

**OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE, OFFICIAL BID FORM  
and  
PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

**TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS**

**(A Political Subdivision of the State of Texas Located in Denton County, Texas)**

**\$24,700,000\***

**COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF  
OBLIGATION, SERIES 2021  
(THE "CERTIFICATES")**

**Bids due  
Tuesday, August 17, 2021  
at  
12:00 P.M., Central Time**

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\*Preliminary, subject to change based on bid structures. See "THE CERTIFICATES - MATURITY SCHEDULE" and "THE CERTIFICATES – ADJUSTMENT OF PRINCIPAL AMOUNT AND MATURITY SCHEDULE FOR THE CERTIFICATES" in the Official Notice of Sale relating to the Certificates.

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This Official Notice of Sale does not alone constitute an invitation for bids but is merely notice of sale of the Certificates defined and described herein. The invitation for bids on the Certificates is being made by means of this Official Notice of Sale, the Official Bid Form and the Preliminary Official Statement.

## OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE

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**COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2021**

**CERTIFICATES OFFERED FOR SALE AT COMPETITIVE BID:** The Town Council (the "Town Council") of the Town of Little Elm, Texas (the "Town" or the "Issuer") is offering for sale at competitive bid its \$24,700,000\* Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021 (the "Certificates").

**BIDS BY INTERNET:** Interested bidders may, at their option and risk, submit their bid by electronic media, as described below, by 12:00 P.M., Central Time, on Tuesday, August 17, 2021. Bidders submitting a bid by internet shall not be required to submit signed Official Bid Forms prior to the award. Any prospective bidder that intends to submit an electronic bid must submit its electronic bid via the facilities of the i-Deal, LLC Parity System ("PARITY") and should, as a courtesy, register with PARITY by 9:00 A.M., Central Time, on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 indicating their intent to submit a bid by internet.

In the event of a malfunction in the electronic bidding process, bidders may submit their bids by email to [mmcliney@samcocapital.com](mailto:mmcliney@samcocapital.com). If there is a malfunction of the electronic bidding process and a bidder submits a bid via email please call 210-832-9760 to notify the Financial Advisor (defined below) of the incoming bid. Any bid received after the scheduled time for their receipt will not be accepted.

The official time for the receipt of bids shall be the time maintained by PARITY. All electronic bids shall be deemed to incorporate the provisions of this Official Notice of Sale, Official Bid Form and the Preliminary Official Statement. To the extent that any instructions or directions set forth in PARITY conflict with this Official Notice of Sale, the terms of this Official Notice of Sale shall control. For further information about the PARITY System, potential bidders may contact PARITY, c/o Ipreo Holdings LLC, 1359 Broadway, New York, New York 10018, 212-849-5021.

An electronic bid made through the facilities of PARITY shall be deemed an irrevocable offer to purchase the Certificates on the terms provided in this Official Notice of Sale, and shall be binding upon the bidder as if made by a signed sealed bid delivered to the Town. The Town shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by, or as a result of the use of PARITY, the use of such facilities being at the sole risk of the prospective bidder.

**OPENING OF BIDS:** Bids will be opened and publicly read at 12:00 P.M., Central Time, on Tuesday, August 17, 2021, following which the bids will be evaluated by SAMCO Capital Markets, Inc. (the "Financial Advisor") and the Town Council shall provide final approval of the award at a Town Council meeting later that evening. The Mayor of the Town or his representative shall award the Certificates as described in the section entitled "AWARD AND SALE OF THE CERTIFICATES" below.

**AWARD AND SALE OF THE CERTIFICATES:** By 1:00 P.M., Central Time, on the date set for receipt of bids, the Mayor of the Town or his representative shall award the Certificates to the **low qualified bidder (the "Winning Bidder")**, as described in the section entitled "**CONDITIONS OF SALE – Basis of Award**" herein subject to final approval of the Town Council which will take action to adopt an ordinance (the "**Ordinance**") authorizing the issuance and awarding sale of the Certificates or will reject all bids promptly at a scheduled meeting to commence at 6:00 P.M. Central Time on Tuesday, August 17, 2021. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities, except time of filing.

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## THE CERTIFICATES

**DESCRIPTION OF CERTAIN TERMS OF THE CERTIFICATES:** The Certificates will be dated August 1, 2021 (the “Dated Date”) with interest to accrue from the Dated Date and be payable initially on February 1, 2022, and semiannually on each August 1 and February 1 thereafter until the earlier of stated maturity or prior redemption. The Certificates will be issued as fully registered Certificates in book-entry form only and when issued will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, New York. DTC will act as securities depository (the “Securities Depository”). Book-entry interests in the Certificates will be made available for purchase in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a stated maturity. Purchasers of the Certificates (“Beneficial Owners”) will not receive physical delivery of certificates representing their interest in the Certificates purchased. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Certificates, the principal of and interest on the Certificates will be payable by BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas, as Paying Agent/Registrar, to the Securities Depository, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its Participants, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to the Beneficial Owners of the Certificates. (See “BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM” in the Preliminary Official Statement.) The Certificates will be stated to mature on August 1 in each of the following years in the following amounts:

### MATURITY SCHEDULE (Due August 1)

Stated Maturity	Principal Amount*	Stated Maturity	Principal Amount*
2022	\$ 965,000	2032	\$ 1,235,000
2023	990,000	2033	1,265,000
2024	1,015,000	2034	1,300,000
2025	1,045,000	2035	1,335,000
2026	1,070,000	2036	1,360,000
2027	1,100,000	2037	1,400,000
2028	1,120,000	2038	1,440,000
2029	1,150,000	2039	1,475,000
2030	1,175,000	2040	1,505,000
2031	1,210,000	2041	1,545,000

**ADJUSTMENT OF PRINCIPAL AMOUNT AND MATURITY SCHEDULE FOR THE CERTIFICATES:** The Town reserves the right to increase or decrease the principal (maturity) amount of any maturity of the Certificates, including the elimination of a maturity or maturities; provided, however, that the aggregate principal (denominational) amount of the Certificates shall not exceed \$24,700,000\*. Notice of any such changes shall be given to the successful bidder as soon as practicable following the notification of award, as described below, and this Notice of Sale may be amended at the sole discretion of the Town to reflect such increase or decrease. The Town will attempt to maintain total per bond underwriter spread when adjusting maturities. No such adjustment will have the effect of altering the basis upon which the best bid is determined. The successful bidder may not withdraw its bids or change the rates bid or any initial reoffering prices as a result of any changes made to the principal (denominational) amounts.

**SERIAL CERTIFICATES AND/OR TERM CERTIFICATES:** Bidders may provide that all of the Certificates be issued as serial maturities or may provide that any two or more consecutive annual principal amounts be combined into one or more term certificates, not to exceed five term certificates (the “Term Certificates”).

**MANDATORY SINKING FUND REDEMPTION:** If the Winning Bidder designates principal amounts to be combined into one or more Term Certificates, each such Term Certificate will be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption commencing on August 1 of the first year which has been combined to form such Term Certificate and continuing on August 1 in each year thereafter until the stated maturity date of that Term Certificate. The amount redeemed in any year will be equal to the principal amount for such year set forth in the table above under the caption “MATURITY SCHEDULE”. Certificates to be redeemed in any year by mandatory sinking fund redemption will be redeemed at par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption and will be selected by lot from among the Certificates then subject to redemption. The Town, at its option, may credit against any mandatory sinking fund redemption requirement Term Certificates of the maturity then subject to redemption which have been purchased and canceled by the Town or have been optionally redeemed and not theretofore applied as a credit against any mandatory sinking fund redemption requirement.

**OPTIONAL REDEMPTION:** The Town reserves the right, at its option, to redeem the Certificates maturing on or after August 1, 2031, in whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on August 1, 2030, or any date thereafter, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption as further described in the Preliminary Official Statement.

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**SECURITY FOR PAYMENT:** The Certificates are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including the Certificate of Obligation Act of 1971 (Sections 271.041 through 271.064, Texas Local Government Code, as amended), an ordinance (the "Ordinance") to be adopted by the Town Council on August 17, 2021, and the Town's Home Rule Charter and are payable primarily from annual ad valorem taxes levied against all taxable property therein, within the limits prescribed by law, and are further secured by a lien on and limited pledge of the Net Revenues of the Issuer's waterworks and sewer system (the "System") not to exceed \$1,000 such lien and pledge, however, being subordinate and inferior to the lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues that may be pledged to the payment of any Prior Lien Obligations, (as described and defined in the Ordinance) hereafter issued by the Issuer. In the Ordinance the Town retains the right to issue Prior Lien Obligations and Additional Certificates, while the Certificates are Outstanding, without limitations as to principal amount but subject to any terms, conditions, or restrictions as may be applicable thereto under law or otherwise.

**OTHER TERMS AND COVENANTS:** Other terms of the Ordinance and the various covenants of the Town contained in the Ordinance are described in the Official Statement, to which reference is made for all purposes.

**SUCCESSOR PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR:** The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas. In the Ordinance, the Town covenants to provide a Paying Agent/Registrar at all times while the Certificates are outstanding, and any Paying Agent/Registrar selected by the Town shall be a commercial bank or trust company organized under the laws of the United States and any state and duly qualified and legally authorized to serve and perform the duties of the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates. The Paying Agent/Registrar will maintain the Security Register containing the names and addresses of the registered owners of the Certificates.

In the Ordinance, the Town retains the right to replace the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the Paying Agent/Registrar is replaced by the Town, the new Paying Agent/Registrar shall accept the previous Paying Agent/Registrar's records and act in the same capacity as the previous Paying Agent/Registrar. Any successor Paying Agent/Registrar, selected at the sole discretion of the Town, shall be qualified as described in the Preliminary Official Statement. Upon a change in the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates, the Town agrees to promptly cause written notice thereof to be sent to each registered owner of the Certificates by United States mail, first-class, postage prepaid.

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

**TYPES OF BIDS AND INTEREST RATES:** The Certificates will be sold in one block on an "All or None" basis, and at a price of not less than their par value, plus accrued interest on the Certificates from the Dated Date of the Certificates to the date of Initial Delivery (defined herein) of the Certificates. **No bid producing a cash premium on the Certificates that results in a dollar price of less than 101% will be considered; provided, however, that any bid is subject to adjustment as described under the caption "ADJUSTMENT OF INITIAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS".** Bidders are invited to name the rate(s) of interest to be borne by the Certificates, provided that each rate bid must be in a multiple of 1/8 of 1% or 1/20 of 1% and the net effective interest for the Certificates (calculated in the manner required by Chapter 1204, as amended, Texas Government Code) must not exceed 15%. **The highest rate bid may not exceed the lowest rate bid by more than 300 basis points (or 3% in rate). No limitation is imposed upon bidders as to the number of rates or changes which may be used.** All Certificates of one stated maturity must bear one and the same rate. No bids involving supplemental interest rates will be considered.

**BASIS OF AWARD:** The sale of the Certificates will be awarded to the bidder making a bid that conforms to the specifications herein (the "Winning Bidder" or "Purchaser") and which produces the lowest True Interest Cost (defined herein) rate to the Town. The "True Interest Cost" rate is that rate which, when used to compute the total present value as of the Dated Date of all debt service payments on the Certificates on the basis of semi-annual compounding, produces an amount equal to the sum of the par value of the Certificates plus the premium bid, (but not interest accrued from the Dated Date to the date of their initial delivery to the Purchaser). In the event of a bidder's error in interest cost rate calculations, the interest rates, and premium, set forth in the Official Bid Form will be considered as the intended bid.

In order to provide the Town with information required to enable it to comply with certain conditions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") to the date of initial delivery of the Certificates, relating to the excludability of interest on the Certificates from the gross income of their owners, the Purchaser will be required to complete, execute, and deliver to the Town (on or before the date of initial delivery of the Certificates) a certification as to their initial offering prices of the Certificates (the "Issue Price Certificate") substantially in the form and to the effect attached hereto or accompanying this Official Notice of Sale (see "ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE" herein).

#### **ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE:**

(a) The Winning Bidder shall assist the Town in establishing the issue price of the Certificates and shall execute and deliver to the Town by the Delivery Date an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, such issue price certificate substantially in the form attached hereto, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the Winning Bidder, the Town, and Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, the Town's Bond Counsel (but not to the extent that would preclude the establishment of issue price of the Certificates under applicable federal regulations). All actions to be taken by the Town under this Official Notice of Sale to establish the issue price of the Certificates may be taken on behalf of the Town by the Town's Financial Advisor and any notice or report to be provided to the Town may be provided to the Town's Financial Advisor.

(b) The Town intends that the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Certificates) will apply to the initial sale of the Certificates (the "competitive sale requirements") because:

- (1) the Town shall disseminate this Official Notice of Sale to potential underwriters (defined below) in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
- (2) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;
- (3) the Town may receive bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and
- (4) the Town anticipates awarding the sale of the Certificates to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Certificates at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Official Notice of Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this Official Notice of Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Certificates, as specified in the bid.

(c) In the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the Town shall so advise the Winning Bidder. In such event, the Town intends to treat the initial offering price to the public (defined below) as of the sale date (defined below) of each maturity of the Certificates as the issue price of that maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"). The Town shall promptly advise the Winning Bidder, at or before the time of award of the Certificates, if the competitive sale requirements were not satisfied, in which case the hold-the-offering-price rule shall apply to the Certificates. **Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied and the hold-the-offering-price rule applies.** In the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, resulting in the application of the hold-the-price rule, the issue price certificate shall be modified as necessary in the reasonable judgment of Bond Counsel and the Town.

(d) By submitting a bid, the Winning Bidder shall (i) confirm that the underwriters have offered or will offer the Certificates to the public on or before the date of award at the offering price or prices (the "initial offering price"), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in the bid submitted by the Winning Bidder and (ii) agree, on behalf of the underwriters participating in the purchase of the Certificates, that the underwriters will neither offer nor sell unsold Certificates of any maturity to which the hold-the-offering-price rule applies to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following:

- (1) the close of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after the sale date; or
- (2) the date on which the underwriters have sold at least 10% of that maturity of the Certificates to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

The Winning Bidder will advise the Town promptly after the close of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after the sale date whether it has sold 10% of that maturity of the Certificates to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

(e) The Town acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth above, the Winning Bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Certificates, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Certificates, as set forth in an agreement among underwriters and the related pricing wires, (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Certificates to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Certificates, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Certificates, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (iii) in the event that an underwriter or dealer who is a member of the selling group is a party to a retail or other third-party distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Certificates to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Certificates, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Certificates, as set forth in the retail or other third-party distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The Town further acknowledges that each underwriter shall be solely liable for its failure to comply with its agreement regarding the requirements for establishing issue price of the Certificates, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Certificates, and that no underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a retail or other third-party distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Certificates, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule as applicable to the Certificates.

