#### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED JULY 27, 2021**

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 BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION.

The District has designated the Bonds 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) .... "Baa3" (stable outlook) See "BOND INSURANCE" and "RATINGS" herein

\$4,525,000

## FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 156 (A Political Subdivision of the State of Texas located within Fort Bend County, Texas) UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021

#### Dated: August 1, 2021

#### Due: September 1, as shown on inside cover

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., currently in Dallas, Texas, or any successor paying agent/registrar (the "Paying Agent," "Registrar" or "Paying Agent/Registrar"). Interest on the Bonds accrues from August 1, 2021, and is payable on March 1, 2022 (seven-month interest payment), and on each September 1 and March 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 maturing on and after September 1, 2027, are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 (the "District"), as a whole or in part, on September 1, 2026, 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 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.

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").



#### See Maturity Schedule on the inside cover

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 legally binding obligations of the District, 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 Fulshear, Texas, Fort Bend 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 Fulshear, Texas, or Fort Bend 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, 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 their counsel, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Houston, Texas. Delivery of the Bonds in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC is expected on or about August 31, 2021.

## SAMCO CAPITAL MARKETS

## **RBC CAPITAL MARKETS**

## MATURITY SCHEDULE

#### CUSIP Prefix (a): 34682S

Maturity (September 1)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Initial Reoffering Yield (b)	CUSIP Suffix (a)
2022	\$15,000	3.000%	0.25%	EQ1
2023	190,000	3.000	0.38	ER9
2024	190,000	3.000	0.56	ES7
2025	200,000	3.000	0.75	ET5
2026	205,000	3.000	0.97	EU2
2027 <sup>(c)</sup>	220,000	3.000	1.04	EV0
2028 <sup>(c)</sup>	225,000	2.000	1.16	EW8
2029 <sup>(c)</sup>	235,000	2.000	1.32	EX6
2030 <sup>(c)</sup>	240,000	2.000	1.49	EY4
2031 <sup>(c)</sup>	245,000	2.000	1.63	EZ1
2032 <sup>(c)</sup>	250,000	2.000	1.81	FA5
2033 <sup>(c)</sup>	265,000	2.000	2.00	FB3
2034 <sup>(c)</sup>	275,000	2.000	2.05	FC1
2035 <sup>(c)</sup>	275,000	2.000	2.13	FD9
2036 <sup>(c)</sup>	285,000	2.000	2.21	FE7
2037 <sup>(c)</sup>	300,000	2.000	2.24	FF4
2038 <sup>(c)</sup>	310,000	2.125	2.27	FG2
2039 <sup>(c)</sup>	600,000	2.125	2.30	FH0

<sup>(</sup>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.

 <sup>(</sup>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 August 1, 2021, is to be added to the price.

<sup>(</sup>c) Subject to optional redemption as described on the front cover.

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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.

This Official Statement does not constitute, and is not authorized by the District for use in connection with, an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy in any state in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

All of the summaries of the statutes, orders, resolutions, contracts, audits, 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 the Financial Advisor.

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. 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 the Official Statement until delivery of the Bonds to the Underwriters (as defined herein), and thereafter only as described under "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 in accordance with, and as part of, their responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

Neither the District nor the Underwriters make 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

#### Underwriting

SAMCO Capital Markets, Inc. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC ("RBC") (together referred to herein as the "Underwriters") have agreed, pursuant to a Bond Purchase Agreement, to purchase the Bonds from the District for \$4,558,969.15 (an amount equal to the principal amount of the Bonds, less an Underwriters' discount of \$33,530.25, plus a net original issue premium on the Bonds of \$67,499.40), plus accrued interest on the Bonds to the date of delivery. The obligation of the Underwriters to purchase the Bonds is subject to the 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 inside 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 District has no control over the trading of the Bonds in the secondary market. Moreover, there is no guarantee that a secondary market will be made in the Bonds. In such a secondary market, the difference between the bid and asked price of utility district bonds may be greater than the difference between the bid and asked price of bonds of comparable maturity and quality issued by more traditional municipal entities, as bonds of such entities are more generally bought, sold or traded in the secondary market.

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 jurisdictions. 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 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 July 8, 2021, 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 October 29, 2020, 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 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, 2020.

## Capitalization of AGM

At March 31, 2021:

• The policyholders' surplus of AGM was approximately \$2,805 million.

- The contingency reserves of AGM and its indirect subsidiary Municipal Assurance Corp. ("MAC") (as described below) were approximately \$959 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 \$2,121 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 subsidiaries Assured Guaranty UK Limited ("AGUK") and Assured Guaranty (Europe) SA ("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 AGUK and AGE were determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Merger of MAC into AGM

On April 1, 2021, MAC was merged into AGM, with AGM as the surviving company. Prior to that merger transaction, MAC was an indirect subsidiary of AGM (which indirectly owned 60.7% of MAC) and AGM's affiliate, Assured Guaranty Corp., a Maryland-domiciled insurance company ("AGC") (which indirectly owned 39.3% of MAC). In connection with the merger transaction, AGM and AGC each reassumed the remaining outstanding par they ceded to MAC in 2013, and AGC sold its indirect share of MAC to AGM. All of MAC's direct insured par exposures have become insured obligations of AGM.

## 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, 2020 (filed by AGL with the SEC on February 26, 2021); and
- (ii) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2021 (filed by AGL with the SEC on May 7, 2021).

All 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 <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>, at AGL's website at <a href="ht

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 have received 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 is "Baa3" (stable outlook).

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 t ino 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 and Moody's, if, in any of 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. See "BOND INSURANCE" and "BOND INSURANCE RISK FACTORS."

## **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	Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Texas located entirely within Fort Bend County, Texas, and entirely within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Fulshear, Texas. See "THE DISTRICT - Authority."
Description	\$4,525,000 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 are dated August 1, 2021, and mature on September 1 in the years and principal amounts shown on the inside cover page of this Official Statement. Interest on the Bonds accrues from August 1, 2021, at the rates shown on the inside cover hereof, and is payable on March 1, 2022 (seven-month interest payment), and on each September 1 and March 1 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds are issued in fully registered form and will be issued in denominations of \$5,000 of principal amount or integral multiples thereof. The Bonds scheduled to mature on and after September 1, 2027, are subject to redemption, in whole or in part, prior to their scheduled maturities, on September 1, 2026, or on any date thereafter at the option of the District. Upon redemption, the Bonds will be payable at a price equal to the principal amount of the Bonds, or portions thereof, so called for redemption, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. See "THE BONDS."
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 (hereinafter defined) 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 - Maximum Impact on District Tax Rates." The Bonds are obligations of the District, and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Fort Bend County, Texas, the City of Fulshear, Texas, or any entity other than the District.

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Proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, together with other lawfully available funds of the District, will be applied to refund \$4,355,000 in principal amount of the District's Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bonds"). The Series 2014 Bonds that are being refunded by the Bonds are hereinafter referred to 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 Refunded Bonds will be redeemed on their redemption date, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest from funds to be deposited with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., in Dallas, Texas (the "Paying Agent for the Refunded 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.

In addition to the Series 2014 Bonds, the District has issued its Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bonds") and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2016 (the "Series 2016 Bonds") to finance components of the System, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Series 2020 Refunding Bonds") for refunding a portion of such bonds, and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2017 (the "Series 2017 Bonds") to finance recreational facilities. Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to all of such bonds previously issued by the District as the "Prior Bonds." Before the issuance of the Bonds, the principal amount of the Prior Bonds that has not been previously retired by the District is \$18,525,000 (the "Outstanding Bonds"). After issuance of the Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of the District's outstanding bonded indebtedness, consisting of the maturities of the Outstanding Bonds not heretofore paid by the District, and less the Refunded Bonds, will be \$14,170,000 (collectively, the "Remaining Outstanding Bonds"), and the aggregate principal amount of the District's bonded indebtedness, including the Bonds, will be \$18,695,000. The District has timely made all payments of principal of and interest on the Prior Bonds.

\$78,530,000 for construction and acquisition of the waterworks, sanitary sewer and storm drainage system to serve the District (the "System") and for refunding purposes (after issuance of the Bonds) and \$9,840,000 for recreational facilities and refunding purposes. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt."

Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. ("AGM"). See "BOND INSURANCE" and "BOND INSURANCE RISK FACTORS."

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) "Baa3" (stable outlook). See "BOND INSURANCE" and "RATINGS."

Bond Counsel	Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Houston, Texas, Bond Counsel. See "LEGAL MATTERS" and "TAX MATTERS."
Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations	The District has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax- exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. See "TAX MATTERS - Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations."
Verification Agent	Robert Thomas CPA, LLC. See "VERIFICATION OF ACCURACY OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS."
Т	THE DISTRICT
Description	Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, was created by the TCEQ, on January 25, 2012, and operates pursuant to Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code. The District currently contains approximately 210.71 acres of land. The District is located entirely within Fort Bend County, Texas, and entirely within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Fulshear, Texas (the "City"), approximately 30 miles west of the central business district of the City of Houston, Texas. The District is located east of F.M. 359, west of F.M. 1463, north of F.M. 1093 and south of I.H. 10. The District lies wholly within the Katy Independent School District. See "THE DISTRICT - Authority" and - "Description," "AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF THE DISTRICT," and "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 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, and Chapter 1207 of the Texas Government Code, as amended. See "THE DISTRICT - General."
Development and Home Construction	As of June 1, 2021, water distribution, wastewater collection, and storm drainage/detention facilities, water supply, wastewater treatment (see "THE SYSTEM") and street paving have been completed to serve the entirety of the developable acreage located within the District, including a total of 568 fully developed single-family residential lots (approximately 154.52 total acres) that have been platted as Churchill Farms, Sections 1 through 10 in the District on all 568 of which lots single-family homes have been constructed and sold to home buyers, as is delineated in the chart that appears in this Official Statement under the caption "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION."
	have been developed for commercial purposes, on which a drug store and two shopping centers are located.
	Approximately 1.99 acres of land located within the District are owned by American Montessori Schools, Inc, on which it has constructed a school.
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Approximately 11.5 acres of land located in the District are owned by a church. Such land is not currently subject to taxation by the District.

Approximately 38.25 acres located within the District are contained within street and/or drainage easements, rights-ofway, lakes and storm water detention ponds, parks and recreation centers, or are otherwise not available for development. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS -Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments" and "TAX DATA - Principal 2020 Taxpayers."

The District financed the cost of the first wastewater treatment plant capacity and water plant capacity payments to Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 57 ("FBMUD 57") and paid certain operating and creation costs of the District with a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the Series 2013 Bonds. The District financed a portion of the cost of water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 1 and 3, detention facilities throughout Churchill Farms and Pine Mill Ranch (located in FBMUD 57) and other facilities with a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2014 Bonds. The District financed a portion of the remaining cost of water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 1 and 3, water and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 2 and 4 through 10, the DLM Tract, the montessori school tract, and Crosspoint Lutheran Church and various detention facilities throughout Churchill Farms and other facilities with a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2016 Bonds. The District financed the cost of recreational facilities to serve the District with a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2017 Bonds. In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds, the District will finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt" and "THE SYSTEM."

In March 2020, the World Health Organization and the President of the United States separately declared the outbreak of a respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") to be a public health emergency. On March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas (the "Governor") declared a state of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas (the "State") because of the effects of COVID-19. Subsequently, in response to a rise in COVID-19 infections in the State and pursuant to the Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, the Governor issued a number of executive orders intended to help limit the spread of COVID-19 and mitigate injury and the loss of life, including limitations imposed on business operations, social gatherings, and other activities.

Infectious Disease Outbreak (COVID-19) ...

Over the ensuing year, COVID-19 negatively affected commerce, travel and businesses locally and globally, and negatively affected economic growth worldwide and within the State. Following the widespread release and distribution of various COVID-19 vaccines in 2021 and a decrease in active COVID-19 cases generally in the United States, state governments (including Texas) have started to lift business and social limitations associated with COVID-19. Beginning in March 2021, the Governor issued various executive orders, which, among other things, rescinded and superseded prior executive orders and provide that there are currently no COVID-19 related operating limits for any business or other establishment except in counties with an "area with high hospitalizations" where a county judge may impose COVID-19 related mitigation strategies. Fort Bend County is not currently an "area with high hospitalizations." The Governor retains the right to impose additional restrictions on activities if needed to mitigate the effects of COVID-19. Additional information regarding executive orders issued by the Governor is accessible on the website of the Governor at https://gov.texas.gov/. Neither the information on, nor accessed through, such website of the Governor is incorporated by reference into this Official Statement.

With the decrease in the number of active COVID-19 cases and the easing or removal of associated governmental restrictions, economic activity has increased. However, there are no assurances that such increased economic activity will continue or continue at the same rate, especially if there are future outbreaks of COVID-19. The District has not experienced any decrease in property values, unusual tax delinquencies, or interruptions to service as a result of COVID-19; however, the District cannot predict the longterm economic effect of COVID-19 or a similar virus should there be a reversal of economic activity and re-imposition of restrictions.

## INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

THE BONDS ARE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS. 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)

2020 Assessed Valuation	\$	189,687,636	(a)
(As of January 1, 2020) See "TAX DATA" and "TAXING PROCEDURES"			
2021 Preliminary Valuation	\$	194,366,289	(b)
See "TAX DATA" and "TAXING PROCEDURES"			
Direct Debt: Remaining Outstanding Bonds	\$	14,170,000	
The Bonds		4,525,000	
Total	\$	18,695,000	(c)
Estimated Overlapping Debt	\$	<u>9,463,778</u>	
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt	\$	28,158,778	
Direct Debt Ratio		0.96	0/
: as a percentage of 2020 Assessed Valuation : as a percentage of 2021 Preliminary Valuation		9.86 9.62	
Direct and Overlapping Debt Ratio		14.04	07
: as a percentage of 2020 Assessed Valuation : as a percentage of 2021 Preliminary Valuation		14.84 14.49	
Debt Service Fund Balance Estimated as of the Date of Delivery of the Bonds	\$	2,150,346	(d)
General Fund Balance as of June 15, 2021	\$	2,813,037	
2020 Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation			
The District Debt Service Tax			
Maintenance Tax <u>0.35</u> Total	\$	0.99	(a)
	φ	0.99	(0)
Average Percentage of Total Tax Collections (2012-2019) as of May 31, 2021		99.79	%
Percentage of Tax Collections of 2020 Levy as of May 31, 2021		00.00	0/
(In process of collection)		98.90	%0
Average Annual Debt Service Requirements on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds (2021-2040)	\$	1,235,276	
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements on the Bonds and the			
Remaining Outstanding Bonds (2040)	\$	1,395,688	
Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation Required to Pay Average Annual Debt Service Requirements on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds (2021-2040) at 95% Tax Collections			
Based Upon 2020 Assessed Valuation	\$	0.69	
Based Upon 2021 Preliminary Valuation	\$	0.67	

Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation Required to Pay Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds (2040) at 95% Tax Collections

Based Upon 2020 Assessed Valuation	\$ 0.78
Based Upon 2021 Preliminary Valuation	\$ 0.76
Number of Single Family Homes as of June 1, 2021	568

<sup>(</sup>a) As of January 1, 2020, and comprises the District's 2020 tax roll. All property located in the District is valued on the tax rolls by the Fort Bend Central 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 Fort Bend County Appraisal Review Board (the "Appraisal Review Board"). See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments" and "TAXING PROCEDURES."

