

OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED MAY 28, 2020

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

The Bonds will be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for financial institutions. See "TAX MATTERS - Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations."

NEW ISSUE - Book-Entry-Only

Ratings: S&P Global Ratings (AGM Insured) "AA" (stable outlook)
Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (AGM Insured) . . . "A2" (stable outlook)
Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (Underlying)... "A3"
 See "BOND INSURANCE" and "RATINGS" herein

\$4,675,000 HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 278 (A Political Subdivision of the State of Texas, located within Harris County, Texas) UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020

Dated: June 1, 2020

Due: September 1, as shown below

Principal of the above bonds (the "Bonds") is payable by the paying agent/registrar, initially, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N. A., in Dallas, Texas, or any successor paying agent/registrar (the "Paying Agent," "Registrar" or "Paying Agent/Registrar"). Interest on the Bonds accrues from June 1, 2020, and is payable on September 1, 2020 (three-month interest payment), and on each March 1 and September 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or redemption. The Bonds are issued in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof in fully registered form only.

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

The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be guaranteed under a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds by Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM" or the "Insurer").



MATURITY SCHEDULE CUSIP Prefix (a): 413946

<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Maturity (Due September 1)</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Initial Reoffering Yield (b)</u>	<u>CUSIP Suffix (a)</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Maturity (Due September 1)</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Initial Reoffering Yield (b)</u>	<u>CUSIP Suffix (a)</u>
\$ 35,000	2020	4.00%	1.00%	NZ3	\$ 460,000	2026(c)	2.00%	1.44%	PF5
5,000	2021	4.00	1.05	PA6	470,000	2027(c)	2.00	1.58	PG3
400,000	2022	4.00	1.06	PB4	485,000	2028(c)	2.00	1.74	PH1
420,000	2023	4.00	1.14	PC2	500,000	2029(c)	2.00	1.78	PJ7
420,000	2024	4.00	1.22	PD0	510,000	2030(c)	2.00	1.88	PK4
445,000	2025	4.00	1.31	PE8	525,000	2031(c)	2.00	1.97	PL2

- (a) CUSIP is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP data is provided by CUSIP Global Services, managed by S&P Global Market Intelligence on behalf of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP numbers have been assigned to this issue by the CUSIP Service Bureau and are included solely for the convenience of the owners of the Bonds. This data is not intended to create a database and does not serve in any way as a substitute for the CUSIP services. Neither the District, the Financial Advisor (as defined herein), nor the Underwriters (as defined herein) take any responsibility for the accuracy of CUSIP numbers.
- (b) Information with respect to the initial reoffering yields of the Bonds is the responsibility of the Underwriters. Initial reoffering yields represent the initial offering price to the public which has been established by the Underwriters for public offerings, and which subsequently may be changed. Accrued interest from June 1, 2020, is to be added to the price.
- (c) The Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2026, are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278 (the "District"), as a whole or in part, on September 1, 2025, or any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest from the most recent interest payment date to the date fixed for redemption.

If fewer than all of the Bonds are redeemed at any time, the particular maturities and amounts of the Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the District in integral multiples of \$5,000 within any one maturity. If fewer than all of the Bonds of any given maturity are to be redeemed at any time, the particular Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by such method of random selection as determined by the Registrar (or by DTC in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form). The Registered Owner of any Bond, all or a portion of which as been called for redemption, shall be required to present same to the Registrar for payment of the redemption price on the portion of the Bond so called for redemption and the issuance of a new Bond in the principal amount equal to the portion of such Bond not redeemed.

The proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, plus certain other lawfully available funds of the District, will be applied to refund certain outstanding bonds of the District and to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds. See "PLAN OF FINANCING — Use of Bond Proceeds." The Bonds, when issued, constitute valid and binding obligations of the District, and are payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property located within the District. See "THE BONDS – Source of Payment." Neither the State of Texas, the City of Houston, Texas, Harris County, Texas, nor any political subdivision other than the District shall be obligated to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State of Texas, the City of Houston, Texas, or Harris County, Texas, is pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

The Bonds are offered subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued by the District and accepted by the Underwriters, subject among other things to the approval of the Attorney General of Texas and of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Houston, Texas, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Houston, Texas, as Underwriters' Counsel. Delivery of the Bonds in book-entry form is expected on or about June 25, 2020, at The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., in Dallas Texas.

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USE OF INFORMATION IN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

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

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

This Official Statement contains, in part, estimates, assumptions and matters of opinion which are not intended as statements of fact, and no representation is made as to the correctness of such estimates, assumptions, or matters of opinion, or that they will be realized.

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

Any information and expressions of opinion herein contained are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District or other matters described herein since the date hereof. However, the District has agreed to keep this Official Statement current by amendment or sticker to reflect material changes in the affairs of the District, and to the extent that information actually comes to its attention, the other matters described in this Official Statement until the delivery of the Bonds to the Underwriters (hereinafter defined) and thereafter only as specified herein under the caption "OFFICIAL STATEMENT - Updating of Official Statement."

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information in this Official Statement pursuant to their responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

Neither the District nor the Underwriters makes any representations as to the accuracy, completeness, or adequacy of the information supplied by The Depository Trust Company for use in this Official Statement.

This Official Statement contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which generally can be identified with words or phrases such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "estimates," "expects," "foresees," "may," "predict," "should," "will" or other words or phrases of similar import. All statements included in this Official Statement that any person expects or anticipates will, should or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on assumptions and analyses made in light of experience and perceptions of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments as well as other factors the District believes are appropriate in the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments conform with expectations and predictions is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation, the information discussed under "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS" in this Official Statement, as well as additional factors beyond the District's control. The important investment considerations and assumptions described under that caption and elsewhere herein could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statement. All of the forward-looking statements made in this Official Statement are qualified by these cautionary statements.

Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM" or the Insurer") makes no representation regarding the Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. 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 C - SPECIMEN OF MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY."

SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE BONDS

Underwriters

SAMCO Capital Markets, Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC (“RBC”) (together, the “Underwriters”) have agreed, pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in a Bond Purchase Agreement, to purchase the Bonds from the District for \$4,846,239.00 (an amount equal to the principal amount of the Bonds, less an Underwriters’ discount of \$37,119.50, plus an original issue premium on the Bonds of \$208,358.50) plus accrued interest from June 1, 2020, to the date of delivery. The obligation of the Underwriters to purchase the Bonds is subject to certain conditions contained in the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Underwriters may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing Bonds into unit investment trusts) and others at prices lower than the public offering price stated on the cover page hereof. The initial offering price may be changed from time to time by the Underwriters.

RBC has provided the following information for inclusion in this Official Statement: RBC and its respective affiliates are full-service financial institutions engaged in various activities, that may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, municipal advisory, brokerage, and asset management. In the ordinary course of business, RBC and its respective affiliates may actively trade debt and, if applicable, equity securities (or related derivative securities) and provide financial instruments (which may include bank loans, credit support or interest rate swaps). RBC and its respective affiliates may engage in transactions for their own accounts involving the securities and instruments made the subject of this securities offering or other offerings of the District. RBC and its respective affiliates may also communicate independent investment recommendations, market color or trading ideas and publish independent research views in respect of this securities offering or other offerings of the District. RBC and its respective affiliates may make a market in credit default swaps with respect to municipal securities in the future.

Prices and Marketability

The delivery of the Bonds is conditioned upon the receipt by the District of a certificate executed and delivered by the Underwriters on or before the date of delivery of the Bonds stating the issue prices for the Bonds of each maturity. Otherwise, the District has no understanding with the Underwriters regarding the reoffering yields or prices of the Bonds and has no control over trading of the Bonds after a bona fide offering of the Bonds is made by the Underwriters at the yields specified on the cover page. Information concerning reoffering yields or prices is the responsibility of the Underwriters.

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

The prices and other terms respecting the offering and sale of the Bonds may be changed from time to time by the Underwriters after the Bonds are released for sale, and the Bonds may be offered and sold at prices other than the initial offering price, including sales to dealers who may sell the Bonds into investment accounts.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS THAT STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

Securities Laws

No registration statement relating to the Bonds has been filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon exemptions provided thereunder. The Bonds have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained

therein, nor have the Bonds been registered or qualified under the securities acts of any other jurisdiction. The District assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification of the Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Bonds may be offered, sold, or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Bonds should not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration or qualification provisions.

BOND INSURANCE

Bond Insurance Policy

Concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds, Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM") will issue its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy for the Bonds (the "Policy"). The Policy guarantees the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due as set forth in the form of the Policy included as an appendix 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 international public finance (including infrastructure) and structured finance markets and, as of October 1, 2019, asset management services. 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 December 19, 2019, 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 November 7, 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 August 13, 2019, 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, 2019.

Capitalization of AGM

At March 31, 2020:

- The policyholders' surplus of AGM was approximately \$2,573 million.
- The contingency reserves of AGM and its indirect subsidiary Municipal Assurance Corp. ("MAC") (as described below) were approximately \$997 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 \$1,997 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, 2019 (filed by AGL with the SEC on February 28, 2020); and
- (ii) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2020 (filed by AGL with the SEC on May 8, 2020).

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 Bonds 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 Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. 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 RISK FACTORS

In the event of default of the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Bonds when all or some becomes due, any owner of the Bonds shall have a claim under the Policy for such payments.

In the event the Insurer is unable to make payment of principal and interest as such payments become due under the Policy, the Bonds are payable solely from the moneys received pursuant to the applicable bond documents. In the event the Insurer becomes obligated to make payments with respect to the Bonds, no assurance is given that such event will not adversely affect the market price of the Bonds or the marketability (liquidity) for the Bonds.

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

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

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

RATINGS

The Bonds are expected to receive an insured rating of "AA" (stable outlook) from S&P Global Ratings ("S&P"), a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, and "A2" (stable outlook) from Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") based upon the issuance of the Policy by the Insurer at the time of delivery of the Bonds. The underlying credit rating of the Bonds assigned by Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's") is "A3."

An explanation of the significance of the foregoing ratings may only be obtained from S&P and Moody's. The foregoing ratings express only the view of S&P and Moody's at the time the ratings are given. Furthermore, a security rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities. There is no assurance that the ratings will continue for any given period of time or that they will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by S&P or Moody's, if, in their judgment, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward change in or withdrawal of such ratings may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

The District is not aware of any ratings assigned the Bonds other than the ratings of S&P and Moody's.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

The following material is a summary of certain information contained herein and is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information and financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Official Statement.

THE BONDS

The Issuer	Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278 (the “District”), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, is located in Harris County, Texas. See “THE DISTRICT.”
The Issue	Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020, in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,675,000 are dated June 1, 2020. Interest accrues from June 1, 2020, at the rates shown on the cover hereof and is payable on September 1, 2020 (three-month interest payment), and on each March 1 and September 1 thereafter until the earlier of stated maturity or redemption. The Bonds mature on September 1 in each of the years and in the amounts shown on the cover page of this Official Statement. The Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2026, are subject to redemption, in whole or in part, on September 1, 2025, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. See “THE BONDS.” The Bonds will be issued pursuant to a Bond Resolution (the “Bond Resolution”) adopted by the Board of Directors of the District. The Bonds are being issued under the authority of Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Chapter 1207 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, and City of Houston Ordinance No. 97-416.
Book-Entry-Only System	The definitive Bonds will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC (defined herein), pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein. Beneficial ownership of the Bonds may be acquired in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the Beneficial Owners thereof. Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar (as defined herein) to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the participating members of DTC for subsequent payment to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds (see “THE BONDS - Book-Entry-Only System”).
Source of Payment	Principal of and interest on the Bonds are payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property located within the District. See “THE BONDS - Source of Payment,” “TAX DATA - Tax Rate Calculations,” and “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments - Maximum Impact on District Tax Rates.” The Bonds are obligations of the District, and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Harris County, Texas, the City of Houston, Texas, or any entity other than the District.

Use of Proceeds

Proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, plus certain funds that are lawfully available to the District for such purpose, will be applied to refund \$4,600,000 of the principal amount of the District's Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Refunding Bonds"). Collective reference is made to such refunded bonds as the "Refunded Bonds." The proceeds of the sale of the Bonds will also be used to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds. The sale of the Bonds and the refunding of the Refunded Bonds will (i) reduce the District's debt service payments and (ii) provide present value savings in the District's debt service.

Payment Record

The District has, in addition to the Series 2013 Refunding Bonds, also issued Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1994 (the "Series 1994 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1996 (the "Series 1996 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1998 (the "Series 1998 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2003 (the "Series 2003 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2007 (the "Series 2007 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2009 (the "Series 2009 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2010 (the "Series 2010 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2016 (the "Series 2016 Bonds") and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2019 (the "Series 2019 Bonds"). The District has also issued Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2004 (the "Series 2004 Refunding Bonds"), the Series 2013 Refunding Bonds, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Refunding Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (the "Series 2015 Refunding Bonds") and Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2018 (the "Series 2018 Refunding Bonds") to refund certain outstanding bonds of the District. Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to all of such previously issued bonds as the "Prior Bonds." The District has never defaulted in the timely payment of principal of or interest on the Prior Bonds. Before the issuance of the Bonds, the principal amount of the Prior Bonds that had not been previously retired by the District was \$51,640,000 (the "Outstanding Bonds"). After issuance of the Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds, less the portions thereof previously retired by the District, and less the Refunded Bonds (collectively, the "Remaining Outstanding Bonds") will be \$47,040,000, and the aggregate principal amount of the District's bonded indebtedness, including the Bonds, will be \$51,715,000. See "DISTRICT DEBT - Debt Service Requirement Schedule." The District financed its share of the cost of the acquisition or construction of components of its water supply and distribution, wastewater collection and treatment, and storm sewer/detention system (collectively, the "System") as is described in this Official Statement under the caption "THE SYSTEM" with portions of the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. The District expects to finance its share of the cost of acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's

approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See “THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt,” “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt,” and “THE SYSTEM.”

Municipal Bond Insurance Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. (“AGM”). See “BOND INSURANCE” and “BOND INSURANCE RISK FACTORS.”

Municipal Bond Ratings S&P Global Ratings (AGM insured) “AA” (stable outlook). Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (AGM insured) “A2” (stable outlook). Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (underlying) “A3”. See “BOND INSURANCE” and “RATINGS.”

Bond Counsel Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Bond Counsel, Houston, Texas. See “LEGAL MATTERS.”

Verification Agent Robert Thomas, CPA, LLC. See “VERIFICATION OF ACCURACY OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATION.”

Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations The District will designate the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations for financial institutions.” See “TAX MATTERS - Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations.”

THE DISTRICT

Description The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, created by Order of the Texas Water Commission, the predecessor of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the “TCEQ”) on March 27, 1985. The District contains approximately 1,230.1986 acres of land. The District is located entirely within Harris County, Texas, and entirely within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas (the “City”). The District is located approximately twenty miles northeast of the central business district of the City, approximately five miles east of U.S. Highway 59. The District is composed of multiple tracts of land, with the eastern portion of the District generally bounded on the south by Will Clayton Parkway, on the north by Atascocita Road, and on the east by Timber Forest Drive. Five tracts of land that are located within the District are generally bounded to the north by Will Clayton Parkway, on the west by Wilson Road and on the south by Atascocita Road. Two other tracts of land that are located within the District are generally bounded to the north by Atascocita Road, on the west by Ygnacio Road and on the east by Woodland Hills Drive. Two additional tracts of land that are located within the District are generally bounded to the south by Will Clayton Parkway, on the west by Wilson Road and on the east by Woodland Hills Drive. See “APPENDIX A - LOCATION MAP.”

Authority

The rights, powers, privileges, authority and functions of the District are established by Article XVI, Section 59 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended, and the general laws of the State of Texas pertaining to municipal utility districts, particularly Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended. See "THE DISTRICT - General."

Development and Home Construction

Development and home construction accomplished in the District to date include the completion of the development of 3,203 single family residential lots, and 3,103 homes, including 22 homes under construction (see "Builders" below). In addition, a day care center, an office building, warehouses, two medical treatment and care facilities, and other retail and commercial enterprises, including gas stations, restaurants, auto parts and repair shops, a strip center, a boat storage facility, a bank, a convenience store, a hardware store and a car wash aggregating approximately 342,060 square feet of building area have been constructed on approximately 41.4 acres of land within the District. The 241-unit Park at Tour 18 Apartments ("Tour 18 Apartments") are currently under construction on approximately 9.03 acres within the District with completion anticipated in approximately October 2020.

According to the District's Engineer, underground water, sewer and drainage facilities and street paving have been constructed to serve the aforementioned total of 3,203 single family residential lots on approximately 690.91 acres platted as Timber Forest, Sections 1 and 4 through 7, Clayton's Corner, Sections 1 through 4, Woodland Pines, Sections 1 through 10, Laurel Place, Sections 1 through 3, Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Sections 1 through 4, and Villages at Tour 18, Sections 1 and 2.

The District also contains unrestricted reserves aggregating (i) approximately 73.89 acres that have been developed for multi-family residential or commercial usage consisting of (a) approximately 23.74 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 1, (b) approximately 39.51 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 2, (c) approximately 10.64 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 3, including an aggregate of approximately 17.14 acres of street rights of way located in such sections, (ii) approximately 63.19 total acres that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive, on approximately 9.03 acres of which the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments are currently under construction, approximately 10.57 acres of which are expected to be developed for future multi-family residential usage, approximately 13.60 acres of which are expected to be developed for future commercial usage and the remaining approximately 30.0 acres of which are contained within storm water detention facilities and pipeline or electrical easements, and (iii) approximately 33.14 additional acres of land used for storm water detention facilities. According to the District's Engineer, underground water, sewer and drainage facilities and street paving to serve

all of such unrestricted reserves have been constructed to (or are in close proximity to) the perimeters of the tracts which they serve. See “FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.”

Approximately 365.94 acres of land located in the District, exclusive of certain easements, rights-of-way, and other land not available for development, are currently undeveloped. Approximately 3.40 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by WP70, LP (defined below under the caption “Developers and Other Principal Land Owners”). Humble Independent School District owns 81.13 acres of land located within the District which property is exempt from taxation and which is expected to construct schools and facilities on such acreage. Approximately 14.45 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by KB Home (defined below under the caption “Developers and Other Principal Land Owners”). It is anticipated that KB Home will develop such currently undeveloped acreage in the future as Villages at Tour 18, Section 3 (approximately 50 single-family residential lots). Approximately 64.13 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by Sowell Interests-Atascocita, L.P. (“SIA”) (defined below under the caption “Developers and Other Principal Land Owners”). SIA has not reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. As is reflected on the District’s 2019 tax roll, approximately 159.71 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by Rancho Del Austin Partners, L.P. (“RDA”). Approximately 10.52 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by KTB Holdings LP (“KTB”), which are expected to be used for future commercial development. The remaining acres that are available for future development are owned by multiple other parties, none of which has reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. Since no party, including WP70, KB Home, SIA, RDA or KTB has any obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken in the District in addition to the development undertaken therein to date, nor can the District represent the ultimate utilization of such currently undeveloped land. The District is unaware of any specific development or construction of above ground improvements planned for any of the reserves located in Timber Forest, Sections 1 through 3 or the acres that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive described above in addition to the development that has been undertaken and the improvements that have been constructed or are under construction therein to date. The balance of the land within the District is located within street and drainage rights-of-way, District plant sites, or is otherwise not available for residential or commercial development. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments,” “FUTURE DEVELOPMENT” and “TAX DATA - Principal 2019 Taxpayers.”

The District financed the underground water distribution, wastewater collection and storm drainage facilities to serve Timber Forest, Sections 1 and 4 through 7, Clayton’s Corner, Sections 1 through 4, Laurel Place, Sections 1 through 3, Woodland Pines, Sections 1 through 10, Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Section 1 through 4, Villages at Tour 18, Sections 1 and 2, off-site water distribution to serve Woodland Pines; a wastewater treatment plant expansion; wastewater collection and detention facilities to serve Villages at Tour 18; clearing and grubbing of Villages at Tour 18, Section 1; water supply and storage facilities, a wastewater treatment plant and lift station, clearing and grubbing serving Villages at Tour 18, Section 2; stormwater pollution prevention plans for Atascocita Trace, Sections 4 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Sections 2 through 4, Villages at Tour 18, Section 2, and Woodland Pines, Sections 9 and 10; the remaining costs of a 12-inch water line along Will Clayton Parkway, Phases 1, 1-A and 2; and a 16-inch water line along Atascocita Road, Phases 1 and 2; Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion; and land acquisition costs for the detention basin for Villages at Tour 18 and Phase 1 Water Line/Joint Use Easements, and other facilities that are described in this Official Statement under the caption “THE SYSTEM” with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. In addition to the components of the System that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District’s approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See “THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt” and - “Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds,” “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt” and “THE SYSTEM.”

Developers and Other Principal Land Owners

The developer of Atascocita Trace (see “Development and Home Construction” above) is Élan Development, L.P. (“Élan”), a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Élan, L.C., a Texas limited liability corporation. Élan has completed the development of Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6 (611 single-family residential lots on approximately 114.93 acres) located within the District. Anglia Homes is constructing homes in Atascocita Trace as is described below under the caption “Builders.” Élan owns no additional land located within the District.

The developer of Villages at Tour 18, Section 2 (21 single-family residential lots) located within the District (see “Development and Home Construction” above) is KB Home Lone Star, Inc. (“KB Home”). KB Home is constructing homes in Villages at Tour 18, Section 2 as is described below under the caption “Builders.” KB Home owns approximately 14.45 acres of land located within the District that are planned

as future Villages of Tour 18, Section 3 (50 single-family residential lots). However, since KB Home has no obligation to the District to develop Villages of Tour 18, Section 3, the District cannot represent that the development thereof will be undertaken.

The developer of Woodland Pines, Section 9 (120 single-family residential lots on approximately 23.46 acres) and Section 10 (106 single-family residential lots on approximately 19.76 acres) is DS Woodland Pines, LLC ("DS Woodland Pines"). According to DS Woodland Pines, Liberty Homebuilders and Devon Street Homes are constructing homes in Woodland Pines, Section 10 as is described below under the caption "Builders." DS Woodland Pines owns no additional land located in the District.

The developer of approximately 63.19 acres of land located within the District that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive that have been provided underground water, sewer and drainage facilities and street paving to the perimeter thereof was Austofield Partners No. I, Ltd., ("Austofield") a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Austofield No. I, LLC, a Texas limited liability corporation whose president is Yousef Panahpour. ATA Development, LP ("ATA") a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is ATA GP Developers, L.L.C., a Texas limited liability corporation whose president is Yousef Panahpour, developed such land on behalf of Austofield. Austofield has sold approximately 10.57 of such acres that are expected to be utilized for future multi-family development to Creekstone Developments, Inc. ("Creekstone"). Austofield has sold approximately 9.03 of such acres being utilized for future multi-family development to The Park at Tour 18 LLC ("Tour 18"), on which the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments are currently under construction. Austofield has conveyed approximately 13.60 of such acres expected to be developed for future commercial usage to Atasca Lake Partners No I Ltd. ("ALP"), a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Atasca Lake No I, L.L.C., a Texas limited liability corporation whose president is Yousef Panahpour. The remaining approximately 30.0 of such acres are contained within storm water detention facilities, pipeline or electrical easements (see "Development and Home Construction" above). ATA and Austofield do not own any property in the District. Since ALP has no obligation to the District to undertake any development of the approximately 13.60 of such acres that are expected to be utilized for future commercial development that are owned by ALP; Creekstone has no obligation to the District to undertake any development of the approximately 10.57 of such acres that are expected to be utilized for future multi-family residential development that are owned by Creekstone; and Tour 18 has no obligation to the District to complete the construction of the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments on the approximately 9.03 of such acres that are owned by Tour 18; and since no party, including ALP, Creekstone or Tour 18, has any obligation to the District to

undertake or complete the construction of any above-ground improvements on any of such land, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such land in addition to the development undertaken thereon to date, and cannot represent that any above-ground multi-family residential, commercial or other above-ground improvements will be constructed or completed on any of such land.

The owner of approximately 64.13 currently undeveloped acres of land located within the District that are available for future development (see “Development and Home Construction” above) is Sowell Interests-Atascocita, L.P. (“SIA”), a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Sowell Atascocita, Inc., a Texas corporation whose president is Stephen L. Brown. SIA has not reported any definitive plan to the District covering any of such acres. Since SIA has no obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such currently undeveloped acres.

The owner of approximately 3.40 currently undeveloped acres of land located within the District that are available for future development is WP70, LP (“WP70”). However, WP70 has no obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such undeveloped acres.

Humble Independent School District owns 81.13 acres of land located within the District which property is exempt from taxation and which is expected to construct schools and facilities on such acreage.

As is reflected on the District’s 2019 tax rolls, approximately 159.71 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by Rancho Del Austin Partners, L.P. (“RDA”). Approximately 10.52 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by KTB Holdings LP (“KTB”), which are expected to be used for future commercial development. The remaining acres that are available for future development are owned by multiple other parties, none of which has reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. Since none of RDA or any of such other parties has any obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such currently undeveloped acres.

Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to Élan, KB Home, DS Woodland Pines and Tour 18 as the “Developers.”

Builders

According to Élan, homes which Anglia Homes is currently constructing in Atascocita Trace range in size from approximately 1,169 to 2,099 square feet of living area and in sales price from approximately \$170,990 to \$207,990.

According to KB Home, homes which it is currently constructing in Villages of Tour 18 range in size from approximately 2,321 to 4,307 square feet of living area and in sales price from approximately \$215,001 to \$482,000.

According to DS Woodland Pines, homes that Liberty Homebuilders and Devon Street Homes are currently constructing in Woodland Pines range in size from approximately 1,582 to 4,104 square feet of living area and in sales price from approximately \$169,000 to \$350,000.

Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to Anglia Homes, KB Home, Liberty Homebuilders and Devon Street Homes as the “Builders.”

INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

THE BONDS ARE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS. AS SET FORTH IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS SHOULD REVIEW THE ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT BEFORE MAKING AN INVESTMENT DECISION, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY THE SECTION OF THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT ENTITLED “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS.”

**SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(UNAUDITED)**

2019 Assessed Valuation		\$560,046,667(a)
(As of January 1, 2019)		
See "TAX DATA" and "TAX PROCEDURES."		
Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020		\$638,870,325(b)
(As of March 1, 2020)		
See "TAX DATA" and "TAX PROCEDURES."		
Direct Debt		
Remaining Outstanding Bonds (as defined herein)	\$ 47,040,000	
The Bonds	<u>4,675,000</u>	
Total		\$ 51,715,000(c)
Estimated Overlapping Debt		<u>\$ 28,597,819(c)</u>
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt		<u>\$ 80,312,819(c)</u>
Direct Debt Ratio		
: as a percentage of 2019 Assessed Valuation		9.23%
: as a percentage of Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020		8.09%
Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt Ratio		
: as a percentage of 2019 Assessed Valuation		14.34%
: as a percentage of Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020		12.57%
Debt Service Fund Balance Estimated as of Delivery of the Bonds		\$ 5,644,821(d)
General Fund Balance at April 3, 2020		\$ 7,147,799
2019 Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation		
Debt Service	\$0.62	
Maintenance	<u>0.27</u>	
Total		\$0.89(e)
Average Percentage of Total Tax Collections (2009-2018)		99.89%
As of March 31, 2020.		
Percentage of Tax Collections 2019 Levy.		
As of March 31, 2020.		97.30%
Average Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds (2020-2037)		\$3,327,966
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement of the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds (2037)		\$3,435,975
Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation Required to Pay Average Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds (2020-2037) at 95% Tax Collections		
Based Upon 2019 Assessed Valuation		\$0.63(e)
Based Upon Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020		\$0.55(e)

Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation Required to Pay Maximum Annual	
Debt Service Requirement of the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds	
(2037) at 95% Tax Collections	
Based Upon 2019 Assessed Valuation	\$0.65(e)
Based Upon Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020	\$0.57(e)

Number of Single Family Residences (including 22 homes that are under construction).
(See "BUILDERS") 3,103

Completed Commercial Improvements - Approximately 342,060 Square Feet of Building Area
(See "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION.")