(f) By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that: (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail or other third-party distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Certificates to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail or other third-party distribution agreement, as applicable, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the Winning Bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires, (ii) any agreement among underwriters or selling group agreement relating to the initial sale of the Certificates to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter or dealer

that is a party to a retail or other third-party distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Certificates to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail or other third-party distribution agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the Winning Bidder or the underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

(g) Sales of any Certificates to any person that is a related party (defined below) to an underwriter shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this Official Notice of Sale. Further, for purposes of this section of the Official Notice of Sale entitled "ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE":

- (1) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party,
- (2) "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Town (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Certificates to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Certificates to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail or other third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Certificates to the public),
- (3) a purchaser of any of the Certificates is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (i) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (ii) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (iii) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and
- (4) "sale date" means the date that the Certificates are awarded by the Town to the Winning Bidder.

**ADJUSTMENT OF INITIAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS:** See "THE CERTIFICATES – ADJUSTMENT OF PRINCIPAL AMOUNT AND MATURITY SCHEDULE FOR THE CERTIFICATES" for a description of the Town's reservation of the right to increase or decrease the principal (maturity) amount of any maturity of the Certificates, including the elimination of a maturity or maturities.

**GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT:** A bank cashier's check payable to the order of "Town of Little Elm, Texas" in the amount of \$494,000 which is 2% of the par value of the Certificates (the "Good Faith Deposit"), is required. The Good Faith Deposit will be retained uncashed by the Town until the Certificates are delivered, and at that time it will be returned to the Purchaser uncashed on the date of delivery of the Certificates; however, should the Purchaser fail or refuse to take up and pay for the Certificates, said Good Faith Deposit is to be cashed by the Town and the proceeds accepted as full and complete liquidated damages. The above mentioned Good Faith Deposit may accompany the bid, or it may be submitted separately; however, if submitted separately, it shall be made available to the Town prior to the opening of the bids and shall be accompanied by instructions from the bank on which it is drawn which will authorize its use as a Good Faith Deposit by the Purchaser who shall be named in such instructions. No interest will be paid or allowed on any Good Faith Deposit. The checks accompanying all other bids will be returned immediately after the bids are opened and the award of the sale of the Certificates has been made.

**ADDITIONAL CONDITION OF AWARD — DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTY FORM:**

It is the obligation of the Town to receive information from Winning Bidder if bidder is not a publicly traded business entity (a "Privately Held Bidder"). Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2252.908 (the "Interested Party Disclosure Act"), the Town may not award the Certificates to a Winning Bidder which is a Privately Held Bidder unless such party submits a Certificate of Interested Parties Form 1295 (the "Disclosure Form") to the Town as prescribed by the Texas Ethics Commission ("TEC"). In the event that a Privately Held Bidder's bid for the Certificates is the best bid received, the Town, acting through its financial advisor, will promptly notify the winning Privately Held Bidder. That notification will serve as the Town's conditional verbal acceptance of the bid, and will obligate the winning Privately Held Bidder to establish (unless such winning Privately Held Bidder has previously so established) an account with the TEC, and promptly file a completed Disclosure Form, as described below, in order to allow the Town to complete the award.

Process for completing the Disclosure Form. For purposes of illustration, the Disclosure Form is attached hereto, and reference should be made to such form for the following information needed to complete it: (a) item 2 - name of the governmental entity (Town of Little Elm, Texas) and (b) item 3 - the identification number assigned to this contract by the Town (Little Elm CO2021 – Bid Form) and description of the goods or services (Purchase of the Town of Little Elm, Texas Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021). The Interested Party Disclosure Act and the rules adopted by the TEC with respect thereto (the "Disclosure Rules") require a non-publicly traded business entity contracting with the Town to complete the Disclosure Form electronically at <https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/main/file.htm>, print, sign, and deliver, in physical form, the certified Disclosure Form that is generated by the TEC's "electronic portal" to the Town. The executed Disclosure Form must be sent by email to the Town's financial advisor at [mmcliney@samcocapital.com](mailto:mmcliney@samcocapital.com), as soon as possible following the notification of conditional verbal acceptance and prior to the final written award. Upon receipt of the final written award, the Disclosure Form with original signatures must be submitted by mail to Bob Dransfield, c/o Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, 2200 Ross Ave., Suite 3600, Dallas, Texas 75201, along with a PDF executed version sent to [robert.dransfield@nortonrosefulbright.com](mailto:robert.dransfield@nortonrosefulbright.com).

Preparations for completion, and the significance of, the reported information. In accordance with the Interested Party Disclosure Act, the information reported by the winning Privately Held Bidder must be declared by an authorized agent of the Privately Held Winning Bidder. No exceptions may be made to that requirement. The Interested Party Disclosure Act and the Disclosure Form provides that such acknowledgment is made “under penalty of perjury.” Consequently, a winning Privately Held Bidder should take appropriate steps prior to completion of the Disclosure Form to familiarize itself with the Interested Party Disclosure Act, the Disclosure Rules and the Disclosure Form. Time will be of the essence in submitting the form to the Town, and no final award will be made by the Town regarding the sale of the Certificates until a completed Disclosure Form is received. If applicable, the Town reserves the right to reject any bid that does not satisfy the requirement of a completed Disclosure Form, as described herein. Neither the Town nor its consultants have the ability to verify the information included in a Disclosure Form, and neither party has an obligation nor undertakes responsibility for advising any bidder with respect to (1) the bidder’s obligation to submit the Disclosure Form or (2) the proper completion of the Disclosure Form. Consequently, an entity intending to bid on the Certificates should consult its own advisors to the extent it deems necessary and be prepared to submit the completed form, if required, promptly upon notification from the Town that its bid is the conditional winning bid. Instructional videos on logging in and creating a certificate are provided on the TEC’s website at [https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\\_info\\_form1295.htm](https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm).

**ADDITIONAL CONDITION OF AWARD - COMPLIANCE WITH H.B. 89 AND S.B. 252, 85TH TEXAS LEGISLATURE:** Each bidder, through submittal of an executed Official Bid Form, represents that it and its parent company, wholly- or majority-owned subsidiaries, and other affiliates, if any, do not boycott Israel and, to the extent the Official Notice of Sale and Official Bid Form is a contract for goods or services, will not boycott Israel during the term of this agreement. The foregoing verification is made solely to comply with Section 2271.002, Texas Government Code, and to the extent such Section does not contravene applicable Texas or Federal law. As used in the foregoing verification, ‘boycott Israel’ means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes. Each bidder, through submittal of an executed Official Bid Form, understands ‘affiliate’ to mean an entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with our company and exists to make a profit.

Each bidder, through submittal of an executed Official Bid Form, represents that neither it nor any parent company, wholly- or majority-owned subsidiaries, and other affiliates is a company identified on a list prepared and maintained by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Section 2252.153 or Section 2270.0201, Texas Government Code, and posted on any of the following pages of such officer’s internet website: <https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/sudan-list.pdf>; <https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/iran-list.pdf>, or <https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/docs/fto-list.pdf>. The foregoing representation is made solely to comply with Section 2252.152, Texas Government Code, and to the extent such Section does not contravene applicable Texas or Federal law and excludes our company and each parent company, wholly- or majority-owned subsidiaries, and other affiliates, if any, that the United States government has affirmatively declared to be excluded from its federal sanctions regime relating to Sudan or Iran or any federal sanctions regime relating to a foreign terrorist organization. Each bidder, through submittal of an executed Official Bid Form, understands “affiliate” to mean any entity that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with our company and exists to make a profit.

**IMPACT OF BIDDING SYNDICATE ON AWARD:** For purposes of contracting for the sale of the Certificates, the entity signing the bid form as Purchaser shall be solely responsible for the payment of the purchase price of the Certificates. The Purchaser may serve as a syndicate manager and contract under a separate agreement with other syndicate members. However, the Town is not a party to that agreement and any information provided regarding syndicate managers would be for informational purposes only.

#### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

To assist the Purchaser in complying with Rule 15c2-12, as amended (the “Rule”), of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), the Town and the Purchaser contract and agree, by the submission and acceptance of the winning bid, as follows:

**COMPLIANCE WITH RULE:** The Town has approved and authorized distribution of the accompanying Preliminary Official Statement for dissemination to potential purchasers of the Certificates, but does not presently intend to prepare any other document or version thereof for such purpose, except as described below. Accordingly, the Town deems the accompanying Preliminary Official Statement to be final as of its date, within the meaning of the Rule, except for information relating to the offering prices, interest rates, final debt service schedule, selling compensation, identity of the Purchaser and other similar information, terms and provisions to be specified in the competitive bidding process. The Purchaser shall be responsible for promptly informing the Town of the initial offering yields of the Certificates.

The Town agrees to provide, or cause to be provided, to the Purchaser, the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement and any amendments or supplements thereto in a “designated electronic format” (or printed format with respect to the final Official Statement) as may be required for the Purchaser to comply with the Rule or the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”). The Town consents to the distribution of such documents in a “designated electronic format.” Upon receipt, the Purchaser shall promptly file the Official Statement with the MSRB in accordance with the applicable MSRB rules.

The Town will complete and authorize distribution of the Official Statement identifying the Purchaser and containing information omitted from the Preliminary Official Statement. The Town does not intend to amend or supplement the Official Statement otherwise, except to take into account certain subsequent events, if any, as described below. By delivering the final Official Statement or any amendment or supplement thereto in the requested quantity to the Purchaser on or after the sale date, the Town intends the same to be final as of such date, within the meaning of Section 15c2-12(b)(3) of the Rule. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Town makes no representation concerning the absence of material misstatements or omissions from the Official Statement, except only as and to the extent under "CERTIFICATION OF THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT" as described below. To the best knowledge and belief of the Town, the Official Statement contains information, including financial



information or operating data, concerning every entity, enterprise, fund, account, or person that is material to an evaluation of the offering of the Certificates.

**FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT:** In addition to delivering the Official Statement in a “designated electronic format”, the Town will furnish to the Purchaser, within seven (7) days after the sale date, an aggregate maximum of fifty (50) copies of the Official Statement, together with information regarding interest rates and other terms relating to the reoffering of the Certificates, in accordance with Section 15c2-12(b)(3) of the Rule. The Purchaser may arrange, at its own expense, to have the Official Statement reproduced and printed if it requires more than 50 copies and may also arrange, at its own expense and responsibility, for completion and perfection of the first or cover page of the Official Statement so as to reflect interest rates and other terms and information related to the reoffering of the Certificates. The Purchaser will be responsible for providing information concerning the Town and the Certificates to subsequent purchasers of the Certificates, and the Town will undertake no responsibility for providing such information other than to make the Official Statement available to the Purchaser as provided herein. The Town agrees to provide, or cause to be provided, to the Purchaser the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement and any amendments or supplements thereto in a “designated electronic format” (or printed format with respect to the final Official Statement) as may be required for the Purchaser to comply with the Rule or the rules of the MSRB. The Town consents to the distribution of such documents in a “designated electronic format”. Upon receipt, the Purchaser shall promptly file the Official Statement with the MSRB in accordance with the MSRB Rule G-32. The Town's obligation to supplement the Official Statement to correct key representations determined to be materially misleading, after the date of the Official Statement, shall terminate upon initial delivery of the Certificates to the Purchaser, unless the Purchaser notifies, in writing, the Town that less than all of the Certificates have been sold to ultimate customers on or before such date, in which case the obligation will extend for an additional period of time (but not more than 90 days after the sale date) until all of the Certificates have been sold to ultimate customers.

**CHANGES TO OFFICIAL STATEMENT:** If, subsequent to the date of the Official Statement, the Town learns, through the ordinary course of business and without undertaking any investigation or examination for such purposes, or is notified by the Purchaser of any adverse event which causes the Official Statement to be materially misleading, and unless the Purchaser elects to terminate its obligation to purchase the Certificates, as described below under "DELIVERY AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS - CONDITIONS TO DELIVERY", the Town will promptly prepare and supply to the Purchaser an appropriate amendment or supplement to the Official Statement satisfactory to the Purchaser and in a “designated electronic format”; provided, however, that the obligation of the Town to do so will terminate when the Town delivers the Certificates to the Purchaser, unless the Purchaser notifies the Town on or before such date that less than all of the Certificates have been sold to ultimate customers, in which case the Town's obligations hereunder will extend for an additional period of time (but not more than 90 days after the date the Town delivers the Certificates) until all of the Certificates have been sold to ultimate customers.

**CERTIFICATION OF THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT:** At the time of payment for and delivery of the hereinafter defined Initial Certificate (the “Delivery Date”), the Purchaser will be furnished a certificate, executed by proper officials of the Town, acting in their official capacities, to the effect that to the best of their knowledge and belief: (a) the descriptions and statements of or pertaining to the Town contained in its Official Statement, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, for the Certificates, on the date of such Official Statement, on the date of sale of said Certificates and the acceptance of the best bid therefor, and on the date of the initial delivery thereof, were and are true and correct in all material respects; (b) insofar as the Town and its affairs, including its financial affairs, are concerned, such Official Statement did not and does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; (c) insofar as the descriptions and statements including financial data, of or pertaining to entities, other than the Town, and their activities contained in such Official Statement are concerned, such statements and data have been obtained from sources which the Town believes to be reliable and the Town has no reason to believe that they are untrue in any material respect; and (d) there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the Town since the date of the last financial statements of the Town appearing in the Official Statement. The Official Statement and Official Notice of Sale will be approved as to form and content and the use thereof in the offering of the Certificates will be authorized, ratified and approved by the Town Council of the Town on the date of sale, and the Purchaser will be furnished, upon request, at the time of payment for and the delivery of the Certificates, a certified copy of such approval, duly executed by the proper officials of the Town.

**CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT:** The Town will agree in the Ordinance to provide certain periodic information and notices of certain events in accordance with the Rule, as described in the Official Statement under "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION". The Purchaser's obligation to accept and pay for the Certificates is conditioned upon delivery to the Purchaser or its agent of a certified copy of the Ordinance containing the agreement described under such heading.

**COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR UNDERTAKINGS:** During the past five years, the Issuer has complied in all material respects with its continuing disclosure agreements in accordance with the Rule.

On April 7, 2020, the Town authorized a private placement of \$5,725,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020, which financing closed on May 7, 2020. The Town filed a notice of late filing referencing the financial obligation evidenced by such bonds on June 15, 2020.