- (b) This amount is the sum of the preliminary values of all taxable property located within the District as of January 1, 2021, as reflected on the District's preliminary 2021 tax roll supplied to the District by the Appraisal District, and includes the preliminary 2021 value resulting from the construction of taxable improvements from January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020. No taxes will be levied on this estimate. The District's ultimate 2021 Assessed Valuation may vary significantly from such preliminary tax roll once the Appraisal Review Board certifies the value thereof for 2021. See "TAXING PROCEDURES."
- (c) See "PLAN OF FINANCING" and "DISTRICT DEBT." In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities 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 and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. 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 fund balance reflects the timely payment by the District of the debt service requirements on the Outstanding Bonds that were due on March 1, 2021, and the contribution by the District of \$53,000 to the refunding of the Refunded Bonds. The District's remaining debt service payments for 2021, which are due on September 1, 2021, total \$826,631. The District's initial debt service payment on the Bonds, consisting of a seven-month interest payment thereon, is due March 1, 2022.
- (e) The District has levied a debt service tax of \$0.64 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and a maintenance tax of \$0.35 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2020. As is enumerated in this Official Statement under the caption "TAX DATA Estimated Overlapping Taxes," the aggregate of the 2020 tax levies of all overlapping taxing units which levy taxes upon property located in the District, plus the District's 2020 tax rate, is \$2.932007. Such aggregate levies are higher than the aggregate 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 aggregate 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 "TAXING PROCEDURES" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments."

## \$4,525,000 FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 156 UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS SERIES 2021

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This Official Statement provides certain information with respect to the issuance by Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 (the "District") of its \$4,525,000 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (the "Bonds").

There follow in this Official Statement descriptions of the Bonds 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 the District upon request and payment of the costs of duplication thereof.

## THE BONDS

#### General

The following is a description of some of the terms and conditions of the Bonds, which description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the resolution (the "Bond Resolution") of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") authorizing the issuance of the Bonds. A copy of the Bond Resolution may be obtained from the District upon written request made to the District's Financial Advisor, Rathmann & Associates, L.P., 8584 Katy Freeway, Suite 250, Houston, Texas 77024.

The Bonds are dated August 1, 2021. Interest accrues from August 1, 2021, and is payable on March 1, 2022 (sevenmonth interest payment), and on each September 1 and March 1 thereafter until the earlier of stated maturity or redemption. The Bonds are fully registered bonds maturing on September 1 each of the years and in the amounts shown under "MATURITY SCHEDULE" on the inside cover page of this Official Statement. Principal of the Bonds will be 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").

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 S&P Global rating of "AA+." The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Moreinformation 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 the Paying Agent/Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

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

#### 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. 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. 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 business days after the receipt of the request in proper form to transfer or exchange 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 or maturity 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. 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**

Bonds maturing on September 1, 2027, and thereafter shall be subject to redemption and payment at the option of the District, in whole or from time to time in part, on September 1, 2026, 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 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 maturity or maturities and amounts to be redeemed shall be selected by the District. If fewer than all of the Bonds within such maturity to be redeemed (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 Bonds 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 Registrar. If the Registrar is replaced by the District, the new paying agent/registrar shall act in the same capacity as the previous 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, 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

At an election held within the District on May 12, 2012, the District authorized a total of \$97,470,000 bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing the System and refunding such bonds and \$11,610,000 for recreational facilities and refunding such bonds. The Bonds constitute the second issuance of bonds for refunding purposes. After issuance of the Bonds, a total of \$78,530,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for construction of the System and refunding and \$9,840,000 for recreational facilities and refunding will remain authorized but unissued. The Bonds are issued pursuant to the Bond Resolution, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, as amended, and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution.

#### **Outstanding Bonds and Payment Record**

In addition to the Series 2014 Bonds, the District has issued its Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bonds") and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2016 (the "Series 2016 Bonds") to finance components of the System, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Series 2020 Refunding Bonds") for refunding a portion of such bonds, and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2017 (the "Series 2017 Bonds") to finance recreational facilities. Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to all of such bonds previously issued by the District as the "Prior Bonds." Before the issuance of the Bonds, the principal amount of the Prior Bonds that has not been previously retired by the District is \$18,525,000 (the "Outstanding Bonds"). After issuance of the Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of the District's outstanding Bonds not heretofore paid by the District, and less the Refunded Bonds, will be \$14,170,000 (collectively, the "Remaining Outstanding Bonds"), and the aggregate principal amount of the District's bonded indebtedness, including the Bonds, will be \$18,695,000. The District has timely made all payments of principal of and interest on the Prior Bonds.

#### Source of Payment

The Bonds (together with the Remaining Outstanding Bonds, 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, and Registrar 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, on such additional bonds payable from taxes which may be issued, and Registrar fees.

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

## **Issuance of Additional Debt**

The District may issue additional bonds, with the approval of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ"), necessary to provide improvements and facilities consistent with the purposes for which the District was created. The District's voters have authorized the issuance of \$97,470,000 unlimited tax bonds for construction of the System and refunding, and could authorize additional amounts. The District's voters also have authorized \$11,610,000 unlimited tax bonds for recreational facilities and refunding. Following the issuance of the Bonds, \$78,530,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for construction of the System and refunding and \$9,840,000 for recreational facilities and refunding will remain authorized but unissued. The Bond Resolution imposes no limitation on the amount of additional parity bonds which may be issued by the District (if authorized by the District's voters and approved by the Board and the TCEQ). In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities 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 and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt."

Based on present engineering cost estimates, in the opinion of the District's consulting engineer, Benchmark Engineering Corporation (the "Engineer"), the remaining \$78,530,000 authorized but unissued bonds will be adequate to finance the extension of water, wastewater and storm drainage facilities and services sufficient to provide such facilities and services to the entirety of the District at the full development thereof. See "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION" and "THE SYSTEM."

The District also is authorized by statute to engage in fire-fighting activities, including the issuing of bonds payable from taxes for such purposes. Before the District could issue bonds to fund a fire plan, the following actions would be required: (a) authorization of a fire plan and bonds for such purpose by the qualified voters in the District; (b) approval of the fire plan and bonds by the City of Fulshear and the TCEQ; and (c) approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The Board has not considered calling an election at this time for such purposes. If additional debt obligations are issued in the future by the District, such issuance may increase gross debt/property ratios and might adversely affect the investment security of the Bonds. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt."

The District is authorized by statute to develop parks and recreational facilities, including the issuing of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose. Voters of the District approved the issuance of \$11,610,000 park bonds on May 12, 2012. Before the District could issue additional park bonds payable from taxes, the following actions would be required: (a) approval of the park project and bonds by the TCEQ; and (b) approval of the bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. When the District issues park bonds, the outstanding principal amount of such bonds may not exceed an amount equal to one percent of the value of the taxable property in the District.

## 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 Fulshear, the District must conform to a City of Fulshear consent ordinance. Generally, the District may be annexed by the City of Fulshear 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. The District and the City have not entered into any such agreement at this time.

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

#### Consolidation

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

## **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 payments 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 observe and perform its covenants and obligations 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. Certain traditional legal remedies also may not be available.

## 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 commercial bank or trust company designated in the proceedings authorizing such discharge, amounts sufficient to provide for the payment and/or redemption of the Bonds; provided that such deposits may be invested and reinvested only in (a) direct noncallable obligations of the United States of America, (b) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and (c) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and which mature and/or bear interest payable at such times and in such amounts as will be sufficient to provide for the scheduled payment and/or redemption of the Bonds.

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

There is no assurance that the current law will not be changed in the future in a manner which would permit investments other than those described above to be made with amounts deposited to defease the Bonds. 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, together with certain funds that are lawfully available to the District for such purpose, will be applied to refund \$4,355,000 of the principal amount of the District's Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2014 (the "Series 2014 Bonds"). The Series 2014 Bonds that are being refunded by the Bonds are hereinafter referred to 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 Refunded Bonds will be redeemed at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest from funds to be deposited with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N. A. in Dallas, Texas. 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. See "DISTRICT DEBT - Debt Service Requirement Schedule."

#### 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.

	Series
Maturity Date	2014 Bonds
9/1/2023	\$165,000
9/1/2024	165,000
9/1/2025	175,000
9/1/2026	180,000
9/1/2027	195,000
9/1/2028	200,000
9/1/2029	210,000
9/1/2030	220,000
9/1/2031	230,000
9/1/2032	240,000
9/1/2033	255,000
9/1/2034	270,000
9/1/2035	280,000
9/1/2036	295,000
9/1/2037	315,000
9/1/2038	330,000
9/1/2039	630,000
	\$4,355,000
Redemption Date:	9/1/2021

Aggregate Principal Amount of Refunded Bonds......\$4,355,000

#### Payment of the Refunded Bonds

The Refunded Bonds, and the interest due thereon, are to be paid on the redemption date from funds to be deposited with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas, as paying agent for the Refunded Bonds (the "Paying Agent for the Refunded Bonds").

The Bond Resolution provides that from the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds and other available funds of the District, if any, the District will deposit with the Paying Agent for the Refunded Bonds the amount necessary to accomplish the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Bonds. Such funds will be held by the Paying Agent for the Refunded Bonds in a segregated payment account (the "Payment Account"). At the time of delivery of the Bonds, Robert Thomas CPA, LLC, will verify to the District, the Paying Agent for the Refunded Bonds and the Financial Advisor that the monies held in the Payment Account are sufficient to pay, when due, the principal of and interest on the Refunded Bonds. See "VERIFICATION OF ACCURACY OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS." By the deposit of the cash with the Paying Agent for the Refunded Bonds and the making of irrevocable arrangements for the giving of notice of redemption of the Refunded Bonds, the terms of the prior resolution of the District securing payment of the Refunded Bonds shall have been satisfied and such Refunded Bonds will no longer be considered outstanding except for the payment out of amounts so deposited, and the amounts so deposited in the Payment Account will constitute firm banking arrangements under Texas law for the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Bonds.

## The Non-Refunded Bonds (Remaining Outstanding Bonds)

In addition to the Series 2014 Bonds, the District has issued its Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2013 (the "Series 2013 Bonds") and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2016 (the "Series 2016 Bonds") to finance components of the System, Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Series 2020 Refunding Bonds") for refunding a portion of such bonds, and Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2017 (the "Series 2017 Bonds") to finance recreational facilities. Collective reference is made in this Official Statement to all of such bonds previously issued by the District as the "Prior Bonds." Before the issuance of the Bonds, the principal amount of the Prior Bonds that has not been previously retired by the District is \$18,525,000 (the "Outstanding Bonds"). After issuance of the Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of the District's outstanding Bonded indebtedness, consisting of the maturities of the Outstanding Bonds not heretofore paid by the District, and less the Refunded Bonds, will be \$14,170,000 (collectively, the "Remaining Outstanding Bonds"), and the aggregate principal amount of the District's bonded indebtedness, including the Bonds, will be \$18,695,000. See "DISTRICT DEBT - Debt Service Requirement Schedule."

The principal amounts and maturity dates (or mandatory redemption amounts and dates, as applicable) of the Remaining Outstanding Bonds are as follows:

Year of Maturity	Series 2013 Bonds	Series 2014 Bonds	Series 2016 Bonds	Series 2017 Bonds	Series 2020 Refunding Bonds
2021	\$105,000	\$150,000	\$270,000	\$75,000	\$25,000
2022	-	155,000	285,000	75,000	140,000
2023			290,000	75,000	145,000
2024			305,000	75,000	155,000
2025			320,000	75,000	160,000
2026			330,000	75,000	170,000
2027			340,000	75,000	175,000
2028			355,000	75,000	180,000
2029			370,000	75,000	185,000
2030			385,000	75,000	190,000
2031			400,000	75,000	200,000
2032			420,000	75,000	200,000
2033			440,000	100,000	205,000
2034			455,000	100,000	210,000
2035			475,000	100,000	220,000
2036			495,000	100,000	230,000
2037			515,000	100,000	230,000
2038			535,000	100,000	240,000
2039			565,000	100,000	
2040			1,250,000	100,000	
-	\$105,000	\$305,000	\$8,800,000	\$1,700,000	\$3,260,000

Total Principal Amount of Non-Refunded Bonds (Remaining Outstanding Bonds)...... \$14,170,000

#### Sources and Uses of Funds

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

#### **SOURCES OF FUNDS:**

Principal Amount of Bonds	\$4,525,000.00
Plus: Accrued Interest	8,486.46
District Capital Project Funds Contribution	3,547.44
District Debt Service Fund Contribution	53,000.00
Net Original Issue Premium on the Bonds	67,499.40
Total Sources of Funds	\$4,657,533.30
USES OF FUNDS:	

Deposit with Paying Agent for the Refunded Bonds	
Deposit Accrued Interest to Debt Service Fund	8,486.46
Expenses:	
Underwriter Discount	33,530.25
Municipal Bond Insurance Premium and Other Issuance Expenses	176,149.09
Total Uses of Funds	\$4,657,533.30

## THE DISTRICT

#### Authority

The District is a municipal utility district created by an order of the TCEQ, dated January 25, 2012, pursuant to the authority of Chapter 54, Texas Water Code, and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. The creation of the District was confirmed at an election held within the District on May 12, 2012. The rights, powers, privileges, authority, and functions of the District are established by the general laws of the State of Texas pertaining to municipal utility districts, including particularly Chapters 49 and 54, Texas Water Code, as amended. The District is subject to the continuing supervision of the TCEQ.

The District is empowered, among other things, to purchase, construct, operate, and maintain all works, improvements, facilities, and plants necessary for the supply of water; the collection, transportation, and treatment of wastewater; and the control and diversion of storm water.

The District also is authorized to construct, develop and maintain park and recreational facilities. In addition, the District is authorized to establish, operate and maintain a fire department, independently or with one or more other conservation and reclamation districts, and provide such facilities and services to the customers of the District. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt."

The TCEQ exercises continuing supervisory jurisdiction over the District. In order to obtain the consent for creation of the District from the City of Fulshear (the "City"), within whose extraterritorial jurisdiction the District lies, the District has agreed to observe certain City requirements. These requirements limit the purposes for which the District may sell bonds for the acquisition and improvement of waterworks, wastewater, and drainage facilities and fire protection facilities; limit the net effective interest rate on such bonds and other terms of such bonds; and require approval by the City of the District's construction plans and specifications, and the issuance of bonds.

#### Description

The District currently contains approximately 210.71 acres of land. The District is located entirely within Fort Bend County, Texas, and the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Fulshear, Texas, approximately 30 miles west of the central business district of the City of Houston, Texas. The District is located east of F.M. 359, west of F.M. 1463, north of F.M. 1093 and south of I.H. 10. The District lies wholly within the Katy Independent School District. See "AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF THE DISTRICT," and "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. The current members and officers of the Board, along with their respective terms of office, are listed below. None of the Directors currently resides within the District.

Name	<b>Position</b>	Term Expires in May
Robert E. Jones	President	2022
James B. Wilson	Vice President	2024
Eric Gerdes	Assistant Vice President	2024
Nathan Church	Secretary	2022
Joseph Ellis	Assistant Secretary	2024

The District does not have a general manager or any other employee, but has contracted for 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 204 taxing units as tax assessor/collector. The Tax Assessor/Collector applies the District's tax levy to tax rolls prepared by the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District and bills and collects such levy.

*Consulting Engineers* - The District has employed the firm of Benchmark Engineering Corporation, Houston, Texas, as Consulting Engineer in connection with the overall planning activities and the design and construction of the System. In addition, various other engineers were engaged by the District in connection with the design and construction of portions of the System.

*Bookkeeper* - The District has engaged Myrtle Cruz, Inc. as the District's Bookkeeper. According to Myrtle Cruz, Inc., it currently serves approximately 359 districts as bookkeeper.

*Operator* - The District has engaged Inframark Water & Infrastructure Services as the District's Operator of the System. According to Inframark Water & Infrastructure Service, it currently serves approximately 125 districts as operator.

*Auditor* - As required by the Texas Water Code, the District is required to retain an independent auditor to audit the District's financial statements annually, which annual audit is filed with the TCEQ. The District engaged McGrath & Co., PLLC, Houston, Texas, to perform the audit for the District's 2020 fiscal year, which covered the year ended August 31, 2020, and is included as "APPENDIX B" to this Official Statement.

*Bond Counsel and General Counsel* - Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, Houston, Texas ("Bond Counsel") serves as Bond Counsel to the District. The fee to be paid Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. In addition, Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP serves as general counsel to the District on matters other than the issuance of bonds.

*Financial Advisor* - The District has engaged Rathmann & Associates, L.P., as financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor") to the District. The fees 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 registration forms MA and MA-1's, which constitute Rathmann & Associates, L.P.'s registration filings, may be accessed through <u>http://www.sec.gov/edgar/searchedgar/company search.html</u>.

## DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION

As of June 1, 2021, water distribution, wastewater collection, and storm drainage/detention facilities, water supply, wastewater treatment (see "THE SYSTEM") and street paving have been completed to serve the entirety of the developable acreage located within the District, including a total of 568 fully developed single-family residential lots (approximately 154.52 total acres) that have been platted as Churchill Farms, Sections 1 through 10 in the District on all 568 of which lots single-family homes have been constructed and sold to home buyers, as is delineated in the chart that appears below.

Approximately 6.21 acres of land located within the District have been developed for commercial purposes, on which a drug store and two shopping centers are located.

Approximately 1.99 acres of land located within the District are owned by American Montessori Schools, Inc, on which it has constructed a school.

Approximately 11.5 acres of land located in the District are owned by a church. Such land is not currently subject to taxation by the District.

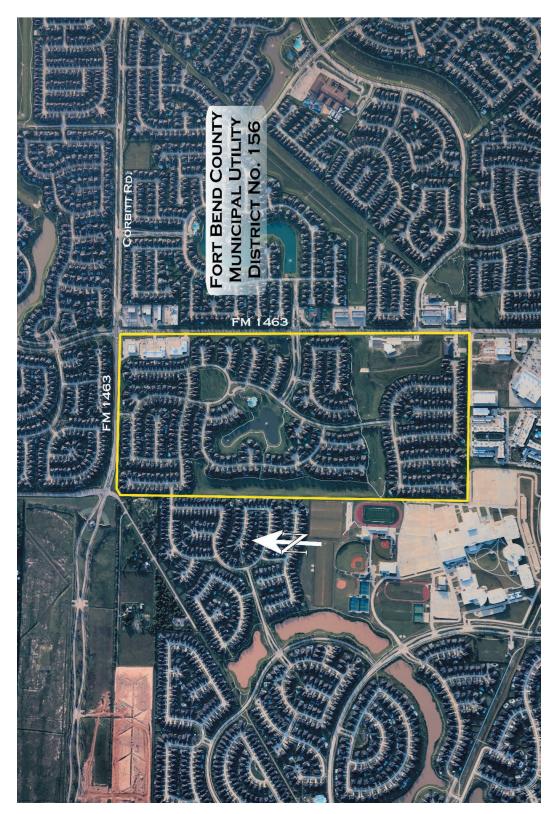
Approximately 38.25 acres located within the District are contained within street and/or drainage easements, rights-ofway, lakes and storm water detention ponds, parks and recreation centers, or are otherwise not available for development. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments" and "TAX DATA -Principal 2020 Taxpayers."

The District financed the cost of the first wastewater treatment plant capacity and water plant capacity payments to Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 57 ("FBMUD 57") and paid certain operating and creation costs of the District with a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the Series 2013 Bonds. The District financed a portion of the cost of water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 1 and 3, detention facilities throughout Churchill Farms and Pine Mill Ranch (located in FBMUD 57) and other facilities with a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2014 Bonds. The District financed a portion of the remaining cost of water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 1 and 3, water and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 2 and 4 through 10, the DLM Tract, the montessori school tract, and Crosspoint Lutheran Church and various detention facilities throughout Churchill Farms and other facilities to serve the District with a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2017 Bonds. In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the Prior Bonds, the District will finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt" and "THE SYSTEM."

		L	OTS			HOME	S		
			Under		Under C	onstruction	Con	npleted	
Subdivision	Developed	Acres	Development	Acres	Sold	Unsold	<u>Sold</u>	Unsold	<u>Totals</u>
Churchill Farms									
Section 1	52	14.04			0	0	52	0	52
Section 2	64	18.11			0	0	64	0	64
Section 3	60	17.86			0	0	60	0	60
Section 4	11	3.37			0	0	11	0	11
Section 5	107	31.10			0	0	107	0	107
Section 6	71	23.87			0	0	71	0	71
Section 7	29	7.29			0	0	29	0	29
Section 8	51	11.12			0	0	51	0	51
Section 9	59	11.95			0	0	59	0	59
Section 10	64	15.81			0	0	64	0	64
TOTALS	568	154.52	0	0	0	0	568	0	568

As of June 1, 2021, the status of lot development and home construction in the District was as follows:

# AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF THE DISTRICT (taken June 2021)



PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN WITHIN THE DISTRICT (taken June 2021)













# PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN WITHIN THE DISTRICT (taken June 2021)













## DISTRICT DEBT

## General

The following tables and calculations relate to the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds. After issuance of the Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds, less the Refunded Bonds, will be \$14,170,000 (collectively, the "Remaining Outstanding Bonds"), and the aggregate principal amount of the District's bonded indebtedness, including the Bonds, will be \$18,695,000. The District is empowered to incur debt to be paid from revenues raised by taxation against all taxable property located within the District, and various other political subdivisions of government that overlap all or a portion of the District are empowered to incur debt to be paid from revenues raised or to be raised by taxation against all or a portion of the property within the District.

2020 Assessed Valuation (As of January 1, 2020) See "TAX DATA" and "TAXING PROCEDURES"	\$ 189,687,636 (a)
2021 Preliminary Valuation (As of January 1, 2021) See "TAX DATA" and "TAXING PROCEDURES"	\$ 194,366,289 (b)
Direct Debt:	
Remaining Outstanding Bonds The Bonds	\$ 14,170,000 4,525,000
Total	\$ $\frac{4,525,000}{18,695,000}$ (c)
Estimated Overlapping Debt	\$ <u>9,463,778</u>
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt	\$ 28,158,778
Direct Debt Ratio	
: as a percentage of 2020 Assessed Valuation	9.86 %
: as a percentage of 2021 Preliminary Valuation	9.62 %
Direct and Overlapping Debt Ratio	
: as a percentage of 2020 Assessed Valuation	14.84 %
: as a percentage of 2021 Preliminary Valuation	14.49 %
Debt Service Fund Balance Estimated as of the Date of Delivery of the Bonds	\$ 2,150,346 (d)
General Fund Balance as of June 15, 2021	\$ 2,813,037
2020 Tax Rate per \$100 of Assessed Valuation	
The District	
Debt Service Tax \$0.64	
Maintenance Tax <u>0.35</u>	
Total	\$ \$0.99 (e)
Average Percentage of Total Tax Collections (2012-2019) as of May 31, 2021	99.79 %
Percentage of Tax Collections of 2020 Levy as of May 31, 2021	
(In process of collection)	98.90 %

<sup>(</sup>a) As of January 1, 2020, and comprises the District's 2020 tax roll. All property located in the District is valued on the tax rolls by the Fort Bend Central 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 Fort Bend County Appraisal Review Board (the "Appraisal Review Board"). See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments" and "TAXING PROCEDURES."

- (b) This amount is the sum of the preliminary values of all taxable property located within the District as of January 1, 2021, as reflected on the District's preliminary 2021 tax roll supplied to the District by the Appraisal District, and includes the preliminary 2021 value resulting from the construction of taxable improvements from January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020. No taxes will be levied on this estimate. The District's ultimate 2021 Assessed Valuation may vary significantly from such preliminary tax roll once the Appraisal Review Board certifies the value thereof for 2021. See "TAXING PROCEDURES."
- (c) See "PLAN OF FINANCING." In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities 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 and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. 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 fund balance reflects the timely payment by the District of the its debt service requirements on the Outstanding Bonds that were due on March 1, 2021, and the contribution by the District of \$53,000 to the refunding of the Refunded Bonds. The District's remaining debt service payments for 2021, which are due on September 1, 2021, total \$826,631. The District's initial debt service payment on the Bonds, consisting of a seven-month interest payment thereon, is due March 1, 2022.
- (e) The District has levied a debt service tax of \$0.64 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and a maintenance tax of \$0.35 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2020. As is enumerated in this Official Statement under the caption "TAX DATA Estimated Overlapping Taxes," the aggregate of the 2020 tax levies of all overlapping taxing units which levy taxes upon property located in the District, plus the District's 2020 tax rate, is \$2.932007. Such aggregate levies are higher than the aggregate 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 aggregate 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 "TAXING PROCEDURES" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments."

#### **Estimated Direct and Overlapping Debt Statement**

Other governmental entities whose boundaries overlap the District have 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.

	Debt as of	Estimated Overlapping	
Taxing Jurisdiction	<u>May 1, 2021</u>	<b>Percent</b>	<u>Amount</u>
Fort Bend County	\$622,289,567	0.2469%	\$1,536,419
Fort Bend County Drainage District	25,405,000	0.2489%	63,227
Katy Independent School District	1,806,185,631	0.4354%	7,864,132
Total Estimated Overlapping Debt			\$9,463,778
Total Direct Debt (the Bonds and the Remaining			
Outstanding Bonds)			18,695,000
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt			\$28,158,778

#### **Debt Ratios**

	% of 2020 Assessed Valuation	% of 2021 <u>Preliminary Valuation</u>
Direct Debt	9.86%	9.62%
Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt	14.84%	14.49%

Under Texas law, ad valorem taxes levied by each taxing authority other than the District create a lien that is on a parity with the lien in favor of the District on all taxable property within the District. In addition to the ad valorem taxes required to retire the foregoing direct and overlapping debt, the various taxing authorities mentioned above are also authorized by Texas law to assess, levy, and collect ad valorem taxes for operation, maintenance, administration, and/or general revenue purposes. Certain of the jurisdictions have in the past levied such taxes. The District has the power to assess, levy, and collect ad valorem taxes for operations, and such taxes have been authorized by the duly qualified voters of the District. The District has levied a maintenance tax of \$0.35 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation in 2020. See "TAX DATA - Maintenance Tax."

# Debt Service Requirement Schedule

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

		Less: Debt	DI 7		Total New
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December 31	Debt Service	Refunded Bonds	Principal	Interest	Requirements
2021	\$1,203,187	\$84,368			\$1,118,819
2022	1,209,673	168,735	\$15,000	\$110,324	1,166,261
2023	1,212,123	333,735	190,000	101,388	1,169,775
2024	1,218,858	328,620	190,000	95,688	1,175,925
2025	1,230,578	333,340	200,000	89,988	1,187,225
2026	1,233,815	332,478	205,000	83,988	1,190,325
2027	1,242,708	341,358	220,000	77,838	1,199,188
2028	1,245,308	339,533	225,000	71,238	1,202,013
2029	1,251,983	342,333	235,000	66,738	1,211,388
2030	1,257,350	344,563	240,000	62,038	1,214,825
2031	1,265,950	345,763	245,000	57,238	1,222,425
2032	1,268,500	346,563	250,000	52,338	1,224,275
2033	1,305,050	351,963	265,000	47,338	1,265,425
2034	1,309,294	356,763	275,000	42,038	1,269,569
2035	1,317,381	355,963	275,000	36,538	1,272,956
2036	1,328,731	359,763	285,000	31,038	1,285,006
2037	1,332,050	367,594	300,000	25,338	1,289,794
2038	1,338,894	369,600	310,000	19,338	1,298,631
2039	1,389,244	655,988	600,000	12,750	1,346,006
2040	1,395,688	,	,	,	1,395,688
	\$25,556,365	\$6,459,023	\$4,525,000	\$1,083,182	\$24,705,519

Average Annual Requirements: (2021-2040)	\$1,235,276
Maximum Annual Requirement: (2040)	\$1,395,688

## TAX DATA

#### **Debt Service Tax**

All taxable property located 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, levied upon all taxable property within the District, sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Remaining Outstanding Bonds, the Bonds and any future tax supported bonds which may be issued from time to time as authorized. The Board covenants in the Bond Resolution to assess and levy, for each year that all or any part of the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid, a tax sufficient to produce funds to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due. The actual rate of such tax will be determined from year to year as a function of the District's tax base, its debt service requirements and available funds. The District has levied a debt service tax of \$0.64 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2020.

#### 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 12, 2012, the District voters authorized the levy of such a maintenance tax in an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$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 Remaining Outstanding Bonds, and any parity bonds which may be issued in the future. The District has levied a maintenance tax of \$0.35 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2020.

#### Tax Rate Limitation

Debt Service: Unlimited (no legal limit as to rate or amount). Maintenance: \$1.50 per \$100 Assessed Valuation.

#### **Historical Values and Tax Collection History**

				% Collections	
<u>Tax Year</u>	Assessed Valuation	<u>Tax Rate<sup>(a)</sup></u>	Adjusted Levy	Current & <u>Prior Years<sup>(b)</sup></u>	Year Ended <u>9/30</u>
2012	\$7,385,658	\$1.50	\$110,785	100.00%	2013
2013	32,491,130	1.50	487,367	99.29	2014
2014	82,853,938	1.50	1,242,809	99.71	2015
2015	159,838,090	1.25	1,997,976	99.84	2016
2016	185,732,702	1.05	1,950,193	99.86	2017
2017	179,409,224	1.05	1,883,797	99.86	2018
2018	180,662,625	1.05	1,896,811	99.86	2019
2019	189,705,086	1.01	1,916,021	99.87	2020
2020	189,687,636	0.99	1,877,908	98.90 <sup>(c)</sup>	2021

(a) Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation.

(c) As of May 31, 2021. In process of collection.

<sup>(</sup>b) Such percentages reflect cumulative total collections for each year from the time each respective annual tax was levied through May 31, 2021. 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.

## **Tax Rate Distribution**

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Debt Service	\$0.64	\$0.66	\$0.70	\$0.63	\$0.63
Maintenance	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.42	0.42
Total	\$0.99	\$1.01	\$1.05	\$1.05	\$1.05

#### Analysis of Tax Base

The following table illustrates the composition of property located within the District during the past five years.

	2020		2019		2018	
<b>Type of Property</b>	Assessed Valuation	%	Assessed Valuation	%	Assessed Valuation	%
Land	\$38,981,740	20.55%	\$39,018,860	20.57%	\$39,158,240	21.67%
Improvements	158,172,418	83.39%	157,040,857	82.78%	148,252,410	82.06%
Personal Property	1,249,510	0.66%	1,795,460	0.95%	268,810	0.15%
Exemptions	(8,716,032)	<u>-4.59%</u>	<u>(8,150,091)</u>	-4.30%	(7,016,835)	-3.88%
TOTAL	\$189,687,636	100.00%	\$189,705,086	100.00%	\$180,662,625	100.00%
	2017		2016			
<u>Type of Property</u>	2017 <u>Assessed Valuation</u>	%	2016 <u>Assessed Valuation</u>	%		
<u>Type of Property</u> Land		<u>%</u> 19.46%		<u>%</u> 18.67%		
	Assessed Valuation		Assessed Valuation			
Land	Assessed Valuation \$34,905,630	19.46%	Assessed Valuation \$34,675,840	18.67%		
Land Improvements	Assessed Valuation \$34,905,630 148,211,640	19.46% 82.61%	Assessed Valuation \$34,675,840 152,013,740	18.67% 81.85%		

### **Principal 2020 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, 2020. The information reflects the composition of the Appraisal District's record of property ownership as of January 1, 2020.

<u>Taxpayer</u>	<b>Type of Property</b>	Assessed Valuation <u>2020 Tax Roll</u>	% of 2020 <u>Tax Roll</u>
1463 Churchill Farms Venture LLC	Commercial	\$2,772,350	1.46%
SCMS Fulshear Assets LLC	Commercial	2,656,260	1.40%
JH Commercial LLC	Commercial	2,605,770	1.37%
Napas Texas LLC	Commercial	2,237,260	1.18%
Walgreen Co.	Personal Property	900,430	0.47%
Homeowner	Residential	639,210	0.34%
Homeowner	Residential	501,320	0.26%
Homeowner	Residential	485,440	0.26%
Homeowner	Residential	475,570	0.25%
Homeowner	Residential	465,940	0.25%
		\$13,739,550	7.24%

### **Tax Exemption**

The District has granted a \$10,000 exemption for persons who are disabled or 65 years of age or older for 2021.