Multi-Family Residential Improvements Currently Under Construction - 241-Unit Tour 18 Apartments
(See "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION.")

- (a) As of January 1, 2019. All property in the District is valued on the tax rolls by the Harris County Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") at 100% of assessed value as of January 1 of each year. The District's tax roll is certified by the Harris County Appraisal Review Board (the "Appraisal Review Board").
- (b) Provided by the Appraisal District for informational purposes only, this amount is an estimate of the value of all taxable property located within the District as of March 1, 2020, and includes an estimate of values resulting from the construction of taxable improvements from January 1, 2019, through February 29, 2020. No taxes were levied for 2019 against any values added since January 1, 2019. The ultimate Assessed Valuation of any land and improvements added from January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, which will be placed on the District's 2020 tax roll, may vary significantly from such estimate once the Appraisal Review Board certifies the value thereof in 2020. Moreover, the ultimate Assessed Valuation of any land and improvements added from January 1, 2020, through February 29, 2020, which will be placed on the District's 2021 tax roll, may vary significantly from such estimate once the Appraisal Review Board certifies the value thereof in 2021.
- (c) See "DISTRICT DEBT" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt." In addition to the components of the System the acquisition or construction of which the District has financed with portions of the proceeds of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance its share of the cost of acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt," and "THE SYSTEM."
- (d) Neither Texas law nor the Bond Resolution requires the District to maintain any particular sum in the Debt Service Fund. Such sum gives effect to the payment by the District of its debt service requirements that were due on March 1, 2020, and the contribution of \$9,000 to the refunding of the Refunded Bonds. The District's remaining debt service requirements for 2020, which are due on September 1, 2020, consist of \$2,302,479 of principal and interest on the Outstanding Bonds and a three-month interest payment on the Bonds and a principal payment of \$35,000 on the Bonds.
- (e) The District has levied a debt service tax for 2019 in the amount of \$0.62 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation. The District also levied a maintenance tax of \$0.27 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2019. Therefore, the District's combined total tax for 2019 is \$0.89 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation. As is enumerated in this Official Statement under the caption "TAX DATA - Estimated Overlapping Taxes," the total of the 2019 tax levies of all overlapping taxing units which levy taxes upon property located in the District, plus the District's 2019 rate, is \$3.13285. The District's tax rate of \$0.89 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and such total rate of \$3.13285 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation are higher than the individual and total tax levies of some municipal utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area, including the area of the District, but are within the range of the individual and total levies of municipal utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area and the area of the District which are in stages of development comparable with the District. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments."

\$4,675,000
HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 278
UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020

INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement provides certain information with respect to the issuance by Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278 (the “District”) of its Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 (the “Bonds”). The Bonds are issued pursuant to the Texas Constitution, the general laws of the State of Texas, including particularly, Chapters 49 and 54, Texas Water Code, as amended, and Chapter 1207 Texas Government Code, as amended, City of Houston Ordinance No. 97-416, and a resolution authorizing issuance of the Bonds (the “Bond Resolution”), adopted by the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”).

Included in this Official Statement are descriptions of the Bonds, the plan of financing, and certain information about the District and its finances. All descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each such document. Copies of such documents may be obtained from Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Phoenix Tower, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, Texas 77027, upon payment of duplication costs. Certain capitalized terms used in this Official Statement have the same meanings assigned to such terms in the Bond Resolution, except as otherwise indicated herein.

THE BONDS

General

The \$4,675,000 Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020, are dated June 1, 2020, with interest payable on September 1, 2020 (three-month interest payment), and on each March 1 and September 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or redemption. The Bonds are fully registered bonds maturing on September 1 of the years and in the amounts shown under “MATURITY SCHEDULE” on the cover page of this Official Statement. Principal of the Bonds will be payable by the paying agent/registrars, initially, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., in Dallas, Texas, or any successor paying agent/registrars (the “Paying Agent,” “Paying Agent/Registrar,” or “Registrar”).

The Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”), which will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Beneficial Owners of the Bonds will not receive physical certificates representing the Bonds, but will receive a credit balance on the books of the nominees of such Beneficial Owners. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds, the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid by the Paying Agent directly to DTC, which will, in turn, remit such principal and interest to its participants for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds as described below under “Book-Entry-Only System.”

Book-Entry-Only System

This section describes how ownership of the Bonds is to be transferred and how the principal of and interest on the Bonds are to be paid to and credited by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, (“DTC”) while the Bonds 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 District and the Financial Advisor believe the source of such information to be reliable, but neither of the District or the Financial Advisor takes any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof.

The District cannot and does not give any assurance that (1) DTC will distribute payments of debt service on the Bonds, 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 Bonds), 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 Securities and Exchange Commission, and the current procedures of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Participants are on file with DTC.

The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities 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 Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world’s largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a “clearing agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 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”). DTC has a Standard & Poor’s rating of “AA+.” The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

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

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

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

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

Payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with 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 District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

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

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

Use of Certain Terms in Other Sections of this Official Statement

In reading this Official Statement it should be understood that while the Bonds 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 Bonds, 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 Bond Resolution will be given only to DTC.

Record Date

The record date for payment of the interest on any regularly scheduled interest payment date is defined as the 15th day of the month (whether or not a business day) preceding such interest payment date.

Assignments, Transfers and Exchanges

In the event the book-entry-only system is discontinued, the Bonds may be transferred, registered and assigned only on the registration books of the 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 in accordance with the terms of the Bond Resolution. A Bond may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Bonds or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Registrar. At any time after the date of delivery of the Bonds to the Underwriters (the "Initial Delivery"), any Bond may be transferred or exchanged upon its presentment and surrender at the office of the Registrar, duly endorsed for transfer or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the Registered Owner. To the extent possible, new Bonds issued in an exchange or transfer of Bonds will be delivered to the Registered Owner or assignee of the owner in not more than three (3) business days after the receipt of the request in proper form to transfer, exchange or replace the Bonds. New Bonds registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof for any one maturity and for a like aggregate principal amount as the Bond or Bonds surrendered for exchange or transfer. Neither the District nor the Registrar is required (1) to transfer or exchange any Bond during a period beginning at the opening of business on a Record Date and ending at the close of business on the next succeeding interest payment date, or (2) to transfer or exchange any Bond selected for redemption in whole or in part within thirty (30) calendar days of the redemption date. In the event the book-entry-only system is discontinued, the District has agreed to replace mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Bonds upon surrender of the mutilated Bonds, or receipt of satisfactory evidence of such destruction, loss or theft and receipt by the District and the Registrar of security or indemnity to keep them harmless. The District will require payment of taxes, governmental charges and other expenses in connection with any such replacement.

Redemption Provisions

The Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2026, are subject to redemption and payment at the option of the District, in whole or from time to time in part, on September 1, 2025, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. Notice of the exercise of the reserved right of redemption will be given by the Registrar at least thirty (30) days prior to the redemption date by sending such notice by first class mail to the Registered Owner of each Bond to be redeemed in whole or in part at the address shown on the bond register. If fewer than all of the Bonds are redeemed at any time, the particular maturities and amounts of Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the District in integral multiples of \$5,000 within any one maturity. If fewer than all of the Bonds within one maturity are to be redeemed, the Registrar shall select the Bonds to be redeemed by lot or other method of random selection (or by DTC in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form). The Registered Owner of any Bond, all or a portion of which has been called for redemption, shall be required to present same to the Registrar for payment of the redemption price on the portion of the Bond so called for redemption and issuance of a new Bond in the principal amount equal to the portion of such Bond not redeemed.

Replacement of Registrar

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

Authority for Issuance

District voters have authorized the issuance of \$80,400,000 unlimited tax refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds of the District. The Bonds constitute the sixth issue of unlimited tax refunding bonds authorized by such elections. Following the issuance of the Bonds, an aggregate of \$78,014,401.55 in bonds for refunding purposes will remain authorized but unissued. See "Issuance of Additional Debt" below. The Bonds are issued by the District pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Bond Resolution; Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution; Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended; City of Houston Ordinance No. 97-416; and Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, as amended.

Source of Payment

The Bonds, the Remaining Outstanding Bonds (hereinafter defined) and such additional tax bonds as may hereafter be issued by the District are payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property located within the District. In the Bond Resolution, the District covenants to levy a sufficient tax to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds, with full allowance being made for delinquencies, costs of collections, Paying Agent/Registrar fees and Appraisal District fees. Tax proceeds, after deduction for collection costs, will be placed in the Debt Service Fund and used solely to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds, the Remaining Outstanding Bonds and on additional bonds payable from taxes which may be issued, and to pay Paying Agent/Registrar fees.

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

Payment Record

The District has, in addition to the Series 2013 Refunding Bonds, also issued Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1994 (the "Series 1994 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1996 (the "Series 1996 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1998 (the "Series 1998 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2003 (the "Series 2003 Bonds"), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series

2007 (the “Series 2007 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2009 (the “Series 2009 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2010 (the “Series 2010 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2014 (the “Series 2014 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2016 (the “Series 2016 Bonds”) and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2019 (the “Series 2019 Bonds”). The District has also issued Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2004 (the “Series 2004 Refunding Bonds”), the Series 2013 Refunding Bonds, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (the “Series 2014 Refunding Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (the “Series 2015 Refunding Bonds”) and Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2018 (the “Series 2018 Refunding Bonds”) to refund certain outstanding bonds of the District. Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to all of such previously issued bonds as the “Prior Bonds.” The District has never defaulted in the timely payment of principal of or interest on the Prior Bonds. Before the issuance of the Bonds, the principal amount of the Prior Bonds that had not been previously retired by the District was \$51,640,000 (the “Outstanding Bonds”). After issuance of the Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds, less the portions thereof previously retired by the District, and less the Refunded Bonds (collectively, the “Remaining Outstanding Bonds”) will be \$47,040,000, and the aggregate principal amount of the District’s bonded indebtedness, including the Bonds, will be \$51,715,000. See “DISTRICT DEBT - Debt Service Requirement Schedule.” The District financed its share of the cost of the acquisition or construction of components of its water supply and distribution, wastewater collection and treatment, and storm sewer/detention system (collectively, the “System”) as is described in this Official Statement under the caption “THE SYSTEM” with portions of the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. The District expects to finance its share of the cost of acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District’s approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See “THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt,” “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt,” and “THE SYSTEM.”

Issuance of Additional Debt

The District’s voters have authorized the issuance of a total of \$80,400,000 unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities and could authorize additional amounts. The District currently has \$19,165,000 of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for said improvements and facilities. The District’s voters have also authorized a total of \$80,400,000 unlimited tax refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds of the District and could authorize additional amounts. Following the issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$78,014,401.55 of unlimited tax refunding bonds authorized but unissued.

The Bond Resolution imposes no limitation on the amount of additional parity bonds which may be authorized for issuance by the District’s voters or the amount ultimately issued by the District.

The District also is authorized by statute to engage in fire-fighting activities, including the issuing of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose. Before the District could issue fire-fighting bonds payable from taxes, the following actions would be required: (a) authorization of a detailed master plan and bonds for such purpose by the qualified voters in the District; (b) approval of the master plan and issuance of bonds by the TCEQ; and (c) approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The District does not provide fire protection service, and the Board has not considered calling such an election at this time. Issuance of bonds for fire-fighting activities could dilute the investment security for the Bonds.

Financing Road Facilities

Pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Water Code, a municipal utility district may petition the TCEQ for the power to issue bonds supported by property taxes to finance roads. Before the District could issue such bonds, the District would be required to receive a grant of such power from the TCEQ, authorization from the District’s voters to issue such bonds, and approval of the bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The District has not considered filing an application to the TCEQ for “road powers” or calling such an election at this time. Issuance of bonds for roads could dilute the investment security for the Bonds.

Financing Recreational Facilities

The District is authorized to develop and finance with property taxes certain recreational facilities after a district election has been successfully held to approve the issuance of bonds payable from taxes and/or a maintenance tax to support recreational facilities.

The District is authorized to issue bonds payable from an ad valorem tax to pay for the development and maintenance of recreational facilities if (i) the District duly adopts a plan for the facilities; (ii) the bonds are authorized at an election; (iii) the bonds payable from any source do not exceed 1% of the value of the taxable property in the District at the time of issuance of the bonds, or an amount greater than the estimated cost of the plan, whichever amount is smaller; (iv) the District obtains any necessary governmental consents allowing the issuance of such bonds; (v) the issuance of the bonds is approved by the TCEQ in accordance with its rules with respect to same; and (vi) the bonds are approved by the Attorney General of Texas. The District may issue bonds for such purposes payable solely from net operating revenues without an election. In addition, the District is authorized to levy an operation and maintenance tax to support recreational facilities at a rate not to exceed 10 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation of taxable property in the District, after such tax is approved at an election. Said maintenance tax is in addition to any other maintenance tax authorized to be levied by the District.

The District has not called an election for such purposes but could do so in the future.

Issuance of bonds for recreational facilities could dilute the investment security for the Bonds.

No Arbitrage

The District certifies that, based upon all facts and estimates now known or reasonably expected to be in existence on the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for, the District reasonably expects that the proceeds of the Bonds will not be used in a manner that would cause the Bonds, or any portion of the Bonds, to be "arbitrage bonds" under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and the regulations prescribed thereunder.

Furthermore, all officers, employees and agents of the District have been authorized and directed to provide certifications of facts and estimates that are material to the reasonable expectations of the District as of the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for. In particular, all or any officers of the District are authorized to certify to the facts and circumstances and reasonable expectations of the District on the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for regarding the amount and use of the proceeds of the Bonds. Moreover, the District covenants that it shall make such use of the proceeds of the Bonds, regulate investment of proceeds of the Bonds and take such other and further actions and follow such procedures, including, without limitation, calculating the yield on the Bonds, as may be required so that the Bonds shall not become "arbitrage bonds" under the Code and the regulations prescribed from time to time thereunder.

Annexation

Under existing Texas law, since the District lies wholly within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, the District must conform to a City of Houston consent ordinance. Generally, the District may be annexed by the City of Houston without the District's consent, and the City cannot annex territory within the District unless it annexes the entire District; however, the City may not annex the District unless (i) such annexation has been approved by a majority of those voting in an election held for that purpose within the area to be annexed, and (ii) if the registered voters in the area to be annexed do not own more than 50 percent of the land in the area, a petition has been signed by more than 50 percent of the landowners consenting to the annexation. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the described election and petition process does not apply during the term of a strategic partnership agreement between the City and the District specifying the procedures for full purpose annexation of all or a portion of the District. See "Strategic Partnership Agreement," below, for a description of the terms of the Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City and the District.

If the District is annexed, the City of Houston will assume the District's assets and obligations (including the Bonds) and dissolve the District. Annexation of territory by the City of Houston is a policy-making matter within the discretion of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Houston, and therefore, the District makes no representation that the City of Houston will ever annex the District and assume its debt. Moreover, no representation is made concerning the ability of the City of Houston to make debt service payments should annexation occur.

Strategic Partnership Agreement

The District and the City of Houston (the "City") have entered into a Strategic Partnership Agreement dated effective December 12, 2008 (the "SPA"), amended and restated on December 5, 2017, and further amended on December 11, 2019, pursuant to Chapter 43 of the Texas Local Government Code. The SPA provides for a "limited purpose annexation" for that portion of the District which is developed for retail and commercial purposes in order to apply certain City health, safety, planning and zoning ordinances within the District. Areas of residential development within the District are not subject to the limited purpose annexation. The SPA, as amended on December 11, 2019, also provides that the City will not annex the District for "full purposes" for at least thirty (30) years from the effective date of the SPA and then only if the District's Board of Directors requests such annexation. Also, as a condition to full purpose annexation, any unpaid reimbursement obligations due to a developer by the District for water, wastewater and drainage facilities must be assumed by the City to the maximum extent permitted by TCEQ rules.

As of the effective date of the SPA, the City is authorized to impose the one percent (1%) City sales and use tax within the portion of the District included in the limited purpose annexation. Such portion includes primarily the approximately 39.51 acres of retail and commercial development within the District. The City pays to the District an amount equal to one half (½) of all sales and use tax revenue generated within such area of the District and received by the City from the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas (the "Sales Tax Revenue"). Pursuant to State law, the District is authorized to use Sales Tax Revenue generated under the SPA for any lawful purpose. None of the anticipated Sales Tax Revenue is pledged toward the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds or the Outstanding Bonds.

Consolidation

The District has the legal authority to consolidate with other districts and, in connection therewith, to provide for the consolidation of its water and wastewater systems with the water and wastewater systems of the district or districts with which it is consolidating, subject to voter approval. In their consolidation agreement, the consolidating districts may agree to assume each other's bonds, notes and other obligations. If each district assumes the other's bonds, notes and other obligations, taxes may be levied uniformly on all taxable property within the consolidated district in payment of same. If the districts do not assume each other's bonds, notes and other obligations, each district's taxes are levied on property in each of the original districts to pay said debts created by the respective original district as if no consolidation had taken place. No representation is made concerning whether the District will consolidate with any other district, but the District currently has no plans to do so.

Registered Owners' Remedies

Pursuant to Texas law, the Bond Resolution provides that, in the event the District defaults in the payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Bonds when due, fails to make deposits required by the Bond Resolution into the Debt Service Fund, or defaults in the observance or performance of any of the other covenants, conditions or obligations set forth in the Bond Resolution, any Registered Owner shall be entitled to seek a writ of mandamus from a court of competent jurisdiction compelling and requiring the District to make such payments or to observe and perform such covenants, obligations or conditions. Such right is in addition to other rights the Registered Owners may be provided by the laws of the State of Texas.

In the event of default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, the Registered Owners may seek a writ of mandamus requiring the District to levy adequate taxes to make such payments. Except for the remedy of mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not specifically provide for remedies to a Registered Owner in the event of a District default, nor does it provide for the appointment of a trustee to protect and enforce the interests of the Registered Owners. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. Even if the Registered Owners could obtain a judgment against the District, such a judgment could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the Registered

Owners cannot themselves foreclose on the property of the District or sell property within the District in order to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds. The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners may be further limited by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions such as the District. For example, a Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceeding by the District could delay or eliminate payment of principal or interest to the Registered Owners. See “Bankruptcy Limitation to Registered Owners' Rights” below. Further, certain traditional legal remedies also may not be available. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Registered Owners’ Remedies and Bankruptcy.”

Bankruptcy Limitation to Registered Owners' Rights

The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners may be limited by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions such as the District. Subject to the requirements of Texas law, the District may voluntarily proceed under Chapter 9 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. 901-946, if the District: (1) is generally authorized to file for federal bankruptcy protection by State law; (2) is insolvent or unable to meet its debts as they mature; (3) desires to effect a plan to adjust such debts; and (4) has either obtained the agreement of or negotiated in good faith with its creditors or is unable to negotiate with its creditors because negotiation is impracticable. Under Texas law, a municipal utility district such as the District must obtain the approval of the TCEQ prior to filing for bankruptcy. The TCEQ must investigate the financial condition of the District and will authorize the District to proceed only if the TCEQ determines that the District has fully exercised its rights and powers under Texas law and remains unable to meet its debts and other obligations as they mature.

If the District decides in the future to proceed voluntarily under the Federal Bankruptcy Code, the District would develop and file a plan for the adjustment of its debts and the Bankruptcy Court would confirm the District's plan if: (1) the plan complies with the applicable provisions of the Federal Bankruptcy Code; (2) all payments to be made in connection with the plan are fully disclosed and reasonable; (3) the District is not prohibited by law from taking any action necessary to carry out the plan; (4) administrative expenses are paid in full; and (5) the plan is in the best interests of creditors and is feasible. If such a plan were confirmed by the bankruptcy court, it could, among other things, affect a Registered Owner by reducing or eliminating the amount of indebtedness, deferring or rearranging the debt service schedule, reducing or eliminating the interest rate, modifying or abrogating collateral or security arrangements, substituting (in whole or in part) other securities, and otherwise compromising and modifying the rights and remedies of such Registered Owner's claim against the District.

The District may not be placed into bankruptcy involuntarily.

Legal Investment and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas

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

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

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

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

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

Defeasance

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

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

There is no assurance that the current law will not be changed in the future in a manner which would permit investments other than those described above to be made with amounts deposited to defease the Bonds. Because the Bond Resolution does not contractually limit such investments, Registered Owners may be deemed to have consented to defeasance with such other investments, notwithstanding the fact that such investments may not be of the same investment quality of those currently permitted under Texas law.

PLAN OF FINANCING

Use of Bond Proceeds

Proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, plus certain funds that are lawfully available to the District for such purpose, will be applied to refund \$4,600,000 of the principal amount of the District's Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Refunding Bonds"). Collective reference is made to such refunded bonds as the "Refunded Bonds." The proceeds of the sale of the Bonds will also be used to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds. The sale of the Bonds and the refunding of the Refunded Bonds will (i) reduce the District's debt service payments and (ii) provide present value savings in the District's debt service.

The Refunded Bonds

The principal amounts and maturity dates (or mandatory redemption amounts and dates, as applicable) of the Refunded Bonds are set forth below.

Refunded Bonds

<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Series 2013 Refunding Bonds Principal Amount</u>	
2022	\$395,000	
2023	410,000	
2024	405,000	
2025	425,000	
2026	440,000	
2027	460,000	
2028	480,000	
2029	505,000	
2030	525,000	
2031	<u>555,000</u>	
	<u>\$4,600,000</u>	
Redemption Date:	9/1/2020	
Aggregate Principal Amount of Refunded Bonds		\$4,600,000

Escrow Agreement

The Refunded Bonds, and the interest due thereon, are to be paid on their scheduled interest payment date until final payment or their redemption date from funds to be deposited with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., in Dallas, Texas (the “Escrow Agent”).

The Bond Resolution provides that the District and the Escrow Agent will enter into an escrow agreement (the “Escrow Agreement”). The Bond Resolution further provides that from the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, along with certain other legally available funds of the District, the District will deposit with the Escrow Agent the amount necessary to accomplish the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Bonds. Such funds will be held by the Escrow Agent in a segregated escrow account (the “Escrow Fund”) and used to purchase United States Treasury Obligations (the “Escrowed Securities”) or other obligations authorized by Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, the proceeds of which will be used to redeem the Refunded Bonds on their redemption date. See “VERIFICATION OF ACCURACY OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS.” Under the Escrow Agreement, the Escrow Fund is irrevocably pledged to the payment of principal of and interest on the Refunded Bonds and will not be available to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds or the Remaining Outstanding Bonds.

Defeasance of the Refunded Bonds

By the deposit of certain proceeds of the Bonds, the Escrowed Securities, and cash, if any, with the Escrow Agent pursuant to the Escrow Agreement, the District will have effected the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds pursuant to the terms of the resolutions authorizing the issuance of the Refunded Bonds. In the opinion of Bond Counsel, as a result of such deposit, and in reliance upon the Verification Report of Robert Thomas, CPA, LLC, firm banking and financial arrangements will have been made for the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Bonds pursuant to the Escrow Agreement, and such Refunded Bonds will be deemed under Texas law to be fully paid and no longer outstanding, except for the purpose of being paid from the funds provided therefor in the Escrow Fund.

The Non-Refunded Bonds (Remaining Outstanding Bonds)

The District has, in addition to the Series 2013 Refunding Bonds, also issued Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1994 (the “Series 1994 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1996 (the “Series 1996 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1998 (the “Series 1998 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2003 (the “Series 2003 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2007 (the “Series 2007 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2009 (the “Series 2009 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2010 (the “Series 2010 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2014 (the “Series 2014 Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2016 (the “Series 2016 Bonds”) and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2019 (the “Series 2019 Bonds”). The District has also issued Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2004 (the “Series 2004 Refunding Bonds”), the Series 2013 Refunding Bonds, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (the “Series 2014 Refunding Bonds”), Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (the “Series 2015 Refunding Bonds”) and Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2018 (the “Series 2018 Refunding Bonds”) to refund certain outstanding bonds of the District. Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to all of such previously issued bonds as the “Prior Bonds.” The District has never defaulted in the timely payment of principal of or interest on the Prior Bonds. Before the issuance of the Bonds, the principal amount of the Prior Bonds that had not been previously retired by the District was \$51,640,000 (the “Outstanding Bonds”). After issuance of the Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds, less the portions thereof previously retired by the District, and less the Refunded Bonds (collectively, the “Remaining Outstanding Bonds”) will be \$47,040,000, and the aggregate principal amount of the District's bonded indebtedness, including the Bonds, will be \$51,715,000. See “DISTRICT DEBT - Debt Service Requirement Schedule.”

The principal amounts and maturity dates (or mandatory sinking fund redemption dates, if applicable) of the Remaining Outstanding Bonds as of the date of the issuance of the Bonds are as follows.

<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Series 2013 Refunding Bonds</u>	<u>Series 2014 Bonds</u>	<u>Series 2014 Refunding Bonds</u>	<u>Series 2015 Refunding Bonds</u>	<u>Series 2016 Bonds</u>	<u>Series 2018 Refunding Bonds</u>	<u>Series 2019 Bonds</u>	
9/1/20	\$360,000	\$ 25,000	\$650,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 25,000	
9/1/21	385,000	25,000	660,000	230,000	50,000	30,000	25,000	
9/1/22		25,000	690,000	230,000	50,000	30,000	25,000	
9/1/23		25,000	715,000	225,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/24		25,000		1,015,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/25		25,000		1,045,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/26		25,000		1,075,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/27		25,000		1,115,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/28		25,000		1,155,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/29		25,000		1,190,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/30		25,000		1,235,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/31		25,000		1,280,000	50,000	55,000	25,000	
9/1/32		25,000		1,955,000	50,000	80,000	25,000	
9/1/33		25,000		2,035,000	50,000	80,000	25,000	
9/1/34		25,000		2,120,000	50,000	80,000	25,000	
9/1/35		25,000		2,210,000	50,000	75,000	25,000	
9/1/36		25,000		2,270,000	50,000	75,000	25,000	
9/1/37		675,000			50,000	1,890,000	25,000	
9/1/38		1,300,000			475,000		50,000	
9/1/39					1,850,000		50,000	
9/1/40					1,950,000		50,000	
9/1/41					2,025,000		50,000	
9/1/42					2,125,000		50,000	
9/1/43					2,225,000		100,000	
9/1/44							1,400,000	
9/1/45							1,825,000	
9/1/46							2,150,000	
	<u>\$745,000</u>	<u>\$2,400,000</u>	<u>\$2,715,000</u>	<u>\$20,615,000</u>	<u>\$11,550,000</u>	<u>\$2,865,000</u>	<u>\$6,150,000</u>	
Total Principal Amount of Non-Refunded Bonds (Remaining Outstanding Bonds)								\$47,040,000

Sources and Uses of Funds

The proceeds derived from the sale of the Bonds will be applied as follows:

SOURCES OF FUNDS:

Par Amount of Bonds	\$4,675,000.00
Plus: Original Issue Discount	208,358.50
Accrued Interest	8,533.33
District Contribution	<u>9,000.00</u>
Total Sources of Funds	\$4,900,891.83

USE OF FUNDS:

Deposit with Escrow Agent	4,682,000.44
Deposit Accrued Interest to Debt Service Fund	8,533.33
Expenses:	
Underwriters Discount	37,119.50
Municipal Bond Insurance and Other Issuance Expenses	<u>173,238.56</u>
Total Uses of Funds	\$4,900,891.83

INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

General

The Bonds, which are obligations of the District and not of the State of Texas, Harris County, Texas, the City of Houston, or any political subdivision other than the District, will be secured by an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property located within the District. Therefore, the ultimate security for payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds depends upon the ability of the District to collect from the property owners within the District taxes levied against all taxable property located within the District or, in the event taxes are not collected and foreclosure proceedings are instituted by the District, upon the value of the taxable property with respect to taxes levied by the District and by other taxing authorities. The District makes no representations that over the life of the Bonds the property within the District will maintain a value sufficient to justify continued payment of taxes by the property owners. The potential increase in taxable valuation of District property is directly related to the economics of the residential housing industry, not only due to general economic conditions, but also due to the particular factors discussed below.

Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments

Economic Factors: A substantial percentage of the assessed valuation of the property located within the District is attributable to the current market value of (i) the single-family residences that have been constructed within the District, (ii) the single-family residential lots that have been developed by the developers of the District, and of the developed lots which have been sold by the developers to home building companies for the construction of primary residences, and (iii) the commercial/retail buildings that have been constructed within the District. The market value of such homes and lots is related to general economic conditions affecting the demand for residences. Demand for lots of this type and the construction of residential dwellings thereon and the construction of commercial/retail buildings can be significantly affected by factors such as interest rates, credit availability, construction costs, energy availability and cost and the prosperity and demographic characteristics of the urban center toward which the marketing of lots is directed. Further declines in the price of oil could adversely affect job stability, wages and salaries, thereby negatively affecting the demand for housing and the values of existing homes. Decreased levels of construction activity would tend to restrict the growth of property values in the District or could adversely impact such values. Recent changes in federal tax law limiting deductions for ad valorem taxes may adversely affect the demand for housing and the prices thereof. Were the District to experience a significant number of residential foreclosures, the value of all homes

within the District could be adversely affected. Although, as is described in this Official Statement under the captions “DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION,” and “DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS” (i) the District contains a total of 3,203 fully-developed single-family residential lots and other property that have been provided water distribution, wastewater collection and storm drainage facilities and street paving, and wastewater treatment and water supply capacity have been secured for the District, as is described in this Official Statement under the caption “THE SYSTEM,” (ii) as of March 1, 2020, the District contained 3,103 single-family homes (including 22 homes under construction), (iii) the Builders are constructing homes within the District as is described in this Official Statement under the caption “BUILDERS,” and (iv) commercial/retail buildings aggregating approximately 342,060 square feet of building area have been constructed within the District, and the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments are currently under construction within the District, the District cannot predict the pace or magnitude of any future development or home construction in the District other than that which has occurred to date. The District cannot represent that additional single-family or multi-family residential or commercial/retail development will be undertaken on any land located within the District, that additional homes or above-ground commercial/retail buildings or any multi-family units will be constructed within the District, or the level of occupancy of any of such improvements.

National Economy: There has been a downturn in new housing construction in the United States, resulting in a decline in national housing market values. Although, as is described in this Official Statement under the captions “DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION,” and “DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS” (i) the District contains a total of 3,203 fully-developed single-family residential lots and other property that have been provided water distribution, wastewater collection and storm drainage facilities and street paving, and wastewater treatment and water supply capacity have been secured for the District, as is described in this Official Statement under the caption “THE SYSTEM,” (ii) as of March 1, 2020, the District contained 3,103 single-family homes (including 22 homes under construction), (iii) the Builders are constructing homes within the District as is described in this Official Statement under the caption “BUILDERS,” and (iv) commercial/retail buildings aggregating approximately 342,060 square feet of building area have been constructed within the District, and the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments are currently under construction within the District, the District cannot predict the pace or magnitude of any future development or home construction in the District other than that which has occurred to date. The District cannot represent that additional single-family or multi-family residential or commercial/retail development will be undertaken on any land located within the District, that additional homes or above-ground commercial/retail buildings or any multi-family units will be constructed within the District, or the level of occupancy of any of such improvements. The District cannot predict what impact, if any, a downturn in the local housing market and a continued downturn in the national housing and financial markets may have on the Houston market generally and the District specifically, or the maintenance of assessed values in the District.

Credit Markets and Liquidity in the Financial Markets: Interest rates and the availability of mortgage and development funding have a direct impact on single-family, apartment and commercial development activity and the construction of homes, apartments and commercial buildings, particularly short-term interest rates at which developers are able to obtain financing for development costs and at which homebuilders are able to finance the construction of new homes for sale and at which apartment and commercial developers are able to finance new apartments or commercial buildings. Interest rate levels may affect the ability of a developer with undeveloped property to undertake and complete development activities within the District and of homebuilders to initiate the construction of new homes for sale and of apartment and commercial developers to initiate the construction of new apartments or commercial buildings. Because of the numerous and changing factors affecting the availability of funds, particularly liquidity in the national credit markets, the District is unable to assess the future availability of such funds for continued development and/or home construction or the construction of new apartments or commercial buildings within the District. In addition, since the District is located approximately 20 miles northeast of the central downtown business district of the City of Houston, the success of development within the District and growth of District taxable property values are, to a great extent, a function of the Houston metropolitan and regional economies and national credit and financial markets. A downturn in the economic conditions of Houston and continued decline in real estate and financial markets in the United States could adversely affect development and homebuilding plans or the construction of new apartments or commercial buildings in the District and restrain the growth of the District’s property tax base.

Developer/Builder/Landowner Obligation to the District: The ability of the Developers (or any of their partners or co-managers) and any other principal taxpayer (see “TAX DATA – Principal 2019 Taxpayers”), including the Builders within the District to make full and timely payments of taxes levied against their property by the District and similar taxing authorities will directly affect the District's ability to meet its debt service obligations. There is no commitment to the District by or legal requirement of the Developers or any other party to proceed at any particular rate or according to any specified plan with the development of land in the District, of the Builders or any other home building company to proceed at any particular pace with the construction of homes in the District, or of any party to construct commercial/retail or multi-family improvements within the District in addition to those constructed therein to date, and there is no restriction on any land owner's right to sell its land. Therefore, the District can make no representation about the probability of future development, if any, or the rate of home construction activity in the District. See “DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION,” “DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS,” and “FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.”

Maximum Impact on District Tax Rates: Assuming no further development, the value of the land and improvements currently within the District will be the major determinant of the ability or willingness of District property owners to pay their taxes. The 2019 Assessed Valuation of property located within the District (see “TAX DATA”) is \$560,046,667. After issuance of the Bonds, the maximum annual debt service requirement on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds will be \$3,435,975 (2037) and the average annual debt service requirements will be \$3,327,966 (2020 through 2037, inclusive). Assuming no increase to nor decrease from the 2019 Assessed Valuation, the issuance of no additional bonds by the District, and no use of other legally available District funds, tax rates of \$0.65 and \$0.63 per \$100 of assessed valuation at a 95% tax collection rate would be necessary to pay the maximum annual debt service requirement and the average annual debt service requirements, respectively, on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds. The Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020, of property within the District is \$638,870,325. Assuming no increase to or decrease from the Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020, the issuance of no additional bonds by the District, and no use of other legally available District funds, tax rates of \$0.57 and \$0.55 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation at a 95% collection rate would be necessary to pay the maximum annual debt service requirement and the average annual debt service requirements, respectively, on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds. See “TAX DATA - Tax Rate Calculations.” The District levied a debt service tax of \$0.62 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation plus a maintenance tax of \$0.27 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2019. Therefore, the 2019 debt service rate is sufficient to pay the average annual debt service requirements and the maximum annual debt service requirement on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds, given taxable values in the District at the level of the Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020, assuming a tax collection rate of 95%, no use of funds on hand, and the issuance of no additional bonds by the District. As is illustrated in this Official Statement under the caption “TAX DATA - Historical Values and Tax Collection History,” as of March 31, 2020, the District has collected an average of 99.89% of its tax for the period 2009 through 2018, and its 2019 levy, which is in the process of collection, was 97.30% collected as of such date. Moreover, the District's Debt Service Fund balance is estimated to be \$5,644,821 as of the date of delivery of the Bonds. Although neither Texas law nor the Bond Resolution requires that any specific amount be retained in the Debt Service Fund at any time, the District has in the past applied earnings from the investment of monies held in the Debt Service Fund to meet the debt service requirements of the Prior Bonds. See “APPENDIX B - INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.” Therefore, the District anticipates that it will be able to meet the debt service requirements on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds without increasing the tax rate for debt service above the debt service rate which the District levied for 2019 - \$0.62 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation. However, the District can make no representation that the taxable property values in the District will increase in the future or will maintain a value sufficient to support the aforementioned tax rate or to justify continued payment of taxes by property owners. See “TAX PROCEDURES.” In addition to the components of the System the acquisition or construction of which the District has financed with portions of the proceeds of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance its share of the cost of acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See “THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt,” “Future Debt” below and “THE SYSTEM.”

As is enumerated in this Official Statement under the caption “TAX DATA - Estimated Overlapping Taxes,” the total of the 2019 tax levies of all overlapping taxing units which levy taxes upon property located in the District, plus the District's total 2019 rate of \$0.89 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, is \$3.13285. The District's total rate of \$0.89 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and such total rates of \$3.13285 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation are higher than the individual and total tax levies of some municipal utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area, including the area of the District, but are within the range of individual and total levies of municipal utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area and the area of the District which are in stages of development comparable with the District.

Tax Collection Limitations

The District's ability to make debt service payments may be adversely affected by its inability to collect ad valorem taxes. Under Texas law, the levy of ad valorem taxes by the District constitutes a lien in favor of the District on a parity with the liens of all other taxing authorities on the property against which taxes are levied, and such lien may be enforced by foreclosure. The District's ability to collect ad valorem taxes through such foreclosure may be impaired by (a) cumbersome, time-consuming and expensive collection procedures, (b) a bankruptcy court's stay of tax collection procedures against a taxpayer, (c) market conditions limiting the proceeds from a foreclosure sale of taxable property, or (d) the taxpayer's right to redeem the property within two years of foreclosure. While the District has a lien on taxable property within the District for taxes levied against such property, such lien can be foreclosed only in a judicial proceeding.

Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy

In the event of default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, the Registered Owners have a right to seek a writ of mandamus requiring the District to levy sufficient taxes each year to make such payments. Except for mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not specifically provide for remedies to protect and enforce the interests of the Registered Owners. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. Based on recent Texas court decisions, it is unclear whether §49.066, Texas Water Code, effectively waives governmental immunity of a municipal utility district for suits for money damages. Even if the Registered Owners could obtain a judgment against the District, such a judgment could not be enforced by a direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the Registered Owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District in order to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. Since there is no trust indenture or trustee, the Registered Owners would have to initiate and finance the legal process to enforce their remedies. The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners may be limited further by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions such as the District. In this regard, should the District file a petition for protection from creditors under federal bankruptcy laws, a suit seeking the remedy of mandamus would be automatically stayed and could not be pursued unless authorized by a federal bankruptcy judge. See “THE BONDS - Bankruptcy Limitation to Registered Owners' Rights.”

The District may not be placed into bankruptcy involuntarily.

Marketability

The District has no understanding (other than the initial reoffering yields) with the Underwriters regarding the reoffering yields or prices of the Bonds and has no control over the trading of the Bonds in the secondary market. Moreover, there is no assurance that a secondary market will be made for the Bonds. If there is a secondary market, the difference between the bid and asked price of the Bonds may be greater than the bid and asked spread of other bonds generally bought, sold or traded in the secondary market. See “SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE BONDS.”

Future Debt

The District reserved in the Bond Resolution the right to issue the remaining \$19,165,000 in unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for waterworks, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities, and such additional bonds as may hereafter be approved by the voters of the District. The District has also reserved the right to issue certain other additional bonds, special project bonds, and other obligations described in the Bond Resolution. All of the remaining bonds described above for waterworks, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities, which have heretofore been authorized by the voters of the District, may be issued by the District from time to time as needed. The issuance of such \$19,165,000 in bonds for waterworks, wastewater and drainage facilities is also subject to TCEQ authorization. The District's voters have also authorized a total of \$80,400,000 unlimited tax refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds of the District and could authorize additional amounts. Following the issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$78,014,401.55 of unlimited tax refunding bonds authorized but unissued.

The District's Engineer estimates that the aforementioned \$19,165,000 authorized unlimited tax bonds which remain unissued after the sale of the Bonds, plus available surplus funds, may not be adequate to finance the acquisition or construction of all water, wastewater and drainage facilities necessary to provide service to all of the developable, undeveloped portions of the District. In order for the District to issue bonds in an amount greater than the \$19,165,000 that is currently authorized, the District would be required to obtain voter authorization to issue additional bonds at an election held for such purpose. The District cannot predict the outcome of such election if it is called. The District makes no representation that any future development will be undertaken in the District. If additional bonds are issued in the future and property values have not increased proportionately, such issuance may increase gross debt/property valuation ratios and thereby adversely affect the investment quality or security of the Bonds and, after the refunding of the Refunded Bonds, the Remaining Outstanding Bonds. In addition to the components of the System that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS" and "THE SYSTEM."

Competitive Nature of Houston Single-Family and Multi-Family Residential and Commercial/Retail Development and Construction Markets

The single-family and multi-family residential and commercial/retail development industries in the Houston area are very competitive, and the District can give no assurance that any single-family residential lot development or homebuilding programs will be initiated in the District in addition to the single-family residential lot development and homebuilding programs that have been undertaken in the District to date, or that any commercial/retail or multi-family residential development or construction of future above-ground commercial/retail or multi-family improvements will be undertaken in the District in addition to the commercial/retail or multi-family development projects and construction of above-ground commercial/retail or multi-family improvements that have been undertaken in the District to date as are described in this Official Statement under the caption "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION." The respective competitive positions of any developer(s), or home builder(s) which might attempt future single-family residential lot development or homebuilding programs in the District in the sale of developed single-family residential lots or in the construction and sale of single-family residential homes or of any commercial/retail or multi-family developer which might undertake future commercial/retail or multi-family development projects or the construction of new above-ground commercial/retail or multi-family improvements are affected by most of the factors discussed in this section, and such single-family residential lot development and/or commercial/retail or multi-family development projects and the construction of single-family residential units and/or commercial/retail or multi-family above-ground improvements are directly related to tax revenues received by the District and the growth and maintenance of taxable values in the District.

Continuing Compliance with Certain Covenants

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

Marketability

The District has no understanding (other than the initial reoffering yields) with the Underwriters regarding the reoffering yields or prices of the Bonds and has no control over the trading of the Bonds in the secondary market. Moreover, there is no assurance that a secondary market will be made for the Bonds. If there is a secondary market, the difference between the bid and asked price of the Bonds may be greater than the bid and asked spread of other bonds generally bought, sold or traded in the secondary market. See "SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE BONDS."

Environmental Regulations

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

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

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

Air Quality Issues

Air quality control measures required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ") may impact new industrial, commercial and residential development in the Houston area. Under the Clean Air Act ("CAA") Amendments of 1990, the eight-county Houston-Galveston-Brazoria area ("HGB Area")-Harris, Galveston, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Waller, Montgomery and Liberty Counties-has been designated a nonattainment area under three separate federal ozone standards: the one-hour (124 parts per billion ("ppb") and eight-hour (84 ppb) standards promulgated by the EPA in 1997 (the "1997 Ozone Standards"); the tighter, eight-hour ozone standard of 75 ppb promulgated by the EPA in 2008 (the "2008 Ozone Standard"), and the EPA's most-recent promulgation of an even lower, 70 ppb eight-hour ozone standard in 2015 (the "2015 Ozone Standard"). While the State of Texas has been able to demonstrate steady progress and improvements in air quality in the HGB Area, the HGB Area remains subject to CAA nonattainment requirements.

The HGB Area is currently designated as a severe ozone nonattainment area under the 1997 Ozone Standards. While the EPA has revoked the 1997 Ozone Standards, the EPA historically has not formally redesignated nonattainment areas for a revoked standard. As a result, the HGB Area remained subject to continuing severe nonattainment area "anti-backsliding" requirements, despite the fact that HGB Area air quality has been attaining the 1997 Ozone Standards since 2014. In late 2015, the EPA approved the TCEQ's "redesignation substitute" for the HGB Area under the revoked 1997 Ozone Standards, leaving the HGB Area subject only to the nonattainment area requirements under the 2008 Ozone Standard (and later, the 2015 Ozone Standard).

In February 2018, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit issued an opinion in *South Coast Air Quality Management District v. EPA*, 882 F.3d 1138 (D.C. Cir. 2018) vacating the EPA redesignation substitute rule that provided the basis for the EPA's decision to eliminate the anti-backsliding requirements that had applied in the HGB Area under the 1997 Ozone Standard. The court has not responded to the EPA's April 2018 request for rehearing of the case. To address the uncertainty created by the South Coast court's ruling, the TCEQ has developed a formal request that the HGB Area be redesignated to attainment under the 1997 Ozone Standards. The TCEQ Commissioners approved publication of a proposed HGB Area redesignation request under the 1997 Ozone Standards on September 5, 2018.

The HGB Area is currently designated as a "moderate" nonattainment area under the 2008 Ozone Standard, with an attainment deadline of July 20, 2018. If the EPA ultimately determines that the HGB Area has failed to meet the attainment deadline based on the relevant data, the area is subject to reclassification to a nonattainment classification that provides for more stringent controls on emissions from the industrial sector. In addition, the EPA may impose a moratorium on the awarding of federal highway construction grants and other federal grants for certain public works construction projects if it finds that an area fails to demonstrate progress in reducing ozone levels.

The HGB Area is currently designated as a "marginal" nonattainment area under the 2015 Ozone Standard, with an attainment deadline of August 3, 2021. For purposes of the 2015 Ozone Standard, the HGB Area consists of only six counties: Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, and Montgomery Counties.

In order to demonstrate progress toward attainment of the EPA's ozone standards, the TCEQ has established a state implementation plan ("SIP") for the HGB Area setting emission control requirements, some of which regulate the inspection and use of automobiles. These types of measures could impact how people travel, what distances people are willing to travel, where people choose to live and work, and what jobs are available in the HGB Area. These SIP requirements can negatively impact business due to the additional permitting/regulatory constraints that accompany this designation and because of the community stigma associated with a nonattainment designation. It is possible that additional controls will be necessary to allow the HGB Area to reach attainment with the ozone standards by the EPA's attainment deadlines. These additional controls could have a negative impact on the HGB Area's economic growth and development.

Water Supply & Discharge Issues

Water supply and discharge regulations that municipal utility districts, including the District, may be required to comply with involve: (1) groundwater well permitting and surface water appropriation; (2) public water supply systems; (3) wastewater discharges from treatment facilities; (4) storm water discharges; and (5) wetlands dredge and fill activities. Each of these is addressed below:

Certain governmental entities regulate groundwater usage in the HGB Area. A municipal utility district or other type of special purpose district that (i) is located within the boundaries of such an entity that regulates groundwater usage, and (ii) relies on local groundwater as a source of water supply, may be subject to requirements and restrictions on the drilling of water wells and/or the production of groundwater that could affect both the engineering and economic feasibility of district water supply projects.

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

Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") permits set limits on the type and quantity of discharge, in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. The TCEQ reissued the TPDES Construction General Permit (TXR150000), with an effective date of March 5, 2018, which is a general permit authorizing the discharge of stormwater runoff associated with small and large construction sites and certain nonstormwater discharges into surface

water in the state. It has a 5-year permit term, and is then subject to renewal. Moreover, the Clean Water Act ("CWA") and Texas Water Code require municipal wastewater treatment plants to meet secondary treatment effluent limitations and more stringent water quality-based limitations and requirements to comply with the Texas water quality standards. Any water quality-based limitations and requirements with which a municipal utility district must comply may have an impact on the municipal utility district's ability to obtain and maintain compliance with TPDES permits.

Operations of utility districts, including the District, are also potentially subject to requirements and restrictions under the CWA regarding the use and alteration of wetland areas that are within the "waters of the United States." The District must also obtain a permit from the United States Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") if operations of the District require that wetlands be filled, dredged, or otherwise altered.

In 2015, the EPA and USACE promulgated a rule known as the Clean Water Rule ("CWR") aimed at redefining "waters of the United States" over which the EPA and USACE have jurisdiction under the CWA. The CWR significantly expanded the scope of the federal government's CWA jurisdiction over intrastate water bodies and wetlands.

On September 12, 2019, the EPA and USACE finalized a rule repealing the CWR, thus reinstating the regulatory text that existed prior to the adoption of the CWR. This repeal became final on December 23, 2019.

On January 23, 2020, the EPA and USACE released the Navigable Waters Protection Rule ("NWPR"), which contains a new definition of "waters of the United States." The stated purpose of the NWPR is to restore and maintain the integrity of the nation's waters by maintaining federal authority over the waters Congress has determined should be regulated by the federal government, while preserving the states' primary authority over land and water resources. The new definition outlines four categories of waters that are considered "waters of the United States," and thus federally regulated under the CWA: (i) territorial seas and traditional navigable waters; (ii) perennial and intermittent tributaries to territorial seas and traditional navigable waters; (iii) certain lakes, ponds, and impoundments of jurisdictional waters; and (iv) wetlands adjacent to jurisdictional waters. The new rule also identifies certain specific categories that are not "waters of the United States," and therefore not federally regulated under the CWA: (a) groundwater; (b) ephemeral features that flow only in direct response to precipitation; (c) diffuse stormwater runoff and directional sheet flow over upland; (d) certain ditches; (e) prior converted cropland; (f) certain artificially irrigated areas; (g) certain artificial lakes and ponds; (h) certain water-filled depressions and certain pits; (i) certain stormwater control features; (j) certain groundwater recharge, water reuse, and wastewater recycling structures; and (k) waste treatment systems. The NWPR will become effective 60 days after the date of its publication in the Federal Register, and will likely become the subject of further litigation.

The District's stormwater discharges currently maintain permit coverage through the Municipal Separate Storm System Permit (the "Current Permit") issued to the Storm Water Management Joint Task Force consisting of Harris County, Harris County Flood Control District, the City of Houston, and the Texas Department of Transportation. In the event that at any time in the future the District is not included in the Current Permit, it may be required to seek independent coverage under the TCEQ's General Permit for Phase II (Small) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (the "MS4 Permit"), which authorizes the discharge of stormwater to surface water in the state from small municipal separate storm sewer systems. If the District's inclusion in the MS4 Permit were required at a future date, the District could incur substantial costs to develop, implement, and maintain the necessary plans as well as to install or implement best management practices to minimize or eliminate unauthorized pollutants that may otherwise be found in stormwater runoff in order to comply with the MS4 Permit.

Tropical Weather Events

The Houston area, including the District, is subject to occasional severe tropical weather events, including tropical storms and hurricanes. If the District were to sustain damage to its facilities requiring substantial repair or replacement or if substantial damage were to occur to taxable property within the District as a result of such a weather event, the investment security of the Bonds could be adversely affected.

The greater Houston area has experienced four storms exceeding a 0.2% probability (i.e. "500 year flood" events) since 2015, including Hurricane Harvey, which made landfall along the Texas Gulf Coast on August 26, 2017, and brought historic levels of rainfall during the successive four days. According to the District's Operator and Engineer, the

District's System did not sustain any material damage from Hurricane Harvey and there was no interruption of water and sewer service. Further, according to the District's Operator, after investigation, although the District experienced street flooding, there was no apparent material wind or water damage to single-family homes or commercial/retail improvements within the District. Hurricane Harvey could have a material impact on the Houston region's economy.

If a future weather event significantly damaged all or part of the improvements within the District, the assessed value of property within the District could be substantially reduced, which could result in a decrease in tax revenues and/or necessitate an increase the District's tax rate. Further, there can be no assurance that a casualty loss to taxable property within the District will be covered by insurance (or that property owners will even carry flood or other casualty insurance), that any insurance company will fulfill its obligation to provide insurance proceeds, or that insurance proceeds will be used to rebuild or repair any damaged improvements within the District. Even if insurance proceeds are available and improvements are rebuilt, there could be a lengthy period in which assessed values within the District could be adversely affected.

Riverine, or fluvial, flooding occurs when water levels rise over the top of river, bayou or channel banks due to excessive rain from tropical systems making landfall and/or persistent thunderstorms over the same area for extended periods of time. The damage from a riverine flood can be widespread. The overflow can affect smaller rivers and streams downstream, or may sheet-flow over land. Flash flooding is a type of riverine flood that is characterized by an intense, high velocity torrent of water that occurs in an existing river channel with little to no notice. Flash flooding can also occur even if no rain has fallen, for instance, after a levee, dam or reservoir has failed or experienced an uncontrolled release, or after a sudden release of water by a debris or ice jam. In addition, planned or unplanned controlled releases from a dam, levee or reservoir also may result in flooding in areas adjacent to rivers, bayous or drainage systems downstream.

Ponding, or pluvial, flooding occurs when heavy rainfall creates a flood event independent of an overflowing water body, typically in relatively flat areas. Intense rainfall can exceed the drainage capacity of a drainage system, which may result in water within the drainage system becoming trapped and diverted onto streets and nearby property until it is able to reach a natural outlet. Ponding can also occur in a flood pool upstream or behind a dam, levee or reservoir.

Changes in Tax Legislation

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

Infectious Disease Outlook (COVID-19)

The World Health Organization has declared a pandemic following the outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus (the "Pandemic"), which is currently affecting many parts of the world, including the United States and Texas. On January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the United States Health and Human Services Department declared a public health emergency for the United States in connection with COVID-19. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States (the "President") declared the Pandemic a national emergency and the Texas Governor (the "Governor") declared COVID-19 an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in Texas (collectively, the "disaster declarations"). On March 25, 2020, in response to a request from the Governor, the President issued a Major Disaster Declaration for the State of Texas.

Pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, the Governor has broad authority to respond to disasters, including suspending any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conducting state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster and issuing executive orders that have the force and effect of law. The Governor has issued a number of executive orders relating to COVID-19 preparedness and mitigation. Many of the federal, state and local actions and policies under the aforementioned disaster declarations are focused on slowing the spread of COVID-19 by limiting instances where the public can congregate or interact with each other, which affects economic conditions within Texas.

Since the disaster declarations were made, the Pandemic has negatively affected travel, commerce, and financial markets locally and globally, and is widely expected to continue negatively affecting economic conditions and financial markets worldwide and within Texas and the Houston area. Stock values and oil prices, in the U.S. and globally, have seen significant declines attributed in part to COVID-19 concerns. Texas may be particularly at risk from any global slowdown, given the prevalence of international trade in the state and the risk of contraction in the oil and gas industry and spillover effects into other industries.

Such adverse economic conditions, if they continue, could result in declines in the demand for residential and commercial property in the Houston area and could reduce or negatively affect property values within the District. The Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem tax, and a reduction in property values may require an increase in the ad valorem tax rate required to pay the Bonds as well as the District's share of operations and maintenance expenses payable from ad valorem taxes.

The District continues to monitor the spread of COVID-19 and is working with local, state, and national agencies to address the potential impact of COVID-19 upon the District. While the potential impact of COVID-19 on the District cannot be quantified at this time, the continued outbreak of COVID-19 could have an adverse effect on the District's operations and financial condition. The financial and operating data contained herein are the latest available, but are as of dates and for periods prior to the economic impact of the Pandemic and measures instituted to slow it. Accordingly, they are not necessarily indicative of the economic impact of the Pandemic on the District's financial condition.

Potential Effects of Oil Price Declines on the Houston Area

The recent declines in oil prices in the U.S. and globally, which at times have led to the lowest such prices in three decades, may lead to adverse conditions in the oil and gas industry, including but not limited to reduced revenues, declines in capital and operating expenditures, business failures, and layoffs of workers. The economy of the Houston area has, in the past, been particularly affected by adverse conditions in the oil and gas industry, and such conditions and their spillover effects into other industries could result in declines in the demand for residential and commercial property in the Houston area and could reduce or negatively affect property values or homebuilding activity within the District. As previously stated, the Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem tax, and a reduction in property values may require an increase in the ad valorem tax rate required to pay the Bonds as well as the District's share of operations and maintenance expenses payable from ad valorem taxes.