## DELIVERY AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS

**INITIAL DELIVERY OF INITIAL CERTIFICATES:** The initial delivery of the Certificates to the Purchaser on the "Delivery Date", will be accomplished by the issuance of either (i) a single fully registered Certificate in the total principal amount of \$24,700,000 (preliminary, subject to change) payable in stated installments to the Purchaser and numbered T-1, or (ii) as one (1) fully registered Certificate for each year of stated maturity in the applicable principal amount and denomination, to be numbered consecutively from R-1 and upward (in either case, the "Initial Certificate"), signed by manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor and the Town Secretary approved by the Attorney General of Texas, and registered and manually signed by an authorized representative of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. Initial Delivery (defined below) of the Certificates will be at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar. Upon delivery of the Initial Certificate, they shall be immediately canceled and one Certificate for each stated maturity will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. and deposited with DTC in connection with DTC's Book-Entry-Only System. Payment for the Initial Certificate must be made in immediately available funds for unconditional credit to the Town, or as otherwise directed by the Town. The Purchaser will be given six (6) business days' notice of the time fixed for delivery of the Certificates. It is anticipated that Initial Delivery of the Initial Certificate can be made on or about September 14, 2021, but if for any reason the Town is unable to make delivery by September 21, 2021, then the Town shall immediately contact the Purchaser and offer to allow the Purchaser to extend for an additional thirty (30) days its obligation to take up and pay for the Certificates. If the Purchaser does not so elect within six (6) business days thereafter, then the Good Faith Deposit will be returned, and both the Town and the Purchaser shall be relieved of further obligation. In no event shall the Town be liable for any damages by reason of its failure to deliver the Certificates, provided such failure is due to circumstances beyond the Town's reasonable control.

**EXCHANGE OF INITIAL CERTIFICATES FOR DEFINITIVE CERTIFICATES:** Upon payment for the Initial Certificate at the time of such delivery, the Initial Certificate is to be canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar and registered definitive Certificates delivered in lieu thereof, in multiples of \$5,000 for each stated maturity, in accordance with written instructions received from the Purchaser and/or members of the Purchaser's syndicate. Such Certificates shall be registered by the Paying Agent/Registrar. It shall be the duty of the Purchaser and/or members of the Purchaser's syndicate to furnish to the Paying Agent/Registrar, at least five days prior to the delivery of the Initial Certificate, final written instructions identifying the names and addresses of the registered owners, the stated maturities, interest rates, and denominations. The Paying Agent/Registrar will not be required to accept changes in such written instructions after the five day period, and if such written instructions are not received by the Paying Agent/Registrar five days prior to the delivery, the cancellation of the Initial Certificate and delivery of registered definitive Certificates may be delayed until the fifth day next following the receipt of such written instructions by the Paying Agent/Registrar.

**CUSIP NUMBERS:** It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Certificates, but neither the failure to print such number on any Certificate nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the Purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the Certificates in accordance with the terms of the Official Bid Form and this Official Notice of Sale. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on the Certificates shall be paid by the Town; however, the CUSIP Service Bureau's charge for the assignment of the numbers shall be paid by the Purchaser.

**CONDITIONS TO DELIVERY:** The obligation to take up and pay for the Certificates is subject to the following conditions: the issuance of an approving opinion of the Attorney General of Texas, the Purchaser's acknowledgment of the receipt of the Initial Certificate, the Purchaser's receipt of the legal opinions of Bond Counsel and the no-litigation certificate, and the non-occurrence of the events described below under the caption "NO MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE", all as described below. In addition, if the Town fails to comply with its obligations described under "OFFICIAL STATEMENT- FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT" above, the Purchaser may terminate its contract to purchase the Certificates by delivering written notice to the Town within five (5) days thereafter.

**NO MATERIAL ADVERSE CHANGE:** The obligation of the Purchaser to take up and pay for the Certificates, and of the Town to deliver the Initial Certificate, are subject to the condition that, up to the time of delivery of and receipt of payment for the Initial Certificate, there shall have been no material adverse change in the affairs of the Town 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 delivery.

**LEGAL OPINIONS:** The Certificates are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the approval of certain legal matters by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and Bond Counsel (see discussion "LEGAL MATTERS - Legal Opinions and No-Litigation Certificate" in the Preliminary Official Statement).

**CHANGE IN TAX-EXEMPT STATUS:** At any time before the Certificates are tendered for initial delivery to the Purchaser, the Purchaser may withdraw its bid if the interest on obligations such as the Certificates shall be declared to be includable in the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Code, of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, either by U.S. Treasury regulations, by ruling or administrative guidance of the Internal Revenue Service, by a decision of any federal court, or by the terms of any federal income tax legislation enacted subsequent to the date of this Official Notice of Sale.

## GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

**FUTURE REGISTRATION:** The Certificates may be transferred, registered, and assigned on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar only upon presentation and surrender thereof to the Paying Agent/Registrar, and such registration and transfer shall be without expense or service charge to the registered owner, except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration and transfer. A Certificate may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Certificates or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. A new Certificate or Certificates will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar in lieu of the Certificates being transferred or exchanged at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, or sent by United States registered

mail to the new registered owner at the registered owner's request, risk, and expense. To the extent possible, new Certificates issued in an exchange or transfer of Certificates will be delivered to the registered owner or assignee of the registered owner in not more than three (3) business days after the receipt of the Certificates to be canceled in the exchange or transfer and the written instrument of transfer or request for exchange duly executed by the registered owner or its duly authorized agent, in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Certificates registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in denominations of \$5,000 for any one stated maturity or any integral multiple thereof and for a like aggregate principal amount and interest rate as the Certificates surrendered for exchange or transfer.

**RECORD DATE:** The record date ("Record Date") for determining the party to whom the semiannual interest on the Certificates is payable on any interest payment date is the fifteenth day of the month next preceding such interest payment date.

**RATING:** A municipal bond rating application has been made to S&P Global Ratings ("S&P"). The outcome of the results will be made available to the Purchaser as soon as possible. (See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Rating" in the Preliminary Official Statement). An explanation of the significance of such a rating may be obtained from S&P. The rating of the Certificates by S&P reflects only the view of S&P at the time the rating is given, and the Town makes no representations as to the appropriateness of the rating. There is no assurance that the rating will continue for any given period of time, or that the rating will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by S&P, if, in the judgment of such company, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of the rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Certificates.

**SALE OF ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS:** The Town currently has no plans to issue additional ad valorem tax supported debt in 2021, except potentially issuing refunding bonds for debt service savings.

**REGISTRATION AND QUALIFICATION OF CERTIFICATES FOR SALE:** No registration statement relating to the Certificates has been filed with the SEC under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), in reliance upon exemptions provided in such Act. The Certificates have not been approved or disapproved by the SEC, nor has the SEC passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of the Official Statement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. The Certificates have not been registered or qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon exemptions contained therein, nor have the Certificates been registered or qualified under the securities acts of any other jurisdiction. The Town assumes no responsibility for registration or qualification of the Certificates under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Certificates may be sold, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for registration or qualification for sale or other disposition of the Certificates shall not be construed as an interpretation of any kind with regard to the availability of any exemption from securities registration or qualification provisions.

It is the obligation of the Purchaser to register or qualify the sale of the Certificates under the securities laws of any jurisdiction which so requires. The Town agrees to cooperate, at the Purchaser's written request and expense and within reasonable limits, in registering or qualifying the Certificates, or in obtaining an exemption from registration or qualification in any state where such action is necessary, but will in no instance execute a general consent to service of process in any state that the Certificates are offered for sale.

**ADDITIONAL COPIES:** Subject to the limitations described herein, an electronic copy of this Official Notice of Sale, the Official Bid Form, and the Official Statement may be obtained from [www.samccapital.com](http://www.samccapital.com).

On the date of the sale, the Town Council will, in the Ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Certificates, reconfirm its approval of the form and content of the Official Statement, and any addenda, supplement, or amendment thereto, and authorize its further use in the reoffering of the Certificates by the Purchaser.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor,  
Town of Little Elm, Texas

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town Secretary,  
Town of Little Elm, Texas

August 17, 2021

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**OFFICIAL BID FORM**

Honorable Mayor and Town Council  
 Town of Little Elm  
 100 West Eldorado Parkway  
 Little Elm, Texas 75068

August 17, 2021

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Subject to the terms of your Official Notice of Sale and Preliminary Official Statement dated August 10, 2021, which terms are incorporated by reference to this proposal (and which are agreed to as evidenced by our submission of this bid), we hereby submit the following bid for \$24,700,000 (preliminary, subject to change) TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2021, dated August 1, 2021 (the "Certificates").

For said legally issued Certificates, we will pay you \$\_\_\_\_\_ (being a price of no less than 101% of the par value) plus accrued interest from their date to the date of delivery to us for Certificates maturing August 1 and bearing interest per annum as follows:

Year of Stated Maturity	Principal Amount at Stated Maturity	Coupon %	Year of Stated Maturity	Principal Amount at Stated Maturity	Coupon %
2022	\$ 965,000		2032*	\$ 1,235,000	
2023	990,000		2033*	1,265,000	
2024	1,015,000		2034*	1,300,000	
2025	1,045,000		2035*	1,335,000	
2026	1,070,000		2036*	1,360,000	
2027	1,100,000		2037*	1,400,000	
2028	1,120,000		2038*	1,440,000	
2029	1,150,000		2039*	1,475,000	
2030*	1,175,000		2040*	1,505,000	
2031*	1,210,000		2041*	1,545,000	

*\*Maturities available for Term Certificates.*

Our calculation (which is not part of this bid) of the True Interest Cost from the above is: \_\_\_\_\_%

**ADJUSTMENT OF INITIAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS:** As a condition to our submittal of this bid for the Certificates, we acknowledge the following: The Town reserves the right to increase or decrease the principal (maturity) amount of any maturity of the Certificates, including the elimination of a maturity or maturities; provided, however, that the aggregate principal (denominational) amount of the Certificates shall not exceed \$24,700,000. Notice of any such changes shall be given to the successful bidder as soon as practicable following the notification of award, as described below, and this Official Notice of Sale may be amended at the sole discretion of the Town to reflect such increase or decrease. The Town will attempt to maintain total per bond underwriter spread when adjusting maturities. No such adjustment will have the effect of altering the basis upon which the best bid is determined. The successful bidder may not withdraw its bids or change the rates bid or any initial reoffering prices as a result of any changes made to the principal (denominational) amounts.

Of the principal maturities set forth in the table above, we have created term certificates (the "Term Certificates") as indicated in the following table (which may include no more than five Term Certificates. For those years which have been combined into a Term Certificate, the principal amount shown in the table shown on page ii of the Official Notice of Sale will be the mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts in such years except that the amount shown in the year of the Term Certificate maturity date will mature in such year. The Term Certificates created are as follows:

Term Certificate Maturity Date August 1	Year of First Mandatory Redemption	Principal Amount of Term Certificate	Interest Rate
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

The Initial Certificate shall be registered in the name of \_\_\_\_\_, which will, upon payment for the Certificates, be cancelled by the Paying Agent/Registrar. The Certificates will then be registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee), under the Book-Entry-Only System.

Cashier's Check of the \_\_\_\_\_ Bank, \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, in the amount of \$494,000, which represents our Good Faith Deposit (is attached hereto) or (has been made available to you prior to the opening of this Bid), and is submitted in accordance with the terms as set forth in the Official Notice of Sale, said check is to be returned to the Purchaser.

We agree to accept delivery of the Certificates utilizing the Book-Entry-Only System through DTC and make payment for the Initial Certificate in immediately available funds at the Corporate Trust Division, BOKF, NA, Dallas Texas, not later than 10:00 A.M., Central Time, on Monday, September 14, 2021, or thereafter on the date the Certificates are tendered for delivery, pursuant to the terms set forth in the Official Notice of Sale. It will be the obligation of the purchaser of the Certificates to complete and file the DTC Eligibility Questionnaire. The undersigned agrees to the provisions of the Official Notice of Sale under the heading "CONDITIONS OF SALE – ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE" and, as evidenced thereof, agrees to complete, execute, and deliver to the Town, by the Delivery Date, a certificate relating to the "issue price" of the Certificates in the form and to the effect attached to or accompanying the Official Notice of Sale, with such changes thereto as may be acceptable to Bond Counsel for the Town. (See "CONDITIONS OF SALE – ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE" in the Official Notice of Sale.)

Through submittal of this executed Official Bid Form, the undersigned verifies that, except to the extent otherwise required by applicable Texas or Federal law, it does not and will not "boycott Israel" and is not a company on the Texas Comptroller's list concerning "foreign terrorist organizations" prepared and maintained thereby under applicable Texas law, all as more fully provided in the Official Notice of Sale under the heading "ADDITIONAL CONDITION OF AWARD - COMPLIANCE WITH H.B. 89 AND S.B. 252, 85TH TEXAS LEGISLATURE".

For purposes of contracting for the sale of the Certificates, the entity signing the bid form as Purchaser shall be solely responsible for the payment of the purchase price of the Certificates. The Purchaser may serve as a syndicate manager and contract under a separate agreement with other syndicate members. However, the Town is not a party to that agreement and any information provided regarding syndicate managers would be for informational purposes only.

Upon notification of conditional verbal acceptance, the undersigned will, if required by applicable Texas law as described in the Official Notice of Sale under the heading "ADDITIONAL CONDITION OF AWARD – DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTED PARTY FORM", complete an electronic form of the Certificate of Interested Parties Form 1295 (the "Disclosure Form") through the Texas Ethics Commission's (the "TEC") electronic portal and the resulting certified Disclosure Form that is generated by the TEC's electronic portal will be printed, signed, and sent by email to the Town's financial advisor at [mmcliney@samccapital.com](mailto:mmcliney@samccapital.com) and Bond Counsel at [robert.dransfield@nortonrosefulbright.com](mailto:robert.dransfield@nortonrosefulbright.com). The undersigned understands that the failure to provide the certified Disclosure Form will prohibit the Town from providing final written award of the enclosed bid.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Authorized Representative  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone Number  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address

ACCEPTANCE CLAUSE

The above and foregoing bid is hereby in all things accepted by the Town of Little Elm, Texas, subject to and in accordance with the Official Notice of Sale and Official Bid Form, this 17th day of August 2021.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Mayor,  
 Town of Little Elm, Texas

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Town Secretary,  
 Town of Little Elm, Texas

**\$24,700,000\***  
**TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS**  
**COMBINATION TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION,**  
**SERIES 2021**

**ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Purchaser"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned obligations (the "Obligations") of the Town of Little Elm, Texas (the "Issuer").

**1. Reasonably Expected Initial Offering Price.**

(a) As of the Sale Date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Obligations to the Public by \_\_\_\_\_ are the prices listed in Schedule A (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Obligations used by the "Purchaser" in formulating its bid to purchase the Obligations. Attached as Schedule B is a true and correct copy of the bid provided by the "Purchaser" to purchase the Obligations.

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid.

(c) The bid submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ constituted a firm offer to purchase the Obligations.

**2. Defined Terms.**

(a) *Maturity* means Obligations with the same credit and payment terms. Obligations with different maturity dates, or Obligations with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.