#### **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 occurs beyond the 2020 Assessed Valuation or the 2021 Preliminary Valuation. The calculations also assume collection of 95% of taxes levied, no use of District funds on hand, and the sale of no additional bonds by the District other than the Bonds and the Prior Bonds.

Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2021-2040)	\$1,235,276
Tax Rate of \$0.69 on the 2020 Assessed Valuation (\$189,687,636) produces	\$1,243,402
Tax Rate of \$0.67 on the 2021 Preliminary Valuation (\$194,366,289) produces	\$1,237,141
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement (2040)	\$1,395,688
Tax Rate of \$0.78 on the 2020 Assessed Valuation (\$189,687,636) produces	\$1,405,585
Tax Rate of \$0.76 on the 2021 Preliminary Valuation (\$194,366,289) produces	\$1,403,325

The District has levied a debt service tax of \$0.64 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and a maintenance tax of \$0.35 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2020. As the above table indicates, the 2020 debt service rate will not be 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 2020 Assessed Valuation or the 2021 Preliminary Valuation, assuming a tax collection rate of 95%, no use of funds on hand, and the issuance of no additional bonds by the District. However, as is illustrated in this Official Statement under the caption "TAX DATA - Historical Values and Tax Collection History," the District has collected an average of 99.79% of its 2012 through 2019 tax levies as of May 31, 2020, and its 2020 tax levy, which is in the process of collection, is 98.90% collected as of such date. Moreover, the District's Debt Service Fund balance is estimated to be \$2,150,346 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 - FINANCIAL REPORT"). 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 has levied for 2020 - \$0.64 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. Increases in the District's tax rate to higher levels than the total \$0.99 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation rate which the District levied for 2020 may have an adverse impact upon the ability of the District to collect, and the willingness of owners of property located within the District to pay, ad valorem taxes levied by the District. In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities 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 and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. 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 2020 taxes levied upon property located within the District and the District's 2020 tax rate. 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.

Set forth below is an estimation of all taxes per \$100 of assessed valuation levied by such jurisdictions. No recognition is given to local assessments for civic association dues, emergency medical service contributions, fire department contributions or any other charges made by entities other than political subdivisions. The following chart includes the 2020 taxes per \$100 of assessed valuation levied by all such taxing jurisdictions including the District.

Taxing Jurisdiction	2020 Tax Rate <u>Per \$100 of A.V.</u>
The District <sup>(i)</sup>	\$0.990000
Fort Bend County	0.435876
Fort Bend County Drainage District	0.017331
Katy Independent School District	1.388800
Fort Bend Emergency Service District No. 4	<u>0.100000</u>
Total Tax Rate	\$2.932007

<sup>(i)</sup> The District has levied a total tax rate of \$0.99 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2020, consisting of debt service and maintenance taxes of \$0.64 and \$0.35 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, respectively.

No prediction can be made of the tax rates that will be levied in future years by the respective taxing jurisdictions.

#### **TAXING PROCEDURES**

#### Authority to Levy Taxes

The Board is authorized to levy an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property within the District in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds, the Remaining Outstanding 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 may also 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" and - "Tax Rate Distribution."

#### Property Tax Code and County-wide Appraisal District

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

The Property 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.

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

Except for certain exemptions provided by Texas law, all real property, tangible personal property held or used for the production of income, mobile homes and certain categories of intangible personal property with a tax situs in the District are subject to taxation by the District. Principal categories of exempt property include, but are not limited to: property owned by the State of Texas or its political subdivisions if the property is used for public purposes; property exempt from ad valorem taxation by federal law; certain household goods, family supplies and personal effects; certain goods, wares, and merchandise in transit; farm products owned by the producer; certain property of charitable organizations, youth development associations, religious organizations, and qualified schools; designated historical sites; 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. The District may be required to offer such an exemption if a majority of voters approve it at an election. The District would be required to call such an election upon petition by twenty percent (20%) of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election. The District is authorized by statute to disregard exemptions for the disabled and elderly if granting the exemption would impair the District's obligation to pay tax supported debt incurred prior to adoption of the exemption by the District. Furthermore, the District must grant exemptions to disabled veterans, or certain surviving dependents of disabled veterans, if requested, but only to the maximum extent of between \$5,000 and \$12,000 of taxable valuation depending on the disability rating of the veteran. A veteran who receives a disability rating of 100%, and, under certain circumstances, the surviving spouse of such veteran, is entitled to the exemption for the full amount of the residential homestead. A partially disabled veteran or certain surviving spouses of partially disabled veterans are entitled to an exemption from taxation of a percentage of the appraised value of their residence homestead in an amount equal to the partially disabled veteran's disability rating if the residence homestead was donated by a charitable organization. Also, the surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces who was killed in action is, subject to certain conditions, entitled to an exemption of the total appraised value of the surviving spouse's residence homestead, and subject to certain conditions, 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 to be transferred to a subsequent residence homestead of the surviving spouse. For the 2021 tax year, the district granted a \$10,000 exemption for persons who are 65 years of age or older, or disabled. See "TAX DATA - Exemptions."

**Residential Homestead Exemptions:** The Property Tax Code authorizes the governing body of each political subdivision in the State of Texas to exempt up to twenty percent (20%) of the appraised 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. The District has not granted a general residential homestead exemption for 2021.

**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 for all prior and subsequent years.

#### Tax Abatement

Fort Bend County may designate all or part of the area within the District as a reinvestment zone. Thereafter, the City of Fulshear (if it were to annex the area), Fort Bend County, and the District, at the option and discretion of each entity, may enter into tax abatement agreements with owners of property within the zone. Prior to entering into a tax abatement agreement, each entity must adopt guidelines and criteria for establishing tax abatement, which each entity will follow in granting tax abatement to owners of property. The tax abatement agreements may exempt from ad valorem taxation by each of the applicable taxing jurisdictions, including the District, for a period of up to ten (10) years, all or any part of any increase in the assessed valuation of property covered by the agreement over its assessed valuation in the year in which the agreement is executed, on the condition that the property owner make specified improvements or repairs to the property in conformity with the terms of the tax abatement. Each taxing jurisdiction has discretion to determine the 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 Boards, 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. In determining market value, either the replacement cost or the income or the market data method of valuation may be used, whichever is appropriate. Nevertheless, certain land may be appraised at less than market value under the Property Tax Code. Increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads are limited by the Texas Constitution to 10 percent annually regardless of the market value of the property.

The Property Tax Code permits land designated for agricultural use, open space or timberland to be appraised at its value based on the land's capacity to produce agricultural or timber products rather than at its 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 some political subdivisions 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 (3) years for agricultural use, 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 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 (such as the District) may appeal the orders of the Appraisal Review Boards by filing a timely petition for review in State district court. In such event, the value of the property in question will be determined by the court, or by a jury, if requested by any party. Additionally, taxing units may bring suit against the Appraisal Districts to compel compliance with the Property Tax Code.

The Property Tax Code also 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.

#### 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. 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.

Certain qualified taxpayers, including owners of residential homesteads, located within a natural disaster area and whose property has been damaged as a direct result of the disaster, are entitled to enter into a tax payment installment agreement with a taxing jurisdiction such as the District if the taxpayer pays at least one-fourth of the tax bill imposed on the property by the delinquency date. The remaining taxes may be paid without penalty or interest in three equal installments within six months of the delinquency date.

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

Chapter 49 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, 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 is described for each classification below. Debt service and contract tax rates cannot be reduced by a rollback election held within any of the districts described 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 than1.035 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. 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. For the 2020 tax rate year, a determination has been made by the District's Board of Directors that the District is a Developed District.

### **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 for 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 local 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 the United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the District is determined by applicable federal law. Personal property, under certain circumstances, is subject to seizure and sale for the payment of delinquent taxes, penalty and interest.

At any time after taxes on property become delinquent, the District may file suit to foreclose the lien securing payment of the tax, to enforce personal liability for the tax, or both. 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 for residential and all other types of property after the purchaser's deed issued at the foreclosure sale is filed in the county records) or by bankruptcy proceedings which restrict the collection of taxpayer debts. The District's ability to foreclose its tax lien or collect penalties or interest on delinquent taxes may be limited on property owned by a financial institution which is under receivership by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation pursuant to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. 1825, as amended. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS -Tax Collection Limitations."

#### Tax Payment Installments after Disaster

Certain qualified taxpayers, including owners of residential homesteads, located within a natural disaster area and whose property has been damaged as a direct result of the disaster, are entitled to enter into a tax payment installment agreement with a taxing jurisdiction such as the District if the tax payer pays at least one-fourth of the tax bill imposed on the property by the delinquency date. The remaining taxes may be paid without penalty or interest in three equal installments within six months of the delinquency date.

#### **Reappraisal of Property After Disaster**

The Property 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 prorated 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. The District has not adopted an order regarding the reappraisal of property.

#### THE SYSTEM

#### Regulation

According to the Engineer, the District's water distribution, wastewater collection, and storm drainage facilities (collectively, the "System") have been designed in accordance with accepted engineering practices and the requirements of various agencies having regulatory or supervisory jurisdiction over the construction and operation of such facilities. The construction and operation of the System must be accomplished in accordance with the standards and specifications of such entities and are subject to inspection by each such entity. The TCEQ exercises continuing supervisory authority over the District. Construction of drainage facilities is subject to the regulatory authority of the Fort Bend Drainage District, and, in some instances, the TCEQ and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Fort Bend County and the City also exercise regulatory jurisdiction over the District's System. The total number of equivalent single-family connections ("ESFCs") estimated at this time for the District upon the full development of its approximately 210.71 acres is 610 with a total estimated population of 1,576 people. The following descriptions are based upon information supplied by the District's Engineer.

#### Description

The District financed the cost of the first wastewater treatment plant capacity and water plant capacity payments to Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 57 ("FBMUD 57") and paid certain operating and creation costs of the District with a portion of the proceeds of the sale of the Series 2013 Bonds. The District financed a portion of the cost of water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 1 and 3, detention facilities throughout Churchill Farms and Pine Mill Ranch (located in FBMUD 57) and other facilities with a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2014 Bonds. The District financed a portion of the remaining cost of water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 1 and 3, water and drainage facilities to serve Churchill Farms, Sections 2 and 4 through 10, the DLM Tract, the montessori school tract, and Crosspoint Lutheran Church and various detention facilities throughout Churchill Farms and other facilities to serve the District with a portion of the proceeds of the series 2017 Bonds. In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the sele of the Prior Bonds, the District will finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS - Future Debt."

## Water Supply

The District obtains water supply from Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 57 ("MUD 57") pursuant to a Utility Agreement between the District and MUD 57 (the "Utility Agreement"). MUD 57 owns and operates Water Plant No. 1, which includes a 1,600 gallons per minute ("g.p.m.") well, 40,000 gallon pressure tank capacity, 960,000 gallon ground storage tank capacity and booster pumps totaling 7,000 g.p.m. capacity. The District has purchased capacity that is sufficient to serve 645 equivalent single family connections (ESFC's).

#### Wastewater Treatment

The District receives its wastewater treatment from MUD 57 pursuant to the Utility Agreement. MUD 57 owns and operates a 900,000 g.p.d. wastewater treatment plant. The District has purchased capacity that is sufficient to serve 645 ESFC's.

#### **Outfall Drainage Channel**

Storm water from within the District generally drains through underground lines to a detention basin, and outfalls into Little Prong Creek and eventually to Buffalo Bayou.

#### **100-Year Flood Plain**

"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.

According to the District's Engineer, none of the developable land located within the District is located within the current 100-year flood plain as shown on Flood Insurance Rate Map for Fort Bend County, Texas, and Incorporated Areas (Firm Panel 48157C0100J) dated January 3, 1997.

The National Weather Service recently completed a rainfall study known as NOAA Atlas 14, Volume 11 Precipitation Frequency Atlas of the United States ("Atlas 14"). Floodplain boundaries within the District may be redrawn based on the Atlas 14 study based on a higher statistical rainfall amount, resulting in the application of more stringent floodplain regulations applying to a larger area and potentially leaving less developable property within the District. The application of 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.

#### INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

#### General

The Bonds, which are obligations solely of the District and not of the State of Texas, Fort Bend County, Texas, the City of Fulshear, Texas, or any political subdivision or agency other than the District, are secured by the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, levied without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property within the District. The ultimate security for payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds depends upon the District's ability 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 representation that over the life of the Bonds the taxable property within the District will maintain a value sufficient to justify continued payment of taxes by property owners or that there will be a market for any 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. Further, the collection of delinquent taxes may be costly and lengthy processes. See "Tax Collection Limitations" and "Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy" below and "THE BONDS - Source of Payment" and - "Registered Owners' Remedies."

#### 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 single-family residences that have been constructed within the District. The market value of such homes is related to general economic conditions affecting the demand for residences. Demand for homes can be significantly affected by factors such as interest rates, credit availability, construction costs, energy costs and availability, and the prosperity and demographic characteristics of the urban center toward which the marketing of lots, homes, and commercial enterprises 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 (see "Potential Effects of Oil Price Fluctuations on the Houston Area" below). Were the District to experience a significant number of residential foreclosures, the value of all homes within the District could be adversely affected. Recent changes in federal tax law limiting deductions for ad

valorem taxes may adversely affect the assessed valuation of homes within the District. As is described in this Official Statement under the caption "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION," the development of the entirety of the developable acreage located within the District is complete, including 568 single family residential lots on which 568 single-family homes have been constructed, all of which have been sold to home buyers. The District contains approximately 6.21 acres of land that have been developed for commercial purposes, on which a drug store and two shopping centers have been constructed. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt," "Future Debt" below, "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION" and "TAX DATA - Principal 2020 Taxpayers."

**National Economy**: The housing and building industry has historically been a cyclical industry, affected by both short-term and long-term interest rates, availability of mortgage and development funds, employment levels and general economic conditions. As is described in this Official Statement under the caption "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION," the development of the entirety of the developable acreage located within the District is complete, including 568 single family residential lots on which 568 single-family homes have been constructed, all of which have been sold to home buyers. The District contains approximately 6.21 acres of land that have been developed for commercial purposes, on which a drug store and two shopping centers have been constructed. The District cannot predict what impact, if any, a downturn in the local housing markets or in the national housing and financial markets may have on the Houston market generally and the District specifically. See "TAXING PROCEDURES."

#### Maximum Impact on District Tax Rates

The value of the land and improvements currently located within the District will be a major determinant of the ability of the District to collect, and the willingness of District property owners to pay, ad valorem taxes levied by the District. The District's 2020 Assessed Valuation is \$189,687,636. After issuance of the Bonds, the Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement on the Bonds and the Remaining Outstanding Bonds will be \$1,395,688 (2040) and the Average Annual Debt Service Requirements will be \$1,235,276 (2021 through 2040, inclusive). Assuming no increase to nor decrease from the 2020 Assessed Valuation, no use of funds on hand, and the issuance of no additional bonds by the District other than the Bonds and the Prior Bonds, tax rates of \$0.78 and \$0.69 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation at a 95% tax collection rate would be necessary to pay the Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements, respectively. The District's 2021 Preliminary Valuation is \$194,366,289. Assuming no increase to nor decrease from the 2021 Preliminary Valuation, no use of funds on hand, and the issuance of no additional bonds by the District other than the Bonds and the Prior Bonds, tax rates of \$0.76 and \$0.67 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. The District's 2021 Preliminary Valuation is \$194,366,289. Assuming no increase to nor decrease from the 2021 Preliminary Valuation, no use of funds on hand, and the issuance of no additional bonds by the District other than the Bonds and the Prior Bonds, tax rates of \$0.76 and \$0.67 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.