THE DISTRICT

General

The District is a municipal utility district created by an order of the Texas Water Commission, a predecessor to the TCEQ, dated March 27, 1985, under Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, and operates under the provisions of Chapter 49 and Chapter 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and other general statutes of Texas applicable to municipal utility districts. The District, which lies wholly within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, is subject to the continuing supervisory jurisdiction of the TCEQ.

The District is empowered, among other things, to finance, purchase, construct, operate and maintain all works, improvements, facilities and plants necessary for the supply and distribution of water; the collection, transportation and treatment of wastewater; and the control and diversion of storm water. The District may issue bonds and other forms of indebtedness to purchase or construct such facilities. The District may also provide solid waste disposal and collection services. The District is also empowered to establish, operate and maintain fire-fighting facilities, separately or jointly with one or more conservation and reclamation districts, municipalities or other political subdivisions, after approval by the TCEQ and the voters of the District. Additionally, the District may, subject to certain limitations, develop and finance recreational facilities and may also, subject to the granting of road powers by the TCEQ and certain limitations, develop and finance roads. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," - "Financing Recreational Facilities" and - "Financing Road Facilities."

The District is required to observe certain requirements of the City of Houston which limit the purposes for which the District may sell bonds to the acquisition, construction, and improvement of waterworks, wastewater, drainage, recreational, road and fire-fighting facilities and the refunding of outstanding debt obligations; limit the net effective interest rate on such bonds and other terms of such bonds; require approval by the City of Houston of District construction plans; and permit connections only to lots and reserves described in a plat that has been approved by the City of Houston and filed in the real property records of Harris County. The District is also required to obtain certain TCEQ approvals prior to acquiring, constructing and financing road and fire-fighting facilities, as well as voter approval of the issuance of bonds for said purposes and/or for the purposes of financing recreational facilities. Construction and operation of the District's drainage system is subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of additional State of Texas and local agencies. See "THE SYSTEM."

Description

The District contains approximately 1,230.1986 acres of land. The District is located entirely within Harris County, Texas, and entirely within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas (the "City"). The District is located approximately twenty miles northeast of the central business district of the City, approximately five miles east of U.S. Highway 59. The District is composed of multiple tracts of land, with the eastern portion of the District generally bounded on the south by Will Clayton Parkway, on the north by Atascocita Road, and on the east by Timber Forest Drive. Five tracts of land that are located within the District are generally bounded to the north by Will Clayton Parkway, on the west by Wilson Road and on the south by Atascocita Road. Two other tracts of land that are located within the District are generally bounded to the north by Atascocita Road, on the west by Ygnacio Road and on the east by Woodland Hills Drive. Two additional tracts of land that are located within the District are generally bounded to the south by Will Clayton Parkway, on the west by Wilson Road and on the east by Woodland Hills Drive. See "APPENDIX A - LOCATION MAP."

Management of the District

The District is governed by the Board of Directors, consisting of five directors. The Board of Directors has control over and management supervision of all affairs of the District. Directors serve four-year staggered terms, and elections are held within the District in May in even numbered years, although the current election has been rescheduled for November, 2020. The current members and officers of the Board, along with their respective terms of office, are listed below.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Terms Expires May</u>
Eugene Newsom	President/General Manager	2020
Tommie Ruth Allen	Vice President	2020
Gwen Thornburg	Assistant Vice President	2022
Donald E. Matlock	Secretary	2022
Shantai Warren	Assistant Secretary	2022

The District has employed a director to serve as the general manager on an hourly basis to provide management services. The District has contracted for other services, as follows:

Tax Assessor/Collector - The District has engaged Assessments of the Southwest, Inc., Friendswood, Texas, as the District's Tax Assessor/Collector. According to Assessments of the Southwest, Inc., it presently serves approximately 193 taxing units as tax assessor/collector. The Tax Assessor/Collector applies the District's tax levy to tax rolls prepared by the Harris County Appraisal District and bills and collects such levy.

Utility System Operator - Si Environmental, LLC is employed by the District as the general operator of the District's System. According to Si Environmental, LLC it serves as operator of the systems of approximately 100 districts.

Consulting Engineers - The District has employed the firm of BGE, Inc., Houston, Texas, as Consulting Engineer in connection with the overall planning activities and the design of the System.

Bookkeeper - The District has engaged Municipal Accounts & Consulting, L.P. as the District's Bookkeeper. According to Municipal Accounts & Consulting, L.P., it currently serves approximately 400 districts as bookkeeper.

Auditor - As required by the Texas Water Code, the District retains an independent auditor to audit the District's financial statements annually, which annual audited financial statements are filed with the TCEQ. The financial statements of the District as of August 31, 2019, and for the year then ended, included in this offering document, have been audited by BKD, LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report appearing herein. See "APPENDIX B."

Bond Counsel and General Counsel - The District has engaged Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Houston, Texas, as general counsel to the District and as bond counsel ("Bond Counsel") in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The fees to be paid Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the Bonds actually issued and sold. Therefore, the payment of such fees is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. See "LEGAL MATTERS."

Financial Advisor - The District has engaged Rathmann & Associates, L.P., as financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor") to the District. The fees to be paid the Financial Advisor for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the Bonds actually issued and sold. Therefore, the payment of such fees is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. Rathmann & Associates, L.P. is an independent municipal advisor registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB"). Rathmann & Associates, L.P.'s SEC registration number is 867-00217 and its MSRB registration number is K0161. Rathmann & Associates, L.P.'s SEC registration Forms MA and MA-1's, which constitute Rathmann & Associates, L.P.'s registration filings, may be accessed through http://www.sec.gov/edgar/searchedgar/company_search.html.

DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION

Development and home construction accomplished in the District to date include the completion of the development of 3,203 single family residential lots, and 3,103 homes, including 22 homes under construction (see "BUILDERS" below). In addition, a day care center, an office building, warehouses, two medical treatment and care facilities, and other retail and commercial enterprises, including gas stations, restaurants, auto parts and repair shops, a strip center, a boat storage facility, a bank, a convenience store, a hardware store and a car wash aggregating approximately 342,060 square feet of building area have been constructed on approximately 41.4 acres of land within the District. The 241-unit Park at Tour 18 Apartments ("Tour 18 Apartments") are currently under construction on approximately 9.03 acres within the District with completion anticipated in approximately October 2020.

According to the District's Engineer, underground water, sewer and drainage facilities and street paving have been constructed to serve the aforementioned total of 3,203 single family residential lots on approximately 690.91 acres platted as Timber Forest, Sections 1 and 4 through 7, Clayton's Corner, Sections 1 through 4, Woodland Pines, Sections 1 through 10, Laurel Place, Sections 1 through 3, Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Sections 1 through 4, and Villages at Tour 18, Sections 1 and 2.

The District also contains unrestricted reserves aggregating (i) approximately 73.89 acres that have been developed for multi-family residential or commercial usage consisting of (a) approximately 23.74 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 1, (b) approximately 39.51 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 2, (c) approximately 10.64 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 3, including an aggregate of approximately 17.14 acres of street rights of way located in such sections, (ii) approximately 63.19 total acres that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive, on approximately 9.03 acres of which the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments are currently under construction, approximately

10.57 acres of which are expected to be developed for future multi-family residential usage, approximately 13.60 acres of which are expected to be developed for future commercial usage and the remaining approximately 30.0 acres of which are contained within storm water detention facilities and pipeline or electrical easements, and (iii) approximately 33.14 additional acres of land used for storm water detention facilities. According to the District's Engineer, underground water, sewer and drainage facilities and street paving to serve all of such unrestricted reserves have been constructed to (or are in close proximity to) the perimeters of the tracts which they serve. See "FUTURE DEVELOPMENT."

Approximately 365.94 acres of land located in the District, exclusive of certain easements, rights-of-way, and other land not available for development, are currently undeveloped. Approximately 3.40 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by WP70, LP (defined below under the caption "DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS"). Humble Independent School District owns 81.13 acres of land located within the District which property is exempt from taxation and which is expected to construct schools and facilities on such acreage. Approximately 14.45 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by KB Home (defined below under the caption "DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS"). It is anticipated that KB Home will develop such currently undeveloped acreage in the future as Villages at Tour 18, Section 3 (approximately 50 single-family residential lots). Approximately 64.13 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by Sowell Interests-Atascocita, L.P. ("SIA") (defined below under the caption "DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS"). SIA has not reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. As is reflected on the District's 2019 tax roll, approximately 159.71 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by Rancho Del Austin Partners, L.P. ("RDA"). Approximately 10.52 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by KTB Holdings LP ("KTB"), which are expected to be used for future commercial development. The remaining acres that are available for future development are owned by multiple other parties, none of which has reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. Since no party, including WP70, KB Home, SIA, RDA or KTB, has any obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken in the District in addition to the development undertaken therein to date, nor can the District represent the ultimate utilization of such currently undeveloped land. The District is unaware of any specific development or construction of above ground improvements planned for any of the reserves located in Timber Forest, Sections 1 through 3 or the acres that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive described above in addition to the development that has been undertaken and the improvements that have been constructed or are under construction therein to date. The balance of the land within the District is located within street and drainage rights-of-way, District plant sites, or is otherwise not available for residential or commercial development. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments," "FUTURE DEVELOPMENT" and "TAX DATA - Principal 2019 Taxpayers."

The District financed the underground water distribution, wastewater collection and storm drainage facilities to serve Timber Forest, Sections 1 and 4 through 7, Clayton's Corner, Sections 1 through 4, Laurel Place, Sections 1 through 3, Woodland Pines, Sections 1 through 10, Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Section 1 through 4, Villages at Tour 18, Sections 1 and 2, Phases 1 and 1A, off-site water distribution to serve Woodland Pines; a wastewater treatment plant expansion; wastewater collection and detention facilities to serve Villages at Tour 18; clearing and grubbing of Villages at Tour 18, Section 1; water supply and storage facilities, a wastewater treatment plant and lift station, clearing and grubbing serving Villages at Tour 18, Section 2; stormwater pollution prevention plans for Atascocita Trace, Sections 4 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Sections 2 through 4, Villages at Tour 18, Section 2, and Woodland Pines, Sections 9 and 10; the remaining costs of a 12-inch water line along Will Clayton Parkway, Phases 1, 1-A and 2; and a 16-inch water line along Atascocita Road, Phases 1 and 2; Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion; and land acquisition costs for the detention basin for Villages at Tour 18 and Phase 1 Water Line/Joint Use Easements, and other facilities that are described in this Official Statement under the caption "THE SYSTEM" with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. In addition to the components of the System that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt" and - "Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds," "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt" and "THE SYSTEM."

As of March 1, 2020, the status of single-family residential lot development and home construction was as follows:

Residential Units

<u>Subdivision</u>	<u>Lots</u>				<u>Homes</u>				<u>Totals</u>
	<u>Fully Developed</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Under Development</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Under Construction Sold *</u>	<u>Unsold</u>	<u>Completed Sold *</u>	<u>Unsold</u>	
Timber Forest									
Section 1	80	55.38			0	0	78	0	78
Section 4	121	23.01			0	0	121	0	121
Section 5	77	16.61			0	0	77	0	77
Section 6	96	19.42			0	0	96	0	96
Section 7	102	19.97			0	0	102	0	102
Clayton's Corner									
Section 1	104	25.32			0	0	104	0	104
Section 2	108	17.87			0	0	108	0	108
Section 3	113	18.52			0	0	113	0	113
Section 4	88	14.22			0	0	88	0	88
Woodland Pines									
Section 1	60	29.24			0	0	60	0	60
Section 2	54	12.38			0	0	54	0	54
Section 3	106	19.86			0	0	106	0	106
Section 4	138	23.64			0	0	138	0	138
Section 5	69	12.15			0	0	69	0	69
Section 6	33	4.95			0	0	33	0	33
Section 7	123	18.73			0	0	123	0	123
Section 8	120	25.78			0	0	120	0	120
Section 9	120	23.46			0	0	120	0	120
Section 10	106	19.76			10	0	86	0	96
Laurel Place									
Section 1	120	21.22			0	0	120	0	120
Section 2	100	27.70			0	0	100	0	100
Section 3	69	12.45			0	0	69	0	69
Atascocita Trace									
Section 1	302	69.86			0	0	302	0	302
Section 2	34	4.87			0	0	34	0	34
Section 3	44	6.74			0	0	39	1	40
Section 4	22	3.35			0	0	22	0	22
Section 5	63	8.92			0	0	63	0	63
Section 6	146	21.19			11	0	51	0	62
Blackstone Creek									
Section 1	189	39.83			0	0	189	0	189
Section 2	46	7.83			0	0	46	0	46
Section 3	51	8.15			0	0	51	0	51
Section 4	65	15.43			0	0	65	0	65
Villages at Tour 18									
Section 1	113	36.82			0	0	112	1	113
Section 2	<u>21</u>	<u>6.28</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21</u>
	3,203	690.91	0	0	21	1	3,079	2	3,103

* Includes homes sold and contracted for sale. Homes under construction are, in some instances, subject to conditions of appraisal, loan application, approval and inspection. See "BUILDERS."

DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS

The developer of Atascocita Trace (see “DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION” above) is Élan Development, L.P. (“Élan”), a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Élan, L.C., a Texas limited liability corporation. Élan has completed the development of Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6 (611 single-family residential lots on approximately 114.93 acres) located within the District. Anglia Homes is constructing homes in Atascocita Trace as is described below under the caption “BUILDERS.” Élan owns no additional land located within the District.

The developer of Villages at Tour 18, Section 2 (21 single-family residential lots) located within the District (see “DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION” above) is KB Home Lone Star, Inc. (“KB Home”). KB Home is constructing homes in Villages at Tour 18, Section 2 as is described below under the caption “BUILDERS.” KB Home owns approximately 14.45 acres of land located within the District that are planned as future Villages of Tour 18, Section 3 (50 single-family residential lots). However, since KB Home has no obligation to the District to develop Villages of Tour 18, Section 3, the District cannot represent that the development thereof will be undertaken.

The developer of Woodland Pines, Section 9 (120 single-family residential lots on approximately 23.46 acres) and Section 10 (106 single-family residential lots on approximately 19.76 acres) is DS Woodland Pines, LLC (“DS Woodland Pines”). According to DS Woodland Pines, Liberty Homebuilders and Devon Street Homes are constructing homes in Woodland Pines, Section 10 as is described below under the caption “BUILDERS.” DS Woodland Pines owns no additional land located in the District.

The developer of approximately 63.19 acres of land located within the District that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive that have been provided underground water, sewer and drainage facilities and street paving to the perimeter thereof was Austofield Partners No. I, Ltd., (“Austofield”) a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Austofield No. I, LLC, a Texas limited liability corporation whose president is Yousef Panahpour. ATA Development, LP (“ATA”) a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is ATA GP Developers, L.L.C., a Texas limited liability corporation whose president is Yousef Panahpour, developed such land on behalf of Austofield. Austofield has sold approximately 10.57 of such acres that are expected to be utilized for future multi-family development to Creekstone Developments, Inc. (“Creekstone”). Austofield has sold approximately 9.03 of such acres being utilized for future multi-family development to The Park at Tour 18 LLC (“Tour 18”), on which the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments are currently under construction. Austofield has conveyed approximately 13.60 of such acres expected to be developed for future commercial usage to Atasca Lake Partners No I Ltd. (“ALP”), a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Atasca Lake No I, L.L.C., a Texas limited liability corporation whose president is Yousef Panahpour. The remaining approximately 30.0 of such acres are contained within storm water detention facilities, pipeline or electrical easements (see “Development and Home Construction” above). ATA and Austofield do not own any property in the District. Since ALP has no obligation to the District to undertake any development of the approximately 13.60 of such acres that are expected to be utilized for future commercial development that are owned by ALP; Creekstone has no obligation to the District to undertake any development of the approximately 10.57 of such acres that are expected to be utilized for future multi-family residential development that are owned by Creekstone; and Tour 18 has no obligation to the District to complete the construction of the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments on the approximately 9.03 of such acres that are owned by Tour 18; and since no party, including ALP, Creekstone or Tour 18, has any obligation to the District to undertake or complete the construction of any above-ground improvements on any of such land, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such land in addition to the development undertaken thereon to date, and cannot represent that any above-ground multi-family residential, commercial or other above-ground improvements will be constructed or completed on any of such land.

The owner of approximately 64.13 currently undeveloped acres of land located within the District that are available for future development (see “DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION” above) is Sowell Interests-Atascocita, L.P. (“SIA”), a Texas limited partnership whose general partner is Sowell Atascocita, Inc., a Texas corporation whose president is Stephen L. Brown. SIA has not reported any definitive plan to the District covering any of such acres. Since SIA has no obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such currently undeveloped acres.

The owner of approximately 3.40 currently undeveloped acres of land located within the District that are available for future development is WP70, LP ("WP70"). However, WP70 has no obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such undeveloped acres.

Humble Independent School District owns 81.13 acres of land located within the District which property is exempt from taxation and which is expected to construct schools and facilities on such acreage.

As is reflected on the District's 2019 tax rolls, approximately 159.71 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by Rancho Del Austin Partners, L.P. ("RDA"). Approximately 10.52 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by KTB Holdings LP, which are expected to be used for future commercial development. The remaining acres that are available for future development are owned by multiple other parties, none of which has reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. Since none of RDA or any of such other parties has any obligation to the District to develop any of such currently undeveloped acres at any particular pace or at all, the District cannot represent that any development will be undertaken on any of such currently undeveloped acres.

Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to Élan, KB Home, DS Woodland Pines and Tour 18 as the "Developers."

BUILDERS

According to Élan, homes which Anglia Homes is currently constructing in Atascocita Trace range in size from approximately 1,169 to 2,099 square feet of living area and in sales price from approximately \$170,990 to \$207,990.

According to KB Home, homes which it is currently constructing in Villages of Tour 18 range in size from approximately 2,321 to 4,307 square feet of living area and in sales price from approximately \$215,001 to \$482,000.

According to DS Woodland Pines, homes that Liberty Homebuilders and Devon Street Homes are currently constructing in Woodland Pines range in size from approximately 1,582 to 4,104 square feet of living area and in sales price from approximately \$169,000 to \$350,000.

Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to Anglia Homes, KB Home, Liberty Homebuilders and Devon Street Homes as the "Builders."

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

As is described above under the caption "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION," the development of Timber Forest, Sections 1 and 4 through 7, Clayton's Corner, Sections 1 through 4, Woodland Pines, Sections 1 through 10, Laurel Place, Sections 1 through 3, Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Sections 1 through 4, and Villages at Tour 18, Sections 1 and 2, totaling 3,203 single-family residential lots on a total of approximately 690.91 acres within the District, is complete. The District also contains unrestricted reserves aggregating (i) approximately 73.89 acres which were originally intended to be developed for future multi family residential or commercial usage consisting of (a) approximately 23.74 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 1, (b) approximately 39.51 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 2, (c) approximately 10.64 acres of reserves platted as Timber Forest, Section 3, and (d) an aggregate of approximately 17.14 acres of street rights of way located in such sections, (ii) approximately 63.19 total acres that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive, on approximately 9.03 acres of which the 241-unit Tour 18 Apartments are currently under construction, approximately 10.57 acres of which are expected to be developed for future multi-family residential usage, approximately 13.60 acres of which are expected to be developed for future commercial usage and the remaining approximately 30.0 acres of which are contained within storm water detention facilities and pipeline or electrical easements, and (iii) approximately 33.14 additional acres of land used for storm water detention facilities. According to the District's Engineer, underground water, sewer and drainage facilities and street paving to serve all of such unrestricted reserves have been constructed to (or are in close proximity to) the perimeters of the tracts which they serve. The District is unaware of any specific development or construction of above ground improvements planned

for any of the reserves located in Timber Forest, Sections 1 through 3 or the acres that are located along Hunters Terrace Drive described above in addition to the development that has been undertaken and the improvements that have been constructed or are under construction therein to date. Approximately 365.94 acres of land located in the District, exclusive of certain easements, rights-of-way, and other land not available for development, are currently undeveloped. Approximately 3.40 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by WP70, LP (defined above under the caption "DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS"). Humble Independent School District owns 81.13 acres of land located within the District on which it expects to construct schools and facilities. Approximately 14.45 of such undeveloped acres are owned by KB Home. It is anticipated that such currently undeveloped acreage will be developed in the future as Villages at Tour 18, Section 3 (approximately 50 single-family residential lots). However, KB Home is under no obligation to the District to develop such land, and may sell such land at any time at its sole discretion. Approximately 64.13 of such currently undeveloped acres are owned by SIA. SIA has not reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. SIA has no obligation to the District to develop such land, and may sell such land at any time at its sole discretion. See "DEVELOPERS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL LAND OWNERS" above for descriptions of such parties. As is reflected on the District's 2019 tax rolls, approximately 159.71 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by RDA. Approximately 10.52 of such acres that are available for future development are owned by KTB Holdings LP ("KTB"), which are expected to be used for future commercial development. The remaining acres that are available for future development are owned by multiple other parties, none of which has reported any definitive development plan to the District covering any of such acres. None of WP 70, KB Home, SIA, RDA, KTB, or any other party is under any obligation to the District to develop such land, and any of such parties may sell such land at any time at its sole discretion. Therefore, the District can make no representation as to when, or whether, the undeveloped portions of the District might be developed, or the ultimate usage of any of the aforementioned unrestricted reserves. If the undeveloped portions of the District are eventually developed, additions to the District's water, sanitary sewer and drainage systems required to service such undeveloped acreage may be financed by future issues of the District's bonds. See "TAX DATA - Principal 2019 Taxpayers." The balance of the land that is located within the District is located within street and drainage rights-of-way, District plant sites, or is otherwise not available for residential or commercial development. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments" and "TAX DATA - Principal 2019 Taxpayers."

In the opinion of the District's consulting engineer, BGE, Inc. (the "Engineer"), the remaining \$19,165,000 authorized bonds which remain unissued after the sale of the Bonds, plus available surplus funds, may not be adequate to finance the acquisition or construction of all water, wastewater and drainage facilities necessary to provide service to all of the developable, undeveloped portions of the District. In order for the District to issue bonds in an amount greater than the \$19,165,000 that is currently authorized, the District would be required to obtain voter authorization to issue additional bonds at an election held for such purpose. The District cannot predict the outcome of such election if it is called. The District makes no representation that any future development will be undertaken in the District. In addition to the components of the System that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt" and - "Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds," "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt" and "THE SYSTEM."

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF THE DISTRICT
(taken April 2020)



PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN WITHIN THE DISTRICT
(taken May 2020)



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(taken May 2020)



DISTRICT DEBT

Debt Service Requirement Schedule

The following schedule sets forth the debt service requirements on the Remaining Outstanding Bonds, less the debt service requirements on the Refunded Bonds, plus the principal and interest requirements of the Bonds.

<u>Year Ending December 31</u>	<u>Current Total Debt Service</u>	<u>Less: Debt Service on Refunded Bonds</u>	<u>Plus - The Bonds</u>		<u>Current Total New Debt Service Requirements</u>
			<u>Principal (Due 9-1)</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
2020	\$ 3,342,061	\$ 83,134	\$ 35,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 3,325,927
2021	3,318,238	166,269	5,000	126,600	3,283,569
2022	3,317,613	561,269	400,000	126,400	3,282,744
2023	3,333,425	564,419	420,000	110,400	3,299,406
2024	3,354,300	546,606	420,000	93,600	3,321,294
2025	3,349,238	553,444	445,000	76,800	3,317,594
2026	3,336,894	554,100	460,000	59,000	3,301,794
2027	3,340,081	558,700	470,000	49,800	3,301,181
2028	3,338,456	562,600	485,000	40,400	3,301,256
2029	3,330,813	568,400	500,000	30,700	3,293,113
2030	3,324,413	568,200	510,000	20,700	3,286,913
2031	3,325,525	577,200	525,000	10,500	3,283,825
2032	3,390,550				3,390,550
2033	3,384,775				3,384,775
2034	3,380,769				3,380,769
2035	3,373,956				3,373,956
2036	3,338,744				3,338,744
2037	3,435,975				3,435,975
2038	2,512,969				2,512,969
2039	2,509,406				2,509,406
2040	2,529,281				2,529,281
2041	2,519,906				2,519,906
2042	2,532,344				2,532,344
2043	2,590,531				2,590,531
2044	1,567,969				1,567,969
2045	1,949,219				1,949,219
2046	<u>2,217,188</u>				<u>2,217,188</u>
	\$81,244,639	\$5,864,341	\$4,675,000	\$776,900	\$80,832,198

Average Annual Requirements (2020-2037)	\$3,327,966
Maximum Annual Requirement (2037)	\$3,435,975

Bonded Indebtedness

2019 Assessed Valuation		\$560,046,667(a)
(As of January 1, 2019)		
See "TAX DATA" and "TAX PROCEDURES."		
Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020		\$638,870,325(b)
(As of March 1, 2020)		
See "TAX DATA" and "TAX PROCEDURES."		
Direct Debt		
Remaining Outstanding Bonds (as defined herein)	\$ 47,040,000	
The Bonds	<u>4,675,000</u>	
Total	\$ 51,715,000(c)	
Estimated Overlapping Debt		\$ <u>28,597,819(c)</u>
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt		\$ <u>80,312,819(c)</u>
Direct Debt Ratio		
: as a percentage of 2019 Assessed Valuation		9.23%
: as a percentage of Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020		8.09%
Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt Ratio		
: as a percentage of 2019 Assessed Valuation		14.34%
: as a percentage of Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020		12.57%
Debt Service Fund Balance Estimated as of Delivery of the Bonds	\$ 5,644,821(d)	
General Fund Balance at April 3, 2020	\$ 7,147,799	
2019 Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation		
Debt Service	\$0.62	
Maintenance	<u>0.27</u>	
Total		\$0.89(e)

- (a) As of January 1, 2019. All property in the District is valued on the tax rolls by the Harris County Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") at 100% of assessed value as of January 1 of each year. The District's tax roll is certified by the Harris County Appraisal Review Board (the "Appraisal Review Board").
- (b) Provided by the Appraisal District for informational purposes only, this amount is an estimate of the value of all taxable property located within the District as of March 1, 2020, and includes an estimate of values resulting from the construction of taxable improvements from January 1, 2019, through February 29, 2020. No taxes were levied for 2019 against any values added since January 1, 2019. The ultimate Assessed Valuation of any land and improvements added from January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, which will be placed on the District's 2020 tax roll, may vary significantly from such estimate once the Appraisal Review Board certifies the value thereof in 2020. Moreover, the ultimate Assessed Valuation of any land and improvements added from January 1, 2020, through February 29, 2020, which will be placed on the District's 2021 tax roll, may vary significantly from such estimate once the Appraisal Review Board certifies the value thereof in 2021.
- (c) See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt." In addition to the components of the System the acquisition or construction of which the District has financed with portions of the proceeds of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance its share of the cost of acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt," and "THE SYSTEM."