(b) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.

(c) *Sale Date* means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Obligations. The Sale Date of the Obligations is August 17, 2021.

(d) *Underwriter* means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Obligations to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Obligations to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail or other third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Obligations to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents the Purchaser's interpretation of any laws, including specifically sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the tax certificate with respect to the Obligations and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Obligations, and by Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Obligations is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Obligations.

\_\_\_\_\_  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: August 17, 2021

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*Preliminary, subject to change.

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**SCHEDULE A**  
**EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES**

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**SCHEDULE B**

**COPY OF UNDERWRITER'S BID**

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This Preliminary Official Statement and the information contained herein are subject to completion or amendment without notice. These securities may not be sold, nor may offers to buy them be accepted, prior to the time the Official Statement is delivered in final form. Under no circumstances shall this Preliminary Official Statement constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of, these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration, qualification or filing under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

**NEW ISSUE: BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY**

Ratings: S&P: "Applied for"  
(See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Ratings" herein)

**PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT**  
**Dated: August 10, 2021**

*In the opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Certificates will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions existing on the date of initial delivery of the Certificates, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS" herein.*

**\$24,700,000\***  
**TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS**  
**(Denton County)**  
**COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2021**

**Dated Date: August 1, 2021**

**Obligations Due: August 1, as shown on page ii**

The Town of Little Elm, Texas (the "Town" or the "Issuer") \$24,700,000\* Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021 (the "Certificates" or "Obligations") are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including particularly Texas Local Government Code, Subchapter C, Chapter 271, as amended, an ordinance (the "Ordinance") to be adopted by the Town Council, and the Town's Home Rule Charter. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Authority for Issuance" herein.)

The Certificates constitute direct obligations of the Issuer payable from an annual ad valorem tax levied against all taxable property in the Town, within the limits prescribed by law, and further secured by and payable from a lien on and limited pledge (not to exceed \$1,000) of the net revenues derived from the operation of the Issuer's combined waterworks and sewer system (the "System"). (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Security for Payment" herein.)

Interest on the Certificates will accrue from August 1, 2021 (the "Dated Date") as shown above and will be payable on February 1, 2022, and on each August 1 and February 1 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption, and will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The definitive Obligations will be issued as fully registered obligations in book-entry form only and when issued will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. DTC will act as securities depository (the "Securities Depository"). Book-entry interests in the Obligations will be made available for purchase in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof within a maturity. Purchasers of the Obligations ("Beneficial Owners") will not receive physical delivery of certificates representing their interest in the Obligations purchased. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Obligations, the principal of and interest on the Obligations will be payable by BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas, as Paying Agent/Registrar, to DTC, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its participants, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to the Beneficial Owners of the Obligations. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.)

Proceeds from the sale of the Certificates will be used for the purpose of paying the Town's contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping park and recreation facilities, including the acquisition of land therefor, (ii) constructing improvements and extensions to the Town's Waterworks and Sewer System, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) constructing street improvements, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, signage, traffic signalization and street noise abatement incidental thereto and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection with the construction and financing of the foregoing projects. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Use of Certificate Proceeds" herein.)

**STATED MATURITY SCHEDULE**  
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*The Obligations are offered for delivery, when, as and if issued and received by the initial purchaser (the "Purchaser") and subject to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the approval of certain legal matters by Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel. (See Appendix C – Form of Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel.) (See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Legal Opinions and No-Litigation Certificate" herein). It is expected that the Certificates will be available for delivery through DTC on or about September 14, 2021.*

**BIDS FOR CERTIFICATES DUE ON AUGUST 17, 2021 AT 12:00 P.M., CENTRAL TIME.**

\* Preliminary, subject to change.

**STATED MATURITY SCHEDULE\***

(Due August 1)

**Base CUSIP – 537095**

<u>Stated Maturity August 1</u>	<u>Principal Amount*</u>	<u>Initial Rate (%)</u>	<u>Initial Yield (%)</u>	<u>CUSIP Suffix<sup>(a)</sup></u>
2022	\$ 965,000			
2023	990,000			
2024	1,015,000			
2025	1,045,000			
2026	1,070,000			
2027	1,100,000			
2028	1,120,000			
2029	1,150,000			
2030	1,175,000			
2031	1,210,000			
2032	1,235,000			
2033	1,265,000			
2034	1,300,000			
2035	1,335,000			
2036	1,360,000			
2037	1,400,000			
2038	1,440,000			
2039	1,475,000			
2040	1,505,000			
2041	1,545,000			

(Interest to accrue from the Dated Date)

The Issuer reserves the right to redeem the Certificates maturing on and after August 1, 2031, on August 1, 2030, or any date thereafter, in whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest as further described herein. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Redemption Provisions" herein.)

<sup>(a)</sup> CUSIP is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP data herein is provided by CUSIP Global Services ("CGS"), managed by S&P Global Market Intelligence on behalf of The American Bankers Association. This data is not intended to create a database and does not serve in any way as a substitute for the CUSIP Services. Neither the Town nor the Financial Advisor is responsible for the selection or the correctness of the CUSIP numbers set forth herein.

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**100 West Eldorado Parkway**  
**Little Elm, Texas 75068**  
**214-975-0405**

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>On Council Since</u>	<u>Term Expires May</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
Curtis Cornelious	Mayor	2012	2024	Senior Operation Engineer II
Neil Blais	Mayor Pro Tem	2015	2024	Retired
Vacant	Council Member	-	-	-
Tony Singh	Council Member	2019	2022	Technical Training Manager
Lisa Norman	Council Member	2019	2022	Business Owner
Jeremy Lukas	Council Member	2021	2023	Senior Manager
Michael McClellan	Council Member	2020	2023	Director of Field Claims, Insurance

**ADMINISTRATION**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Years of Municipal Experience</u>
Matt Mueller	Town Manager	20 years
Doug Peach	Deputy Town Manager	34 years
Kelly Wilson	Chief Financial Officer	15 years
Dianne Lawson	Assistant Director of Finance	27 years
Caitlan Biggs	Town Secretary	7.5 years
Robert F. Brown	Town Attorney (Appointed)	33 years
Jason Shroyer	Public Works Director	10 years
Jennette Espinosa	Executive Director Little Elm EDC (Appointed)	13 years
Rodney Harrison	Police Chief	28 years
Joe Florentino	Assistant Town Manager/Director of Public Safety	26 years
Paul Rust	Fire Chief/Fire Marshall	27 years
Chad Hyde	Parks Director	21 years
Deidre Hale	Human Resource Manager	21 years

**CONSULTANTS AND ADVISORS**

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**USE OF INFORMATION IN THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

For purposes of compliance with Rule 15c2-12 of the United States Securities Exchange Commission (the "Rule"), this document constitutes a preliminary official statement of the Issuer with respect to the Certificates that has been deemed "final" by the Issuer as of its date except for the omission of no more than the information permitted by the Rule.

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

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

Certain information set forth herein has been provided by sources other than the Town that the Town believes to be reliable, but the Town makes no representation as to the accuracy of such information. Any information and expressions of opinion herein contained are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of the Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Town or other matters described herein since the date hereof. See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" for a description of the Town's undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

NEITHER THE TOWN NOR ITS FINANCIAL ADVISOR MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC") OR ITS BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM, AS SUCH INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY DTC.

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

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



## SELECTED DATA FROM THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

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

<b>The Issuer</b>	The Town of Little Elm, Texas (the "Town" or "Issuer") is a political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Denton County, and is a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State. The Town is a home-rule municipality operating under the council-manager form of government, governed by a mayor and six-member council as provided in the home-rule charter. The Town's population, as established by the 2010 U.S. Census, was 25,898. The Town's current population estimate is 48,910. (See "APPENDIX B - GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM AND DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS" herein.)
<b>The Certificates</b>	The Certificates are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including particularly Texas Local Government Code, Subchapter C, Chapter 271, as amended, an ordinance (the "Ordinance") to be adopted by the Town Council, and the Town's Home Rule Charter. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Authority for Issuance" herein.)
<b>Paying Agent/Registrar</b>	The initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas.
<b>Security</b>	The Certificates constitute direct obligations of the Issuer payable from an annual ad valorem tax levied against all taxable property in the Town, within the limits prescribed by law, and further secured by and payable from a lien on and limited pledge (not to exceed \$1,000) of the net revenues derived from the operation of the Issuer's combined waterworks and sewer system (the "System"). (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Security for Payment" herein.)
<b>Redemption Provisions</b>	The Issuer reserves the right to redeem the Certificates maturing on and after August 1, 2031, on August 1, 2030, or any date thereafter, in whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest, as further described herein. See "THE CERTIFICATES - Redemption Provisions" herein.)
<b>Tax Matters</b>	In the opinion of Bond Counsel, the interest on the Certificates will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date thereof, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS" herein. (See "TAX MATTERS" and APPENDIX C - FORM OF LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL" herein.)
<b>Use of Proceeds</b>	Proceeds from the sale of the Certificates will be used for the purpose of paying the Town's contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping park and recreation facilities, including the acquisition of land therefor, (ii) constructing improvements and extensions to the Town's Waterworks and Sewer System, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) constructing street improvements, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, signage, traffic signalization and street noise abatement incidental thereto and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection with the construction and financing of the foregoing projects. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Use of Certificate Proceeds" herein.)
<b>Book-Entry-Only System</b>	The Issuer intends to utilize the Book-Entry-Only System of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York described herein. No physical delivery of the Certificates will be made to the beneficial owners of the Certificates. Such Book-Entry-Only System may affect the method and timing of payments on the Certificates and the manner the Certificates may be transferred. (See "Book-Entry-Only System" herein.)
<b>Ratings</b>	A municipal bond rating application has been made to S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global Inc. ("S&P"). The Town currently has an S&P underlying rating of "AA" on its general obligation debt. An explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from S&P. (See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Ratings" herein.)
<b>Issuance of Additional Debt</b>	The Town currently has no plans to issue additional ad valorem tax supported debt in 2021, except potentially issuing refunding bonds for debt service savings.
<b>Payment Record</b>	The Town has never defaulted on the payment of its debt.
<b>Delivery</b>	It is anticipated the Certificates will be available for delivery through DTC on or about September 14, 2021.
<b>Legality</b>	Delivery of the Certificates is subject to the approval by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the rendering of an opinion as to legality by Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Bond Counsel, Dallas, Texas.

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## INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Official Statement provides certain information in connection with the issuance by Town of Little Elm, Texas (the "Town" or "Issuer") of its \$24,700,000\* Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021 (the "Certificates") identified on the cover page hereof.

The Issuer is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and operates as a home-rule municipality under the statutes and the constitution of the State of Texas (the "State"). The Certificates are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State, an ordinance (the "Ordinance" or the "Certificate Ordinance") to be adopted by the Town Council authorizing the issuance of the Certificates, and the Town's Home Rule Charter. (See "THE CERTIFICATES - Authority for Issuance" herein.)

Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms used in this Official Statement have the same meanings assigned to such terms in the Ordinance. Included in this Official Statement are descriptions of the Certificates and certain information about the Issuer and its finances. **ALL DESCRIPTIONS OF DOCUMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE SUMMARIES ONLY AND ARE QUALIFIED IN THEIR ENTIRETY BY REFERENCE TO EACH SUCH DOCUMENT.** Copies of such documents may be obtained from the Issuer or the Financial Advisor.

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

### Infectious Disease Outbreak – COVID -19

The outbreak of COVID-19, a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus, has been characterized as a pandemic (the "Pandemic") by the World Health Organization and is currently affecting many parts of the world, including the United States and the State of Texas (the "State"). On January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the United States Health and Human Services Department declared a public health emergency for the United States and on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the outbreak of COVID-19 in the United States a national emergency. Subsequently, the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID- 19 in the United States.

On March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas (the "Governor") declared a state of disaster for all counties in the State in response to the Pandemic which has been subsequently extended and remains in effect. Pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, the Governor has broad authority to respond to disasters, including suspending any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conducting state business or any order or rule of a State agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the disaster, and issuing executive orders that have the force and effect of law. The Governor has since issued a number of executive orders relating to COVID-19 preparedness and mitigation. However, on March 2, 2021 (but effective as of March 10, 2021), the Governor issued Executive Order GA-34, which supersedes most of the executive orders relating to COVID-19 and provides, generally, for the reopening of the State to 100%, ends the COVID-19 mask mandate, and supersedes any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to COVID-19, among other things and subject to certain limitations. Executive Order GA-34 remains in place until amended, rescinded, or superseded by the Governor. On May 18, 2021, the Governor issued Executive Order GA-36, which rescinds certain provisions of GA-34 and provides that no governmental entity, including the Town, may require any person to wear a face covering or to mandate that another person wear a face covering. 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, either expressly or by implication, into this Official Statement.

The Town collects a sales and use tax on all taxable transactions within the Town's boundaries, revenue from the sale of water and the collection of sewage, franchise fees based on private utility sales, hotel occupancy taxes upon the occupancy of any hotel or motel room in the Town, and other excise taxes and fees that depend on business activity. Further actions may be taken to slow the Pandemic which may reduce economic activity within the Town on which the Town collects taxes, charges, and fees. A reduction in the collection of sales or other excise taxes, utility system revenue, hotel occupancy tax revenues, and utility franchise and other fees and charges may negatively impact the Town's operating budget and overall financial condition. In addition, the Pandemic has resulted in volatility of the value of investments in pension funds. Any prolonged continuation of the Pandemic could further weaken asset values or slow or prevent their recovery, which could require increased Town contributions to fund or pay retirement and other post-employment benefits in the future.

The full extent of the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on the Town's longer-term operational and financial performance will depend on future developments, many of which are outside of its control, including the effectiveness of the mitigation strategies discussed above, the duration and spread of COVID-19, and future governmental actions, all of which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted. The Town continues to monitor the spread of COVID-19 and is working with local, state, and national agencies to address the potential impact of the Pandemic upon the Town. While the potential impact of the Pandemic on Town cannot be quantified at this time, the continued outbreak of COVID-19 could have an adverse effect on the Town's operations and financial condition.

\*Preliminary; subject to change.

The Pandemic has negatively affected travel, commerce, and financial markets globally, and is widely expected to continue negatively affecting economic growth and financial markets worldwide. These negative impacts may reduce or negatively affect property values within the Town. The financial and operating data contained herein are the latest available but are for the dates and the periods stated herein, which are for periods prior to the economic impact of the Pandemic and efforts to slow it. It is unclear at this time what effect, if any, COVID-19 and resulting economic disruption may have on future collections of certain revenues securing the Bonds.