The District has levied a debt service tax of \$0.64 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation and a maintenance tax of \$0.35 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation for 2020. As the above calculations indicate, the 2020 debt service rate will not be 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 2020 Assessed Valuation or the 2021 Preliminary Valuation, assuming a tax collection rate of 95%, no use of funds on hand, and the issuance of no additional bonds by the District. However, as is illustrated in this Official Statement under the caption "TAX DATA - Historical Values and Tax Collection History," the District has collected an average of 99.79% of its 2012 through 2019 tax levies as of May 31, 2021, and its 2020 tax levy, which is in the process of collection, is 98.90% collected as of such date. Moreover, the District's Debt Service Fund balance is estimated to be \$2,150,346 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 -FINANCIAL REPORT"). 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 has levied for 2020 - \$0.64 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. Increases in the District's tax rate to higher levels than the total \$0.99 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation rate which the District has levied for 2020 may have an adverse impact upon future development of the District, the ability of the District to collect, and the willingness of owners of property located within the District to pay, ad valorem taxes levied by the District. In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities 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 and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. See "Future Debt" below, "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt" and "THE SYSTEM."

As is enumerated in this Official Statement under the caption "TAX DATA - Estimated Overlapping Taxes," the aggregate of the 2020 tax levies of all overlapping taxing units which levy taxes upon property located in the District, plus the District's rate, is \$2.932007 per \$100 of Assessed Valuation. Such aggregate rates are higher than the aggregate 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 aggregate 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 state and local taxing authorities on the property against which taxes are levied, and such lien may be enforced by foreclosure. The District's ability to collect ad valorem taxes through such foreclosure may be impaired by (i) cumbersome, time-consuming, and expensive collection procedures, (ii) a bankruptcy court's stay of tax collection procedures against a taxpayer, (iii) market conditions limiting the proceeds from a foreclosure sale of taxable property, or (iv) 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 adequate taxes each year to make such payments. Except for mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not 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. Statutory language authorizing local governments such as the District to sue and be sued does not waive the local government's sovereign immunity from suits for money damages, so that in the absence of other waivers of such immunity by the Texas legislature, a default by the District in its covenants in the Bond Resolution may not be reduced to a judgement for money damages. Even if 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 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. 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 - Registered Owners' Remedies."

The District may not be placed into bankruptcy involuntarily.

#### Future Debt

The District reserved the right to issue the remaining \$78,530,000 unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for construction of the System and for refunding such bonds, \$9,840,000 for recreational facilities and refunding such bonds, and such additional bonds as may hereafter be approved by the voters of the District. All of the remaining bonds described above for waterworks, wastewater 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 \$78,530,000 bonds for construction of the System is also subject to TCEQ authorization, if not issued for refunding purposes. In addition to the components of the System and recreational facilities that the District has financed with the proceeds of the sale of the

Prior Bonds, the District will finance the acquisition or construction of additional components of the System and/or recreational facilities with the proceeds of the sale of bonds, if any, that the District expects to issue in the future. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt."

The District's Engineer currently estimates that the aforementioned remaining \$78,530,000 authorized bonds which remain unissued will be adequate to finance the construction of all waterworks, wastewater, and drainage facilities necessary to provide service to all of the currently undeveloped portions of the District. See "Maximum Impact on District Tax Rates" above, "THE BONDS," "DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION" and "THE SYSTEM." If additional bonds are issued in the future and property values have not increased proportionately, such issuance might increase gross debt/property valuation ratios and thereby adversely affect the investment quality or security of the Bonds. See "THE BONDS - Issuance of Additional Debt."

#### **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 for federal income tax purposes. 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.

<u>Air Quality Issues</u>. 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.

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 "antibacksliding" 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 developed a formal request that the HGB Area be redesignated to attainment under the 1997 Ozone Standards. The TCEQ Commissioners adopted the request and maintenance plan for the 1997 one-hour and eight-hour standards on December 12, 2018. On May 16, 2019, the EPA proposed a determination that the HGB Area has met the redesignation criteria and continues to attain the 1997 one-hour and eight-hour standards, the termination of the anti-backsliding obligations, and approval of the proposed maintenance plan.

The HGB Area is currently designated as a "serious" nonattainment area under the 2008 Ozone Standard, with an attainment deadline of July 20, 2021. 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, as well as potentially adversely affecting property values in the HGB Area.

<u>Water Supply & Discharge Issues</u>. 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.

The TCEQ issued the General Permit for Phase II (Small) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (the "MS4 Permit") on January 24, 2019. The MS4 Permit authorizes the discharge of stormwater to surface water in the state from small municipal separate storm sewer systems. While the District is currently not subject to the MS4 Permit, if the District's inclusion 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.

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 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. The CWR was challenged in numerous jurisdictions, including the Southern District of Texas, causing significant uncertainty regarding the ultimate scope of "waters of the United States" and the extent of EPA and USACE jurisdiction.

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 officially became final on December 23, 2019, but the repeal has itself become the subject of litigation in multiple jurisdictions.

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; (ii) perennial and intermittent tributaries to territorial seas and traditional 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 became effective June 22, 2020, and is currently the subject of ongoing litigation.

Due to existing and possible future litigation, there remains uncertainty regarding the ultimate scope of "waters of the United States" and the extent of EPA and USACE jurisdiction. Depending on the final outcome of such proceedings, operations of municipal utility districts, including the District, could potentially be subject to additional restrictions and requirements, including additional permitting requirements.

#### **Extreme Weather Events**

The greater Houston area, including the District, is subject to occasional severe 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.

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 in 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.

<u>Significant Rain Events</u>. The greater Houston area, including the District, has experienced multiple 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. However, according to the District's Operator, the District's System did not sustain any material damage and there was no interruption of water and sewer service from Hurricane Harvey. Further, according to the District's Operator and Engineer, after investigation, although the District experienced street flooding, there was no apparent material wind or water damage to homes or commercial improvements within the District.

<u>Specific Flood Type Risks</u>. 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.

<u>Winter Storm Uri</u>. From February 12-19, 2021, the State of Texas experienced a severe winter storm ("Winter Storm Uri") which included prolonged freezing temperatures, heavy snow, and freezing rains statewide. Winter Storm Uri led to power outages and potable and non-potable water shortages in many areas of the State, including the District. The federal government issued a Major Disaster Declaration for the State of Texas and has included federal funding for emergency protective measures. The District did not sustain material damage to its infrastructure during Winter Storm Uri, but the District cannot predict the impact of future winter weather events.

#### Infectious Disease Outbreak (COVID-19)

In March 2020, the World Health Organization and the President of the United States separately declared the outbreak of a respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") to be a public health emergency. On March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas (the "Governor") declared a state of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas (the "State") because of the effects of COVID-19. Subsequently, in response to a rise in COVID-19 infections in the State and pursuant to the Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, the Governor issued a number of executive orders intended to help limit the spread of COVID-19 and mitigate injury and the loss of life, including limitations imposed on business operations, social gatherings, and other activities.

Over the ensuing year, COVID-19 negatively affected commerce, travel and businesses locally and globally, and negatively affected economic growth worldwide and within the State. Following the widespread release and distribution of various COVID-19 vaccines in 2021 and a decrease in active COVID-19 cases generally in the United States, state governments (including Texas) have started to lift business and social limitations associated with COVID-19. Beginning

in March 2021, the Governor issued various executive orders, which, among other things, rescinded and superseded prior executive orders and provide that there are currently no COVID-19 related operating limits for any business or other establishment except in counties with an "area with high hospitalizations" where a county judge may impose COVID-19 related mitigation strategies. Fort Bend County is not currently an "area with high hospitalizations." The Governor retains the right to impose additional restrictions on activities if needed to mitigate the effects of COVID-19. Additional information regarding executive orders issued by the Governor is accessible on the website of the Governor at <a href="https://gov.texas.gov/">https://gov.texas.gov/</a>. Neither the information on, nor accessed through, such website of the Governor is incorporated by reference into this Official Statement.

With the decrease in the number of active COVID-19 cases and the easing or removal of associated governmental restrictions, economic activity has increased. However, there are no assurances that such increased economic activity will continue or continue at the same rate, especially if there are future outbreaks of COVID-19. The District has not experienced any decrease in property values, unusual tax delinquencies, or interruptions to service as a result of COVID-19; however, the District cannot predict the long-term economic effect of COVID-19 or a similar virus should there be a reversal of economic activity and re-imposition of restrictions.

#### Potential Effects of Oil Price Fluctuations on the Houston Area

The recent fluctuations 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 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.

#### Approval of the Bonds

The Attorney General of Texas must approve the legality of the Bonds prior to their delivery. The Attorney General of Texas does not pass upon or guarantee the security of the Bonds as an investment, or the adequacy or accuracy of the information contained in this Official Statement.

#### 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.

## LEGAL MATTERS

#### Legal Opinions

Delivery of the Bonds will be accompanied by the unqualified approving legal opinion of 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 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 - The Refunded Bonds," - "Payment of the Refunded Bonds," "THE DISTRICT - Management of the District - Bond Counsel and General Counsel," "TAXING PROCEDURES," "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 either 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 McCall Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Houston, Texas. McCall Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. has acted as Disclosure Counsel for the District on certain previous new money financings.

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

#### **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 is likely to treat the District as the taxpayer and the owners of the Bonds may not have a right to participate in such audit. Public awareness of any future audit of the Bonds could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Bonds during the pendency of the audit regardless of the ultimate outcome of the audit.

## Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Discount Bonds

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

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

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

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

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

## **Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations**

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

The District has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and has represented that the aggregate amount of tax-exempt bonds (including the Bonds) issued by the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code during calendar year 2021 is not expected to exceed \$10,000,000 and that the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code have not designated more than \$10,000,000 in "qualified tax-exempt obligations" (including the Bonds) during calendar year 2021.

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

## VERIFICATION OF ACCURACY OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS

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 Paying Agent for the Refunded Bonds to pay, when due, the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Refunded Bonds, and (b) the computation of the yield on the Bonds was verified by Robert Thomas, CPA, LLC. The computations were independently verified by Robert Thomas,

CPA, LLC based solely upon assumptions and information supplied on behalf of the District, and the District. Robert Thomas, CPA, LLC has restricted its procedures to verifying the arithmetical accuracy of certain computations and has not made any study or evaluation of the assumptions and information upon which the computations are based and, accordingly, has not expressed an opinion on the data used, the reasonableness of the assumptions, or the achievability of future events.

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.

## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

#### General

The information contained in this Official Statement has been obtained primarily from the District's records, the Engineer, the Tax Assessor/Collector and other sources believed to be reliable; however, no representation is made by the District as to the accuracy or completeness of the information contained herein, except as described below under "Certification as to Official Statement." The summaries of the statutes, contracts, resolutions 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 District's financial statements for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2020, were audited by McGrath & Co., PLLC, Certified Public Accountants, and have been included herein as "APPENDIX B." McGrath & Co., PLLC, Certified Public Accountants, has agreed to the publication of such financial statements in this Official Statement.

#### Experts

The information contained in the Official Statement relating to engineering and to the description of the System, and, in particular, that engineering information included in the sections entitled "THE DISTRICT" and "THE SYSTEM" has been provided by Benchmark Engineering Corporation, and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of said firm as experts in the field of civil engineering.

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

#### **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 Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), 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 its 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 the Rule or (ii) the date the Official Statement is filed with the MSRB (hereinafter defined), but in no case less than 25 days after the "end of the underwriting period."

### 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 to the MSRB annually. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the District of the general type included in this Official Statement under the headings "DISTRICT DEBT," "TAX DATA" and in "APPENDIX B (the "Audit")." The District will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year ending in and after 2021.

The District may provide updated information in full text or may incorporate by reference certain other publicly available documents, as permitted by SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"). The updated information will include audited financial statements, if the District's audit is completed by the required time. If audited financial statements are not available by the required time, the District will provide unaudited financial statements within the required time, and audited financial statements when the audit report 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 current fiscal year end is August 31. Accordingly, it must provide updated information by the last day of February 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 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 material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of beneficial owners of the Bonds, if material; (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District or other obligated person; (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 <u>www.emma.msrb.org</u>.

#### **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 an 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 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 all continuing disclosure agreements made by it in accordance with the Rule.

This Official Statement was approved by the Board of Directors of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 as of the date shown on the first page hereof.

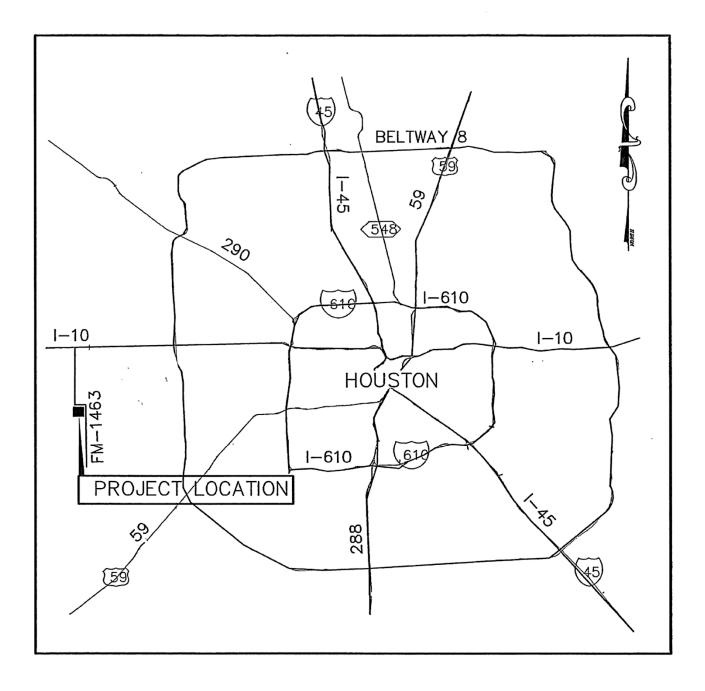
/s/ Robert E. Jones President, Board of Directors Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156

ATTEST:

 /s/ Nathan Church Secretary, Board of Directors Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156

## APPENDIX A

# LOCATION MAP



**APPENDIX B** 

# FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 156

# FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

# FINANCIAL REPORT

AUGUST 31, 2020

# FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 156

# FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

# FINANCIAL REPORT

August 31, 2020

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# Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 Fort Bend County, Texas

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156, as of and for the year ended August 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

# Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

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# Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156, as of August 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **Other Matters**

## Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it 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 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 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 Texas Supplementary Information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Texas Supplementary Information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Ul Grath & Co, Pece

Houston, Texas December 15, 2020 Management's Discussion and Analysis

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# Using this Annual Report

Within this section of the financial report of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 (the "District"), the District's Board of Directors provides a narrative discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2020. This analysis should be read in conjunction with the independent auditors' report and the basic financial statements that follow this section.

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

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

# **Overview of the Financial Statements**

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

## **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

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

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

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

## Fund Financial Statements

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

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

## Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

The District's net position at August 31, 2020, was \$287,364. A comparative summary of the District's overall financial position, as of August 31, 2020 and 2019, is as follows:

	2020	2019
Current and other assets	\$ 4,678,252	\$ 4,434,247
Capital assets	13,952,464	14,155,736
Total assets	18,630,716	18,589,983
Total deferred outflows of resources	67,649	
Current liabilities	847,622	762,909
Long-term liabilities	17,563,379	17,906,660
Total liabilities	18,411,001	18,669,569
Net position		
Net investment in capital assets	(3,718,866)	(4,222,874)
Restricted	1,391,727	1,332,317
Unrestricted	2,614,503	2,810,971
Total net position	\$ 287,364	\$ (79,586)

The total net position of the District increased during the current fiscal year by \$366,950. A comparative summary of the District's *Statement of Activities* for the past two years is as follows:

	2020	2019
Revenues		
Property taxes, penalties and interest	\$ 1,928,316	\$ 1,854,008
Water and sewer service	352,715	304,609
Other	352,544	440,062
Total revenues	2,633,575	2,598,679
Expenses		
Current service operations	1,453,052	1,017,269
Debt interest and fees	674,126	692,058
Debt issuance costs	154,969	
Depreciation/amortization	356,598	345,931
Total expenses	2,638,745	2,055,258
Change in net position before other item	(5,170)	543,421
Other item		
Change in estimate of due to developer		425,231
Gain on sale of capital assets	372,120	
Change in net position	366,950	968,652
Net position, beginning of year	(79,586)	(1,048,238)
Net position, end of year	\$ 287,364	\$ (79,586)

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

The District's combined fund balances, as of August 31, 2020, were \$4,420,818, which consists of \$2,604,528 in the General Fund, \$1,366,890 in the Debt Service Fund, and \$449,400 in the Capital Projects Fund.