- (d) Neither Texas law nor the Bond Resolution requires the District to maintain any particular sum in the Debt Service Fund. Such sum gives effect to the payment by the District of its debt service requirements that were due on March 1, 2020, and the contribution of \$9,000 to the refunding of the Refunded Bonds. The District's remaining debt service requirements for 2020, which are due on September 1, 2020, consist of \$2,302,479 of principal and interest on the Outstanding Bonds and a three-month interest payment on the Bonds and a principal payment of \$35,000 on the Bonds.
- (e) The District has levied a debt service tax for 2019 in the amount of \$0.62 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation. The District also levied a maintenance tax of \$0.27 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2019. Therefore, the District's combined total tax for 2019 is \$0.89 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation. As is enumerated in this Official Statement under the caption "TAX DATA - Estimated Overlapping Taxes," the total of the 2019 tax levies of all overlapping taxing units which levy taxes upon property located in the District, plus the District's 2019 rate, is \$3.13285. The District's tax rate of \$0.89 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and such total rate of \$3.13285 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation are higher than the individual and total tax levies of some municipal utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area, including the area of the District, but are within the range of the individual and total levies of municipal utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area and the area of the District which are in stages of development comparable with the District. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments."

Estimated Direct and Overlapping Debt Statement

Other governmental entities whose boundaries overlap the District's have outstanding bonds payable from ad valorem taxes. The following statement of direct and estimated overlapping ad valorem tax debt was developed from information contained in "Texas Municipal Reports," published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas, or other available information. Except for the amount relating to the District, the District has not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of such information, and no person is entitled to rely upon such information as being accurate or complete. Furthermore, certain of the entities listed below may have issued additional bonds since the dates stated in this table, and such entities may have programs requiring the issuance of substantial amounts of additional bonds, the amount of which cannot presently be determined. Political subdivisions overlapping the District are authorized by Texas law to levy and collect ad valorem taxes for operation, maintenance and/or general revenue purposes in addition to taxes for payment of their debt, and some are presently levying and collecting such taxes.

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Outstanding Debt as of March 1, 2020</u>	<u>Overlapping</u>	
		<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Harris County*	\$1,885,182,125	0.11571%	\$ 2,181,252
Harris County Department of Education	6,320,000	0.11571	7,313
Harris County Flood Control District	83,075,000	0.11571	96,122
Port of Houston Authority	572,569,397	0.11571	662,492
Harris County Hospital District	55,005,000	0.11571	63,644
Humble Independent School District	757,495,000	3.17802	24,073,319
Lone Star College System	572,225,000	0.26452	<u>1,513,677</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT			\$28,597,819
TOTAL DIRECT DEBT (the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds)			<u>51,715,000</u>
TOTAL DIRECT AND ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT			\$80,312,819

* Harris County Toll Road Bonds are considered to be self-supporting.

Debt Ratios

	% of 2019 Assessed <u>Valuation</u>	Estimated Valuation at <u>March 1, 2020</u>
Direct Debt	9.23%	8.09%
Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt	14.34%	12.57%

TAX DATA

Debt Service Tax

All taxable property within the District is subject to the assessment, levy, and collection by the District of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Remaining Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds (see “TAX PROCEDURES”). The Board of Directors of the District has in its Bond Resolution covenanted to assess and levy for each year that all or any part of the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid a tax ample and sufficient to produce funds to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds (see “THE BONDS” and “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS”). The District levied a tax for debt service for 2019 at a rate of \$0.62 per \$100 assessed valuation.

Tax Rate Limitation

- Debt Service: Unlimited (no legal limit as to rate or amount).
- Maintenance: \$1.00 per \$100 Assessed Valuation.

Maintenance Tax

The Board of Directors of the District has the statutory authority to levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for maintenance of the District's improvements, if such maintenance tax is authorized by a vote of the District's electorate. On May 1, 1993, the District voters authorized the levy of such a maintenance tax in the maximum amount of \$1.00 per each \$100 of Assessed Valuation. Such tax is levied in addition to taxes which the District is authorized to levy for paying principal of and interest on the Bonds, the Outstanding Bonds and any parity bonds which may be issued in the future. The District has levied a maintenance tax of \$0.27 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2019.

Historical Values and Tax Collection History

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>Tax Rate(a)</u>	<u>Adjusted Levy</u>	<u>Cumulative % Collections</u>	
				<u>Current & Prior Years(b)</u>	<u>Year Ending 9/30</u>
2009	\$260,100,672	\$1.132	\$2,942,357	99.96%	2010
2010	253,810,353	1.182	2,998,019	99.97	2011
2011	254,241,759	1.200	3,048,745	99.97	2012
2012	243,705,881	1.200	2,923,603	99.92	2013
2013	257,277,363	1.200	3,086,464	99.90	2014
2014	299,725,604	1.090	3,267,009	99.91	2015
2015	355,291,735	1.050	3,730,563	99.89	2016
2016	401,385,837	1.030	4,134,274	99.76	2017
2017	455,657,726	0.980	4,465,426	99.80	2018
2018	495,952,284	0.930	4,612,356	99.78	2019
2019	560,046,667	0.890	4,984,415	97.30(c)	2020

(a) Per \$100 of assessed valuation.

(b) Such percentages reflect cumulative total collections for each year from the time each respective annual tax was levied through March 31, 2020. The amount of tax collected for each levy on a current basis (by September 30 of the year following each respective annual levy) is not reflected in this statement.

(c) As of March 31, 2020. In process of collection.

Tax Rate Distribution

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Debt Service	\$0.62	\$0.65	\$0.68	\$0.73	\$0.80
Maintenance	<u>0.27</u>	<u>0.28</u>	<u>0.30</u>	<u>0.30</u>	<u>0.25</u>
Total	\$0.89	\$0.93	\$0.98	\$1.03	\$1.05

Analysis of Tax Base

The following table illustrates the composition of property located within the District for the last five years.

	2019		2018		2017	
	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>%</u>
Land	\$ 90,843,579	16.22%	\$ 85,324,462	17.21%	\$ 82,080,433	18.01%
Improvements	498,373,228	88.99	429,172,808	86.56	399,754,284	87.73
Personal Property	9,173,492	1.64	9,099,071	1.84	9,578,342	2.10
Uncertified	<u>(38,343,632)</u>	<u>(6.85)</u>	<u>(27,792,763)</u>	<u>(5.61)</u>	<u>(35,755,333)</u>	<u>(7.85)</u>
Exemptions	\$560,046,667	100.00%	\$495,803,578	100.00%	\$455,657,726	100.00%
TOTAL						

	2016		2015	
	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>%</u>
Land	\$ 78,092,655	19.46%	\$ 73,553,060	20.70%
Improvements	357,987,334	89.19	326,889,444	92.01
Personal Property	8,711,770	2.17	8,290,479	2.33
Exemptions	<u>(43,405,922)</u>	<u>(10.81)</u>	<u>(53,441,248)</u>	<u>(15.04)</u>
	\$401,385,837	100.00%	\$355,291,735	100.00%

Principal 2019 Taxpayers

Based upon information supplied by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector, the following table lists principal District taxpayers, type of property owned by such taxpayers, and the assessed valuation of such property as of January 1, 2019. The information reflects the composition of the Appraisal District's record of property ownership as of January 1, 2019.

<u>Taxpayer</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation 2019 Tax Roll</u>	<u>% of 2019 Tax Roll</u>
Atascocita Eagles Nest LLC	Commercial	\$ 5,100,000	0.91%
MSC Humble LLC	Commercial	4,669,129	0.83
SRP Sub LLC	Homes and Lots	3,538,777	0.63
Rancho Del Austin Partners, L.P.	Land	3,021,415	0.54
Centerpoint Energy Houston Electric	Personal Property	2,843,050	0.51
Progress Residential Borrower 5 LLC*	Homes and Lots	2,553,290	0.46
Avalon MCO Holdings LP	Homes and Lots	2,274,791	0.41
Progress Residential Borrower 9 LLC*	Homes and Lots	1,991,947	0.36
2018 4 IH Borrower LP	Homes and Lots	1,950,754	0.35
Eagle Hardware LLC	Commercial	<u>1,947,305</u>	<u>0.35</u>
		\$29,890,458	5.35%

* Related Parties

Exemptions

The District has adopted a residential homestead exemption for persons 65 years or older or disabled persons in the amount of \$25,000 of appraised value, and has not granted a general residential homestead exemption. See “TAX PROCEDURES.”

Reappraisal of Property after Disaster

The Texas Tax Code provides that the governing body of a taxing unit located within an area declared to be a disaster area by the governor of the State of Texas may authorize reappraisal of all property damaged in the disaster at its market value immediately after the disaster. Neither the District nor Harris County adopted an order to reappraise the property in the District. See “TAXING PROCEDURES - Reappraisal of Property after Disaster.”

Tax Rate Calculations

The tax rate calculations set forth below are presented to indicate the tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuation which would be required to meet certain debt service requirements if no growth in the District's tax base occurs beyond the 2019 Assessed Valuation or the Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020. The calculations assume collection of 95% of taxes levied, no use of District funds on hand, and the sale of no bonds by the District except the Bonds and the Prior Bonds.

Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2020-2037)	\$3,327,966
Tax Rate of \$0.63 on the 2019 Assessed Valuation (\$560,046,667) produces	\$3,351,879
Tax Rate of \$0.55 on the Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020 (\$638,870,325) produces	\$3,338,097
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement (2037)	\$3,435,975
Tax Rate of \$0.65 on the 2019 Assessed Valuation (\$560,046,667) produces	\$3,458,288
Tax Rate of \$0.57 on the Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020 (\$638,870,325) produces	\$3,459,483

The District levied a debt service tax of \$0.62 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation plus a maintenance tax of \$0.27 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2019. As the above table indicates, the 2019 debt service rate is sufficient to pay the average annual debt service requirements and the maximum annual debt service requirement on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds, given taxable values in the District at the level of the Estimated Valuation at March 1, 2020, assuming a tax collection rate of 95%, no use of funds on hand, and the issuance of no additional bonds by the District. As is illustrated in this Official Statement under the caption “TAX DATA - Historical Values and Tax Collection History,” as of March 31, 2020, the District has collected an average of 99.89% of its tax for the period 2009 through 2018, and its 2019 levy, which is in the process of collection, was 97.30% collected as of such date. Moreover, the District's Debt Service Fund balance is estimated to be \$5,644,821 as of the date of delivery of the Bonds. Although neither Texas law nor the Bond Resolution requires that any specific amount be retained in the Debt Service Fund at any time, the District has in the past applied earnings from the investment of monies held in the Debt Service Fund to meet the debt service requirements of the Prior Bonds. See “APPENDIX B - INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.” Therefore, the District anticipates that it will be able to meet the debt service requirements on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds without increasing the tax rate for debt service above the debt service rate which the District levied for 2019 - \$0.62 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation. However, the District can make no representation that the taxable property values in the District will increase in the future or will maintain a value sufficient to support the aforementioned tax rate or to justify continued payment of taxes by property owners. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments” and “TAX PROCEDURES.” In addition to the components of the System the acquisition or construction of which the District has financed with portions of the proceeds of the Prior Bonds, the District expects to finance its share of the cost of acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See “THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt,” “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt,” and “THE SYSTEM.”

Estimated Overlapping Taxes

Property located within the District is subject to taxation by several taxing authorities in addition to the District. Set forth below is a compilation of all 2019 taxes levied upon property located within the District plus the District's 2019 levy. Under Texas law, ad valorem taxes levied by each taxing authority other than the District entitled to levy taxes against property located within the District create a lien which is on a parity with the tax lien of the District. In addition to the ad valorem taxes required to make the debt service payments on bonded indebtedness of the District and of such other jurisdictions (see "DISTRICT DEBT - Estimated Direct and Overlapping Debt Statement"), certain taxing jurisdictions are authorized by Texas law to assess, levy and collect ad valorem taxes for operation, maintenance, administrative and/or general revenue purposes.

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>2019 Tax Rate</u>
Harris County	\$0.40713
Harris County Hospital District	0.16591
Harris County Flood Control District	0.02792
Harris County Department of Education	0.00500
Port of Houston Authority	0.01074
Lone Star College System	0.10780
Humble Independent School District	1.41835
Harris County Emergency Service District No. 46	0.10000
The District *	<u>0.89000</u>
	\$3.13285

* The District has levied a total tax of \$0.89 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2019, consisting of a debt service tax of \$0.62 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and a maintenance tax of \$0.27 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation.

TAX PROCEDURES

Authority to Levy Taxes

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

Property Tax Code and County-Wide Appraisal District

Title I of the Texas Tax Code (the "Property Tax Code"), specifies the taxing procedures of all political subdivisions of the State of Texas, including the District. Provisions of the Property Tax Code are complex and are not fully summarized here. The Property Tax Code requires, among other matters, county-wide appraisal and equalization of taxable property values and establishes in each county of the State an appraisal district with the responsibility for recording and appraising property for all taxing units within a county and an appraisal review board with responsibility for reviewing and equalizing values established by the appraisal district. The Harris County Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") has the responsibility of appraising property for all taxing units within Harris County, including the District. Such appraisal values will be subject to review and change by the Harris County Appraisal Review Board (the "Appraisal Review Board"). The appraisal roll, as approved by the Appraisal Review Board, will be used by the District in establishing its tax rolls and tax rate.

Reappraisal of Property after Disaster

The Texas Tax Code provides that the governing body of a taxing unit located within an area declared to be a disaster area by the governor of the State of Texas may authorize reappraisal of all property damaged in the disaster at its market value immediately after the disaster. For reappraised property, the taxes are pro-rated for the year in which the disaster occurred. The taxing unit assesses taxes prior to the date the disaster occurred based upon market value as of January 1 of that year. Beginning on the date of the disaster and for the remainder of the year, the taxing unit assesses taxes on the reappraised market value of the property. See "TAX DATA - Reappraisal of Property after Disaster."

Property Subject to Taxation by the District

Except for certain exemptions provided by Texas law, all real property, tangible personal property held or used for the production of income, mobile homes and certain categories of intangible personal property with a tax situs in the District are subject to taxation by the District. Principal categories of exempt property include, but are not limited to: property owned by the State of Texas or its political subdivisions, if the property is used for public purposes; property exempt from ad valorem taxation by federal law; certain household goods, family supplies and personal effects; certain goods, wares, and merchandise in transit; certain farm products owned by the producer; certain property of charitable organizations, youth development associations, religious organizations, and qualified schools; designated historical sites; and most individually-owned automobiles. In addition, the District may by its own action exempt residential homesteads of persons 65 years or older and certain disabled persons, to the extent deemed advisable by the Board of Directors of the District. The District may be required to offer such exemptions if a majority of voters approve same at an election. The District would be required to call an election upon petition by twenty percent (20%) of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election. The District is authorized by statute to disregard exemptions for the disabled and elderly if granting the exemption would impair the District's obligation to pay tax supported debt incurred prior to adoption of the exemption by the District. Furthermore, the District must grant exemptions to disabled veterans, or certain surviving dependents of disabled veterans if requested, but only to the maximum extent of \$5,000 to \$12,000 of assessed valuation depending upon the disability rating of the veteran, if such rating is less than 100%. A veteran who receives a disability rating of 100% is entitled to the exemption for the full amount of the residential homestead. Additionally, subject to certain conditions, the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran is entitled to an exemption for the full value of the veteran's residence homestead to which the disabled veterans' exemption applied. A partially disabled veteran or certain surviving spouses of partially disabled veterans are entitled to an exemption from taxation of a percentage of the appraised value of their residence homestead in an amount equal to the partially disabled veteran's disability rating if (i) the residence homestead was donated by a charitable organization at no cost to the disabled veteran or, (ii) the residence was donated by a charitable organization at some cost to the disabled veteran if such cost is less than or equal to fifth percent (50%) of the total good faith estimate of the market value of the residence as of the date the donation is made. Also, the surviving spouse of (i) a member of the armed forces or, (ii) a first responder as defined under the Texas law, who was killed in action is, subject to certain conditions, entitled to an exemption of the total appraised value of the surviving spouse's residence homestead, and subject to certain conditions, an exemption up to the same amount may be transferred to a subsequent residence homestead of the surviving spouse. The surviving spouse of a first responder who was killed or fatally injured in the line of duty is, subject to certain conditions, also entitled to an exemption of the total appraised value of the surviving spouse's residence homestead, and, subject to certain conditions, an exemption up to the same amount may be transferred to a subsequent residence homestead of the surviving spouse.

Residential Homestead Exemptions: The Property Tax Code authorizes the governing body of each political subdivision in the State to exempt up to twenty percent (20%), but not less than \$5,000, of the appraised market value of residential homesteads from ad valorem taxation. Where ad valorem taxes have previously been pledged for the payment of debt, the governing body of a political subdivision may continue to levy and collect taxes against the exempt value of the homesteads until the debt is discharged, if the cessation of the levy would impair the obligations of the contract by which the debt was created. The adoption of a homestead exemption may be considered each year, but must be adopted before July 1. See "TAX DATA - Exemptions."

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

Tax Abatement

The City of Houston (if it were to annex the District) and Harris County may designate all or part of the District as a reinvestment zone, and the District, Harris County, and the City of Houston may thereafter enter into tax abatement agreements with the owners of property within the zone. The tax abatement agreements may exempt from ad valorem tax, by the applicable taxing jurisdictions, and by the District, for a period of up to ten 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 a comprehensive plan. According to the District's Tax Assessor/Collector, to date, none of the area within the District has been designated as a reinvestment zone. Each taxing jurisdiction has discretion to determine terms for its tax abatement agreements without regard to the terms approved by the other taxing jurisdictions.

Valuation of Property for Taxation

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

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

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

The Property Tax Code provides for a temporary exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of certain property that is at least 15% damaged by a disaster and located within an area declared to be a disaster area by the governor of the State of Texas. This temporary exemption is automatic if the disaster is declared prior to a taxing unit, such as the District, adopting its tax rate for the tax year. A taxing unit, such as the District, may authorize the exemption at its discretion if the disaster is declared after the taxing unit has adopted its tax rate for the tax year. The amount of the exemption is based on the percentage of damage and is prorated based on the date of the disaster. Upon receipt of an application submitted within the eligible timeframe by a person who qualifies for a temporary exemption under the Property Tax Code, the Appraisal District is required to complete a damage assessment and assign a damage assessment rating to determine the amount of the exemption. The temporary exemption amounts established in the Property Tax Code range from 15% for property less than 30% damaged to 100% for property that is a total loss. Any such temporary exemption granted for disaster-damaged property expires on January 1 of the first year in which the property is reappraised.

District and Taxpayer Remedies

Under certain circumstances, taxpayers and taxing units, including the District, may appeal orders of the Appraisal Review Board by filing a timely petition for review in State district court. In such event, the property value in question may be determined by the court, or by a jury, if requested by any party. Additionally, taxing units may bring suit against the Appraisal District to compel compliance with the Property Tax Code. The Property Tax Code establishes a procedure for notice to property owners of reappraisals reflecting increased property values, appraisals that are higher than renditions and appraisals of property not previously on an appraisal roll.

Rollback of Operation and Maintenance Tax Rate

During the 86th Regular Legislative Session, Senate Bill 2 ("SB 2") was passed and signed by the Governor, with an effective date of January 1, 2020, and the provisions described herein are effective beginning with the 2020 tax year. See "SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION" for a description of the District's current total tax rate. Debt service and contract tax rates cannot be reduced by a rollback election held within any of the districts described below.

SB 2 classifies districts differently based on the current operation and maintenance tax rate or on the percentage of build-out that the District has completed. Districts that have adopted an operation and maintenance tax rate for the current year that is 2.5 cents or less per \$100 of taxable value are classified as "Special Taxing Units." Districts that have financed, completed, and issued bonds to pay for all improvements and facilities necessary to serve at least 95% of the projected build-out of the district are classified as "Developed Districts." Districts that do not meet either of the classifications previously discussed can be classified herein as "Developing Districts." The impact each classification has on the ability of a district to increase its maintenance and operations tax rate pursuant to SB 2 is described for each classification below.

Special Taxing Units

Special Taxing Units that adopt a total tax rate that would impose more than 1.08 times the amount of the total tax imposed by such district in the preceding tax year on a residence homestead appraised at the average appraised value of a residence homestead, subject to certain homestead exemptions, are required to hold an election within the district to determine whether to approve the adopted total tax rate. If the adopted total tax rate is not approved at the election, the total tax rate for a Special Taxing Unit is the current year's debt service and contract tax rate plus 1.08 times the previous year's operation and maintenance tax rate.

Developed Districts

Developed Districts that adopt a total tax rate that would impose more than 1.035 times the amount of the total tax imposed by the district in the preceding tax year on a residence homestead appraised at the average appraised value of a residence homestead, subject to certain homestead exemptions for the preceding tax year, plus any unused increment rates, as calculated and described in Section 26.013 of the Tax Code, are required to hold an election within the district to determine whether to approve the adopted total tax rate. If the adopted total tax rate is not approved at the election, the total tax rate for a Developed District is the current year's debt service and contract tax rate plus 1.035 times the previous year's operation and maintenance tax rate plus any unused increment rates. In addition, if any part of a Developed District lies within an area declared for disaster by the Governor of Texas or President of the United States, alternative procedures and rate limitations may apply for a temporary period. If a district qualifies as both a Special Taxing Unit and a Developed District, the district will be subject to the operation and maintenance tax threshold applicable to Special Taxing Units.

Developing Districts

Districts that do not meet the classification of a Special Taxing Unit or a Developed District can be classified as Developing Districts. The qualified voters of these districts, upon the Developing District's adoption of a total tax rate that would impose more than 1.08 times the amount of the total tax rate imposed by such district in the preceding tax year on a residence homestead appraised at the average appraised value of a residence homestead, subject to certain homestead exemptions, are authorized to petition for an election to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate. If an election is called and passes, the total tax rate for Developing Districts is the current year's debt service and contract tax rate plus 1.08 times the previous year's operation and maintenance tax rate.

The District

A determination as to a district's status as a Special Taxing Unit, Developed District or Developing District will be made by the Board of Directors on an annual basis, beginning with the 2020 tax rate. The District cannot give any assurances as to what its classification will be at any point in time or whether the District's future tax rates will result in a total tax rate that will reclassify the District into a new classification and new election calculation.

Levy and Collection of Taxes

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

and interest for taxpayers whose damaged property is in a declared disaster area as long as the taxpayer pays at least one-fourth of the tax bill before the delinquency date. Additionally, the owner of a residential homestead property who is (i) sixty-five (65) years of age or older, (ii) disabled, or (iii) a disabled veteran, is entitled by law to pay current taxes on a residential homestead in installments without penalty or to defer the payment of taxes during the time of ownership. In the instance of tax deferral, a tax lien remains on the property and interest continue to accrue during the period of deferral.

Additional Penalties

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

District's Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies

Taxes levied by the District are a personal obligation of the owner of the property as of January 1 of the year in which the tax is imposed. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit, including the District, having the power to tax the property. The District's tax lien is on a parity with the tax liens of other such taxing units (see "TAX DATA - Estimated Overlapping Taxes"). A tax lien on real property takes priority over the claims 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 United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the District is determined by applicable federal law. Personal property, under certain circumstances, is subject to seizure and sale for the payment of delinquent taxes, penalty and interest.

At any time after taxes on property become delinquent, the District may file suit to foreclose the lien securing payment of the tax, to enforce personal liability for the tax, or both. In filing a suit to foreclose a tax lien on real property, the District must join other taxing units that have claims for delinquent taxes against all or part of the same property. Collection of delinquent taxes may be adversely affected by the amount of taxes owed to other taxing units, by the effects of market conditions on the foreclosure sale price, by taxpayer redemption rights (a taxpayer may redeem property within six (6) months for commercial property and two (2) years after the purchaser's deed issued at the foreclosure sale is filed on the County records) or by bankruptcy proceedings which restrict the collection of taxpayer debts.

THE SYSTEM

Regulation

According to the District's Engineer, the System has been designed in conformance with accepted engineering practices and the requirements of certain governmental agencies having regulatory or supervisory jurisdiction over the construction and operation of such facilities, including, among others, the TCEQ, the City of Houston, Harris County, and the Harris County Flood Control District.

Operation of the System is subject to regulation by, among others, the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the TCEQ. The total number of equivalent single-family connections ("ESFCs") estimated at this time for the District upon the full development of the approximately 1,230.1986 acres currently contained within the District is 5,182 with a total estimated population of 18,200 people. The following descriptions are based upon information supplied by the District's Engineer.

Description

The System presently serves Timber Forest, Sections 1 and 4 through 7, Clayton's Corner, Sections 1 through 4, Woodland Pines, Sections 1 through 10, Laurel Place, Sections 1 through 3, Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Sections 1 through 4 and Villages at Tour 18, Sections 1 and 2. The District acquired the underground water distribution, wastewater collection and storm drainage facilities to serve Timber Forest, Sections 1 and 4 through 7, Clayton's Corner, Sections 1 through 4, Laurel Place, Sections 1 through 3, Woodland Pines, Sections 1 through 10, Atascocita Trace, Sections 1 through 6, Blackstone Creek, Sections 1 through 4, Villages at Tour 18, Sections 1 and 2, Phases 1 and 1A, and other facilities with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. The District expects to finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System with portions of the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, including reimbursement to some of its Developers, to be issued by the District in the future, including the District's approximately \$5,455,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020A that it expects to issue in approximately the fourth quarter of 2020. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," "THE SYSTEM" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt."

Wastewater Treatment

The District is provided wastewater treatment capacity by an existing plant with 200,000 gallons-per-day ("g.p.d.") of capacity and an existing 1,200,000 g.p.d. permanent wastewater treatment plant that the District financed with portions of the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. According to the District's Engineer, the total of such capacity available to the District is adequate to serve 5,000 ESFCs in the District. On December 13, 2012, the District approved and executed a Sanitary Sewage Treatment and Disposal Agreement with Harris County, Texas. The Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, approved and executed said agreement on January 8, 2013. Pursuant to the terms of said agreement, the District will treat up to 238,000 g.p.d. (850 ESFC) of wastewater from Harris County facilities located outside the District. Pursuant to the terms of a first amendment (approved and executed December 5, 2017), the District will treat an additional 107,000 g.p.d. (382 ESFC). Accordingly, 3,768 ESFC will remain available in the existing plants to serve land within the District until an expansion is constructed. The design of a 600,000 g.p.d. wastewater treatment plant expansion is underway. When the construction of this expansion is completed, this treatment plant will have a capacity of 1,800,000 g.p.d., and the 200,000 g.p.d. wastewater treatment plant will be decommissioned and removed, providing for a net increase of 400,000 g.p.d. The expanded 1,800,000 g.p.d. wastewater treatment plant will be capable of serving 6,429 ESFCs. With the obligation to provide 1,232 ESFCs capacity of Harris County, there will be 5,196 ESFCs remaining to serve property within the District. At ultimate build-out, there are projected to be 4,873 in-District ESFCs. Construction of the expansion to the wastewater treatment plant is projected to commence in October of 2020 and be completed in January of 2022.

Water Supply

The District's water supply system includes a 1,000 gallons-per-minute ("g.p.m.") water well, 1,026,000 gallons of ground storage tank capacity, 60,000 gallons of pressure tank capacity, 11,025 g.p.m. of booster pump capacity, and appurtenant facilities, all of which facilities were financed by the District with portions of the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. The District also financed with portions of the proceeds of the Prior Bonds a water re-pressurization plant, and a surface water line and related facilities that the District has constructed pursuant to a contract between the District and the City of Houston to acquire surface water. The District is receiving surface water at the repressurization plant. According to the District's Engineer, the water supply, storage and re-pressurization facilities owned by the District plus the surface water that the District is entitled to take pursuant to the surface water contract with the City of Houston, provide the District with water supply adequate to serve 5,000 ESFCs in the District.

Outfall Drainage Improvements

Improvements have been made to Williams Gully and certain Harris County Flood Control District channels to accommodate outfall drainage from a portion of the District. The District financed the cost of construction of Harris County Flood Control District Drainage Channels P130-02-00 and P130-02-04, improvements to Williams Gully and detention facilities to serve Clayton's Corner, Section 1 with portions of the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds. Future improvements to Williams Gully and/or detention facilities may be required to accomplish future development of the District.

