonably satisfactory to it, of (a) evidence of the Owner's right to receive payment of the 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 AGM. 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 AGM is incomplete, it shall be deemed not to have been received by AGM for purposes of the preceding sentence and AGM shall promptly so advise the Trustee, Paying Agent or Owner, as appropriate, who may submit an amended Notice of Nonpayment. Upon disbursement in respect of a Bond, AGM shall become the owner of the Bond, any appurtenant coupon to the Bond or right to receipt of payment of principal of or interest on the Bond and shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Owner, including the Owner's right to receive payments under the Bond, to the extent of any payment by AGM hereunder. Payment by AGM to the Trustee or Paying Agent for the benefit of the Owners shall, to the extent thereof, discharge the obligation of AGM under this Policy.

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 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 AGM 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 of principal or interest that is Due for Payment made to an Owner by or on behalf of the Issuer which has been recovered from such Owner pursuant to the

United States Bankruptcy Code by a trustee in bankruptcy in accordance with a final, nonappealable order of a court having competent jurisdiction. "Notice" means telephonic or telecopied notice, subsequently confirmed in a signed writing, or written notice by registered or certified mail, from an Owner, the Trustee or the Paying Agent to AGM which notice shall specify (a) the person or entity making the claim, (b) the Policy Number, (c) the claimed amount and (d) the date such claimed amount 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 or any person or entity whose direct or indirect obligation constitutes the underlying security for the Bonds.

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

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, AGM 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 AGM to avoid payment of its obligations under this Policy in accordance with the express provisions of this Policy.

This Policy sets forth in full the undertaking of AGM, 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, (a) 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 and (b) this Policy may not be canceled or revoked. THIS POLICY IS NOT COVERED BY THE PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE SECURITY FUND SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 76 OF THE NEW YORK INSURANCE LAW.

In witness whereof, ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP. has caused this Policy to be executed on its behalf by its Authorized Officer.

ASSURED GUARANTY MUNICIPAL CORP.

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

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