#### General Fund

A comparative summary of the General Fund's financial position as of August 31, 2020 and 2019 is as follows:

	 2020		2019
Total assets	\$ 2,835,481	-	\$ 2,996,075
Total liabilities	\$ 220,978		\$ 185,104
Total deferred inflows	9,975		10,558
Total fund balance	 2,604,528		2,800,413
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balance	\$ 2,835,481		\$ 2,996,075

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

	 2020	 2019
Total revenues	\$ 1,354,879	\$ 1,286,663
Total expenditures	 (1,583,098)	 (990,017)
Revenues over/(under) expenditures	(228,219)	296,646
Other changes in fund balance	 32,334	 
Net change in fund balance	\$ (195,885)	\$ 296,646

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

- Property tax revenues are dependent upon assessed values in the District and the maintenance tax rate set by the District. Property tax revenues increased from prior year because assessed values increased from prior year.
- Water, sewer and regional water authority revenues are dependent upon customer usage, which fluctuates from year to year as a result of factors beyond the District's control.

During the current year, the District received \$378,794 from the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") for the sale of land, of which \$32,334 was deposited in the District's General Fund.

## Debt Service Fund

A comparative summary of the Debt Service Fund's financial position as of August 31, 2020 and 2019 is as follows:

	 2020	 2019
Total assets	\$ 1,393,050	\$ 1,335,122
Total liabilities	\$ 1,323	\$ 2,805
Total deferred inflows	24,837	24,188
Total fund balance	 1,366,890	 1,308,129
Total liabilities, deferred inflows and fund balance	\$ 1,393,050	\$ 1,335,122

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

	 2020	 2019
Total revenues	\$ 1,276,506	\$ 1,303,736
Total expenditures	 (1,407,544)	 (1,183,757)
Revenues over/(under) expenditures	(131,038)	119,979
Other changes in fund balance	 189,799	
Net change in fund balance	\$ 58,761	\$ 119,979

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

During the current year, the District issued \$3,260,000 in refunding bonds to refund \$3,060,000 of its outstanding Series 2013 bonds. This refunding will save the District \$757,850 in future debt service requirements.

#### Capital Projects Fund

A comparative summary of the Capital Projects Fund's financial position as of August 31, 2020 and 2019 is as follows:

	 2020	 2019		
Total assets	\$ 449,721	\$ 103,050		
Total liabilities	\$ 321	\$ -		
Total fund balance	 449,400	 103,050		
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 449,721	\$ 103,050		

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

	2020		2019		
Total revenues	\$	2,125	\$	3,631	
Total expenditures		(2,235)		(39)	
Revenues over/(under) expenditures		(110)		3,592	
Other changes in fund balance		346,460			
Net change in fund balance	\$	346,350	\$	3,592	

During the current year, the District received \$378,794 from the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") for the sale of land, of which \$346,460 was deposited in the District's Capital Projects Fund. During the previous fiscal year, the District did not have any significant capital asset activity.

## **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

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

Since the District's budget is primarily a planning tool, actual results varied from the budgeted amounts. Actual net change in fund balance was \$80,935 less than budgeted. The *Budgetary Comparison Schedule* on page 34 of this report provides variance information per financial statement line item.

## **Capital Assets**

Capital assets held by the District at August 31, 2020 and 2019 are summarized as follows:

	2020	2019
Capital assets not being depreciated		
Land and improvements	\$ 2,382,480	\$ 2,389,154
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized		
Infrastructure	8,373,099	8,373,099
Parks and recreational facilities	1,175,364	1,015,364
Interest in joint facilities	4,608,500	4,608,500
	14,156,963	13,996,963
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization		
Infrastructure	(1,485,638)	(1,299,568)
Parks and recreational facilities	(410,066)	(331,708)
Interest in joint facilities	(691,275)	(599,105)
	(2,586,979)	(2,230,381)
Depreciable capital assets, net	11,569,984	11,766,582
Capital assets, net	\$ 13,952,464	\$ 14,155,736

Capital asset additions during the current year include a walking trail along the detention basin serving Churchill Farms.

#### Long-Term Debt and Related Liabilities

Series	 2020	 2019
2013	\$ 105,000	\$ 3,265,000
2014	4,660,000	4,800,000
2016	8,800,000	9,065,000
2017	1,700,000	1,770,000
2020 Refunding	 3,260,000	
	\$ 18,525,000	\$ 18,900,000

At August 31, 2020 and 2019, the District had total bonded debt outstanding as shown below:

During the current year, the District issued \$3,260,000 in unlimited tax refunding bonds. At August 31, 2020, the District had \$78,700,000 unlimited tax bonds authorized, but unissued for the purposes of acquiring, constructing and improving the water, sanitary sewer and drainage systems within the District and the refunding of such bonds and \$9,840,000 for parks and recreational facilities and the refunding of such bonds.

## Next Year's Budget

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

	20	2020 Actual		20	)21 Budget
Total revenues	\$	1,354,879		\$	1,316,500
Total expenditures		(1,583,098)			(1,147,475)
Revenues over/(under) expenditures		(228,219)			169,025
Other changes in fund balance		32,334			
Net change in fund balance		(195,885)			169,025
Beginning fund balance		2,800,413	-		2,604,528
Ending fund balance	\$	2,604,528		\$	2,773,553

# **Property Taxes**

The District's property tax base increased approximately \$210,000 for the 2020 tax year from \$189,845,778 to \$190,055,658. This increase was primarily due to increased property values. For the 2020 tax year, the District has levied a maintenance tax rate of \$0.35 per \$100 of assessed value and a debt service tax rate of \$0.64 per \$100 of assessed value, for a total combined tax rate of \$0.99 per \$100. Tax rates for the 2019 tax year were \$0.35 per \$100 for maintenance and operations and \$0.66 per \$100 for debt service for a combined total of \$1.01 per \$100 of assessed value.

## Infectious Disease Outlook (COVID-19)

As further discussed in Note 11, the World Health Organization has declared a pandemic following the outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory virus currently affecting many parts of the world, including the United States and Texas. The pandemic has negatively affected the economic growth and financial markets worldwide and within Texas. While the potential impact of COVID-19 on the District cannot be quantified at this time, the continued outbreak could have an adverse effect on the District's operations and financial condition by negatively affecting property taxes and ad valorem tax revenues within the District.

**Basic Financial Statements** 

#### Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet August 31, 2020

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Net Position
Assets						
Cash	\$ 103,401	\$ 256,881	\$ 17,147	\$ 377,429	\$ -	\$ 377,429
Investments	2,598,242	1,104,775	432,574	4,135,591		4,135,591
Taxes receivable	9,975	24,837		34,812		34,812
Customer service receivables	117,956			117,956		117,956
Internal balances	(6,496)	6,496				
Other receivables	10,336	61		10,397		10,397
Prepaid items	2,067			2,067		2,067
Capital assets not being depreciated	1				2,382,480	2,382,480
Capital assets, net					11,569,984	11,569,984
Total Assets	\$ 2,835,481	\$ 1,393,050	\$ 449,721	\$ 4,678,252	13,952,464	18,630,716
Deformed Outflower of Passauros						
Deferred Outflows of Resources Deferred difference on refunding					67.640	67.640
Deletted difference of retunding					67,649	67,649
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 164,477	\$ -	\$ 321	\$ 164,798		164,798
Retainage payable	8,000			8,000		8,000
Other payables	1,029	1,323		2,352		2,352
Customer deposits	47,472			47,472		47,472
Long-term debt						
Due within one year					625,000	625,000
Due after one year					17,563,379	17,563,379
Total Liabilities	220,978	1,323	321	222,622	18,188,379	18,411,001
Deferred Inflows of Resources						
Deferred property taxes	9,975	24,837		34,812	(34,812)	
Deterred property taxes		21,037		51,012	(31,012)	
Fund Balances/Net Position						
Fund Balances						
Nonspendable	2,067			2,067	(2,067)	
Restricted		1,366,890	449,400	1,816,290	(1,816,290)	
Unassigned	2,602,461			2,602,461	(2,602,461)	
Total Fund Balances	2,604,528	1,366,890	449,400	4,420,818	(4,420,818)	
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows						
of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ 2,835,481	\$ 1,393,050	\$ 449,721	\$ 4,678,252		
Net Position						
Net investment in capital assets					(3,718,866)	(3,718,866)
Restricted for debt service					1,391,727	1,391,727
Unrestricted					2,614,503	2,614,503
Total Net Position					\$ 287,364	\$ 287,364
See notes to basic financial statemen	ts.					<u> </u>

#### Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156

Statement of Activities and Governmental Funds Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended August 31, 2020

P	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments	Statement of Activities
Revenues	¢ 020 107	đ٢	¢	¢ 020 107	¢	¢ 020.197
Water service	\$ 239,187	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 239,187	\$ -	\$ 239,187 112,528
Sewer service Property taxes	113,528 665,001	1,253,977		113,528 1,918,978	(1,662)	113,528
Property taxes Penalties and interest	3,892	5,381		9,273	(1,002)	1,917,316 11,000
Regional water authority fees	272,970	5,561		272,970	1,/2/	272,970
Miscellaneous	14,724			14,724		14,724
Investment earnings	45,577	17,148	2,125	64,850		64,850
Total Revenues	1,354,879	1,276,506	2,125	2,633,510	65	2,633,575
	1,554,677	1,270,300	2,125	2,033,310	05	2,055,575
Expenditures/Expenses						
Current service operations						
Purchased services	179,158			179,158		179,158
Professional fees	102,166		2,235	104,401		104,401
Contracted services	265,304	16,606		281,910		281,910
Repairs and maintenance	463,802			463,802		463,802
Utilities	37,638			37,638		37,638
Regional water authority fees	302,796	( 112		302,796		302,796
Administrative	29,982	6,113		36,095		36,095
Park contribution	40,000	<b>-</b> 000		40,000		40,000
Other	2,252	5,000		7,252	(1.60.000)	7,252
Capital outlay	160,000			160,000	(160,000)	
Debt service		F7F 000		<b>575</b> 000	(575,000)	
Principal		575,000		575,000	(575,000)	(74.10)
Interest and fees		649,856		649,856	24,270	674,126
Debt issuance costs		154,969		154,969	254 500	154,969
Depreciation/amortization	1 502 000	1 407 544	2.025	2,002,077	356,598	356,598
Total Expenditures/Expenses	1,583,098	1,407,544	2,235	2,992,877	(354,132)	2,638,745
Revenues Under Expenditures /Expenses	(228,219)	(131,038)	(110)	(359,367)	354,197	(5,170)
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)						
Proceeds from sale of refunding bonds		3,260,000		3,260,000	(3,260,000)	
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	t	(3,070,201)		(3,070,201)	3,070,201	
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	32,334		346,460	378,794	(378,794)	
Other Items	,		,	,	( ) /	
Gain on sale of capital assets					372,120	372,120
Net Change in Fund Balances	(195,885)	58,761	346,350	209,226	(209,226)	
Change in net position					366,950	366,950
Fund Balance/Net Position						
Beginning of the year	2,800,413	1,308,129	103,050	4,211,592	(4,291,178)	(79,586)
End of the year	\$ 2,604,528	\$ 1,366,890	\$ 449,400	\$ 4,420,818	\$(4,133,454)	\$ 287,364
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See notes to basic financial statements.

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Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 Notes to Basic Financial Statements August 31, 2020

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 (the "District") conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"). The following is a summary of the most significant policies:

## Creation

The District was organized, created and established pursuant to an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality dated January 25, 2012, and operates in accordance with the Texas Water Code, Chapters 49 and 54. The Board of Directors held its first meeting on February 28, 2012 and the first bonds were issued on September 19, 2013.

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

# **Reporting Entity**

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas governed by an elected five-member board. The GASB has established the criteria for determining the reporting entity for financial statement reporting purposes. To qualify as a primary government, a government must have a separately elected governing body, be legally separate, and be fiscally independent of other state and local governments, while a component unit is a legally separate government for which the elected officials of a primary government are financially accountable. Fiscal independence implies that the government has the authority to adopt a budget, levy taxes, set rates, and/or issue bonds without approval from other governments. Under these criteria, the District is considered a primary government and is not a component unit of any other government. Additionally, no other entities meet the criteria for inclusion in the District's financial statements as component units.

## **Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

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

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

## Use of Restricted Resources

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

## Prepaid Items

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

## Receivables

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. Receivables from and payables to external parties are reported separately and are not offset, unless a legal right of offset exists. At August 31, 2020, an allowance for uncollectible accounts was not considered necessary.

## **Unbilled Service Revenues**

Utility revenue is recorded when earned. Customers are billed monthly. The estimated value of services provided but unbilled at year-end has been included in the accompanying financial statements.

## **Interfund Activity**

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

## Capital Assets

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

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

Assets	Useful Life
Infrastructure	45 years
Parks and recreational facilities	15 years
Interest in joint facilities	50 years

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

#### **Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Financial Resources**

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

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

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

#### Net Position – Governmental Activities

Governmental accounting standards establish the following three components of net position:

Net investment in capital assets – represents the District's investments in capital assets, less any outstanding debt or other borrowings used to acquire those assets.

Restricted – consists of financial resources that are restricted for a specific purpose by enabling legislation or external parties.

Unrestricted – resources not included in the other components.

#### Fund Balances – Governmental Funds

Governmental accounting standards establish the following fund balance classifications:

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

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

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

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

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

Unassigned - all other spendable amounts in the General Fund.

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

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and revenues and expenses/expenditures during the period reported. These estimates include, among others, the collectability of receivables and the useful lives and impairment of capital assets. Estimates and assumptions are reviewed periodically, and the effects of revisions are reflected in the financial statements in the period they are determined to be necessary. Actual results could differ from the estimates.

# Note 2 - Adjustment from Governmental to Government-wide Basis

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

Total fund balance, governmental funds		\$ 4,420,818
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in governmental funds. Historical cost Less accumulated depreciation/amortization Change due to capital assets	\$ 16,539,443 (2,586,979)	13,952,464
The difference between the face amount of bonds refunded and the amount paid to the escrow agent is recorded as a deferred difference on refunding in the <i>Statement of Net Position</i> and amortized to interest expense. It is not recorded in the fund statements because it is not a financial resource.		67,649
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. The difference consists of bonds payable, net.		(18,188,379)
Property taxes receivable and related penalties and interest have been levied and are due, but are not available soon enough to pay current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.		34,812
Total net position - governmental activities		\$ 287,364

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

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

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds		\$ 209,226
Governmental funds do not report revenues that are not available to pay current obligations. In contrast, such revenues are reported in the <i>Statement of Activities</i> when earned. The difference is for property taxes and related penalties and interest.		65
Governmental funds report capital outlays for construction costs as expenditures in the funds; however, in the <i>Statement of Activities</i> , the cost of capital assets is charged to expense over the estimated useful life of the asset.		
Capital outlays Depreciation/amortization expense	\$ 160,000 (356,598)	(196,598)
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal uses current financial resources. However, neither transaction has any effect on net assets. Other elements of debt financing are reported differently between		
the fund and government wide statements. Issuance of long term debt Payment to refunded bond escrow agent Principal payments Interest expense	(3,260,000) 3,070,201 575,000 (24,270)	360,931
The sale of capital assets provides current financial resources to governmental funds. However, in the <i>Statement of Activities</i> , the difference between the sale price and the net book value of capital assets is recorded as a gain.		
Proceeds from sale of capital assets Gain on sale of capital assets	(378,794) 372,120	(6,674)
Change in net position of governmental activities		\$ 366,950

## Note 3 – Deposits and Investments

## Deposit Custodial Credit Risk

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

#### Investments

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

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

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## Note 3 – Deposits and Investments (continued)

## Investments (continued)

As of August 31, 2020, the District's investments consist of the following:

Туре	Fund	Carrying Value	Percentage of Total	Rating	Weighted Average Maturity
Certificates of deposit	General	\$ 1,461,603			
	Debt Service	 246,460			
		 1,708,063	41%	N/A	N/A
TexSTAR	General	1,136,639			
	Debt Service	858,315			
	Capital Projects	 432,574			
		 2,427,528	59%	AAAm	28 days
Total		\$ 4,135,591	100%		

The District's investments in certificates of deposit are reported at cost.