Specific to the Town of Little Elm, at the onset of the pandemic Town Management initiated a contingency plan for the second half of fiscal 2020 and the start of 2021 in anticipation of a reduction in both Assessed Values and Sales Tax. The uncertainty of what could happen justified this plan. The Town actually realized continuing economic expansion with sales tax revenue up 13.5% from the original budget and property tax valuation up approximately 10% and continued residential and commercial construction expansion in which building permit fees exceeded the budget by 7%.

### **Convening of the Texas Legislature**

On January 12, 2021, the 87th Texas Legislature convened in general session which adjourned on May 31, 2021. The Texas Governor may call one or more additional special sessions. During this time, the Texas Legislature may enact laws that materially change current law as it relates to the Town and the financial condition of the Town. The Town makes no representation regarding any actions the Texas Legislature may take but intends to monitor proposed and final legislation for any developments applicable to the Town.

## **THE CERTIFICATES**

### **General Description**

The Certificates will be dated August 1, 2021 (the "Dated Date"). The Certificates are stated to mature on August 1 in the years and in the principal amounts set forth on page ii hereof. The Certificates shall bear interest from their Dated Date on the unpaid principal amounts, and the amount of interest to be paid with respect to each payment period shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Interest on the Certificates will be payable on February 1, 2022, and on each August 1 and February 1 thereafter, until maturity or prior redemption. Principal is payable at the designated offices of the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Certificates, initially BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas; provided, however, that so long as Cede & Co. (or other DTC nominee) is the registered owner of the Certificates, all payments will be made as described under "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein. Interest on the Certificates shall be paid to the registered owners whose names appear on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the Record Date (as hereinafter defined) and shall be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar (i) by check sent United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, to the address of the registered owner recorded in the Security Register or (ii) by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by, and at the risk of, the registered owner. If the date for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Certificates shall be a Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday or a day when banking institutions in the city where the designated payment/transfer office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized to be closed, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a day, and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the date payment was due.

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

### **Authority for Issuance**

The Certificates are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State, particularly Texas Local Government Code, Subchapter C, Chapter 271, as amended, the Town's Home Rule Charter and the Certificate Ordinance.

### **Security for Payment**

The Certificates constitute direct obligations of the Issuer payable from an annual ad valorem tax levied against all taxable property in the Town, within the limits prescribed by law, and further secured by and payable from a lien on and limited pledge (not to exceed \$1,000) of the net revenues derived from the operation of the Issuer's combined waterworks and sewer system (the "System").

### **Tax Rate Limitations**

All taxable property within the Town is subject to the assessment, levy and collection by the Town of a continuing, direct ad valorem tax sufficient to provide for the payment of principal of and interest on all ad valorem tax debt within the limit prescribed by law. Article XI, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution applicable to cities of more than 5,000 population is applicable to the Town, and limits the maximum ad valorem tax rate of the Town to \$2.50 per \$100 taxable assessed valuation for all Town purposes. Administratively, the Attorney General of the State of Texas will permit allocation of \$1.50 of the \$2.50 maximum tax rate for all general obligation debt service, as calculated at the time of issuance and based on a 90% collection factor.

## **Use of Certificate Proceeds**

Proceeds from the sale of the Certificates will be used for the purpose of paying the Town's contractual obligations to be incurred for (i) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping park and recreation facilities, including the acquisition of land therefor, (ii) constructing improvements and extensions to the Town's Waterworks and Sewer System, including the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) constructing street improvements, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, signage, traffic signalization and street noise abatement incidental thereto and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor and (iv) professional services rendered in connection with the construction and financing of the foregoing projects.

## **Redemption Provisions**

Optional Redemption: The Issuer reserves the right, at its option, to redeem the Certificates maturing on and after August 1, 2031, on August 1, 2030, or any date thereafter, in whole or in part, in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (and, if within a stated maturity, selected at random and by lot by the Paying Agent/Registrar), at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

Not less than thirty (30) days prior to a redemption date for the Certificates, the Town shall cause a notice of such redemption to be sent by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the registered owners of each Certificate or a portion thereof to be redeemed at its address as it appeared on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar on the day such notice of redemption is mailed. ANY NOTICE OF REDEMPTION SO MAILED TO THE REGISTERED OWNERS WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN DULY GIVEN IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER ONE OR MORE OF THE REGISTERED OWNERS FAILED TO RECEIVE SUCH NOTICE. By the date fixed for any such redemption, due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for the Certificates or portions thereof which are to be so redeemed. If such notice of redemption is given and any other condition to redemption satisfied, all as provided above, the Certificates or portion thereof which are to be redeemed thereby automatically shall be treated as redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, and they shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, and they shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the registered owner to receive the redemption price from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment.

With respect to any optional redemption of the Certificates, unless certain prerequisites to such redemption required by the Certificate Ordinance have been met and money sufficient to pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Certificates to be redeemed will have been received by the Paying Agent/Registrar prior to the giving of such notice of redemption, such notice may state that said redemption will, at the option of the Town, be conditional upon the satisfaction of such prerequisites and receipt of such money by the Paying Agent/Registrar on or prior to the date fixed for such redemption or upon any prerequisite set forth in such notice of redemption. If a conditional notice of redemption is given and such prerequisites to the redemption are not fulfilled, such notice will be of no force and effect, the Town will not redeem such Certificates and the Paying Agent/Registrar will give notice in the manner in which the notice of redemption was given, to the effect that the Certificates have not been redeemed.

The Paying Agent/Registrar and the Issuer, so long as a Book-Entry-Only System is used for the Certificates, will send any notice of redemption, notice of proposed amendment to the Certificates or other notices with respect to the Certificates only to DTC. Any failure by DTC to advise any DTC participant, or of any DTC participant or indirect participant to notify the Beneficial Owner, will not affect the validity of the redemption of the Certificates called for redemption or any other action premised on any such notice. Redemption of portions of the Certificates by the Issuer will reduce the outstanding principal amount of such Certificates held by DTC. In such event, DTC may implement, through its Book-Entry-Only System, a redemption of such Certificates held for the account of DTC participants in accordance with its rules or other agreements with DTC participants and then DTC direct participants and indirect participants may implement a redemption of such Certificates from the Beneficial Owners. Any such selection of Certificates the Issuer has called for redemption will not be governed by the Certificate Ordinance and will not be conducted by the Issuer or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Neither the Issuer nor the Paying Agent/Registrar will have any responsibility to DTC participants, indirect participants or the persons for whom DTC participants act as nominees, with respect to the payments on the Certificates or the providing of notice to DTC direct participants, indirect participants, or Beneficial Owners of the selection of portions of the Certificates for redemption. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.)

## **Payment Record**

The Town has never defaulted on the payment of its debt.

## **Legality**

The Certificates are offered when, as and if issued, subject to the approvals of legality by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Dallas, Texas, Bond Counsel. A form of the legal opinion of Bond Counsel appears in Appendix C attached hereto.

## **Defeasance**

The Ordinance provides for the defeasance of the Certificates when the payment of the principal of and premium, if any, on the Certificates, plus interest thereon to the due date thereof (whether such due date be by reason of maturity or otherwise) is provided by irrevocably depositing with the Paying Agent/Registrar or authorized escrow agent, in trust (1) money sufficient to make such

payment and/or (2) Government Obligations that mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times to insure the availability, without reinvestment, of sufficient money to make such payment, and all necessary and proper fees, compensation and expenses of the paying agent for the Certificates. The Ordinance provides that "Government Obligations" means (a) direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, (b) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date of their acquisition or purchase, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, (c) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and on the date of their acquisition or purchase by the Town are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and (d) any other then authorized securities of obligations that may be used to defease obligations such as the Certificates under the then applicable laws of the State of Texas. There is no assurance that the current law will not be changed in a manner which would permit investments other than those described above to be made with amounts deposited to defease the Certificates. Because the Ordinance does not contractually limit such investments, registered owners will 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 as those currently permitted under State law. There is no assurance that the ratings for U.S. Treasury securities used for defeasance purposes or that for any other Government Obligation will be maintained at any particular rating category.

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

#### **Amendments to the Ordinance**

The Town may amend the Ordinance without the consent of or notice to any registered owners in any manner not detrimental to the interests of the registered owners, including the curing of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or formal defect or omission therein.

In addition, the Town may, with the written consent of the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Certificates then outstanding affected thereby, amend, add to, or rescind any of the provisions of the Ordinance; except that, without the consent of the registered owners of all of the Certificates affected, no such amendment, addition, or rescission shall (i) extend the time or times of payment of the principal of, premium if any and interest on the Certificates, reduce the principal amount thereof, the redemption price therefor or the rate of interest thereon or in any other way modify the terms of payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Certificates, (ii) give any preference to any Certificate over any other Certificates or (iii) reduce the aggregate principal amount of Certificates required for consent to any such amendment, addition or rescission.

#### **Default and Remedies**

The Ordinance does not provide or specify remedies with regard to an event of default. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, the registered owners may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the Town officials to carry out the legally imposed duties with respect to the Certificates if there is no other available remedy at law to compel performance of the Certificates or the Ordinance and the Town's obligations are not uncertain or disputed. The remedy of mandamus is controlled by equitable principles, so rests with the discretion of the court, but may not be arbitrarily refused. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Certificates in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. The Ordinance does not provide for the appointment of a trustee to represent the interest of the Certificateholders upon any failure of the Town to perform in accordance with the terms of the Ordinance, or upon any other condition and accordingly all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the registered owners.

On April 1, 2016, the Texas Supreme Court ruled in *Wasson Interests, Ltd. v. City of Jacksonville*, 489 S.W.3d 427 (Tex. 2016) ("Wasson") that sovereign immunity does not imbue a city with derivative immunity when it performs proprietary, as opposed to governmental, functions in respect to contracts executed by a city. The Texas Supreme Court reviewed Wasson again in June 2018 and clarified that to determine whether governmental immunity applies to a breach of contract claim, the proper inquiry is whether the municipality was engaged in a governmental or proprietary function when it entered into the contract, not at the time of the alleged breach. Therefore in regard to municipal contract cases (as in tort claims) it is incumbent on the courts to determine whether a function was proprietary or governmental based upon the statutory guidance at the time of the contractual relationship.

Texas jurisprudence has generally held that proprietary functions are those conducted by a city in its private capacity, for the benefit only of those within its corporate limits, and not as an arm of the government or under the authority or for the benefit of the state. If sovereign immunity is determined by a court to exist, then the Texas Supreme Court has ruled in *Tooke v. City of Mexia*, 197 S.W. 3d 325 (Tex. 2006), that a waiver of sovereign immunity in a contractual dispute must be provided for by statute in "clear and unambiguous" language. Because it is unclear whether the Texas legislature has effectively waived the Town's sovereign immunity from a suit for money damages, owners of the Certificates may not be able to bring such a suit against the Town for breach of the covenants in the Ordinance or the Certificates. Even if a judgment against the Town could be obtained, it could not

be enforced by direct levy and execution against the Town's property. Further, the registered owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the Town or sell property within the Town to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Certificates. Furthermore, the Town is eligible to seek relief from its creditors under Chapter 9 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code ("Chapter 9"). Although Chapter 9 provides for the recognition of a security interest represented by a specifically pledged source of revenues, the pledge of ad valorem taxes in support of a general obligation of a bankrupt entity is not specifically recognized as a security interest under chapter 9. Chapter 9 also includes an automatic stay provision that would prohibit, without Bankruptcy Court approval, the prosecution of any other legal action by creditors or owners of the Certificates of an entity which has sought protection under Chapter 9. Therefore, should the Town avail itself of Chapter 9 protection from creditors, the ability to enforce creditors' rights would be subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court (which could require that the action be heard in Bankruptcy Court instead of other federal or state court); and the Bankruptcy Code provides for broad discretionary powers of a Bankruptcy Court in administering any proceeding brought before it. The opinion of Bond Counsel will note that all opinions relative to the enforceability of the Certificates are qualified with respect to the customary rights of debtors relative to their creditors and by general principles of equity which permit the exercise of judicial discretion.

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

## **REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE**

### **Paying Agent/Registrar**

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

The Certificates will be issued in fully registered form in multiples of \$5,000 for any one stated maturity, and principal and semiannual interest will be paid by the Paying Agent/Registrar. Interest will be paid to the registered owners appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar on the Record Date (as defined below) by check or such other method acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar mailed on February 1, 2022, and on each August 1 and February 1 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption of the Certificates, by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the last known address of the registered owner as it appears on the Paying Agent/Registrar's books or by such other method, acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by and at the risk and expense of the registered owner. Principal of a Certificate will be paid to the registered owner at its stated maturity or its prior redemption upon presentation to the Paying Agent/Registrar. If the date for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Certificates shall be a Saturday, Sunday, a legal holiday, or a day when banking institutions in the city where the designated payment/transfer office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day when banking institutions are authorized to close; and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Certificates, payments of principal of and interest on the Certificates will be made as described in "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein.

### **Record Date**

The record date ("Record Date") for interest payable to the registered owner of a Certificate on any interest payment date means the fifteenth (15th) day of the month next preceding such interest payment date.

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

### **Future Registration**

The Certificates are initially to be issued utilizing the Book-Entry-Only System of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). In the event such Book-Entry-Only System should be discontinued, printed certificates will be issued to the owners of the Certificates and thereafter, the Certificates may be transferred, registered, and assigned on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar only upon presentation and surrender of such printed certificates to the Paying Agent/Registrar, and such registration and transfer shall be without expense or service charge to the registered owner, except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration and transfer. A Certificate may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Certificate or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. A new Certificate or Certificates will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar in lieu of the Certificates being

transferred or exchanged at the designated office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, or sent by United States registered mail to the new registered owner at the registered owner's request, risk and expense. New Certificates issued in an exchange or transfer of Certificates will be delivered to the registered owner or assignee of the registered owner in not more than three (3) business days after the receipt of the Certificates to be canceled in the exchange or transfer and the written instrument of transfer or request for exchange duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized agent, in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Certificates registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in denominations of \$5,000 for any one stated maturity or any integral multiple thereof and for a like aggregate principal amount and rate of interest as the Certificate or Certificates surrendered for exchange or transfer. (See "BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM" herein for a description of the system to be initially utilized in regard to ownership and transferability of the Certificates.)

### **Limitation on Transferability**

The Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Certificates or any portion thereof during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the opening of business on the next following principal or interest payment date. Neither the Issuer nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to transfer or exchange any Certificate during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date immediately preceding a principal or interest payment date for such Certificate and ending with the opening of business on the next following principal or interest payment date; or with respect to any Certificate or portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to its redemption date, provided, however, such limitation of transfer shall not be applicable to an exchange by the registered owner of the uncalled balance of an Certificate.

### **Replacement Certificates**

In the Ordinance, provision is made for the replacement of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Certificates upon surrender of the mutilated Certificates to the Paying Agent/Registrar, or the receipt of satisfactory evidence of destruction, loss, or theft, and the receipt by the Issuer and Paying Agent/Registrar of security or indemnity as may be required by either of them to hold them harmless. The Issuer may require payment of taxes, governmental charges, and other expenses in connection with any such replacement.