100-Year Flood Plain

The Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Hazard Boundary Map currently in effect, which covers the land located in the District, indicates that no portion of the District is located in the 100-year flood plain of any watercourse.

"Flood Insurance Rate Map" or "FIRM" means an official map of a community on which the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has delineated the appropriate areas of flood hazards. The 1% chance of probable inundation, also known as the 100-year flood plain, is depicted on these maps. The "100 year flood plain" (or 1% chance of probable inundation) as shown on the FIRM is the estimated geographical area that would be flooded by a rain storm of such intensity to statistically have a one percent chance of occurring in any given year. Generally speaking, homes must be built above the 100 year flood plain in order to meet local regulatory requirements and to be eligible for federal flood insurance. An engineering or regulatory determination that an area is above the 100 year flood plain is not an assurance that homes built in such area will not be flooded, and a number of neighborhoods in the greater Houston area that are above the 100-year flood plain have flooded multiple times in the last several years.

The National Weather Service recently completed a rainfall study known as NOAA Atlas 14, Volume 11 Precipitation-Frequency Atlas estimates for the United States ("Atlas 14"). Floodplain boundaries within the District may be redrawn based on the Atlas 14 study, which is based on a higher statistical rainfall amount, resulting in interim floodplain regulations applying to a larger number of properties and consequently leaving less developable property within the District. Such regulations could additionally result in higher insurance rates, increased development fees, and stricter building codes for any property located within the expanded boundaries of the floodplain.

Subsidence and Conversion to Surface Water Supply

The District is within the boundaries of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District (the "Subsidence District") which regulates groundwater withdrawal. The District's authority to pump groundwater from its well is subject to annual permits issued by the Subsidence District. On April 14, 1999, the Subsidence District adopted a District Regulatory Plan (the "1999 Plan") to reduce groundwater withdrawal through conversion to surface water in areas within the Subsidence District's jurisdiction. On January 9, 2013, the Subsidence District adopted a revised Regulatory Plan (the "2013 Plan"). Under the 1999 Plan, the District must have filed with the Subsidence District by January, 2003, a groundwater reduction plan ("GRP"), either individually or as part of a group of entities and was required to begin construction of surface water conversion infrastructure by January 2005, or pay a disincentive fee for any groundwater withdrawn in excess of 20% of the total water demand. Under the 2013 Plan, additional disincentive fees will be imposed if the groundwater withdrawal exceeds 40% of the total water demand beginning January 2025, and exceeds 20% of the total water demand beginning January 2035. In order to meet these requirements, the District has entered into a Water Supply and Groundwater Reduction Plan Wholesale Agreement effective as of July 18, 2003, with the City of Houston. The District has financed certain facilities pursuant to the contract with the City of Houston with portions of the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds as is described above under the caption "Water Supply."

LEGAL MATTERS

Legal Opinions

Delivery of the Bonds will be accompanied by the unqualified approving legal opinion of (a) the Attorney General of Texas as recorded in the Bond Register of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, to the effect that the Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the District under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and all taxable property within the District is subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes to pay the same, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, based upon examination of a transcript of certified proceedings held incident to the issuance and authorization of the Bonds, and (b) the approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel for the District, to a like effect and to the effect that, under existing law, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal tax purposes, and interest on the Bonds is not subject to the alternative minimum tax on individuals. Such opinions express no opinion with respect to the sufficiency of the security for or the marketability of the Bonds.

Bond Counsel has reviewed the information appearing in this Official Statement under "THE BONDS," except for the information under the subheading "Book-Entry-Only System," "PLAN OF FINANCING - Escrow Agreement" and - "Defeasance of the Refunded Bonds," "THE DISTRICT - Attorney," "TAX PROCEDURES," "THE SYSTEM - Subsidence and Conversion to Surface Water Supply," "LEGAL MATTERS - Legal Opinions," "TAX MATTERS" and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" solely to determine whether such information, insofar as it relates to matters of law, is true and correct and whether such information fairly summarizes matters of law and the provisions of the documents referred to therein. Bond Counsel has not, however, independently verified any of the factual information contained in this Official Statement nor has it conducted an investigation of the affairs of the District for the purpose of passing upon the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. No person is entitled to rely upon Bond Counsel's limited participation as an assumption of responsibility for or an expression of opinion of any kind with regard to the accuracy or completeness of any information contained herein, other than the matters discussed immediately above.

Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP also serves as general counsel to the District on matters other than the issuance of bonds. The legal fees paid to Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the bonds actually issued, sold, and delivered and, therefore, such fees are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Houston, Texas. McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. has served as Disclosure Counsel of the District on certain new money financings.

No-Litigation Certificate

The District will furnish the Underwriters a certificate, executed by the President and Secretary of the Board, and dated as of the date of delivery of the Bonds, that, to their knowledge, no litigation is pending or threatened affecting the validity of the Bonds, or the levy and/or collection of taxes for the payment thereof, or the organization or boundaries of the District, or the title of the officers thereof to their respective offices.

NO MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE

The obligations of the Underwriters to take up and pay for the Bonds, and of the District to deliver the Bonds, are subject to the condition that, up to the time of delivery of and receipt of payment for the Bonds, there shall have been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the District subsequent to the date of sale from that set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement, as it may have been finalized, supplemented or amended through the date of sale.

TAX MATTERS

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

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

Bond Counsel's opinion will assume continuing compliance with the covenants of the Bond Resolution pertaining to those sections of the Code which affect the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes and, in addition, will rely on representations by the District, the District's Financial Advisor and the Underwriters with respect to matters solely within the knowledge of the District, the District's Financial Advisor and the Underwriters, respectively, which Bond Counsel has not independently verified. The District will further rely on

the report of Robert Thomas, CPA, LLC, regarding the mathematical accuracy of certain computations. If the District should fail to comply with the covenants in the Bond Resolution or if the foregoing representations or report should be determined to be inaccurate or incomplete, interest on the Bonds could become taxable from the date of delivery of the Bonds, regardless of the date on which the event causing such taxability occurs.

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

Except as stated above, Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to any federal, state or local tax consequences resulting from the ownership of, receipt of interest on, or disposition of, the Bonds.

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

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

Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations

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

The District will designate the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and has represented that the aggregate amount of tax-exempt bonds (including the Bonds) issued by the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code during calendar year 2020 is not expected to exceed \$10,000,000 and that the Issuer and entities aggregated with the Issuer under the Code have not designated more than \$10,000,000 in "qualified tax-exempt obligations" (including the Bonds) during calendar year 2020.

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

VERIFICATION OF ACCURACY OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATION

The arithmetical accuracy of certain computations included in the schedules provided on behalf of the District relating to (a) computation of the adequacy of the amounts deposited with the Escrow Agent and certain available funds (if any) to pay, when due, the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Refunded Bonds, (b) the computation of the yield on the Bonds and the Escrowed Securities (c) the mathematical computations related to certain requirements of City of Houston Ordinance No. 97-416 was verified by Robert Thomas, CPA, LLP, Certified Public Accountants. The computations were independently verified by Robert Thomas, CPA, LLP based solely upon assumptions and information supplied on behalf of the District and the District.

Robert Thomas CPA, LLC relied on the accuracy, completeness and reliability of all information provide to it by, and on all decisions and approvals of, the District. In addition, Robert Thomas CPA, LLC has relied on any information provided to it by the District's retained advisors, consultants or legal counsel. Robert Thomas CPA, LLC was not engaged to perform audit or attest services under AICPA auditing or attestation standards or to provide any form of attest report or opinion under such standards in conjunction with this engagement.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

In the Bond Resolution, the District has made the following agreement for the benefit of the holders and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. The District is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Bonds. Under the agreement, the District will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of certain specified events, to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") or any successor to its functions as a repository through its Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system.

Annual Reports

The District will provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually to the MSRB. The information to be updated with respect to the District includes all quantitative financial information and operating data of the general type included in this Official Statement under the headings "DISTRICT DEBT," "TAX DATA," and in "APPENDIX B." The District will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each of its fiscal years ending in or after 2020. The District will provide the updated information to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") or any successor to its functions as a repository through its Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system.

The District may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly available documents, as permitted by Rule 15c2-12 of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") (the "Rule"). The updated information will include audited financial statements if it commissions an audit and the audit is completed by the required time. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within such period, then the District shall provide unaudited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to the MSRB within such six-month period, and audited financial statements when the audit report on such statements becomes available. Any such financial statements will be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in the Bond Resolution or such other accounting principles as the District may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation.

The District's fiscal year end is currently August 31. Accordingly, it must provide updated information by February 28 in each year, unless the District changes its fiscal year. If the District changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change.

Event Notices

The District will provide timely notices of certain specified events to the MSRB, but in no event will such notices be provided to the MSRB in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of an event. The District will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;

(4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determination of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, if material; (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District or other obligated person; (13) consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or other obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District or other obligated person other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into 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 District or other obligated person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the District or other obligated person, any of which affect Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the District or other obligated person, any of which reflect financial difficulties. The terms "obligated person" and "financial obligation" when used in this paragraph shall have the meanings ascribed to them under SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"). The term "material" when used in this paragraph shall have the meaning ascribed to it under federal securities laws. Neither the Bonds nor the Bond Resolution makes any provision for debt service reserves or liquidity enhancement. In addition, the District will provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide financial information, operating data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports."

Availability of Information

The District has agreed to provide the foregoing information only to the MSRB. Investors will be able to access, without charge from the MSRB, continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB at www.emma.msrb.org.

Limitations and Amendments

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

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

Compliance with Prior Undertakings

During the last five years, the District has complied in all material respects with its continuing disclosure agreements made in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

General

The information contained in this Official Statement has been obtained primarily from the District's records, the Tax Assessor/Collector, the Harris County Appraisal District, the Engineer, and other sources believed to be reliable; however, no representation is made as to the accuracy or completeness of the information obtained from sources other than the District. The summaries of the statutes, resolutions, orders and engineering and other related reports set forth herein are included subject to all of the provisions of such documents. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions and reference is made to such documents for further information.

The financial statements of the District as of August 31, 2019, and for the year then ended, included in this offering document, have been audited by BKD, LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report appearing herein. See "APPENDIX B."

Experts

The information contained in this Official Statement relating to engineering, to the description of the System generally and, in particular, the engineering information included in the sections captioned "THE DISTRICT," "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION," and "THE SYSTEM," has been provided by BGE, Inc., Houston, Texas. Such information has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of said firm as experts in the field of civil engineering.

The information contained in this Official Statement relating to assessed valuations of property generally and, in particular, that information concerning valuations contained in the sections captioned "DISTRICT DEBT" and "TAX DATA" has been provided by the Harris County Appraisal District and Assessments of the Southwest. The District has included certain information herein in reliance upon Assessment of the Southwest's authority as an expert in the field of tax assessing and real property appraisal. The District has included certain information herein in reliance upon the Appraisal District's authority as an expert in the field of tax assessing and real property appraisal.

Certification as to Official Statement

The District, acting by and through its Board of Directors in its official capacity and in reliance upon the experts listed above, hereby certifies, as of the date hereof, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, the information, statements and descriptions pertaining to the District and its affairs herein contain no untrue statements of a material fact and do not omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements herein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The information, descriptions and statements concerning entities other than the District, including particularly other governmental entities, have been obtained from sources believed to be reliable, but the District has made no independent investigation or verification of such matters and makes no representation as to the accuracy or completeness thereof.

Updating of Official Statement

If, subsequent to the date of the Official Statement, to and including the date the Underwriters are no longer required to provide an Official Statement to customers who request same pursuant to SEC Rule 15c2-12, the District learns, or is notified by the Underwriters, of any adverse event which causes the Official Statement to be materially misleading, and unless the Underwriters elect to terminate their obligation to purchase the Bonds, the District will promptly prepare and supply to the Underwriters an appropriate amendment or supplement to the Official Statement satisfactory to the Underwriters; provided, however, that the obligation of the District to so amend or supplement the Official Statement

will terminate upon the earlier of (i) 90 days after the “end of the underwriting period” as defined in SEC Rule 15c2-12 or (ii) the date the Official Statement is filed with the MSRB, but in no case less than 25 days after the “end of the underwriting period.”

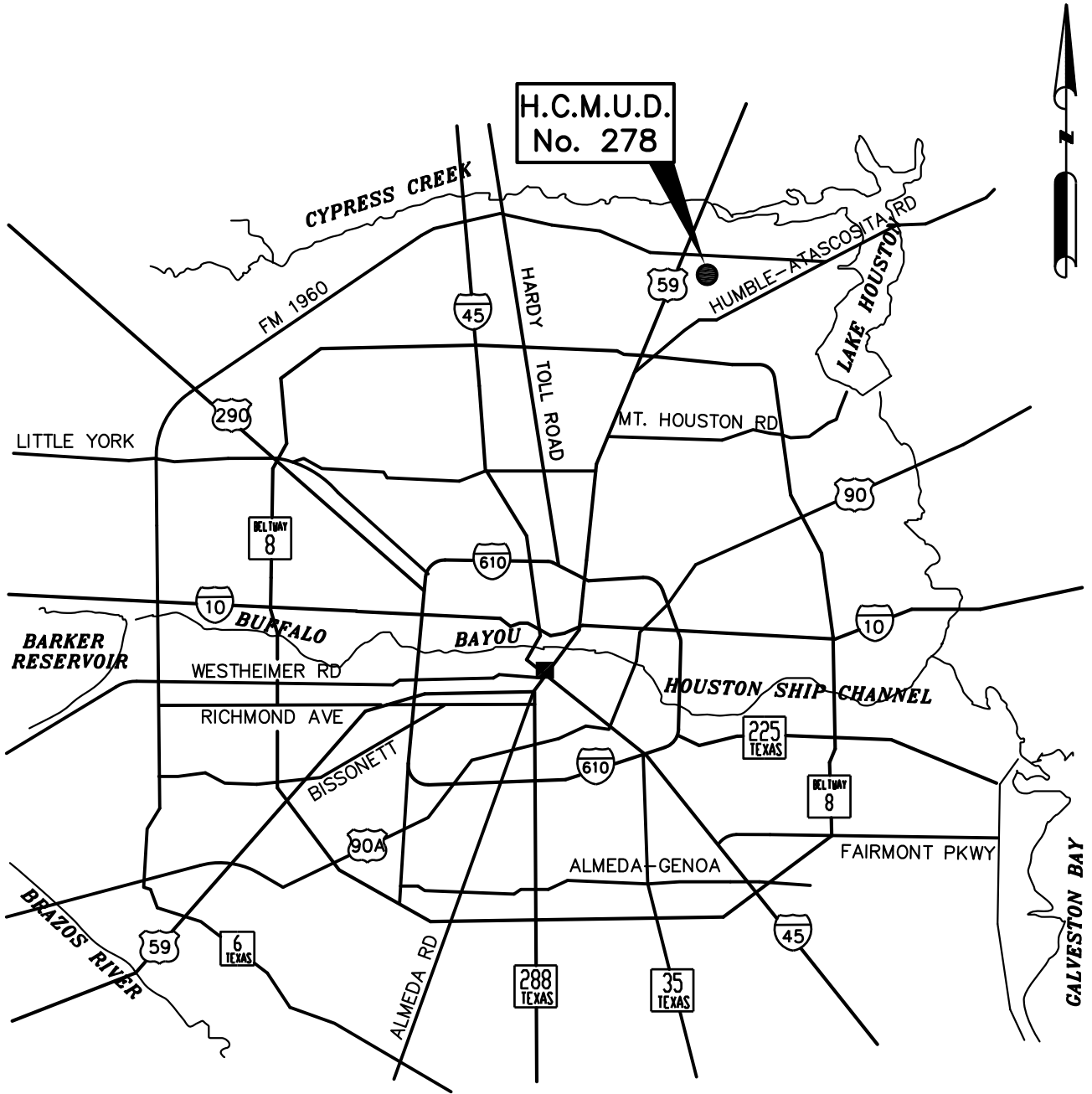
This Official Statement was approved by the Board of Directors of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278 as of the date shown on the first page hereof.

/s/ Eugene Newsom
President, Board of Directors
Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278

ATTEST:

/s/ Donald E. Matlock
Secretary, Board of Directors
Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278

APPENDIX A
LOCATION MAP



LOCATION MAP
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APPENDIX B

HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY NO. 278

HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AUGUST 31, 2019

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**

Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements

August 31, 2019



**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors
Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278, of Harris County, Texas (the District), as of and for the year ended August 31, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting 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 and each major fund of the District as of August 31, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison schedules listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not 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 the District's basic financial statements. The other information as listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

BKD, LLP

Houston, Texas
January 13, 2020

Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278, of Harris County, Texas

Management's Discussion and Analysis

August 31, 2019

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to financial statements. This report also contains supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and other information required by the District's state oversight agency, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the Commission).

In accordance with required reporting standards, the District reports its financial activities as a special-purpose government. Special-purpose governments are governmental entities which engage in a single governmental program, such as the provision of water, sanitary sewer and drainage services. Other activities, such as the provision of recreation facilities and solid waste collection, are minor activities and are not budgeted or accounted for as separate programs. The financial statements of special-purpose governments combine two types of financial statements into one statement. These two types of financial statements are the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. The fund financial statements are presented on the left side of the statements, a column for adjustments is to the right of the fund financial statements and the government-wide financial statements are presented to the right side of the adjustments column. The following sections describe the measurement focus of the two types of statements and the significant differences in the information they provide.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The focus of government-wide financial statements is on the overall financial position and activities of the District. The District's government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and statement of activities, which are prepared using accounting principles that are similar to commercial enterprises. The purpose of the statement of net position is to attempt to report all of the assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources of the District. The District reports all of its assets when it acquires or begins to maintain the assets and reports all of its liabilities when they are incurred.

The difference between the District's total assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources is labeled as net position and this difference is similar to the total stockholders' equity presented by a commercial enterprise.

The purpose of the statement of activities is to present the revenues and expenses of the District. Again, the items presented on the statement of activities are measured in a manner similar to the approach used by a commercial enterprise in that revenues are recognized when earned or established criteria are satisfied and expenses are reported when incurred by the District. All changes in net position are reported when the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues are reported even when they may not be collected for several months or years after the end of the accounting period and expenses are recorded even though they may not have used cash during the current year.

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Although the statement of activities looks different from a commercial enterprise's statement of income, the financial statement is different only in format, not substance. Whereas the bottom line in a commercial enterprise is its net income, the District reports an amount described as change in net position, essentially the same thing.

Fund Financial Statements

Unlike government-wide financial statements, the focus of fund financial statements is directed to specific activities of the District rather than the District as a whole. Except for the general fund, a specific fund is established to satisfy managerial control over resources or to satisfy finance-related legal requirements established by external parties or governmental statutes or regulations.

Governmental Funds

Governmental-fund financial statements consist of a balance sheet and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances and are prepared on an accounting basis that is significantly different from that used to prepare the government-wide financial statements.

In general, these financial statements have a short-term emphasis and, for the most part, measure and account for cash and other assets that can easily be converted into cash. For example, amounts reported on the balance sheet include items such as cash and receivables collectible within a very short period of time, but do not include capital assets such as land and water, sewer and drainage systems. Fund liabilities include amounts that are to be paid within a very short period after the end of the fiscal year. The difference between a fund's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources is labeled the fund balance and generally indicates the amount that can be used to finance the next fiscal year's activities. Likewise, the operating statement for governmental funds reports only those revenues and expenditures that were collected in cash or paid with cash, respectively, during the current period or very shortly after the end of the fiscal year.

Because the focus of the government-wide and fund financial statements is different, there are significant differences between the totals presented in these financial statements. For this reason, there is an analysis in the notes to financial statements that describes the adjustments to fund balances to arrive at net position presented in the governmental activities column on the statement of net position. Also, there is an analysis in the notes to financial statements that reconciles the total change in fund balances for all governmental funds to the change in net position, as reported in the governmental activities column in the statement of activities.

Notes to Financial Statements

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

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Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)
August 31, 2019

Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

The District's overall financial position and activities for the past two years are summarized as follows, based on the information included in the government-wide financial statements.

Summary of Net Position

	2019	2018
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Current and other assets	\$ 12,813,600	\$ 10,169,765
Capital assets	<u>36,338,376</u>	<u>38,663,430</u>
Total assets	<u>49,151,976</u>	<u>48,833,195</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>1,330,273</u>	<u>1,405,315</u>
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 50,482,249</u>	<u>\$ 50,238,510</u>
Long-term liabilities	\$ 50,889,685	\$ 53,184,477
Other liabilities	<u>1,449,245</u>	<u>1,194,241</u>
Total liabilities	<u>52,338,930</u>	<u>54,378,718</u>
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	(1,670,174)	(3,482,481)
Restricted	3,516,923	3,395,992
Unrestricted	<u>(3,703,430)</u>	<u>(4,053,719)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ (1,856,681)</u>	<u>\$ (4,140,208)</u>

The total net position of the District increased by \$2,283,527, or about 55 percent. The majority of the increase in net position is related to tax revenues intended to pay principal on the District's bonded indebtedness, which is included in long-term liabilities in the government-wide financial statements. Although the District's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

At August 31, 2019, unrestricted net position was \$(3,703,430). This amount was negative because not all expenditures from long-term debt were for the acquisition of capital assets. Within Harris County, the county government assumes the maintenance and other incidents of ownership of most storm sewer facilities constructed by the District. Accordingly, these assets are not recorded in the financial statements of the District.

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Summary of Changes in Net Position

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Revenues:		
Property taxes	\$ 4,618,825	\$ 4,449,913
Charges for services	3,172,279	3,189,251
Other revenues	<u>1,748,480</u>	<u>1,773,439</u>
Total revenues	<u>9,539,584</u>	<u>9,412,603</u>
Expenses:		
Services	3,382,980	3,741,078
Conveyance of capital assets	502,226	353,579
Depreciation	1,020,891	1,005,288
Debt service	<u>2,349,960</u>	<u>2,061,691</u>
Total expenses	<u>7,256,057</u>	<u>7,161,636</u>
Change in net position	2,283,527	2,250,967
Net position, beginning of year	<u>(4,140,208)</u>	<u>(6,391,175)</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ (1,856,681)</u>	<u>\$ (4,140,208)</u>

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The District's combined fund balances as of the end of the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019, were \$11,337,506, an increase of \$2,451,517 from the prior year.

The general fund's fund balance increased by \$1,865,281, primarily due to property taxes and service revenues exceeding service operations expenditures.

The special revenue fund's fund balance remained the same, as all expenditures were billed to participants.

The debt service fund's fund balance increased by \$160,671 because bond principal and interest requirements were less than property tax revenues generated.

The capital projects fund's fund balance increased by \$425,565. This net increase was primarily due to proceeds received from the sale of bonds. From the proceeds of the debt, the District repaid its developers for facilities located within the District's boundaries.

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General Fund Budgetary Highlights

There were several differences between the final budgetary amounts and actual amounts. The major differences between budget and actual were due to investment income revenues being greater than anticipated, as well as purchased services and capital outlay expenditures being less than anticipated. In addition, a transfer from the capital projects fund was not included in the budget. The fund balance as of August 31, 2019, was expected to be \$5,711,311 and the actual end-of-year fund balance was \$6,794,947.

Capital Assets and Related Debt

Capital Assets

Capital assets held by the District at the end of the current and previous fiscal years are summarized below:

Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)

	2019	2018
Land and improvements	\$ 11,721,064	\$ 11,395,900
Construction in progress	98,003	8,715
Water facilities	9,514,170	9,485,591
Wastewater facilities	15,005,139	17,773,224
Total capital assets	\$ 36,338,376	\$ 38,663,430

During the current year, additions to capital assets were as follows:

Construction in progress related to the wastewater treatment plant expansion to 1.50 MGD	\$ 89,288
16" water line along Atascocita Road and 12" water line along Will Clayton	114,470
Water and wastewater facilities to serve Atascocita Trace, Sections 4-6	228,471
Water and wastewater facilities to serve Villages at Tour 18, Section 2	62,494
Water and wastewater facilities to serve Woodland Pines, Sections 9 and 10	269,429
Water and wastewater facilities to serve Blackstone Creek, Sections 2-4	149,210
Water line and sanitary sewer easements for Phase 1 water line facilities	9,540
Land additions, 17.7882-acre detention basins A and B at Villages at Tour 18	315,624
Total additions to capital assets	\$ 1,238,526

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Debt

The changes in the debt position of the District during the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019, are summarized as follows:

Long-term debt payable, beginning of year	\$ 53,184,477
Increases in long-term debt	5,965,500
Decreases in long-term debt	<u>(8,260,292)</u>
 Long-term debt payable, end of year	 <u>\$ 50,889,685</u>

At August 31, 2019, the District had \$19,165,000 of unlimited tax bonds authorized, but unissued, for the purposes of acquiring, constructing and improving the water, sanitary sewer and drainage systems within the District.

During the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019, the District issued \$6,150,000 in new unlimited tax bonds at a net effective interest rate of approximately 3.279 percent to reimburse developers for facilities located within the District's boundaries. The Board of Directors anticipates that a tax rate increase will not be necessary to pay the principal and interest on the new bonds because of the increase in valuation attributed to new construction and an overall increase in the appraised value of taxable property within the District.

The District's bonds carry underlying ratings of "BBB-" from Standard & Poor's and "A3" from Moody's Investors Service. The Series 2015 refunding and 2018 refunding bonds carry a "AA" rating from Standard & Poor's by virtue of bond insurance issued by Municipal Assurance Corporation. The Series 2016 and 2019 bonds carry a "AA" rating from Standard & Poor's by virtue of bond insurance issued by Build America Mutual Assurance Company.

Other Relevant Factors

Relationship to the City of Houston

Under existing Texas law, since the District lies wholly within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston (the City), the District must conform to the City ordinance consenting to the creation of the District. In addition, the District may be annexed by the City without the District's consent, except as set forth below.

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Effective December 12, 2008, the District entered into a Strategic Partnership Agreement (the Agreement) with the City, which annexed certain portions of the District for "limited purposes," as described therein. Under the terms of the Agreement, the City has agreed it will not annex the District as a whole for full purposes for a period of 30 years from the date of the Agreement, at which time the City has the option to annex the District if it chooses to do so. On December 5, 2017, the Agreement was amended to annex an additional tract of land in the District.