## TexSTAR

The District participates in Texas Short Term Asset Reserve fund (TexSTAR) which is managed by Hilltop Securities, Inc., and J.P. Morgan Investment Management, Inc. Hilltop Securities provides participant and marketing services while J.P. Morgan provides investment management services. Custodial and depository services are provided by J.P. Morgan Chase Bank N.A. or its subsidiary.

The District's investment in TexSTAR is reported at fair value because TexSTAR uses fair value to report investments. Governmental accounting standards establish the following hierarchy of inputs used to measure fair value: Level 1 inputs are based on quoted prices in active markets, Level 2 inputs are based on significant other observable inputs, and Level 3 inputs are based on significant unobservable inputs. The District's investment in TexSTAR is measured using published fair value per share (level 1 inputs).

Investments in TexSTAR may be withdrawn via wire transfer on a same day basis, as long as the transaction is executed by 4 p.m. ACH withdrawals made by 4 p.m. will settle on the next business day.

#### Investment Credit and Interest Rate Risk

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

#### Note 4 – Interfund Balances and Transactions

Amounts due to/from other funds at August 31, 2020, consist of the following:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	An	nounts	Purpose
General Fund	Debt Service Fund	\$	346	Maintenance tax collections not remitted
				as of year end
Debt Service Fund	General Fund		6,842	Proceeds from the sale of refunding
				bonds in excess of bond application fees
				paid by the General Fund

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

#### Note 5 – Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets, for the year ended August 31, 2020, is as follows:

	Beginning Balances		Additions		Retirements		Ending Balances	
Capital assets not being depreciated								
Land and improvements	\$	2,389,154	\$		\$	(6,674)	\$	2,382,480
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized								
Infrastructure		8,373,099						8,373,099
Parks and recreational facilities		1,015,364		160,000				1,175,364
Interest in joint facilities		4,608,500						4,608,500
,		13,996,963		160,000				14,156,963
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization		· · · .		<u> </u>				<u> </u>
Infrastructure		(1,299,568)		(186,070)				(1,485,638)
Parks and recreational facilities		(331,708)		(78,358)				(410,066)
Interest in joint facilities		(599,105)		(92,170)				(691,275)
		(2,230,381)		(356,598)				(2,586,979)
Subtotal depreciable capital assets, net		11,766,582		(196,598)			_	11,569,984
Capital assets, net	\$	14,155,736	\$	(196,598)	\$	(6,674)	\$	13,952,464

Depreciation/amortization expense for the current year was \$356,598.

During the current year, the District sold two tracts of land to TxDOT for \$378,794, which resulted in a gain of \$372,120 reported on the *Statement of Activities*.

## Note 6 – Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt is comprised of the following:

Bonds payable	\$ 18,525,000
Unamortized discounts	(336,621)
	\$ 18,188,379
Due within one year	\$ 625,000

The District's bonds payable at August 31, 2020, consists of unlimited tax bonds as follows:

				Maturity Date,	_	
				Serially,	Interest	
	Amounts	Original	Interest	Beginning/	Payment	Call
Series	Outstanding	Issue	Rates	Ending	Dates	Dates
2013	\$ 105,000	\$ 3,690,000	3.00% - 5.00%	September 1,	March 1,	September 1,
				2015 - 2021	September 1	2020
2014	4,660,000	5,310,000	2.00% - 4.125%	September 1,	March 1,	September 1,
				2016 - 2039	September 1	2021
2016	8,800,000	9,570,000	2.00% - 3.375%	September 1,	March 1,	September 1,
				2018-2040	September 1	2023
2017	1,700,000	1,770,000	2.00% - 4.50%	September 1,	March 1,	September 1,
				2020-2040	September 1	2024
2020	3,260,000	3,260,000	2.00% - 3.00%	September 1,	March 1,	September 1,
Refunding				2021-2038	September 1	2025
	\$ 18,525,000	-				

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

At August 31, 2020, the District had authorized but unissued bonds in the amount of \$78,700,000 for water, sewer and drainage facilities and the refunding of such bonds and \$9,840,000 for park and recreational facilities and the refunding of such bonds.

## Note 6 – Long-Term Debt (continued)

On August 6, 2020, the District issued its \$3,260,000 Series 2020 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds at a net effective interest rate of 2.73465029% to refund \$3,060,000 of outstanding Series 2013 bonds. The District refunded the bonds to reduce total debt service payments over future years by approximately \$757,850 and to obtain an economic gain (difference between the present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of approximately \$604,217. Proceeds of the bonds were placed in an escrow account with an escrow agent and irrevocably pledged to the payment of future debt service payments. As a result, the refunded bonds are considered defeased and the liability has been removed from the government-wide financial statements. As of August 31, 2020, the outstanding principal of defeased bonds is \$3,060,000.

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

Bonds payable, beginning of year	\$ 18,900,000
Bonds issued	3,260,000
Bonds retired	(575,000)
Bonds refunded	 (3,060,000)
Bonds payable, end of year	\$ 18,525,000

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#### Note 6 – Long-Term Debt (continued)

The debt service payment due September 1 was made during the current fiscal year. The following schedule was prepared presuming this practice will continue. As of August 31, 2020, annual debt service requirements on bonds outstanding are as follows:

Year	 Principal	Interest		Totals
2021	\$ 625,000	\$	578,187	\$ 1,203,187
2022	655,000		554,673	1,209,673
2023	675,000		537,122	1,212,122
2024	700,000		518,857	1,218,857
2025	730,000		500,577	1,230,577
2026	755,000		478,814	1,233,814
2027	785,000		457,707	1,242,707
2028	810,000		435,307	1,245,307
2029	840,000		411,982	1,251,982
2030	870,000		387,351	1,257,351
2031	905,000		360,951	1,265,951
2032	935,000		333,501	1,268,501
2033	1,000,000		305,051	1,305,051
2034	1,035,000		274,295	1,309,295
2035	1,075,000		242,382	1,317,382
2036	1,120,000		208,732	1,328,732
2037	1,160,000		172,050	1,332,050
2038	1,205,000		133,894	1,338,894
2039	1,295,000		94,244	1,389,244
2040	 1,350,000		45,688	1,395,688
	\$ 18,525,000	\$	7,031,365	\$ 25,556,365

## Note 7 – Property Taxes

On May 12, 2012, the voters of the District authorized the District's Board of Directors to levy taxes annually for use in financing general operations limited to \$1.50 per \$100 of assessed value. The District's bond resolutions require that property taxes be levied for use in paying interest and principal on long-term debt and for use in paying the cost of assessing and collecting taxes. Taxes levied to finance debt service requirements on long-term debt are without limitation as to rate or amount.

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

# Note 7 – Property Taxes (continued)

Property taxes are collected based on rates adopted in the year of the levy. The District's 2020 fiscal year was financed through the 2019 tax levy, pursuant to which the District levied property taxes of \$1.01 per \$100 of assessed value, of which \$0.35 was allocated to maintenance and operations and \$0.66 was allocated to debt service. The resulting tax levy was \$1,917,442 on the adjusted taxable value of \$189,845,778.

Total property taxes receivable, at August 31, 2020, consisted of the following:

Current year taxes receivable	\$ 4,170
Prior years taxes receivable	18,272
	22,442
Penalty and interest receivable	 12,370
Property taxes receivable	\$ 34,812

## Note 8 – Utility Agreement

On January 11, 2011, Beazer Homes Texas, L.P. entered into a utility agreement on behalf of the District with Fort Bend County MUD No. 57 ("MUD 57") to purchase capacity to ultimately serve 645 equivalent single family connections ("ESFC") in MUD 57's water plant for a total cost of \$1,558,500. On March 28, 2016, the agreement was amended to include the water line extension. MUD 57 will hold legal title to the water plant for the benefit of both districts. The District will own an undivided equitable interest in the water plant based on its proportionate share of capacity. MUD 57 will operate, maintain and repaid the water plant. Each district shall be billed monthly based on its proportionate share of operation and maintenance expenses.

The District also agreed to purchase capital in MUD 57's wastewater treatment plant to serve 645 ESFCs for a total cost of \$3,050,000. MUD 57 will hold legal title to the wastewater treatment plant for the benefit of both parties while the District will own an undivided equitable interest in the wastewater treatment plant based on its proportionate share of capacity. MUD 57 will operate, maintain and repair the wastewater treatment plant. Each district shall be billed monthly based on its proportionate share of operation and maintenance expenses.

During the current fiscal year, the District paid \$179,158 to MUD 57, which consisted of \$49,480 for purchased water and \$129,678 for wastewater treatment services.

## Note 9 – Interlocal Agreement for Recreational Facilities

During the current year, the District entered into an Interlocal Agreement for Recreational Facilities with Katy Independent School District ("Katy ISD") for the construction of a playground at Campbell Elementary School which will be open and available to the public, including residents of the District. Katy ISD is responsible for the design and construction of the project and will own and maintain the facilities upon completion of construction. During the current year, the District contributed \$40,000 to Katy ISD for the construction of the facilities.

#### 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 personal injuries. The risk of loss is covered by commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

# Note 11 – 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. Federal, state and local governments have all taken actions to respond to the Pandemic, including disaster declarations by both the President of the United States and the Governor of Texas. On March 31, 2020, the Governor issued an executive order closing all non-essential businesses in the State. This order expired on April 30, 2020. Additionally, all the counties in the greater Houston area adopted various "Work Safe – Stay Home" orders. Such actions are focused on limiting instances where the public can congregate or interact with each other. These precautions resulted in the temporary closure of all non-essential businesses in the State.

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 the economic growth and financial markets worldwide and within Texas. These negative impacts may reduce or negatively affect property taxes and ad valorem tax revenues within the District.

While the potential impact of the Pandemic on the District cannot be quantified at this time, the continued outbreak of the Pandemic could have an adverse effect on the District's operations and financial condition.

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**Required Supplementary Information** 

# Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 Required Supplementary Information - Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund For the Year Ended August 31, 2020

	Or	iginal and				ariance Positive
	Final Budget		Actual		(Negative)	
Revenues						<u> </u>
Water service	\$	225,000	\$	239,187	\$	14,187
Sewer service		125,000		113,528		(11,472)
Property taxes		625,000		665,001		40,001
Penalties and interest		7,000		3,892		(3,108)
Tap connection and inspection		7,000				(7,000)
Regional water authority fees		250,000		272,970		22,970
Miscellaneous		7,000		14,724		7,724
Investment earnings		40,000		45,577		5,577
Total Revenues		1,286,000		1,354,879		68,879
Expenditures						
Current service operations						
Purchased services		170,000		179,158		(9,158)
Professional fees		91,000		102,166		(11,166)
Contracted services		275,000		265,304		9,696
Repairs and maintenance		491,000		463,802		27,198
Utilities		45,000		37,638		7,362
Regional water authority fees		280,000		302,796		(22,796)
Administrative		42,450		29,982		12,468
Park contribution				40,000		(40,000)
Other		6,500		2,252		4,248
Capital outlay				160,000		(160,000)
Total Expenditures		1,400,950		1,583,098		(182,148)
Revenues Under Expenditures		(114,950)		(228,219)		(113,269)
Other Financing Sources						
Proceeds from sale of capital assets				32,334		32,334
Net Change in Fund Balance		(114,950)		(195,885)		(80,935)
Fund Balance						
Beginning of the year		2,800,413		2,800,413		
End of the year	\$	2,685,463	\$	2,604,528	\$	(80,935)

## **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

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

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Texas Supplementary Information

## Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-1. Services and Rates August 31, 2020

1. Services provided by the District During the Fiscal Year:

X Retail Water	Wholesale Water	X Solid Waste/Garbage	X Drainage			
X Retail Wastewater	Wholesale Wastewater	Flood Control	Irrigation			
X Parks / Recreation	Fire Protection	Roads	X Security			
X Participates in joint venture, regional system and/or wastewater service (other than emergency interconnect)						
Other (Specify):						

#### 2. Retail Service Providers

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

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

		nimum harge	Minimum Usage	Flat Rate (Y / N)	Rate per 1,000 Gallons Over Minimum Usage		Usage Leve		vels
Water:	\$	26.00	5,000	N	\$	1.25	5,001	to	15,000
					\$	2.00	15,001	to	25,000
					\$	2.50	25,001	to	no limit
Wastewater:	\$	1.65	1,000	N	\$	1.65	1,001	to	no limit
Surcharge:	\$	4.30	1,000	Ν	\$	4.30	1,001	to	no limit
District employs winter averaging for wastewater usage? Yes X No									
Total cha	rges j	per 10,000	gallons usage:	Wat	er \$	75.25	Wastewater	\$	16.50

b. Water and Wastewater Retail Connections:

	Total	Active		Active
Meter Size	Connections	Connections	ESFC Factor	ESFC'S
Unmetered			x 1.0	
less than 3/4"	96	96	x 1.0	96
1"	476	476	x 2.5	1,190
1.5"	2	2	x 5.0	10
2"	9	9	x 8.0	72
3"			x 15.0	
4"			x 25.0	
6"			x 50.0	
8"			x 80.0	
10"			x 115.0	
Total Water	583	583		1,368
Total Wastewater	573	573	x 1.0	573

See accompanying auditor's report.

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

	*Gallons purchased:	65,116,000	Water Accountability Ratio: (Gallons billed / Gallons pumped)		nped)
	Gallons billed to customers:	65,116,000	100.00%		
4.	Standby Fees (authorized only under 'I (You may omit this information if y			)	
	Does the District have Debt Servic	e standby fees?		Yes	NoX
	If yes, Date of the most recent con	mission Order:			
	Does the District have Operation a	nd Maintenance sta	andby fees?	Yes	NoX
	If yes, Date of the most recent con	mission Order:			
5.	Location of District (required for first otherwise this information may be o	•	information change	s,	
	Is the District located entirely with	in one county?	YesX	No	
	County(ies) in which the District is	located:	Fort Bend Coun	ty	
	Is the District located within a city?	)	Entirely P	artly No	t at all X
	City(ies) in which the District is loc	ated:			
	Is the District located within a city'	s extra territorial ju	risdiction (ETJ)?		
			Entirely X I	Partly No	t at all
	ETJs in which the District is locate	d:	City of Fulshear		
	Are Board members appointed by a	n office outside th	e district?	Yes	NoX
	If Yes, by whom?				
* [	Water purchased from Fort Bend Count	y Municipal Utility	District No. 57		

### Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-2 General Fund Expenditures For the Year Ended August 31, 2020

Purchased services	\$ 179,158
Professional fees	
Legal	77,383
Audit	10,500
Engineering	14,283
	 102,166
Contracted services	
Bookkeeping	12,225
Operator	34,953
Security	93,550
Garbage collection	113,783
Tap connection and inspection	10,793
	 265,304
Repairs and maintenance	 463,802
Utilities	 37,638
Regional water authority fees	 302,796
Administrative	
Directors fees	11,100
Printing and office supplies	10,843
Insurance	4,168
Other	 3,871
	 29,982
Park contribution	 40,000
Other	 2,252
Capital outlay	 160,000
Total expenditures	\$ 1,583,098

#### Reporting of Utility Services in Accordance with HB 3693:

	Usage		Cost
Electrical	102,696 kWh	\$	37,638
Water	N/A		N/A
Natural Gas	N/A		N/A

# Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-3. Investments August 31, 2020

Fund	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Bal	Balance at End of Year		Interest Receivable	
General							
TexSTAR	Variable	N/A	\$	1,136,639	\$	-	
Certificate of deposit	2.45%	09/26/20		240,000		5,477	
Certificate of deposit	1.55%	03/13/21		240,000		1,743	
Certificate of deposit	0.75%	05/04/21		246,618		603	
Certificate of deposit	1.7362%	03/17/21		240,000		1,921	
Certificate of deposit	0.548%	07/15/21		248,734		176	
Certificate of deposit	0.55%	05/11/21		246,251		416	
				2,598,242		10,336	
Debt Service							
TexSTAR	Variable	N/A		858,315			
Certificate of deposit	0.65%	08/17/21		246,460		61	
-				1,104,775		61	
Capital Projects							
TexSTAR	Variable	N/A		432,574			
Total - All Funds			\$	4,135,591	\$	10,397	

#### Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-4. Taxes Levied and Receivable August 31, 2020

			Ν	<i>laintenance</i>	D	ebt Service		
				Taxes		Taxes		Totals
Taxes Receivable, Beginning of Year			\$	10,558	\$	13,545	\$	24,103
Adjustments to Prior Year Tax Levy				(42)		(84)		(126)
Adjusted Receivable				10,516		13,461		23,977
2019 Original Tax Levy				665,997		1,255,880		1,921,877
Adjustments				(1,537)		(2,898)		(4,435)
Adjusted Tax Levy				664,460		1,252,982		1,917,442
Total to be accounted for Tax collections:				674,976		1,266,443		1,941,419
Current year				663,015		1,250,257		1,913,272
Prior years				1,986		3,719		5,705
Total Collections, net of refunds				665,001		1,253,976		1,918,977
Taxes Receivable, End of Year			\$	9,975	\$	12,467	\$	22,442
						,		,
Taxes Receivable, By Years								
2019			\$	1,445	\$	2,725	\$	4,170
2018				909		1,817		2,726
2017				1,029		1,544		2,573
2016 and prior				6,592		6,381		12,973
Taxes Receivable, End of Year			\$	9,975	\$	12,467	\$	22,442
		2019		2018		2017		2016
Property Valuations:				_010		_011		2010
Land	\$	39,018,860	\$	39,158,240	\$	34,905,630	\$	34,675,840
Improvements		157,040,857	п	148,252,400	п	148,211,640	п	152,013,740
Personal Property		1,795,460		268,810		185,660		196,590
Exemptions		(8,009,399)		(7,011,835)		(3,888,706)		(1,153,468)
Total Property Valuations	\$	189,845,778	\$	180,667,615	\$	179,414,224	\$	185,732,702
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Tax Rates per \$100 Valuation:						- <b>/</b> -		
Maintenance tax rates	\$	0.35	\$	0.35	\$	0.42	\$	0.42
Debt service tax rates		0.66		0.70		0.63		0.63
Total Tax Rates per \$100 Valuation	\$	1.01	\$	1.05	\$	1.05	\$	1.05
Adjusted Tax Levy:	\$	1,917,442	\$	1,897,010	\$	1,883,849	\$	1,950,193
Percentage of Taxes Collected								
to Taxes Levied **		99.78%		99.86%		99.86%		99.86%
* Maximum Maintenance Tax Rate App	rove	ed by Voters:		<u>\$1.50</u> or	n	May 12, 2012	2	

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

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements Series 2013--by Years August 31, 2020

		Interest Due	
Due During Fiscal	Principal Due	March 1,	
Years Ending	September 1	September 1	Total
2021	\$ 105,000	\$ 3,675	\$ 108,675

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements Series 2014--by Years August 31, 2020

		Interest Due			
Due During Fiscal	Principal Due	March 1,			
Years Ending	September 1	September 1	Total		
2021	\$ 150,000	<b>\$</b> 177,510	\$ 327,510		
2022	155,000	173,385	328,385		
2023	165,000	168,735	333,735		
2024	165,000	163,620	328,620		
2025	175,000	158,340	333,340		
2026	180,000	152,478	332,478		
2027	195,000	146,358	341,358		
2028	200,000	139,533	339,533		
2029	210,000	132,333	342,333		
2030	220,000	124,563	344,563		
2031	230,000	115,763	345,763		
2032	240,000	106,563	346,563		
2033	255,000	96,963	351,963		
2034	270,000	86,763	356,763		
2035	280,000	75,963	355,963		
2036	295,000	64,763	359,763		
2037	315,000	52,594	367,594		
2038	330,000	39,600	369,600		
2039	630,000	25,988	655,988		
	\$ 4,660,000	\$ 2,201,815	\$ 6,861,815		

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements Series 2016--by Years August 31, 2020

		Interest Due	
Due During Fiscal	Principal Due	March 1,	
Years Ending	September 1	September 1	Total
2021	\$ 270,000	\$ 263,169	\$ 533,169
2022	285,000	257,769	542,769
2023	290,000	252,068	542,068
2024	305,000	246,268	551,268
2025	320,000	240,168	560,168
2026	330,000	230,568	560,568
2027	340,000	220,669	560,669
2028	355,000	210,468	565,468
2029	370,000	199,819	569,819
2030	385,000	188,719	573,719
2031	400,000	177,169	577,169
2032	420,000	165,169	585,169
2033	440,000	152,569	592,569
2034	455,000	139,369	594,369
2035	475,000	125,719	600,719
2036	495,000	111,469	606,469
2037	515,000	95,381	610,381
2038	535,000	78,644	613,644
2039	565,000	61,256	626,256
2040	1,250,000	42,188	1,292,188
	\$ 8,800,000	\$ 3,458,618	\$ 12,258,618

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements Series 2017--by Years August 31, 2020

		Interest Due	
Due During Fiscal	Principal Due	March 1,	
Years Ending	September 1	September 1	Total
2021	\$ 75,000	\$ 53,375	\$ 128,375
2022	75,000	50,000	125,000
2023	75,000	47,000	122,000
2024	75,000	44,000	119,000
2025	75,000	41,750	116,750
2026	75,000	40,250	115,250
2027	75,000	38,562	113,562
2028	75,000	36,688	111,688
2029	75,000	34,812	109,812
2030	75,000	32,750	107,750
2031	75,000	30,500	105,500
2032	75,000	28,250	103,250
2033	100,000	26,000	126,000
2034	100,000	23,000	123,000
2035	100,000	20,000	120,000
2036	100,000	16,750	116,750
2037	100,000	13,500	113,500
2038	100,000	10,250	110,250
2039	100,000	7,000	107,000
2040	100,000	3,500	103,500
	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 597,937	\$ 2,297,937

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements Series 2020 Refunding--by Years August 31, 2020

		Interest Due	
Due During Fiscal	Principal Due	March 1,	
Years Ending	September 1	September 1	Total
2021	\$ 25,000	\$ 80,458	\$ 105,458
2022	140,000	73,519	213,519
2023	145,000	69,319	214,319
2024	155,000	64,969	219,969
2025	160,000	60,319	220,319
2026	170,000	55,518	225,518
2027	175,000	52,118	227,118
2028	180,000	48,618	228,618
2029	185,000	45,018	230,018
2030	190,000	41,319	231,319
2031	200,000	37,519	237,519
2032	200,000	33,519	233,519
2033	205,000	29,519	234,519
2034	210,000	25,163	235,163
2035	220,000	20,700	240,700
2036	230,000	15,750	245,750
2037	230,000	10,575	240,575
2038	240,000	5,400	245,400
	\$ 3,260,000	\$ 769,320	\$ 4,029,320

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-5. Long-Term Debt Service Requirements All Bonded Debt Series--by Years August 31, 2020

		Interest Due	
Due During Fiscal	Principal Due	March 1,	
Years Ending	September 1	September 1	Total
2021	\$ 625,000	\$ 578,187	\$ 1,203,187
2022	655,000	554,673	1,209,673
2023	675,000	537,122	1,212,122
2024	700,000	518,857	1,218,857
2025	730,000	500,577	1,230,577
2026	755,000	478,814	1,233,814
2027	785,000	457,707	1,242,707
2028	810,000	435,307	1,245,307
2029	840,000	411,982	1,251,982
2030	870,000	387,351	1,257,351
2031	905,000	360,951	1,265,951
2032	935,000	333,501	1,268,501
2033	1,000,000	305,051	1,305,051
2034	1,035,000	274,295	1,309,295
2035	1,075,000	242,382	1,317,382
2036	1,120,000	208,732	1,328,732
2037	1,160,000	172,050	1,332,050
2038	1,205,000	133,894	1,338,894
2039	1,295,000	94,244	1,389,244
2040	1,350,000	45,688	1,395,688
	\$ 18,525,000	\$ 7,031,365	\$ 25,556,365

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# Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-6. Change in Long-Term Bonded Debt August 31, 2020

	Bond Issue							
	Series 2013		S	Series 2014	Series 2016		S	eries 2017
Interest rate	3.00% - 5.00.%		2.0	2.00% - 4.125%		2.00% - 3.375%		0% - 4.50%
Dates interest payable		3/1; 9/1		3/1; 9/1		3/1; 9/1	3/1; 9/1	
Maturity dates	9/1	/15 - 9/1/21	9/1	9/1/16 - 9/1/39		/18 - 9/1/40	9/1/20 - 9/1/40	
Beginning bonds outstanding	\$	3,265,000	\$	4,800,000	\$	9,065,000	\$	1,770,000
Bonds issued								
Bonds refunded		(3,060,000)						
Bonds retired		(100,000)		(140,000)		(265,000)		(70,000)
Ending bonds outstanding	\$	105,000	\$	4,660,000	\$	8,800,000	\$	1,700,000
Interest paid during fiscal year	\$	141,102	\$	181,010	\$	268,469	\$	56,525
Paying agent's name and city All Series		The Bank of N	Jew Y	/ork Mellon Tr	rust C	ompany, N.A.	, Dalla	as, Texas
	Wate	er, Sewer and						
Bond Authority:	Dra	unage Bonds	F	Park Bonds				
Amount Authorized by Voters	\$	97,470,000	\$	11,610,000				
Amount Issued		(18,770,000)		(1,770,000)				
Remaining To Be Issued	\$	78,700,000	\$	9,840,000				

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

Debt Service Fund cash and investment balances as of August 31, 2020:	\$ 1,361,656
Average annual debt service payment (principal and interest) for remaining term of all debt:	\$ 1,277,818

Bond Is	sue	
Series 2	020	
Refund	ing	 Totals
2.00% - 3 3/1; 9, 9/1/21 - 9	/1	
\$	-	\$ 18,900,000
3,2	60,000	3,260,000
		(3,060,000)
		(575,000)
\$ 3,2	60,000	\$ 18,525,000
\$	_	\$ 647,106

#### Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-7a. Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures - General Fund For the Last Five Fiscal Years

	Amounts				
	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Revenues					
Water service	\$ 239,187	\$ 211,533	\$ 228,608	\$ 226,569	\$ 230,457
Sewer service	113,528	93,076	130,631	130,358	133,112
Property taxes	665,001	565,397	766,038	821,988	955,081
Penalties and interest	3,892	7,330	8,565	6,858	7,863
Tap connection and inspection		91,868	24,160	31,570	19,350
Regional water authority fees	272,970	236,896	257,452	241,995	213,943
Miscellaneous	14,724	22,833	11,090	9,838	14,987
Investment earnings	45,577	57,730	30,170	12,354	5,788
Total Revenues	1,354,879	1,286,663	1,456,714	1,481,530	1,580,581
Expenditures					
Current service operations					
Purchased services	179,158	135,049	137,447	182,429	192,048
Professional fees	102,166	94,244	92,124	85,775	91,440
Contracted services	265,304	287,701	231,248	153,341	155,734
Repairs and maintenance	463,802	141,929	209,806	163,314	144,284
Utilities	37,638	40,608	43,214	40,174	23,742
Regional water authority fees	302,796	256,063	300,104	297,599	236,065
Administrative	29,982	31,375	32,986	31,226	20,658
Park contribution	40,000				
Other	2,252	3,048	2,903	2,000	3,446
Capital outlay	160,000			31,508	141,094
Total Expenditures	1,583,098	990,017	1,049,832	987,366	1,008,511
Revenues Over/(Under) Expenditures	\$ (228,219)	\$ 296,646	\$ 406,882	\$ 494,164	\$ 572,070

\*Percentage is negligible

Percent of Fund Total Revenues				
2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
15%	15%	15%	16%	18%
8%	9%	9%	7%	8%
61%	56%	53%	45%	50%
*	*	1%	1%	*
1%	2%	2%	7%	
14%	16%	17%	18%	20%
1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
*	1%	2%	4%	3%
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
12% 6%	12% 6%	9% 6%	10% 7%	13% 8%
10%	10%	16%	22%	20%
9% 20/	11%	14%	11%	34%
2%	3%	3%	3%	3%
15% 1%	20%	21%	20%	22%
1 70	2%	2%	2%	2%
*	*	*	*	*
9%	2%			12%
64%	66%	71%	75%	114%
36%	34%	29%	25%	(14%)

# Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-7b. Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures - Debt Service Fund For the Last Five Fiscal Years

2019         2018           69,537         \$ 1,142,794           7,095         7,637	2017 \$ 1,200,103 17,423	2016 \$ 1,034,079
7,095 7,637		\$ 1,034,079
7,095 7,637		\$ 1,034,079
	17,423	
		12,392
		12,381
27,104 16,466	6,406	2,146
03,736 1,166,897	1,223,932	1,060,998
24,713 26,917	27,646	23,003
2,500		
470,000	210,000	200,000
677,354 677,354	629,119	495,734
83,757 1,174,271	866,765	718,737
19,979 \$ (7,374)	\$ 357,167	\$ 342,261
78 577	575	573
	2,500 485,000 470,000 571,544 677,354 183,757 1,174,271 119,979 \$ (7,374)	2,500 485,000 470,000 210,000 571,544 677,354 629,119 183,757 1,174,271 866,765 119,979 \$ (7,374) \$ 357,167

\*Percentage is negligible

Percent of Fund Total Revenues				
2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
99%	97%	98%	98%	98%
*	1%	1%	1%	1%
				1%
1%	2%	1%	1%	*
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
2% *	2% *	2%	2%	2%
45%	37%	40%	17%	19%
51%	52%	58%	51%	47%
12%				
110%	91%	100%	70%	68%
(10%)	9%	0%	30%	32%

### Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 156 TSI-8. Board Members, Key Personnel and Consultants For the Year Ended August 31, 2020

Complete District Mailing Address:	3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite	2600, Houston, TX 77027		
District Business Telephone Number:	(713) 860-6400			
Submission Date of the most recent District Registration Form				
(TWC Sections 36.054 and 49.054):	May 19, 2020			
Limit on Fees of Office that a Director may receive during a fiscal year:		\$	7,200	
(Set by Board Resolution TWC Section 49.0600)				

Names:	Term of Office (Elected or Appointed) or Date Hired	Fees of Office Paid *	Expense Reimburse- ments	Title at Year End
Board Members				
Robert E. Jones	05/18 to 05/22	<b>\$ 1,95</b> 0	<b>\$</b> 107	President
James B. Wilson	05/20 to 05/24	1,950	97	Vice President
Nathan Church	05/18 to 05/22	1,800	261	Secretary
Joseph Ellis	05/20 to 05/24	3,750	173	Assistant Secretary
Eric Gerdes	05/20 to 05/24	1,650	165	Assistant Vice President
Consultants Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP <i>General legal fees</i> <i>Bond counsel</i>	2012	Amounts Paid \$ 79,656 43,260		Attorney
Inframark, LLC	2012	433,218		Operator
Myrtle Cruz, Inc.	2012	15,938		Bookkeeper
Assessments of the Southwest	2012	8,697		Tax Collector
Fort Bend Central Appraisal District	Legislation	12,508		Property Valuation
Perdue, Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP	2012	1,419		Delinquent Tax Attorney
Benchmark Engineering Corporation	2012	13,976		Engineer
McGrath & Co., PLLC	2013	11,500		Auditor
Rathmann & Associates	2012	42,250		Financial Advisor

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

#### APPENDIX C

#### SPECIMEN OF MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY



# MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

ISSUER:

BONDS: \$ in aggregate principal amount of

Policy No: -N 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 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 to the Trustee or Paying Agent for the benefit of the Owner's right to receive payment by AGM hereunder. Payment by 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 been has recovered from such Owner pursuant to the

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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

A subsidiary of Assured Guaranty Municipal Holdings Inc. 1633 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10019 (212) 974-0100

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