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

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

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

DTC will act as securities depository for the Certificates. The Certificates will be issued as fully registered 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 Certificates, in the aggregate principal amount of each maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of "AA+". The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com).



Purchases of Certificates under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Certificates on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of Certificates ("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 Certificates 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 Certificates, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Certificates is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Certificates deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Certificates with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Certificates; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Certificates are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The 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 the Certificates may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Certificates, such as defaults and proposed amendments to the Certificate documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Certificates may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Certificates for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Paying Agent/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 Certificates within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed. Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Certificates unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Issuer as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Certificates are credited on the Record Date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

All payments on the Certificates will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Issuer or 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 nor its nominee, Paying Agent/Registrar, or the Issuer, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. All payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) are the responsibility of the Issuer or 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 securities depository with respect to the Certificates at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Issuer or Paying Agent/Registrar. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Certificates are required to be printed and delivered to DTC Participants or the Beneficial Owners, as the case may be.

The Issuer may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Certificates will be printed and delivered. (See "REGISTRATION, TRANSFER, AND EXCHANGE" herein.)

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

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

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

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

The Town invests funds in instruments authorized by Texas law in accordance with investment policies approved by the Town Council. The Town Council, along with and the Boards of Directors of the Little Elm Economic Development Corporation and the Little Elm Community Development Corporation (collectively, the "Corporations") appoint the Town's Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, and the Senior Accountant as the Investment Officers for the Town and the Corporations. Direct management

responsibility for the investment program of each of the entities is delegated by the respective governing body to the Investment Officers. The Investment Officers' authority will at all times be limited by all applicable laws and regulations in effect. Both State law and the Town's investment policies are subject to change.

Available Town funds are invested as authorized by Texas law and in accordance with investment policies approved by the Town Council. Both State law and the Town's investment policies are subject to change. Under State law, the Town is authorized to invest in (1) obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including the Federal Home Loan Banks; (2) direct obligations of the State or its agencies and instrumentalities; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; (4) other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by or backed by the full faith and credit of, the State or the United States or their respective agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States; (5) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A or its equivalent; (6) bonds issued, assumed or guaranteed by the State of Israel; (7) interest-bearing banking deposits that are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or its successor; (8) interest-bearing banking deposits other than those described by clause (7) if (A) the funds invested in the banking deposits are invested through: (i) a broker with a main office or branch office in this State that the investing entity selects from a list the governing body or designated investment committee of the entity adopts as required by Section 2256.025; or (ii) a depository institution with a main office or branch office in this State that the investing entity selects; (B) the broker or depository institution selected as described by (A) above arranges for the deposit of the funds in the banking deposits in one or more federally insured depository institutions, regardless of where located, for the investing entity's account; (C) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of the banking deposits is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and (D) the investing entity appoints as the entity's custodian of the banking deposits issued for the entity's account: (i) the depository institution selected as described by (A) above; (ii) an entity described by Section 2257.041(d), Texas Government Code; or (iii) a clearing broker dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and operating under Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3); (9) certificates of deposit and share certificates (i) issued by a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State of Texas, and are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or its successor, or are secured by obligations described in the clauses (1) through (8) or in any other manner and amount provided by law for Town deposits, or (ii) where (a) the funds are invested by the Town through (I) a broker that has its main office or a branch office in the State and is selected from a list adopted by the Town as required by law or (II) a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State that is selected by the Town; (b) the broker or the depository institution selected by the Town arranges for the deposit of the funds in certificates of deposit in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the Town; (c) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States, and (d) the Town appoints the depository institution selected under (a) above, an entity as described by Section 2257.041(d) of the Texas Government Code, or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and operating pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3) as custodian for the Town with respect to the certificates of deposit; (10) fully collateralized repurchase agreements that have a defined termination date, are secured by a combination of cash and obligations described in clause (1) which are pledged to the Town, held in the Town's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the Town or with a third party selected and approved by the Town and are placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve, or a financial institution doing business in the State; (11) securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time and a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations that are described in clauses (1) through (8) above, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than A or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) above, clauses (13) through (15) below, or an authorized investment pool; (ii) securities held as collateral under a loan are pledged to the Town, held in the Town's name and deposited at the time the investment is made with the Town or a third party designated by the Town; (iii) a loan made under the program is placed through either a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State; and (iv) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less, (12) certain bankers' acceptances with the remaining term of 270 days or less, if the short-term obligations of the accepting bank or its parent are rated at least A-1 or P-1 or the equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency, (13) commercial paper with a stated maturity of 365 days or less that is rated at least A-1 or P-1 or the equivalent by either (a) two nationally recognized credit rating agencies or (b) one nationally recognized credit rating agency if the paper is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a U.S. or state bank, (14) a no-load money market mutual fund registered with and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission that provides the Town with a prospectus and other information required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Investment Company Act of 1940 and complies with federal Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a-7, and (15) no-load mutual funds registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission that have an average weighted maturity of less than two years, and have a duration of one year or more and are invested exclusively in obligations described in this paragraph or have a duration of less than one year and the investment portfolio is limited to investment grade securities, excluding asset-backed securities. In addition, bond proceeds may be invested in guaranteed investment contracts that have a defined termination date and are secured by obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under such contract, other than the prohibited obligations described in the next succeeding paragraph.

Town may invest in such obligations directly or through government investment pools that invest solely in such obligations provided that the pools are rated no lower than AAA or Aaam or an equivalent by at least one nationally recognized rating service. The Town may also contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C.

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

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

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

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

**Current Investments**

As of March 31, 2021, (unaudited), all the Town's investable funds in the amount of \$101,483,520.01 were invested the following.

<u>Fund and Investment Type</u>	<u>Amount</u> <u>As of 6/30/2020</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>
Money Market – Independent Financial	\$ 71,919,127.20
TexPool/TexPool Prime	18,414,368.98
Certificates of Deposit	<u>11,150,023.83</u>
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b><u>\$101,483,520.01</u></b>

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

## EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

### Plan Description

The Town participates as one of 888 plans in the nontraditional, joint contributory, hybrid defined benefit pension plan administered by the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). TMRS is an agency created by the State of Texas and administered in accordance with the TMRS Act, Subtitle G, Title 8, Texas Government Code (the TMRS Act) as an agent multiple-employer retirement system for municipal employees in the State of Texas. The TMRS Act places the general administration and management of the System with a six-member Board of Trustees. Although the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoints the Board, TMRS is not fiscally dependent on the State of Texas. TMRS' defined benefit pension plan is a tax-qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. TMRS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CFAR) that can be obtained at [www.tmrs.com](http://www.tmrs.com).

All eligible employees of the Town are required to participate in TMRS.

For more information see the Town's 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Note 9 and Note 10.

### AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXATION

*The following is a summary of certain provisions of State law as it relates to ad valorem taxation and is not intended to be complete. Prospective investors are encouraged to review Title I of the Texas Tax Code, as amended (the "Property Tax Code"), for identification of property subject to ad valorem taxation, property exempt or which may be exempted from ad valorem taxation if claimed, the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes, and the procedures and limitations applicable to the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes.*

#### Valuation of Taxable Property

The Property Tax Code provides for countywide appraisal and equalization of taxable property values and establishes in each county of the State an appraisal district and an appraisal review board (the "Appraisal Review Board") responsible for appraising property for all taxing units within the county. The appraisal of property within the Town is the responsibility of the Denton County Appraisal District ("Appraisal District"). Except as generally described below, the Appraisal District is required to appraise all property within the Appraisal District on the basis of 100% of its market value and is prohibited from applying any assessment ratios. In determining market value of property, the Appraisal District is required to consider the cost method of appraisal, the income method of appraisal and the market data comparison method of appraisal, and use the method the chief appraiser of the Appraisal District considers most appropriate. The Property Tax Code requires appraisal districts to reappraise all property in its jurisdiction at least once every three (3) years. A taxing unit may require annual review at its own expense, and is entitled to challenge the determination of appraised value of property within the taxing unit by petition filed with the Appraisal Review Board.

State law requires the appraised value of an owner's principal residence ("homestead" or "homesteads") to be based solely on the property's value as a homestead, regardless of whether residential use is considered to be the highest and best use of the property. State law further limits the appraised value of a homestead to the lesser of (1) the market value of the property or (2) 110% of the appraised value of the property for the preceding tax year plus the market value of all new improvements to the property.

State law provides that eligible owners of both agricultural land and open-space land, including open-space land devoted to farm or ranch purposes or open-space land devoted to timber production, may elect to have such property appraised for property taxation on the basis of its productive capacity. The same land may not be qualified as both agricultural and open-space land.

The appraisal values set by the Appraisal District are subject to review and change by the Appraisal Review Board. The appraisal rolls, as approved by the Appraisal Review Board, are used by taxing units, such as the Town, in establishing their tax rolls and tax rates (see "AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXATION – Town and Taxpayer Remedies").

#### State Mandated Homestead Exemptions

State law grants, with respect to each taxing unit in the State, various exemptions for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty.

#### Local Option Homestead Exemptions

The governing body of a taxing unit, including a city, county, school district, or special district, at its option may grant: (1) an exemption of up to 20% of the appraised value of all homesteads (but not less than \$5,000) and (2) an additional exemption of at least \$3,000 of the appraised value of the homesteads of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled. Each taxing unit decides if it will offer the local option homestead exemptions and at what percentage or dollar amount, as applicable. The exemption described in (2), above, may also be created, increased, decreased or repealed at an election called by the governing body of a taxing unit upon presentment of a petition for such creation, increase, decrease, or repeal of at least 20% of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election of the taxing unit.

## **Local Option Freeze for the Elderly and Disabled**

The governing body of a county, municipality or junior college district may, at its option, provide for a freeze on the total amount of ad valorem taxes levied on the homesteads of persons 65 years of age or older or of disabled persons above the amount of tax imposed in the year such residence qualified for such exemption. Also, upon voter initiative, an election may be held to determine by majority vote whether to establish such a freeze on ad valorem taxes. Once the freeze is established, the total amount of taxes imposed on such homesteads cannot be increased except for certain improvements, and such freeze cannot be repealed or rescinded.

## **Personal Property**

Tangible personal property (furniture, machinery, supplies, inventories, etc.) used in the "production of income" is taxed based on the property's market value. Taxable personal property includes income-producing equipment and inventory. Intangibles such as goodwill, accounts receivable, and proprietary processes are not taxable. Tangible personal property not held or used for production of income, such as household goods, automobiles or light trucks, and boats, is exempt from ad valorem taxation unless the governing body of a taxing unit elects to tax such property.

## **Freeport and Goods-In-Transit Exemptions**

Certain goods that are acquired in or imported into the State to be forwarded outside the State, and are detained in the State for 175 days or less for the purpose of assembly, storage, manufacturing, processing or fabrication ("Freeport Property") are exempt from ad valorem taxation unless a taxing unit took official action to tax Freeport Property before April 1, 1990 and has not subsequently taken official action to exempt Freeport Property. Decisions to continue taxing Freeport Property may be reversed in the future; decisions to exempt Freeport Property are not subject to reversal.

Certain goods, that are acquired in or imported into the State to be forwarded to another location within or without the State, stored in a location that is not owned by the owner of the goods and are transported to another location within or without the State within 175 days ("Goods-in-Transit"), are generally exempt from ad valorem taxation; however, the Property Tax Code permits a taxing unit, on a local option basis, to tax Goods-in-Transit if the taxing unit takes official action, after conducting a public hearing, before January 1 of the first tax year in which the taxing unit proposes to tax Goods-in-Transit. Goods-in-Transit and Freeport Property do not include oil, natural gas or petroleum products, and Goods-in-Transit does not include aircraft or special inventories such as manufactured housing inventory, or a dealer's motor vehicle, boat, or heavy equipment inventory.

A taxpayer may receive only one of the Goods-in-Transit or Freeport Property exemptions for items of personal property.

## **Other Exempt Property**

Other major categories of exempt property include property owned by the State or its political subdivisions if used for public purposes, property exempt by federal law, property used for pollution control, farm products owned by producers, property of nonprofit corporations used for scientific research or educational activities benefitting a college or university, designated historic sites, solar and wind-powered energy devices, and certain classes of intangible personal property.

## **Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones**

A city or county, by petition of the landowners or by action of its governing body, may create one or more tax increment reinvestment zones ("TIRZ") within its boundaries. At the time of the creation of the TIRZ, a "base value" for the real property in the TIRZ is established and the difference between any increase in the assessed valuation of taxable real property in the TIRZ in excess of the base value is known as the "tax increment". During the existence of the TIRZ, all or a portion of the taxes levied against the tax increment by a city or county, and all other overlapping taxing units that elected to participate, are restricted to paying only planned project and financing costs within the TIRZ and are not available for the payment of other obligations of such taxing units.

## **Tax Abatement Agreements**

Taxing units may also enter into tax abatement agreements to encourage economic development. Under the agreements, a property owner agrees to construct certain improvements on its property. The taxing unit, in turn, agrees not to levy a tax on all or part of the increased value attributable to the improvements until the expiration of the agreement. The abatement agreement could last for a period of up to 10 years.

## **Town and Taxpayer Remedies**

Under certain circumstances, taxpayers and taxing units, including the Town, may appeal the determinations of the Appraisal District by timely initiating a protest with the Appraisal Review Board. Additionally, taxing units such as the Town may bring suit against the Appraisal District to compel compliance with the Property Tax Code.

Beginning in the 2020 tax year, owners of certain property with a taxable value in excess of the current year "minimum eligibility amount", as determined by the State Comptroller, and situated in a county with a population of one million or more, may protest the determinations of an appraisal district directly to a three-member special panel of the appraisal review board, appointed by the chairman of the appraisal

review board, consisting of highly qualified professionals in the field of property tax appraisal. The minimum eligibility amount is set at \$50 million for the 2020 tax year, and is adjusted annually by the State Comptroller to reflect the inflation rate.

The Property Tax Code sets forth notice and hearing procedures for certain tax rate increases by the District and provides for taxpayer referenda that could result in the repeal of certain tax increases (see “AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXATION – Public Hearing and Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate Limitations”). The Property Tax Code also establishes a procedure for providing notice to property owners of reappraisals reflecting increased property value, appraisals which are higher than renditions, and appraisals of property not previously on an appraisal roll.