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	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Net Position
Assets							
Cash	\$ 345,878	\$ 125,643	\$ 85,571	\$ 3,350	\$ 560,442	\$ -	\$ 560,442
Certificates of deposit	3,460,000	-	2,760,000	-	6,220,000	-	6,220,000
Short-term investments	3,826,873	-	542,388	1,162,301	5,531,562	-	5,531,562
Receivables:							
Property taxes	15,530	-	40,181	-	55,711	-	55,711
Service accounts	288,488	-	-	-	288,488	-	288,488
Accrued penalty and interest	-	-	-	-	-	20,974	20,974
Accrued interest	45,197	-	14,713	-	59,910	-	59,910
Interfund receivable	106,103	80,282	-	-	186,385	(186,385)	-
Prepaid expenditures	12,625	-	-	-	12,625	-	12,625
Due from participants	-	43,159	-	-	43,159	-	43,159
Due from others	15,569	-	5,160	-	20,729	-	20,729
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation):							
Land and improvements	-	-	-	-	-	11,721,064	11,721,064
Construction in progress	-	-	-	-	-	98,003	98,003
Infrastructure	-	-	-	-	-	24,519,309	24,519,309
Total assets	8,116,263	249,084	3,448,013	1,165,651	12,979,011	36,172,965	49,151,976
Deferred Outflows of Resources							
Deferred amount on debt refundings	0	0	0	0	0	1,330,273	1,330,273
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 8,116,263	\$ 249,084	\$ 3,448,013	\$ 1,165,651	\$ 12,979,011	\$ 37,503,238	\$ 50,482,249

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	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Net Position
Liabilities							
Accounts payable	\$ 260,149	\$ 92,704	\$ 17,515	\$ 3,624	\$ 373,992	\$ -	\$ 373,992
Accrued interest payable	-	-	6,645	-	6,645	49,836	56,481
Customer deposits	309,435	-	-	-	309,435	-	309,435
Operating deposits	-	53,417	-	-	53,417	-	53,417
Developer deposits	572,744	-	-	-	572,744	-	572,744
Uneamed tap connection fees	83,176	-	-	-	83,176	-	83,176
Interfund payable	80,282	102,963	3,140	-	186,385	(186,385)	-
Long-term liabilities:							
Due within one year	-	-	-	-	-	1,345,000	1,345,000
Due after one year	-	-	-	-	-	49,544,685	49,544,685
Total liabilities	<u>1,305,786</u>	<u>249,084</u>	<u>27,300</u>	<u>3,624</u>	<u>1,585,794</u>	<u>50,753,136</u>	<u>52,338,930</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources							
Deferred property tax revenues	15,530	0	40,181	0	55,711	(55,711)	0
Fund Balances/Net Position							
Fund balances:							
Nonspendable, prepaid expenditures	12,625	-	-	-	12,625	(12,625)	-
Restricted:							
Debt service on unlimited tax bonds	-	-	3,380,532	-	3,380,532	(3,380,532)	-
Water, sewer and drainage	-	-	-	1,162,027	1,162,027	(1,162,027)	-
Assigned, future expenditures	90,000	-	-	-	90,000	(90,000)	-
Unassigned	6,692,322	-	-	-	6,692,322	(6,692,322)	-
Total fund balances	<u>6,794,947</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,380,532</u>	<u>1,162,027</u>	<u>11,337,506</u>	<u>(11,337,506)</u>	<u>0</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	<u>\$ 8,116,263</u>	<u>\$ 249,084</u>	<u>\$ 3,448,013</u>	<u>\$ 1,165,651</u>	<u>\$ 12,979,011</u>		
Net position:							
Net investment in capital assets						(1,670,174)	(1,670,174)
Restricted for debt service						3,391,851	3,391,851
Restricted for capital projects						125,072	125,072
Unrestricted						(3,703,430)	(3,703,430)
Total net position						<u>\$ (1,856,681)</u>	<u>\$ (1,856,681)</u>

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Statement of Activities and Governmental Funds Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Year Ended August 31, 2019

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Activities
Revenues							
Property taxes	\$ 1,395,038	\$ -	\$ 3,241,065	\$ -	\$ 4,636,103	\$ (17,278)	\$ 4,618,825
City of Houston rebates	73,733	-	-	-	73,733	-	73,733
Water service	1,133,912	-	-	-	1,133,912	-	1,133,912
Sewer service	1,136,816	605,422	-	-	1,742,238	(425,592)	1,316,646
Surface water conversion	721,721	-	-	-	721,721	-	721,721
Penalty and interest	192,856	-	42,040	-	234,896	4,428	239,324
Tap connection and inspection fees	163,432	-	-	-	163,432	-	163,432
Investment income	150,815	-	108,932	18,643	278,390	-	278,390
Other income	4,548	176	-	-	4,724	988,877	993,601
Total revenues	4,972,871	605,598	3,392,037	18,643	8,989,149	550,435	9,539,584
Expenditures/Expenses							
Service operations:							
Purchased services	747,646	-	-	-	747,646	(425,592)	322,054
Lease payments	151,500	-	-	-	151,500	-	151,500
Professional fees	302,934	2,400	15,020	-	320,354	2,363	322,717
Contracted services	835,732	77,547	78,937	-	992,216	281	992,497
Utilities	84,165	105,122	-	-	189,287	-	189,287
Repairs and maintenance	715,742	396,051	-	-	1,111,793	2,800	1,114,593
Other expenditures	207,555	24,478	4,715	45	236,793	-	236,793
Tap connections	53,539	-	-	-	53,539	-	53,539
Capital outlay	92,088	-	-	5,074,506	5,166,594	(5,166,594)	-
Conveyance of capital assets	-	-	-	-	-	502,226	502,226
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	1,020,891	1,020,891
Debt service:							
Principal retirement	-	-	1,330,000	-	1,330,000	(1,330,000)	-
Interest and fees	-	-	1,802,233	-	1,802,233	146,550	1,948,783
Debt issuance costs	-	-	461	400,716	401,177	-	401,177
Total expenditures/expenses	3,190,901	605,598	3,231,366	5,475,267	12,503,132	(5,247,075)	7,256,057
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues							
Over Expenditures	1,781,970	0	160,671	(5,456,624)	(3,513,983)	5,797,510	

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Statement of Activities and Governmental Funds Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances (Continued) Year Ended August 31, 2019

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Activities
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
General obligation bonds issued	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,150,000	\$ 6,150,000	\$ (6,150,000)	
Interfund transfers in (out)	83,311	-	-	(83,311)	-	-	
Discount on debt issued	-	-	-	(184,500)	(184,500)	184,500	
Total other financing sources	<u>83,311</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,882,189</u>	<u>5,965,500</u>	<u>(5,965,500)</u>	
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses							
	1,865,281	-	160,671	425,565	2,451,517	(2,451,517)	
Change in Net Position						2,283,527	\$ 2,283,527
Fund Balances/Net Position							
Beginning of year	<u>4,929,666</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,219,861</u>	<u>736,462</u>	<u>8,885,989</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,140,208)</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 6,794,947</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 3,380,532</u>	<u>\$ 1,162,027</u>	<u>\$ 11,337,506</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ (1,856,681)</u>

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Note 1: Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278, of Harris County, Texas (the District), was created by an order of the Texas Water Commission, now known as the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the Commission), effective March 27, 1985, in accordance with the Texas Water Code, Chapter 54. The District operates in accordance with Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code and is subject to the continuing supervision of the Commission. The principal functions of the District are to finance, construct, own and operate waterworks, wastewater and drainage facilities and to provide such facilities and services to the customers of the District.

The District is governed by a Board of Directors (the Board) consisting of five individuals who are residents or owners of property within the District and are elected by voters within the District. The Board sets the policies of the District. The accounting and reporting policies of the District conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for state and local governments, as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The following is a summary of the significant accounting and reporting policies of the District:

Reporting Entity

The accompanying government-wide financial statements present the financial statements of the District. There are no component units that are legally separate entities for which the District is considered to be financially accountable. Accountability is defined as the District's substantive appointment of the voting majority of the component unit's governing board. Furthermore, to be financially accountable, the District must be able to impose its will upon the component unit or there must be a possibility that the component unit may provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the District.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

In accordance with required reporting standards, the District reports its financial activities as a special-purpose government. Special-purpose governments are governmental entities which engage in a single governmental program, such as the provision of water, wastewater, drainage and other related services. The financial statements of special-purpose governments combine two types of financial statements into one statement. These two types of financial statements are the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. The fund financial statements are presented with a column for adjustments to convert to the government-wide financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements report information on all of the activities of the District. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, charges for services and intergovernmental revenues. The statement of activities reflects the revenues and expenses of the District.

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The fund financial statements provide information about the District's governmental funds. Separate statements for each governmental fund are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is directed to specific activities of the District.

The District presents the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – The general fund is the primary operating fund of the District which accounts for all financial resources not accounted for in another fund. Revenues are derived primarily from property taxes, charges for services and interest income.

Special Revenue Fund – Accounts for revenues and expenditures involving specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The primary source of revenue is participant fees.

Debt Service Fund – The debt service fund is used to account for financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest related costs, as well as the financial resources being accumulated for future debt service.

Capital Projects Fund – The capital projects fund is used to account for financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays.

Fund Balances – Governmental Funds

The fund balances for the District's governmental funds can be displayed in up to five components:

Nonspendable – Amounts that are not in a spendable form or are required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – Amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers, constitutionally or through enabling legislation. Restrictions may be changed or lifted only with the consent of resource providers.

Committed – Amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by resolution of the Board. Commitments may be changed or lifted only by issuance of a resolution by the District's Board.

Assigned – Amounts intended to be used by the District for specific purposes as determined by management. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the amount that is not restricted or committed. This indicates that resources in other governmental funds are, at a minimum, intended to be used for the purpose of that fund.

Unassigned – The residual classification for the general fund and includes all amounts not contained in the other classifications.

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The District considers restricted amounts to have been spent when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available. The District applies committed amounts first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives (or gives) value without directly giving (or receiving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes and donations. Recognition standards are based on the characteristics and classes of nonexchange transactions. Revenues from property taxes are recognized in the period for which the taxes are levied. Intergovernmental revenues are recognized as revenues, net of estimated refunds and uncollectible amounts, in the accounting period when an enforceable legal claim to the assets arises and the use of resources is required or is first permitted. Donations are recognized as revenues, net of estimated uncollectible amounts, as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Amounts received before all eligibility requirements have been met are reported as liabilities.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. With this measurement focus, only current assets and liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of governmental funds revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances presents increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in spendable resources. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures and proceeds of long-term debt are reported as other financing sources. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when both measurable and available. The District considers revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if they are collectible within 60 days after year-end. Principal revenue sources considered susceptible to accrual include taxes, charges for services and investment income. Other revenues are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, which are recognized as expenditures when payment is due.

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Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

A deferred outflow of resources is a consumption of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period and a deferred inflow of resources is an acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period.

Interfund Transactions

Transfers from one fund to another fund are reported as interfund receivables and payables if there is intent to repay the amount and if there is the ability to repay the advance on a timely basis. Operating transfers represent legally authorized transfers from the fund receiving resources to the fund through which the resources are to be expended.

Pension Costs

The District does not participate in a pension plan and, therefore, has no pension costs.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses/expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investments and Investment Income

Investments in certificates of deposit, mutual funds, U.S. Government and agency securities, and certain pooled funds, which have a remaining maturity of one year or less at the date of purchase, are recorded at amortized cost. All other investments are carried at fair value. Fair value is determined using quoted market values.

Investment income includes dividends and interest income and the net change for the year in the fair value of investments carried at fair value. Investment income is credited to the fund in which the investment is recorded.

Property Taxes

An appraisal district annually prepares appraisal records listing all property within the District and the appraised value of each parcel or item as of January 1. Additionally, on January 1, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalty and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. After the District receives its certified appraisal roll from the appraisal

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district, the rate of taxation is set by the Board of the District based upon the aggregate appraisal value. Taxes are due and payable October 1 or when billed, whichever is later, and become delinquent after January 31 of the following year.

In the governmental funds, property taxes are initially recorded as receivables and deferred inflows of resources at the time the tax levy is billed. Revenues recognized during the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019, include collections during the current period or within 60 days of year-end related to the **2018** and prior years' tax levies.

In the government-wide statement of net position, property taxes are considered earned in the budget year for which they are levied. For the District's fiscal year ended August 31, 2019, the **2018** tax levy is considered earned during the current fiscal year. In addition to property taxes levied, any delinquent taxes are recorded net of amounts considered uncollectible.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life of two years or more. Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated acquisition value at the date of donation.

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

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	Years
Water production and distribution facilities	10-45
Wastewater collection and treatment facilities	10-45

Deferred Amount on Debt Refundings

In the government-wide financial statements, the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt in a debt refunding is deferred and amortized to interest expense using the effective interest rate method over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter. Such amounts are classified as deferred outflows or inflows of resources.

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Debt Issuance Costs

Debt issuance costs, other than prepaid insurance, do not meet the definition of an asset or deferred outflows of resources since the costs are not applicable to a future period and, therefore, are recognized as an expense/expenditure in the period incurred.

Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. Premiums and discounts on bonds are recognized as a component of long-term liabilities and amortized over the life of the related debt using the effective interest rate method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize premiums and discounts on bonds 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.

Net Position/Fund Balances

Fund balances and net position are reported as restricted when constraints placed on them are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first.

The components of unrestricted net position at August 31, 2019, are as follows:

General fund, unrestricted fund balance, including deferred taxes	\$ 6,810,477
Long-term debt on conveyed capital assets	<u>(10,513,907)</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ (3,703,430)</u></u>

The District has financed drainage facilities, which have been assumed by Harris County for maintenance and other incidents of ownership, which has caused long-term debt to be in excess of capital assets.

Reconciliation of Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

Amounts reported for net position of governmental activities in the statement of net position and fund balances in the governmental funds balance sheet are different because of the following.

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Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the funds.	\$ 36,338,376
Property tax revenue recognition and the related reduction of deferred inflows of resources are subject to availability of funds in the fund financial statements.	55,711
Penalty and interest on delinquent taxes is not receivable in the current period and is not reported in the funds.	20,974
Deferred amount on debt refundings for governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the funds.	1,330,273
Accrued interest on long-term liabilities is not payable with current financial resources and is not reported in the funds.	(49,836)
Long-term debt obligations are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds.	<u>(50,889,685)</u>
Adjustment to fund balances to arrive at net position.	<u><u>\$ (13,194,187)</u></u>

Amounts reported for change in net position of governmental activities in the statement of activities are different from change in fund balances in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances because:

Change in fund balances.	\$ 2,451,517
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, for government-wide financial statements, the cost of capitalized assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay expenditures exceeded depreciation expense, noncapitalized costs and conveyance of capital assets in the current period.	3,638,033
Governmental funds report the effect of premiums and discounts when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.	184,500
Governmental funds report proceeds from the sales of bonds because they provide current financial resources to governmental funds. Principal payments on debt are recorded as expenditures. None of these transactions, however, have any effect on the net position.	(4,820,000)
Revenues that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues for the funds, but are reported as revenues in the statements of activities.	976,027
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Expenses which have previously been reported in the statement of activities are considered expenditures for governmental funds.	<u>(146,550)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities.	<u><u>\$ 2,283,527</u></u>

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Note 2: Deposits, Investments and Investment Income

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, a government's deposits may not be returned to it. The District's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of state law.

State law requires collateralization of all deposits with federal depository insurance; a surety bond; bonds and other obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. agencies or instrumentalities of the State of Texas; or certain 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.

At August 31, 2019, none of the District's bank balances were exposed to custodial credit risk.

Investments

The District may legally invest in obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, direct obligations of Texas or its agencies or instrumentalities, 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, other obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by the State of Texas or the United States or their agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States, obligations of states, agencies and counties and other political subdivisions with an investment rating not less than "A," insured or collateralized certificates of deposit, and certain bankers' acceptances, repurchase agreements, mutual funds, commercial paper, guaranteed investment contracts and investment pools.

The District's investment policy may be more restrictive than the Public Funds Investment Act.

The District invests in Texas CLASS, an external investment pool that is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. A Board of Trustees, elected by the participants, has oversight of Texas CLASS. The District's investments may be redeemed at any time. Texas CLASS attempts to minimize its exposure to market and credit risk through the use of various strategies and credit monitoring techniques and limits its investments in any issuer to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations.

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At August 31, 2019, the District had the following investments and maturities:

Type	Maturities in Years				
	Fair Value	Less Than 1	1-5	6-10	More Than 10
Texas CLASS	<u>\$ 5,531,562</u>	<u>\$ 5,531,562</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

Interest Rate Risk. As a means of limiting exposure to fair value losses arising from rises in interest rates, the District's investment policy does not allow investments in certain mortgage-backed securities, collateralized mortgage obligations with a final maturity date in excess of 10 year and interest rate indexed collateralized mortgage obligations. The external investment pool is presented in an investment with a maturity of less than one year because it is redeemable in full immediately.

Credit Risk. Credit risk is the risk that the issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. At August 31, 2019, the District's investments in Texas CLASS were rated "AAAm" by Standard & Poor's.

Summary of Carrying Values

The carrying values of deposits and investments shown previously are included in the balance sheet at August 31, 2019, as follows:

Carrying value:	
Deposits	\$ 6,780,442
Investments	5,531,562
Total	\$ 12,312,004

Included in the following statement of net position captions:

Cash	\$ 560,442
Certificates of deposit	6,220,000
Short-term investments	5,531,562
Total	\$ 12,312,004

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Investment Income

Investment income of \$278,390 for the year ended August 31, 2019, consisted of interest income.

Fair Value Measurements

The District has the following recurring fair value measurements as of August 31, 2019:

- Pooled investments of \$5,531,562 are valued at fair value per share of the pool's underlying portfolio.

Note 3: Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended August 31, 2019, is presented below:

Governmental Activities	Balances, Beginning of Year	Additions	Retirements	Balances, End of Year
Capital assets, non-depreciable:				
Land and improvements	\$ 11,395,900	\$ 325,164	\$ -	\$ 11,721,064
Construction in progress	8,715	89,288	-	98,003
Total capital assets, non-depreciable	11,404,615	414,452	0	11,819,067
Capital assets, depreciable:				
Water production and distribution facilities	12,785,238	353,047	-	13,138,285
Wastewater collection and treatment facilities	24,576,165	471,027	(3,531,566)	21,515,626
Total capital assets, depreciable	37,361,403	824,074	(3,531,566)	34,653,911
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Water production and distribution facilities	(3,299,647)	(324,468)	-	(3,624,115)
Wastewater collection and treatment facilities	(6,802,941)	(696,423)	988,877	(6,510,487)
Total accumulated depreciation	(10,102,588)	(1,020,891)	988,877	(10,134,602)
Total governmental activities, net	\$ 38,663,430	\$ 217,635	\$ (2,542,689)	\$ 36,338,376

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Note 4: Long-term Liabilities

Changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended August 31, 2019, were as follows:

Governmental Activities	Balances, Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balances, End of Year	Amounts Due in One Year
Bonds payable:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 46,820,000	\$ 6,150,000	\$ 1,330,000	\$ 51,640,000	\$ 1,345,000
Add premiums on bonds	94,572	-	2,020	92,552	-
Less discounts on bonds	682,059	184,500	23,692	842,867	-
	46,232,513	5,965,500	1,308,328	50,889,685	1,345,000
Due to developers	6,951,964	-	6,951,964	-	-
Total governmental activities long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 53,184,477</u>	<u>\$ 5,965,500</u>	<u>\$ 8,260,292</u>	<u>\$ 50,889,685</u>	<u>\$ 1,345,000</u>

General Obligation Bonds

	Refunding Series 2013	Series 2014
Amounts outstanding, August 31, 2019	\$5,345,000	\$2,400,000
Interest rates	2.00% to 4.00%	2.000% to 4.375%
Maturity dates, serially beginning/ending	September 1, 2020/2031	September 1, 2020/2038
Interest payment dates	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1
Callable dates*	September 1, 2020	September 1, 2021
	Refunding Series 2014	Refunding Series 2015
Amounts outstanding, August 31, 2019	\$2,715,000	\$20,615,000
Interest rates	2.00% to 3.25%	2.00% to 4.00%
Maturity dates, serially beginning/ending	September 1, 2020/2023	September 1, 2020/2036
Interest payment dates	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1
Callable dates*	September 1, 2021	September 1, 2022

*Or any date thereafter; callable at par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

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	Series 2016	Refunding Series 2018
Amounts outstanding, August 31, 2019	\$11,550,000	\$2,865,000
Interest rates	4.00% to 4.25%	2.25% to 4.00%
Maturity dates, serially beginning/ending	September 1, 2020/2043	September 1, 2020/2037
Interest payment dates	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1
Callable dates*	September 1, 2023	September 1, 2023
		Series 2019
Amount outstanding, August 31, 2019		\$6,150,000
Interest rates		3.00% to 5.50%
Maturity dates, serially beginning/ending		September 1, 2021/2046
Interest payment dates		March 1/ September 1
Callable date*		September 1, 2024

*Or any date thereafter; callable at par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Annual Debt Service Requirements

The District has been paying the amount due September 1 within the fiscal year preceding this due date, and the following schedule has been prepared assuming that this practice will be followed in future years. The schedule shows the annual debt service requirements to pay principal and interest on general obligation bonds outstanding at August 31, 2019.

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$ 1,345,000	\$ 1,997,060	\$ 3,342,060
2021	1,405,000	1,913,239	3,318,239
2022	1,445,000	1,872,612	3,317,612
2023	1,505,000	1,828,426	3,333,426
2024	1,575,000	1,779,300	3,354,300
2025-2029	8,665,000	8,030,480	16,695,480
2030-2034	10,555,000	6,251,030	16,806,030
2035-2039	11,195,000	3,976,051	15,171,051
2040-2044	9,975,000	1,765,031	11,740,031
2045-2046	3,975,000	191,407	4,166,407
Total	<u>\$ 51,640,000</u>	<u>\$ 29,604,636</u>	<u>\$ 81,244,636</u>

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The bonds are payable from the proceeds of an ad valorem tax levied upon all property within the District subject to taxation, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Voter-authorized bonds voted	\$ 80,400,000
Bonds sold	61,235,000
Voter-authorized refunding bonds voted	80,400,000
Refunding bond authorization used	2,139,359*

*The District has issued \$38,910,000 of refunding bonds; however, of such amount, \$2,139,359 has been applied to the voter-authorized bonds and the remaining \$36,770,641 has been issued pursuant to Chapter 1207 of the Texas Government Code.

Note 5: Significant Bond Order and Commission Requirements

- A. The Bond Orders require that the District levy and collect an ad valorem debt service tax sufficient to pay interest and principal on bonds when due. During the year ended August 31, 2019, the District levied an ad valorem debt service tax at the rate of \$0.6500 per \$100 of assessed valuation, which resulted in a tax levy of \$3,226,686 on the taxable valuation of \$496,413,284 for the 2018 tax year. The interest and principal requirements paid from the tax revenues and available resources were \$3,129,945.
- B. During the current fiscal year, the District transferred \$83,311 from the capital projects fund to the general fund. The transfer was in accordance with the rules of the Commission.

Note 6: Maintenance Taxes

At an election held May 1, 1993, voters authorized a maintenance tax not to exceed \$1.00 per \$100 valuation on all property within the District subject to taxation. During the year ended August 31, 2019, the District levied an ad valorem maintenance tax at the rate of \$0.2800 per \$100 of assessed valuation, which resulted in a tax levy of \$1,389,957 on the taxable valuation of \$496,413,284 for the 2018 tax year. The maintenance tax is being used by the general fund to pay expenditures of operating the District.

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Note 7: Wastewater Treatment Plant Lease

On November 11, 2015, the District entered into a lease of digester basins, chlorine basin and associated equipment. The lease term is for 60 months with monthly payments of \$12,625 upon substantial completion of the installation, which occurred in December 2016. During the current year, the District incurred fees of \$151,500 related to the lease. Future minimum lease payments under the lease are:

2020		\$	151,500
2021			151,500
2022			50,500
			50,500
		\$	353,500

Note 8: Strategic Partnership Agreement

Effective December 12, 2008, the District and the City of Houston (the City) entered into a Strategic Partnership Agreement (the Agreement) under which the City annexed a tract of land (the tract) within the boundaries of the District for limited purposes. The District continues to exercise all powers and functions of a municipal utility district as provided by law. As consideration for the District providing services as detailed in the Agreement, the City agrees to remit one-half of all City sales and use tax revenues generated within the boundaries of the tract. As consideration for the sales and use tax payments by the City, the District agrees to continue to provide and develop water, sewer and drainage services within the District in lieu of full-purpose annexation. The City agrees it will not annex the District for full purposes or commence any action to annex the District during the term of the Agreement, which is 30 years. On December 5, 2017, the Agreement was amended to annex an additional tract of land in the District. During the current year, the District recorded \$73,733 in revenues related to the Agreement.

Note 9: Sanitary Sewage Treatment and Disposal Agreement With Harris County

Effective January 8, 2013, and as amended December 5, 2017, the District entered into a 15-year agreement with Harris County to provide capacity to treat wastewater from Harris County at the District's wastewater treatment plant No. 3. Harris County must pay a monthly service fee. Fixed operating costs are shared based on allocated capacity. Variable operating costs are shared based on total amount of waste delivered to the plant by Harris County as a percentage of total waste delivered. Harris County has paid the District a security deposit of \$53,417 as a plant operating reserve.

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For the year ended August 31, 2019, the District billed Harris County and the District \$179,830 and \$425,592, respectively.

Note 10: Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the District carries commercial insurance. The District has not significantly reduced insurance coverage or had settlements which exceeded coverage amounts in the past three fiscal years.

Required Supplementary Information

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund
Year Ended August 31, 2019

	Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ 1,416,700	\$ 1,416,700	\$ 1,395,038	\$ (21,662)
City of Houston rebates	55,000	55,000	73,733	18,733
Water service	1,125,300	1,125,300	1,133,912	8,612
Sewer service	1,099,600	1,099,600	1,136,816	37,216
Surface water conversion	735,000	735,000	721,721	(13,279)
Penalty and interest	152,500	152,500	192,856	40,356
Tap connection and inspection fees	133,000	133,000	163,432	30,432
Investment income	40,450	40,450	150,815	110,365
Other income	4,000	4,000	4,548	548
Total revenues	<u>4,761,550</u>	<u>4,761,550</u>	<u>4,972,871</u>	<u>211,321</u>
Expenditures				
Service operations:				
Purchased services	927,400	927,400	747,646	179,754
Lease payments	151,500	151,500	151,500	-
Professional fees	320,600	320,600	302,934	17,666
Contracted services	795,180	795,180	835,732	(40,552)
Utilities	99,475	120,000	84,165	35,835
Repairs and maintenance	726,000	726,000	715,742	10,258
Other expenditures	199,025	209,025	207,555	1,470
Tap connections	35,200	35,200	53,539	(18,339)
Capital outlay	695,000	695,000	92,088	602,912
Total expenditures	<u>3,949,380</u>	<u>3,979,905</u>	<u>3,190,901</u>	<u>789,004</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	812,170	781,645	1,781,970	1,000,325
Other Financing Sources				
Interfund transfers in	-	-	83,311	83,311
Excess of Revenues and Transfers In Over Expenditures and Transfers Out	812,170	781,645	1,865,281	1,083,636
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>4,929,666</u>	<u>4,929,666</u>	<u>4,929,666</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 5,741,836</u>	<u>\$ 5,711,311</u>	<u>\$ 6,794,947</u>	<u>\$ 1,083,636</u>

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Special Revenue Fund
Year Ended August 31, 2019

	Original Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues			
Service fees	\$ 687,560	\$ 605,422	\$ (82,138)
Other income	130	176	46
Total revenues	<u>687,690</u>	<u>605,598</u>	<u>(82,092)</u>
Expenditures			
Service operations:			
Professional fees	11,900	2,400	9,500
Contracted services	76,590	77,547	(957)
Utilities	115,000	105,122	9,878
Repairs and maintenance	467,500	396,051	71,449
Other expenditures	16,700	24,478	(7,778)
Total expenditures	<u>687,690</u>	<u>605,598</u>	<u>82,092</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	-	-	-
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

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Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Annual operating budgets are prepared for the general and special revenue funds by the District's consultants. The budgets reflect resources expected to be received during the year and expenditures expected to be incurred. The Board of Directors is required to adopt the budgets prior to the start of its fiscal year. The budgets are not a spending limitation (a legally restricted appropriation). The original budget for the general fund was amended and the original budget for the special revenue fund was not amended during fiscal 2019.

The District prepares its annual operating budgets on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Budgetary Comparison Schedules – General Fund and Special Revenue Fund present the original and revised budget amounts, if revised, compared to the actual amounts of revenues and expenditures for the current year.

Other Information

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Other Schedules Included Within This Report
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(Schedules included are checked or explanatory notes provided for omitted schedules.)