### **Levy and Collection of Taxes**

The Town is responsible for the collection of its taxes, unless it elects to transfer such functions to another governmental entity. Taxes are due October 1, or when billed, whichever comes later, and become delinquent after January 31 of the following year. 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 of up to twenty percent (20%) if imposed by the Town. The delinquent tax also accrues interest at a rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month it remains unpaid. The Property Tax Code also makes provision for the split payment of taxes, discounts for early payment and the postponement of the delinquency date of taxes for certain taxpayers. Furthermore, the Town may provide, on a local option basis, for the split payment, partial payment, and discounts for early payment of taxes under certain circumstances.

### **Town’s Rights in the Event of Tax Delinquencies**

Taxes levied by the Town are a personal obligation of the owner of the property. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all state and local taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit, including the Town, having power to tax the property. The Town’s tax lien is on a parity with tax liens of such other taxing units. A tax lien on real property takes priority over the claim of most creditors and other holders of liens on the property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before the attachment of the tax lien; however, whether a lien of the United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the Town 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 Town 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 Town 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, adverse market conditions, taxpayer redemption rights, or bankruptcy proceedings which restrain the collection of a taxpayer’s debt.

Federal bankruptcy law provides that an automatic stay of actions by creditors and other entities, including governmental units, goes into effect with the filing of any petition in bankruptcy. The automatic stay prevents governmental units from foreclosing on property and prevents liens for post-petition taxes from attaching to property and obtaining secured creditor status unless, in either case, an order lifting the stay is obtained from the bankruptcy court. In many cases, post-petition taxes are paid as an administrative expense of the estate in bankruptcy or by order of the bankruptcy court.

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

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

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

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

“no-new-revenue tax rate” means the combined maintenance and operations tax rate and debt service tax rate that will produce the prior year’s total tax levy (adjusted) from the current year’s total taxable values (adjusted).

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

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

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

The Town’s tax rate consists of two components: (1) a rate for funding of maintenance and operations expenditures in the current year (the “maintenance and operations tax rate”), and (2) a rate for funding debt service in the current year (the “debt service tax rate”). Under State law, the assessor for the Town must submit an appraisal roll showing the total appraised, assessed, and taxable values of all property in the Town to the Town Council by August 1 or as soon as practicable thereafter.

A city must annually calculate its voter-approval tax rate and no-new-revenue tax rate in accordance with forms prescribed by the State Comptroller and provide notice of such rates to each owner of taxable property within the city and the county tax assessor-collector for each county in which all or part of the city is located. A city must adopt a tax rate before the later of September 30 or the 60th day after receipt of the certified appraisal roll, except that a tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate must be adopted not later than the 71st day before the next occurring November uniform election date. If a city fails to timely adopt a tax rate, the tax rate is statutorily set as the lower of the no-new-revenue tax rate for the current tax year or the tax rate adopted by the city for the preceding tax year.

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

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

For cities with a population of 30,000 or more as of the most recent federal decennial census, if the adopted tax rate for any tax year exceeds the voter-approval tax rate, that city must conduct an election on the next occurring November uniform election date to determine whether or not to reduce the adopted tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate.

For cities with a population less than 30,000 as of the most recent federal decennial census, if the adopted tax rate for any tax year exceeds the greater of (i) the voter-approval tax rate or (ii) the de minimis rate, the city must conduct an election on the next occurring November uniform election date to determine whether or not to reduce the adopted tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate. However, for any tax year during which a city has a population of less than 30,000 as of the most recent federal decennial census and does not qualify as a special taxing unit, if a city’s adopted tax rate is equal to or less than the de minimis rate but greater than both (a) the no-new-revenue tax rate, multiplied by 1.08, plus the debt service tax rate or (b) the city’s voter-approval tax rate, then a valid petition signed by at least three percent of the registered voters in the city would require that an election be held to determine whether or not to reduce the adopted tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate.

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

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

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

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

### **Debt Tax Rate Limitations**

All taxable property within the Town is subject to the assessment, levy and collection by the Town of a continuing, direct annual ad valorem tax sufficient to provide for the payment of principal of and interest on all ad valorem tax-supported debt within the limits prescribed by law. Article XI, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution is applicable to the Town, and limits its maximum ad valorem tax rate to \$2.50 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. Administratively, the Attorney General of the State of Texas will permit allocation of \$1.50 of the \$2.50 maximum tax rate for all debt service on ad valorem tax-supported debt, as calculated at the time of issuance.

## **TOWN’S APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE**

The Town grants an optional exemption of \$10,000 to the market value of the residence homestead of persons 65 years of age or older and the disabled. See Appendix A – Table 10 for a listing of the total amount of these exemptions.

The Town does not grant an additional exemption of up to 20% for residence homesteads.

The Town taxes business personal property.

The Denton County Tax Collector collects property taxes for the Town.

The Town does not permit discounts or split payments, except in the case of persons over 65 or disabled who are permitted to pay taxes on homesteads in four installments. The first installment is due on February 1 of each year and the final installment is due on August 1.

The Town grants the Article VIII, Section 1-j property ("freepoint property") exemption but currently has no property in this category.

The Town does not exempt "goods-in-transit".

The Town currently does not have any active abatement agreements.

The Town currently has four tax increment reinvestment zones.

The Town has created four public improvement districts.

On May 3, 2005, voters of the Town approved the adoption of the tax freeze described above under "Homestead Tax Limitation". The 2006 Tax Year was the first year for the Town to have a value loss to the freeze. See Appendix A - Table 10 for the freeze loss amounts.

The Town has entered into several Chapter 380 agreements regarding developments in the Town.

The Town participates in several Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones ("TIRZ"). See ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS - "Little Elm Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones and Public Improvement District".

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

### **General**

Economic development incentives are offered on a project by project basis commensurate with the quality and character of the development and the extent to which it contributes to Town character and quality of life. The Town is authorized pursuant to State law, including Chapter 380, earlier defined, to establish programs to promote state or local economic development and to stimulate business and commercial activity in the Town. In accordance with a program established pursuant to Chapter 380, the Town may make loans or grants of public funds for economic development purposes, however no obligations secured by ad valorem taxes may be issued for such purposes unless approved by voters of the Town. The Town may contract with the federal government, the State of Texas, another political subdivision, a nonprofit organization or any other entity, including private entities, for the administration of such a program. Economic development incentives may include the creation of one or more public improvements districts ("PIDs") to fund public improvements that benefit certain designated areas. Special assessments are levied on the benefited property to pay the costs of the public improvements or pledged to the payment of bonds or other obligations issued to fund the public improvements.

### **Little Elm Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones and Public Improvement District**

The Town Council created and participates in a total of four Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones ("TIRZ") (#3, #4, #5, and #6). The two original TIRZ created in 2008 referred to as TIRZ #1 and TIRZ #2 were terminated in November 2013. Subsequent to the creation of the two TIRZ zones, the Council on February 3, 2009 authorized and established the creation of the Little Elm Redevelopment Authority ("LERA"). The LERA was dissolved in February 2014. Upon the termination of TIRZ #1 in 2013, the Town created TIRZ #3 for the "Lakefront District" which consists of approximately 847 acres and has a base taxable assessed value of \$33,542,713.

The Town Council created TIRZ #4 in December 2013 for the Valencia on the Lake multi-phase residential development of approximately 447.942 acres. The Town also created the Valencia Public Improvement District ("Valencia PID") in September 2013 to finance certain public infrastructure improvements. The Valencia PID and the TIRZ# 4 boundaries are contiguous as the goal of the TIRZ# 4 is to assist with the development. The Town issued two series of special assessment revenue bonds (the "Valencia PID Bonds") in the amounts of \$12,240,000 and \$4,000,000 in February 2014 that are secured solely from assessment revenues generated within the Valencia PID. The bonds funded major improvement projects to include certain roadway, water, wastewater and drainage improvements. On November 6, 2018 the Town issued three series of bonds for the Valencia PID. The first series of revenue bonds refunded the 2014 Phase #1 Bonds, refinanced the Phase #1 reimbursement agreement portion of the 2014 bonds and restructured the debt service requirements by passage of Ordinance No. 1445. The second series of revenue bonds were identified as the Improvement Area #2 Refunding and Improvement Bonds and were issued to refund a portion of the 2014 bonds used to finance improvements related to Improvement Area #2, refinance the pro rata portion of the Phase #2 local improvements and financed additional improvements relating in Improvement Area #2 through Ordinance No. 1446. The Major



Improvement Area Refunding Bonds were the third series of bonds issued in FY2018 through Ordinance No. 1447. They were to refund the pro-rata portion of the 2014 Major Improvement Bonds related to Phases #2B, #3B, and #4.

The Town Council created TIRZ #5 in December 2014 with a base value of Real Property of \$5,380,866. The TIRZ #5 zone has removed sections and added additional property to create the existing 943.5 acre zone. The Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2 was created in June 2015. It is located at the northern section of TIRZ #5 and its boundaries are not contiguous. TIRZ #5 and Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2 are located near the 380 Corridor within the newly annexed area on the northern boundary of the Town of Little Elm. The Town issued \$6,000,000 in special assessment revenue bonds (the "PID Bonds") for Phases #1-1a thru approval of Ordinance No. 1422 on October 17, 2017. The Bonds are secured solely from assessment revenues generated within the Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2. The Bonds funded Phase 1 and Phase 1A improvements which included certain roadway, water system, storm drainage, sanitary sewer, screening and landscaping and other soft and miscellaneous improvements. The Town issued the next set of Bonds (\$4,688,000 Special Assessment Revenue Bonds, Series 2018) for the Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2 Phases 2 and 3 thru Ordinance No. 1471 in December 2018. The Bonds are secured solely from assessment revenues generated from Phases 2 and 3 of the PID and the proceeds are being used to fund a portion of the actual costs of the Phase 2 and 3 improvements.

The Town's third PID was created by the Town on October 2016 identified as the Rudman Tract Public Improvement District to finance the costs of certain public improvements for the benefit of property in the PID. TIRZ #6 was created in November 2016 to be contiguous with the Rudman Tract to help the area develop. The area encompasses 146.8 acres. The Town approved reimbursement obligations to finance the public improvements provided for the benefit of the property in the PID. Phase #1 Reimbursement Agreement of \$7,300,000 and Phase #2 Major Improvements Reimbursement Agreement of \$2,075,000 are secured by special assessments. The Town consented to the assignment of the reimbursement amounts between the OPLE Prairie Oaks Development, Inc. and the Public Finance Authority ("PFA") in May 2017. Bonds were issued by the Wisconsin PFA for the development in May 2017. The Town is currently working on the next phase of the development, which is wholly located within the Town limits and anticipates a Town issued PID bond later this fall.

The Town on December 20, 2016 created the fourth PID for the Town of Little Elm. This PID is located at the Town's northern border next to Highway 380 and will be identified as Lakeside Estates PID No. 2. A TIRZ was not approved to assist with the development of this project. The Town authorized the issuance and sale of special assessment revenue bonds, Series 2017 in December 2017 for \$4,700,000. The bonds funded improvements which included certain roadway, water distribution system, storm drainage, sanitary sewer, screening and other PID Bond issuance costs.

In May 2021, the Town closed on a \$43,200,000 Spiritas Ranch PID to fund public improvements within a 545 acre mixed use development consisting of approximately 2,135 single family homes, commercial and multi family developments. Simultaneously with the Town PID issue, the Wisconsin Public Finance Authority issued \$30,400,000 Certificates of Participation (Reinvestment Zone No. 5) Town of Little Elm to pay certain contractual obligations incurred by the Town in regards to the Spiritas Ranch Development.

The TIRZ and PID's in respect to their duration and the projects to be undertaken and other terms and conditions are set forth in the respective ordinances creating such zones and the public improvement districts. Although current plans provide that project costs for the zones will be paid or reimbursed from tax increments as collected, the Town may determine at a future date to issue bonds or other obligations secured by or payable in whole or in part from Tax Increment Revenues. The owners of the PID Bonds do not have the right to demand payment from any funds of the Town other than the pledged revenues, consisting primarily of assessments levied and collected against the property within the specific PID, and the Town has no obligation to pay the PID Bonds from any other source.

## **Tax Abatements**

The Town enters into economic development agreements designed to promote development, stimulate commercial activity, enhance the property tax base, and increase the economic vitality. These programs rebate property taxes and sales tax. The Town's economic development agreements are authorized under the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 311 (Tax Increment Financing Act) and Chapter 380 (Economic Development Programs). Recipients may be eligible to receive economic assistance based upon employment impact, economic or community impact of the project requesting assistance. Recipients receiving assistance generally commit to building or remodeling real property and related infrastructure, expanding operations, renewing facility leases or bringing targeted development to the Town. Agreements generally contain recapture provisions which may require repayment or termination if recipients do not meet the required provisions of the economic incentives.

The Town has two categories of economic development agreements:

### **A. General Economic Development**

The Town enters into various agreements under Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code to stimulate economic development. Agreements may rebate a flat amount or a percentage of property taxes or sales tax received by the Town. For fiscal year 2020, the Town rebated \$404,999 in sales taxes and \$779,675 of property taxes.

### **B. Tax Increment Financing**

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) is a tool to help finance public improvements and development projects within a defined area. A municipality makes an area eligible for TIF by designating it a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ). Within the designated

zone all of the incremental tax revenue growth flows to an established tax increment fund to help pay for public improvements within the zone. The Town has adopted four Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ) in accordance with the provisions of the Tax Increment Financing Act, V.T.C.A., Tax Code, Chapter 311. The four active Tax increment reinvestment zones include TIRZ #3, #4, #5 and #6. The purpose of TIRZ #3 is to help pay for project costs associated with the development of the Town's Lakefront District. The Zone's projected costs are primarily related to park and park improvements, streets, a conference center, utilities, a recreation center, landscaping, trails, a plaza and lighting. TIRZ #4, #5 and #6 were created to facilitate the development of the currently vacant land with retail and single family developments while creating a unique cohesive development that builds on the high development standards already established within the Town. Specific project costs may include but is not limited to roads, water, sewer and storm water management. In fiscal year 2020, the Town made \$1,204,204 in payments to the TIRZ funds. Denton County agreed to participate in TIRZ 3 for a period of five years and contributed \$61,520 in fiscal year 2020.

## **ADDITIONAL TAX COLLECTIONS**

### **Municipal Sales Tax Collections**

The Town has adopted the provisions of Chapter 34 of the Tax Code, as amended, which provides for the maximum levy of a one percent sales tax which may be used by the Town for any lawful purpose except that the Town may not pledge any of the anticipated sales tax revenue to secure the payment of the Obligations or other indebtedness. Net collections on a fiscal year basis are shown in Table 15 of Appendix A.

### **Optional Sales Tax**

The Tax Code provides certain cities and counties the option of levying additional sales taxes for various purposes, including property tax reduction and economic development, provided that the total of all local sales taxes cannot exceed two percent.

At an election held on January 16, 1993, registered voters of the Town approved the imposition of an additional one-half percent (½%) sales tax to be used for economic development purposes in accordance with Chapter 504, Texas Local Government Code as amended. Collections of the 4A sales tax began on June 1, 1993.