- [X] Notes Required by the Water District Accounting Manual
See "Notes to Financial Statements," Pages 14-28
- [X] Schedule of Services and Rates
- [X] Schedule of General Fund Expenditures
- [X] Schedule of Temporary Investments
- [X] Analysis of Taxes Levied and Receivable
- [X] Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years
- [X] Changes in Long-term Bonded Debt
- [X] Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures – General Fund and Debt Service Fund –
Five Years
- [X] Board Members, Key Personnel and Consultants

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Schedule of Services and Rates
Year Ended August 31, 2019**

1. Services provided by the District:

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

2. Retail service providers

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

	<u>Minimum Charge</u>	<u>Minimum Usage</u>	<u>Flat Rate Y/N</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000 Gallons Over Minimum</u>	<u>Usage Levels</u>
Water:	\$ 20.50	1,000	N	\$ 1.25	1,001 to 5,000
				\$ 2.25	5,001 to 10,000
				\$ 3.25	10,001 to 20,000
				\$ 4.25	20,001 to No Limit
Wastewater:	\$ 30.50	0	Y		
City of Houston GRP fee:	\$ 3.47	1	N	\$ 3.47	1 to No Limit
Does the District employ winter averaging for wastewater usage?					Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Total charges per 10,000 gallons usage (including fees):				Water \$ 71.45	Wastewater \$ 30.50

b. Water and wastewater retail connections:

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Total Connections</u>	<u>Active Connections</u>	<u>ESFC Factor</u>	<u>Active ESFC*</u>
Unmetered	-	-	x1.0	-
≤ 3/4"	3,002	2,977	x1.0	2,977
1"	81	80	x2.5	200
1 1/2"	12	11	x5.0	55
2"	23	23	x8.0	184
3"	-	-	x15.0	-
4"	1	1	x25.0	25
6"	-	-	x50.0	-
8"	-	-	x80.0	-
10"	-	-	x115.0	-
Total water	3,119	3,092		3,441
Total wastewater	3,084	3,059	x1.0	3,059

3. Total water consumption (in thousands) during the fiscal year:

Gallons pumped into the system:	226,470
Gallons billed to customers:	214,105
Water accountability ratio (gallons billed/gallons pumped):	94.54%

*"ESFC" means equivalent single-family connections

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Schedule of General Fund Expenditures
Year Ended August 31, 2019

Personnel (including benefits)		\$	-
Professional Fees			
Auditing	\$ 20,200		
Legal	174,030		
Engineering	108,704		
Financial advisor	-		302,934
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Purchased Services for Resale			
Bulk water and wastewater service purchases			747,646
Regional Water Fee			-
Contracted Services			
Bookkeeping	31,383		
General manager	60,000		
Appraisal district	-		
Tax collector	-		
Security	2,880		
Other contracted services	224,406		318,669
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Utilities			84,165
Repairs and Maintenance			715,742
Administrative Expenditures			
Directors' fees	28,200		
Office supplies	30,866		
Insurance	29,398		
Other administrative expenditures	107,886		196,350
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Capital Outlay			
Capitalized assets	89,288		
Expenditures not capitalized	2,800		92,088
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Tap Connection Expenditures			53,539
Solid Waste Disposal			517,063
Lease Payments			151,500
Parks and Recreation			-
Other Expenditures			11,205
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Total expenditures		\$	<u>3,190,901</u>

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Schedule of Temporary Investments
August 31, 2019**

	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Face Amount	Accrued Interest Receivable
General Fund				
Certificates of Deposit				
No. 500007400	2.60%	03/05/20	\$ 240,000	\$ 3,060
No. 91300011883030	2.75%	04/03/20	240,000	2,694
No. 6775977572	2.05%	08/26/20	240,000	108
No. 561	2.75%	06/24/20	240,000	1,212
No. 66000745	2.55%	11/04/19	240,000	5,030
No. 71117928	2.40%	11/28/19	200,000	3,656
No. 12064	2.58%	07/04/20	240,000	967
No. 440005204	2.80%	02/01/20	220,000	3,544
No. 102267	2.47%	10/29/19	240,000	5,002
No. 80001898	2.71%	01/31/20	200,000	3,163
No. 4189598	2.45%	09/27/19	120,000	2,714
No. 0107363028	2.75%	03/26/20	240,000	2,839
No. 16232	2.45%	12/04/19	220,000	3,987
No. 3216000287	2.60%	02/03/20	240,000	3,590
No. 6000027414	2.60%	05/11/20	240,000	1,898
No. 9009004131	2.55%	12/26/19	100,000	1,733
Texas CLASS	2.25%	Demand	2,015,489	-
Texas CLASS	2.25%	Demand	1,353,253	-
Texas CLASS	2.25%	Demand	458,131	-
			<u>7,286,873</u>	<u>45,197</u>

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August 31, 2019

	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Face Amount	Accrued Interest Receivable
Debt Service Fund				
Certificates of Deposit				
No. 91300011896016	2.75%	08/13/20	\$ 240,000	\$ 325
No. 6775239873	2.50%	08/04/20	240,000	427
No. 66000931	2.10%	08/20/20	240,000	138
No. 12099	2.22%	08/20/20	240,000	146
No. 306290	2.71%	02/13/20	200,000	2,955
No. 4189021	2.65%	02/21/20	240,000	3,328
No. 2000000051	2.65%	02/22/20	240,000	3,311
No. 36000607	2.45%	08/08/20	200,000	295
No. 3116003324	2.60%	02/24/20	240,000	3,248
No. 6000018082	2.60%	08/09/20	200,000	300
No. 6924	2.00%	08/26/20	240,000	105
No. 6002400109	2.05%	08/21/20	240,000	135
Texas CLASS	2.25%	Demand	542,388	-
			<u>3,302,388</u>	<u>14,713</u>
Capital Projects Fund				
Texas CLASS	2.25%	Demand	10,033	-
Texas CLASS	2.25%	Demand	1,152,268	-
			<u>1,162,301</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals			<u>\$ 11,751,562</u>	<u>\$ 59,910</u>

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Analysis of Taxes Levied and Receivable
Year Ended August 31, 2019

	Maintenance Taxes	Debt Service Taxes
Receivable, Beginning of Year	\$ 19,878	\$ 53,111
Additions and corrections to prior years' taxes	<u>733</u>	<u>1,449</u>
Adjusted receivable, beginning of year	<u>20,611</u>	<u>54,560</u>
 2018 Original Tax Levy	 1,319,389	 3,062,868
Additions and corrections	<u>70,568</u>	<u>163,818</u>
Adjusted tax levy	<u>1,389,957</u>	<u>3,226,686</u>
Total to be accounted for	1,410,568	3,281,246
Tax collections: Current year	(1,381,644)	(3,207,388)
Prior years	<u>(13,394)</u>	<u>(33,677)</u>
Receivable, end of year	<u>\$ 15,530</u>	<u>\$ 40,181</u>
 Receivable, by Years		
2018	\$ 8,313	\$ 19,298
2017	2,885	6,539
2016	2,338	5,689
2015	643	2,057
2014	230	1,164
2013	198	1,288
2012	181	1,175
2011	196	825
2010	190	777
2009	255	990
2006	<u>101</u>	<u>379</u>
Receivable, end of year	<u>\$ 15,530</u>	<u>\$ 40,181</u>

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Analysis of Taxes Levied and Receivable (Continued)
Year Ended August 31, 2019

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Property Valuations				
Land	\$ 85,324,462	\$ 81,654,892	\$ 78,989,264	\$ 72,859,198
Improvements	429,777,151	399,997,284	358,071,845	294,070,722
Personal property	8,998,048	8,108,391	8,049,075	8,413,445
Exemptions	<u>(27,686,377)</u>	<u>(34,241,281)</u>	<u>(42,552,302)</u>	<u>(20,026,065)</u>
Total property valuations	<u>\$ 496,413,284</u>	<u>\$ 455,519,286</u>	<u>\$ 402,557,882</u>	<u>\$ 355,317,300</u>
Tax Rates per \$100 Valuation				
Debt service tax rates	\$ 0.6500	\$ 0.6800	\$ 0.7300	\$ 0.8000
Maintenance tax rates*	<u>0.2800</u>	<u>0.3000</u>	<u>0.3000</u>	<u>0.2500</u>
Total tax rates per \$100 valuation	<u>\$ 0.9300</u>	<u>\$ 0.9800</u>	<u>\$ 1.0300</u>	<u>\$ 1.0500</u>
Tax Levy	<u>\$ 4,616,643</u>	<u>\$ 4,464,089</u>	<u>\$ 4,146,347</u>	<u>\$ 3,731,677</u>
Percent of Taxes Collected to Taxes Levied**				
	<u>99%</u>	<u>99%</u>	<u>99%</u>	<u>99%</u>

*Maximum tax rate approved by voters: \$1.00 on May 1, 1993

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

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**
Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years
August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Refunding Series 2013		
	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	Total
2020	\$ 360,000	\$ 187,718	\$ 547,718
2021	385,000	177,819	562,819
2022	395,000	166,269	561,269
2023	410,000	154,419	564,419
2024	405,000	141,606	546,606
2025	425,000	128,444	553,444
2026	440,000	114,100	554,100
2027	460,000	98,700	558,700
2028	480,000	82,600	562,600
2029	505,000	63,400	568,400
2030	525,000	43,200	568,200
2031	555,000	22,200	577,200
Totals	<u>\$ 5,345,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,380,475</u>	<u>\$ 6,725,475</u>

The District pays the amount due September 1 prior to that date. This schedule has been prepared assuming this practice will continue in the future.

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**
Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years (Continued)
August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Series 2014		
	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	Total
2020	\$ 25,000	\$ 101,757	\$ 126,757
2021	25,000	101,195	126,195
2022	25,000	100,569	125,569
2023	25,000	99,881	124,881
2024	25,000	99,131	124,131
2025	25,000	98,331	123,331
2026	25,000	97,481	122,481
2027	25,000	96,581	121,581
2028	25,000	95,656	120,656
2029	25,000	94,656	119,656
2030	25,000	93,656	118,656
2031	25,000	92,656	117,656
2032	25,000	91,656	116,656
2033	25,000	90,656	115,656
2034	25,000	89,625	114,625
2035	25,000	88,563	113,563
2036	25,000	87,500	112,500
2037	675,000	86,406	761,406
2038	1,300,000	56,875	1,356,875
Totals	<u>\$ 2,400,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,762,831</u>	<u>\$ 4,162,831</u>

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**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**
Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years (Continued)
August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Refunding Series 2014		
	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	Total
2020	\$ 650,000	\$ 79,987	\$ 729,987
2021	660,000	63,738	723,738
2022	690,000	43,937	733,937
2023	<u>715,000</u>	<u>23,238</u>	<u>738,238</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 2,715,000</u>	<u>\$ 210,900</u>	<u>\$ 2,925,900</u>

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**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years (Continued)
August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Refunding Series 2015		
	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	Total
2020	\$ 230,000	\$ 776,518	\$ 1,006,518
2021	230,000	771,918	1,001,918
2022	230,000	767,319	997,319
2023	225,000	760,419	985,419
2024	1,015,000	753,669	1,768,669
2025	1,045,000	718,144	1,763,144
2026	1,075,000	681,569	1,756,569
2027	1,115,000	646,631	1,761,631
2028	1,155,000	607,606	1,762,606
2029	1,190,000	565,738	1,755,738
2030	1,235,000	521,113	1,756,113
2031	1,280,000	474,800	1,754,800
2032	1,955,000	423,600	2,378,600
2033	2,035,000	345,400	2,380,400
2034	2,120,000	264,000	2,384,000
2035	2,210,000	179,200	2,389,200
2036	2,270,000	90,800	2,360,800
Totals	<u>\$ 20,615,000</u>	<u>\$ 9,348,444</u>	<u>\$ 29,963,444</u>

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**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
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Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years (Continued)
August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Series 2016		
	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	Total
2020	\$ 50,000	\$ 488,875	\$ 538,875
2021	50,000	486,875	536,875
2022	50,000	484,875	534,875
2023	50,000	482,875	532,875
2024	50,000	480,875	530,875
2025	50,000	478,875	528,875
2026	50,000	476,875	526,875
2027	50,000	474,875	524,875
2028	50,000	472,875	522,875
2029	50,000	470,875	520,875
2030	50,000	468,875	518,875
2031	50,000	466,875	516,875
2032	50,000	464,875	514,875
2033	50,000	462,875	512,875
2034	50,000	460,875	510,875
2035	50,000	458,875	508,875
2036	50,000	456,875	506,875
2037	50,000	454,750	504,750
2038	475,000	452,625	927,625
2039	1,850,000	432,438	2,282,438
2040	1,950,000	353,812	2,303,812
2041	2,025,000	270,938	2,295,938
2042	2,125,000	184,875	2,309,875
2043	2,225,000	94,562	2,319,562
Totals	<u>\$ 11,550,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,282,875</u>	<u>\$ 21,832,875</u>

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**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**
Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years (Continued)
August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Refunding Series 2018		
	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	Total
2020	\$ 30,000	\$ 113,025	\$ 143,025
2021	30,000	112,350	142,350
2022	30,000	111,675	141,675
2023	55,000	111,000	166,000
2024	55,000	108,800	163,800
2025	55,000	106,600	161,600
2026	55,000	104,400	159,400
2027	55,000	102,200	157,200
2028	55,000	100,000	155,000
2029	55,000	97,800	152,800
2030	55,000	95,600	150,600
2031	55,000	93,400	148,400
2032	80,000	91,200	171,200
2033	80,000	88,000	168,000
2034	80,000	84,800	164,800
2035	75,000	81,600	156,600
2036	75,000	78,600	153,600
2037	1,890,000	75,600	1,965,600
Totals	<u>\$ 2,865,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,756,650</u>	<u>\$ 4,621,650</u>

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**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**
Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years (Continued)
August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Series 2019		Total
	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	
2020	\$ -	\$ 249,180	\$ 249,180
2021	25,000	199,344	224,344
2022	25,000	197,968	222,968
2023	25,000	196,594	221,594
2024	25,000	195,219	220,219
2025	25,000	193,843	218,843
2026	25,000	192,469	217,469
2027	25,000	191,094	216,094
2028	25,000	189,718	214,718
2029	25,000	188,344	213,344
2030	25,000	186,969	211,969
2031	25,000	185,593	210,593
2032	25,000	184,219	209,219
2033	25,000	182,844	207,844
2034	25,000	181,468	206,468
2035	25,000	180,719	205,719
2036	25,000	179,969	204,969
2037	25,000	179,218	204,218
2038	50,000	178,469	228,469
2039	50,000	176,969	226,969
2040	50,000	175,468	225,468
2041	50,000	173,969	223,969
2042	50,000	172,469	222,469
2043	100,000	170,969	270,969
2044	1,400,000	167,969	1,567,969
2045	1,825,000	124,219	1,949,219
2046	2,150,000	67,188	2,217,188
Totals	<u>\$ 6,150,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,862,461</u>	<u>\$ 11,012,461</u>

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Schedule of Long-term Debt Service Requirements by Years (Continued) August 31, 2019

Due During Fiscal Years Ending August 31	Annual Requirements For All Series		
	Total Principal Due	Total Interest Due	Total Principal and Interest Due
2020	\$ 1,345,000	\$ 1,997,060	\$ 3,342,060
2021	1,405,000	1,913,239	3,318,239
2022	1,445,000	1,872,612	3,317,612
2023	1,505,000	1,828,426	3,333,426
2024	1,575,000	1,779,300	3,354,300
2025	1,625,000	1,724,237	3,349,237
2026	1,670,000	1,666,894	3,336,894
2027	1,730,000	1,610,081	3,340,081
2028	1,790,000	1,548,455	3,338,455
2029	1,850,000	1,480,813	3,330,813
2030	1,915,000	1,409,413	3,324,413
2031	1,990,000	1,335,524	3,325,524
2032	2,135,000	1,255,550	3,390,550
2033	2,215,000	1,169,775	3,384,775
2034	2,300,000	1,080,768	3,380,768
2035	2,385,000	988,957	3,373,957
2036	2,445,000	893,744	3,338,744
2037	2,640,000	795,974	3,435,974
2038	1,825,000	687,969	2,512,969
2039	1,900,000	609,407	2,509,407
2040	2,000,000	529,280	2,529,280
2041	2,075,000	444,907	2,519,907
2042	2,175,000	357,344	2,532,344
2043	2,325,000	265,531	2,590,531
2044	1,400,000	167,969	1,567,969
2045	1,825,000	124,219	1,949,219
2046	2,150,000	67,188	2,217,188
Totals	\$ 51,640,000	\$ 29,604,636	\$ 81,244,636

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas
Changes in Long-term Bonded Debt
Year Ended August 31, 2019**

	Bond		
	Series 2010	Refunding Series 2013	Series 2014
Interest rates	3.75%	2.00% to 4.00%	2.000% to 4.375%
Dates interest payable	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1
Maturity dates		September 1, 2020/2031	September 1, 2020/2038
Bonds outstanding, beginning of current year	\$ 25,000	\$ 5,695,000	\$ 2,425,000
Bonds sold during current year	-	-	-
Retirements, principal	25,000	350,000	25,000
Bonds outstanding, end of current year	\$ 0	\$ 5,345,000	\$ 2,400,000
Interest paid during current year	\$ 938	\$ 196,469	\$ 102,256

Paying agent's name and address:

Series 2010 - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas
Series 2013R - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas
Series 2014 - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas
Series 2014R - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas
Series 2015R - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas
Series 2016 - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas
Series 2018R - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas
Series 2019 - The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas

Bond authority:

	Tax Bonds	Other Bonds	Refunding Bonds
Amount authorized by voters	\$ 80,400,000	0	\$ 80,400,000
Amount of voter authorized issued bonds	\$ 61,235,000	0	\$ 2,139,359 *
Voter authorized but unissued bonds	\$ 19,165,000	0	\$ 78,260,641

Debt service fund cash and temporary investment balances as of August 31, 2019:

\$ 3,387,959

Average annual debt service payment (principal and interest) for remaining term of all debt:

\$ 3,009,061

*The District has issued \$38,910,000 of refunding bonds; however, of such amount, \$2,139,359 has been applied to the voter-authorized bonds and the remaining \$36,770,641 has been issued pursuant to Chapter 1207 of the Texas Government Code.

Issues

Refunding Series 2014	Refunding Series 2015	Series 2016	Refunding Series 2018	Series 2019	Totals
2.00% to 3.25%	2.00% to 4.00%	4.00% to 4.25%	2.25% to 4.00%	3.00% to 5.50%	
March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1	
September 1, 2020/2023	September 1, 2020/2036	September 1, 2020/2043	September 1, 2020/2037	September 1, 2021/2046	
\$ 3,350,000	\$ 20,840,000	\$ 11,610,000	\$ 2,875,000	\$ -	\$ 46,820,000
-	-	-	-	6,150,000	6,150,000
635,000	225,000	60,000	10,000	-	1,330,000
<u>\$ 2,715,000</u>	<u>\$ 20,615,000</u>	<u>\$ 11,550,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,865,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,150,000</u>	<u>\$ 51,640,000</u>
<u>\$ 95,863</u>	<u>\$ 781,019</u>	<u>\$ 491,275</u>	<u>\$ 132,125</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 1,799,945</u>

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**
Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures – General Fund
Five Years Ended August 31,

	Amounts				
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
General Fund					
Revenues					
Property taxes	\$ 1,395,038	\$ 1,356,536	\$ 1,203,742	\$ 887,351	\$ 541,833
City of Houston rebates	73,733	61,815	57,326	55,803	49,771
Water service	1,133,912	1,114,670	853,819	769,673	718,721
Sewer service	1,136,816	1,071,178	929,646	846,521	779,457
Surface water conversion	721,721	725,808	641,553	418,842	495,021
Penalty and interest	192,856	163,799	150,141	134,356	147,959
Tap connection and inspection fees	163,432	245,387	280,514	182,585	198,912
Investment income	150,815	66,266	25,300	16,219	12,582
Other income	4,548	4,452	52,534	16,012	5,874
Sale of capacity	-	1,128,216	-	-	-
Total revenues	<u>4,972,871</u>	<u>5,938,127</u>	<u>4,194,575</u>	<u>3,327,362</u>	<u>2,950,130</u>
Expenditures					
Service operations:					
Purchased services	747,646	945,232	1,230,049	1,250,502	1,050,925
Lease payments	151,500	151,500	101,000	-	-
Professional fees	302,934	387,921	377,561	236,058	213,671
Contracted services	835,732	765,068	720,008	615,400	605,800
Utilities	84,165	84,186	68,623	83,733	90,337
Repairs and maintenance	715,742	701,963	655,863	797,096	610,343
Other expenditures	207,555	203,204	210,865	150,077	152,173
Tap connections	53,539	82,181	105,500	65,706	69,675
Capital outlay	92,088	151,278	1,634,556	1,860,846	207,068
Debt service, debt issuance costs	-	-	-	71,066	-
Total expenditures	<u>3,190,901</u>	<u>3,472,533</u>	<u>5,104,025</u>	<u>5,130,484</u>	<u>2,999,992</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	1,781,970	2,465,594	(909,450)	(1,803,122)	(49,862)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Interfund transfers in (out)	83,311	-	975,132	-	(14,484)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Transfers In Over Expenditures and Transfers Out	1,865,281	2,465,594	65,682	(1,803,122)	(64,346)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>4,929,666</u>	<u>2,464,072</u>	<u>2,398,390</u>	<u>4,201,512</u>	<u>4,265,858</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 6,794,947</u>	<u>\$ 4,929,666</u>	<u>\$ 2,464,072</u>	<u>\$ 2,398,390</u>	<u>\$ 4,201,512</u>
Total Active Retail Water Connections	<u>3,092</u>	<u>2,991</u>	<u>2,838</u>	<u>2,661</u>	<u>2,540</u>
Total Active Retail Wastewater Connections	<u>3,059</u>	<u>2,960</u>	<u>2,810</u>	<u>2,637</u>	<u>2,518</u>

Percent of Fund Total Revenues

2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
28.0 %	22.9 %	28.7 %	26.7 %	18.4 %
1.5	1.0	1.4	1.7	1.7
22.8	18.8	20.3	23.1	24.4
22.9	18.0	22.2	25.5	26.4
14.5	12.2	15.3	12.5	16.8
3.9	2.8	3.6	4.0	5.0
3.3	4.1	6.7	5.5	6.7
3.0	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.4
0.1	0.1	1.2	0.5	0.2
-	19.0	-	-	-
<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>
15.0	15.9	29.3	37.6	35.6
3.0	2.6	2.4	-	-
6.1	6.5	9.0	7.1	7.2
16.8	12.9	17.2	18.5	20.5
1.7	1.4	1.6	2.5	3.1
14.4	11.9	15.7	24.0	20.7
4.1	3.3	5.0	4.5	5.2
1.1	1.4	2.5	2.0	2.4
1.9	2.6	39.0	55.9	7.0
-	-	-	2.1	-
<u>64.1</u>	<u>58.5</u>	<u>121.7</u>	<u>154.2</u>	<u>101.7</u>
<u><u>35.9 %</u></u>	<u><u>41.5 %</u></u>	<u><u>(21.7) %</u></u>	<u><u>(54.2) %</u></u>	<u><u>(1.7) %</u></u>

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas**
Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures – Debt Service Fund
Five Years Ended August 31,

	Amounts				
	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Debt Service Fund					
Revenues					
Property taxes	\$ 3,241,065	\$ 3,076,115	\$ 2,937,548	\$ 2,848,447	\$ 2,747,342
Penalty and interest	42,040	32,401	39,208	43,307	27,122
Investment income	108,932	58,643	32,516	16,605	13,965
Total revenues	<u>3,392,037</u>	<u>3,167,159</u>	<u>3,009,272</u>	<u>2,908,359</u>	<u>2,788,429</u>
Expenditures					
Current:					
Professional fees	15,020	12,166	12,242	12,040	10,366
Contracted services	78,937	73,637	64,800	60,618	57,944
Other expenditures	4,715	4,474	20,028	4,642	6,662
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	1,330,000	1,235,000	1,200,000	1,180,000	1,015,000
Interest and fees	1,802,233	1,769,788	1,704,865	1,521,694	1,167,903
Debt issuance costs	461	149,690	1,960	3,500	632,105
Debt defeasance	-	47,000	-	-	381,000
Total expenditures	<u>3,231,366</u>	<u>3,291,755</u>	<u>3,003,895</u>	<u>2,782,494</u>	<u>3,270,980</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>160,671</u>	<u>(124,596)</u>	<u>5,377</u>	<u>125,865</u>	<u>(482,551)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
General obligation bonds issued	-	2,875,000	-	-	21,405,000
Deposit with escrow agent	-	(2,805,649)	-	-	(20,482,045)
Premium on debt issued	-	88,047	-	-	-
Discount on debt issued	-	-	-	-	(283,587)
Total other financing sources	<u>0</u>	<u>157,398</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>639,368</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	<u>160,671</u>	<u>32,802</u>	<u>5,377</u>	<u>125,865</u>	<u>156,817</u>
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>3,219,861</u>	<u>3,187,059</u>	<u>3,181,682</u>	<u>3,055,817</u>	<u>2,899,000</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 3,380,532</u>	<u>\$ 3,219,861</u>	<u>\$ 3,187,059</u>	<u>\$ 3,181,682</u>	<u>\$ 3,055,817</u>

Percent of Fund Total Revenues

2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
95.6 %	97.1 %	97.6 %	97.9 %	98.5 %
1.2	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.0
3.2	1.9	1.1	0.6	0.5
<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>
0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
2.3	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.1
0.1	0.1	0.7	0.2	0.2
39.2	39.0	39.9	40.6	36.4
53.2	55.9	56.6	52.3	41.9
0.0	4.7	0.1	0.1	22.7
-	1.5	-	-	13.6
<u>95.3</u>	<u>103.9</u>	<u>99.8</u>	<u>95.7</u>	<u>117.3</u>
<u>4.7 %</u>	<u>(3.9) %</u>	<u>0.2 %</u>	<u>4.3 %</u>	<u>(17.3) %</u>

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas
Board Members, Key Personnel and Consultants
Year Ended August 31, 2019**

Complete District mailing address:	Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278, of Harris County, Texas c/o Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600 Houston, Texas 77027
District business telephone number:	713.860.6400
Submission date of the most recent District Registration Form (TWC Sections 36.054 and 49.054):	April 17, 2019
Limit on fees of office that a director may receive during a fiscal year:	\$ 7,200

Board Members	Term of Office Elected & Expires	Fees*	Expense Reimbursements	Title at Year-end
B. Eugene Newsom	Elected 05/16- 05/20	\$ 7,200	\$ 9,044	President
Tommie Ruth Allen	Elected 05/16- 05/20	4,050	2,482	Vice President
Donald E. Matlock	Elected 05/18- 05/22	5,550	1,221	Secretary
Keith L. Sims, Sr.	Elected 05/18- 05/22	4,200	1,513	Assistant Vice President
Shantai Warren	Elected 05/18- 05/22	7,200	8,961	Assistant Secretary

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

**Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278,
of Harris County, Texas
Board Members, Key Personnel and Consultants (Continued)
Year Ended August 31, 2019**

Consultants	Date Hired	Fees and Expense Reimbursements	Title
Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP	01/01/17	\$ 185,940 165,157	General Counsel Bond Counsel
Assessments of the Southwest, Inc.	01/01/86	45,351	Tax Assessor/ Collector
BGE, Inc.	03/08/12	244,387	Engineer
BKD, LLP	08/31/93	39,900	Auditor
Harris County Appraisal District	Legislative Action	34,430	Appraiser
Municipal Accounts & Consulting, L.P.	04/10/03	49,190	Bookkeeper
B. Eugene Newsom	05/04/18	75,000	General Manager
Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P.	01/10/97	15,020	Delinquent Tax Attorney
Rathmann & Associates, L.P.	02/01/93	124,500	Financial Advisor
Si Environmental, LLC	05/10/12	985,813	Operator
Investment Officers			
Mark M. Burton and Ghia Lewis	07/08/04	N/A	Bookkeepers

SPECIMEN OF MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY



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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