The Town held a successful election on May 7, 2005 for the purpose of approving an increase in its sales tax by an additional one-quarter percent (¼%), to be used for street maintenance. Collections of the additional ¼% sales tax began on October 1, 2005. On May 9, 2009, May 6, 2017 and again on May 1, 2021 the Town had successful elections for the purpose of continuing the one-quarter percent (¼%) sales tax for street maintenance.

The Town also held a successful election May 12, 2007, for the purpose of approving a one-quarter percent (¼%) sales tax to be used for community development purposes in accordance with Chapter 504, Texas Local Government Code as amended. Collection of the additional 4B ¼% sales tax began October 1, 2007.

The optional sales tax revenues are not pledged to the payment of the Obligations.

### **Hotel Occupancy Tax**

The Town passed a 7% Hotel Occupancy Tax on December 18, 2007, which took effect on January 1, 2008. The revenue derived from the Hotel Occupancy Tax may only be expended to directly enhance and promote tourism and the Town's convention and hotel industry. Hotel Occupancy Tax revenue may not be used as general revenue for general governmental operations of the Town, and it is not pledged to the payment of the Obligations.

## **TAX MATTERS**

### **Tax Exemption**

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

In rendering the foregoing opinion, Bond Counsel will rely upon representations and certifications of the Town made in a certificate dated the date of delivery of the Certificates pertaining to the use, expenditure, and investment of the proceeds of the Certificates and will assume continuing compliance by the Town with the provisions of the Ordinance subsequent to the issuance of the Certificates. The Ordinance contains covenants by the Town with respect to, among other matters, the use of the proceeds of the Certificates and the facilities financed therewith by persons other than state or local governmental units, the manner in which the proceeds of the Certificates are to be invested, the periodic calculation and payment to the United States Treasury of arbitrage "profits" from the investment of proceeds, and the reporting of certain information to the United States Treasury. Failure to comply

with any of these covenants may cause interest on the Certificates to be includable in the gross income of the owners thereof from the date of the issuance of the Certificates.

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

Except as described above, Bond Counsel expresses no other opinion with respect to any other federal, state or local tax consequences under present law, or proposed legislation, resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or the acquisition or disposition of, the Certificates. Prospective purchasers of the Certificates should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations such as the Certificates may result in collateral federal tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, life insurance companies, property and casualty insurance companies, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, S corporations with subchapter C earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit, owners of an interest in a financial asset securitization investment trust ("FASIT"), and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations. Prospective purchasers should consult their own tax advisors as to the applicability of these consequences to their particular circumstances.

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

#### **Tax Accounting Treatment of Discount and Premium on Certificates**

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

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

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

The initial public offering price of certain Certificates (the "Premium Certificates") may be greater than the amount payable on such Certificates at maturity. An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of a Premium Certificate (assuming that a substantial amount of the Premium Certificates of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and the amount payable at maturity constitutes premium to the initial purchaser of such Premium Certificates. The basis for federal income tax purposes of a Premium Certificate in the hands of such initial purchaser must be reduced each year by the amortizable bond

premium, although no federal income tax deduction is allowed as a result of such reduction in basis for amortizable bond premium. Such reduction in basis will increase the amount of any gain (or decrease the amount of any loss) to be recognized for federal income tax purposes upon a sale or other taxable disposition of a Premium Certificate. The amount of premium which is amortizable each year by an initial purchaser is determined by using such purchaser's yield to maturity.

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

### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION**

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

#### **Annual Reports**

The Issuer will provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB on an annual basis. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the Issuer of the general type included in this Official Statement under "INVESTMENT AUTHORITY AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES OF THE ISSUER - Current Investments" herein and the information in Tables 1, 2, 6, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26 of Appendix A. The Issuer will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year ending in and after 2021. The Issuer will additionally provide audited financial statements within 12 months after the end of each fiscal year ending in or after 2021. If the audit of such financial statements is not complete within 12 months after any such fiscal year end, then the Issuer will file unaudited financial statements by the required time and audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year, when and if the audit report on such statements becomes available. Any such financial statements will be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in Appendix D or such other accounting principles as the Issuer may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to State law or regulation.

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

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

#### **Notice of Certain Events**

The Town will also provide timely notices of certain events to the MSRB. The Town will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Certificates to the MSRB in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event): (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Certificates, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Certificates; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Certificates, if material; (8) Certificate calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Certificates, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the Town, which shall occur as described below; (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Town or the sale of all or substantially all of its assets, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into of a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material; (15) incurrence of a financial obligation of the Town, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the Town, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the Town, any of which reflect financial difficulties. In addition, the Town will provide timely notice of any failure by the Town to provide annual financial information or operating data in accordance with their agreement described above under "Annual Reports".

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

For the purposes of the above described event notices (15) and (16), the term “financial obligation” means a (i) debt obligation, (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (iii) a guarantee of (i) or (ii); provided however, that a “financial obligation” shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement (as defined in the Rule) has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule. The Town intends the words used in clauses (15) and (16) above to have the meanings ascribed to them in SEC Release No. 34-83885 dated August 20, 2018.

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

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

### **Limitations and Amendments**

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

The Issuer may amend its agreement to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the Issuer, if the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Certificates in the offering described herein in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and either the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Certificates consent or any person unaffiliated with the Issuer (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the beneficial owners of the Certificates. The Issuer may also repeal or amend its agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or any court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but in either case only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Certificates in the primary offering of the Certificates giving effect to (a) such provisions as so amended and (b) any amendments or interpretations of the Rule. If the Issuer amends its agreement, it must include with the next financial information and operating data provided in accordance with its agreement described above under “Annual Reports” an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of information and data provided.

### **Compliance with Prior Agreements**

During the past five years, the Issuer has complied in all material respects with its continuing disclosure agreements in accordance with the Rule.

On April 7, 2020, the Town authorized a private placement of \$5,725,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020, which financing closed on May 7, 2020. The Town filed a notice of late filing referencing the financial obligation evidenced by such bonds on June 15, 2020.

## **OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION**

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

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

## **Litigation**

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

## **Future Debt Issuance**

The Town currently has no plans to issue additional ad valorem tax supported debt in 2021, except potentially issuing refunding bonds for debt service savings.

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

Section 1201.041 of the Public Security Procedures Act (Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code) provides that the Certificates are negotiable instruments governed by Chapter 8, Texas Business and Commerce Code, and are real and authorized investments for insurance companies, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for the sinking funds of municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State. With respect to investment in the Certificates by municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State, the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, requires that the Certificates be assigned a rating of not less than "A" or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency. See "OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION - Ratings" herein. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Certificates are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with capital of one million dollars or more, and savings and loan associations. The Certificates are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, its agencies, and its political subdivision, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their fair market value. No review by the Town has been made of the laws in other states to determine whether the Certificates are legal investments for various institutions in those states.

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

Additionally, with respect to the Certificates, Section 271.051 of the Texas Local Government Code expressly provides that certificates of obligation approved by the Attorney General of Texas are legal authorized investments for banks, savings banks, trust companies, and savings and loan associations, insurance companies, fiduciaries, trustees, and guardians, and sinking funds of municipalities, counties, school districts, or other political corporations or subdivisions of the State. The Certificates are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, municipalities, school and other political subdivisions of the State, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of the market value.

## **Ratings**

A municipal bond rating application have been made to S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global Inc. ("S&P"). The Issuer currently has an S&P underlying rating of "AA" on its general obligation debt. An explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from S&P. A rating by a rating agency reflects only the view of such company at the time the rating is given, and the Issuer makes no representations as to the appropriateness of the rating. There is no assurance that such a rating will continue for any given period of time, or that it will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by the rating agency if, in the judgment of such rating agency, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Certificates.

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

The Issuer will furnish the Purchaser with a complete transcript of proceedings incident to the authorization and issuance of the Certificates, including the unqualified approving legal opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas to the effect that the Certificates are valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer, and based upon examination of such transcript of proceedings, the approval of certain legal matters by Bond Counsel, to the effect that the Certificates are valid and legally binding obligations of the Issuer and, the interest on the Certificates is excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes under existing statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions existing on the date of the initial delivery of the Certificates, subject to the qualifications set forth herein under "TAX MATTERS." The customary closing papers, including certificates to the effect that no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending to restrain the issuance and delivery of the Certificates, or which would affect the provision made for their payment or security, or in any manner questioning the validity of the Certificates will also be furnished. Bond Counsel was not requested to participate, and did not take part, in the preparation of the Official Notice of Sale, the Official Bid Form and the Official Statement, and such firm has not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto or undertaken independently to verify any of the information contained therein, except that, in its capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the information describing the Certificates in the Official Statement to verify that such description conforms to the provisions of the Ordinance. Such firm has not, however, independently verified any of the factual information contained in this Official Statement nor has it conducted an investigation of the affairs of the Issuer for the purpose of passing upon the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. No person is entitled to rely upon such firm's limited participation as an assumption of responsibility for, or an expression of opinion of any kind with regard to the accuracy or

completeness of any of the information contained herein. The legal fees to be paid Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Certificates are contingent on the sale and delivery of the Certificates. Though it represents the Financial Advisor and certain entities that may bid on the Certificates from time to time in matters unrelated to the issuance of the Certificates, Bond Counsel has been engaged by and only represents the Town in connection with the issuance of the Certificates.

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

### **Winning Bidder**

On August 17, 2021, after requesting competitive bids for the Certificates, the Town accepted the bid of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Certificate Purchaser" or the "Initial Certificate Purchaser") to purchase the Certificates at the interest rates shown on the page ii of this Official Statement at a price of par, plus a cash premium of \$\_\_\_\_\_, (representing the par amount of the Certificates, plus a [net] original issue reoffering premium of \$\_\_\_\_\_, less Certificate Purchaser's discount of \$\_\_\_\_\_), plus accrued interest on the Certificates from their Dated Date to their date of initial delivery. The Town can give no assurance that any trading market will be developed for the Town after their sale by the Town to the Certificate Purchaser. The Town has no control over the price at which the Certificates are subsequently sold and the initial yield at which the Certificates will be priced and reoffered will be established by and will be the responsibility of the Certificate Purchaser.

### **Financial Advisor**

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

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

At the time of payment for and delivery of the Certificates, the Purchaser, will be furnished a certificate executed by the proper officials of the Town acting in their official capacity, to the effect that: (a) the descriptions and statements of or pertaining to the Town contained in its Official Statement relating to the Certificates, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, on the date of such Official Statement, on the date of the sale of said Certificates, and on the date of the delivery, were and are true and correct in all material respects; (b) insofar as the Town and its affairs, including its financial affairs, are concerned, such Official Statement did not and does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statement therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; (c) to the best of their knowledge, insofar as the descriptions and statements, including financial data, of or pertaining to entities, other than the Town and its activities, contained in such Official Statement are concerned, such statements and data have been obtained from sources which the Town believes to be reliable and the Town has no reason to believe that they are untrue in any material respect; and (d) there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition of the Town since September 30, 2020, the date of the last audited financial statements of the Town, portions of which appear in the Official Statement.

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

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

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

The forward-looking statements included herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal, and regulatory circumstances and conditions and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners and competitors, and legislative, judicial, and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and

future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond the control of the Town. Any of such assumptions could be inaccurate and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement will prove to be accurate.

**Concluding Statement**

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

The Official Statement will be approved by the Town Council of the Issuer for distribution in accordance with the provisions of the Rule.

TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor  
Town of Little Elm, Texas

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town Secretary  
Town of Little Elm, Texas



## **APPENDIX A**

### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF THE ISSUER**

(This appendix contains quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the Issuer. The information is only a partial representation and does not purport to be complete. For further and more complete information, reference should be made to the original documents, which can be obtained from various sources, as noted.)

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF THE ISSUER**

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**ASSESSED VALUATION**

**TABLE 1**

2021 Actual Market Value of Taxable Property (100% of Actual)	\$ 5,645,073,448
Less Exemptions/Losses:	
Local, Optional Over-65 and/or Disabled Homestead Exemptions	13,651,217
Veterans' Exemptions	50,789,329
Homestead 10% Cap Adjustment	17,880,439
Productivity Value Loss	89,081,053
Prorated Exempt Property	521
House Bill 366 Exempt Property	7,046
Freeport	9,826,823
Pollution Control / Other	5,436,943
Total Exempt Property	248,211,663
Freeze Taxable Value	329,265,581
Transfer Adjustment	-
	<u>764,150,615</u>
2021 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation ("FANTAV")	<u>\$ 4,880,922,833</u> *

*Source: Denton Central Appraisal District and the Issuer.*

*\* Includes TIRZ captured values.*

**GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDED DEBT**

**TABLE 2**

**General Obligation Debt Principal Outstanding: (As of August 10, 2021)**

Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2012	\$ 2,750,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012	1,355,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012A	1,210,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013	1,460,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2013	3,990,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2013A	2,060,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014	2,665,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2015	7,685,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016	3,805,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2016	6,265,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2017	9,850,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2017	11,655,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2018	11,370,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2019	6,170,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2019	6,135,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020	5,005,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2020	<u>3,905,000</u>
Total Gross General Obligation Debt Principal Outstanding:	\$ 87,335,000

**Current Issue General Obligation Debt Principal**

Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021 (the "Certificates")	<u>\$ 24,700,000</u> *
Total <b>Gross</b> General Obligation Debt Principal Outstanding following the issuance of the Bonds:	<u>\$ 112,035,000</u> *

**Less: Self-Supporting General Obligation Debt Principal:**

Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2012 (100% WS) <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 2,750,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 (aprox. 64.58% WS) <sup>(a)</sup>	875,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 (100% WS) <sup>(a)</sup>	1,460,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2013 (100% CDC)	3,990,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (aprox. 55.72% WS) <sup>(a)</sup>	1,485,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2016 (100% WS)	6,265,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2017 (100% WS)	9,850,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2017 (100% WS)	11,655,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2019 (19.85% CDC)	1,225,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2020 (81.43% TIRZ #3)	3,180,000
Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021 (the "Certificates") (37.74% WS, 15.56% CDC, 7.78% TIRZ #3)	<u>15,700,000</u>

Total Self-Supporting General Obligation Debt Principal \$ 58,435,000

Total **Net** General Obligation Debt Principal Outstanding Following the Issuance of the Obligations \$ 53,600,000 \*

General Obligation Interest and Sinking Fund Balance as of May 31, 2021	\$ 263,012
Ratio of <b>Gross</b> General Obligation/Special Obligation Debt Principal to 2021 FANTAV	2.30% *
Ratio of <b>Net</b> General Obligation/Special Obligation Debt Principal to 2021 FANTAV	1.10% *
2021 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation ("FANTAV") <sup>(b)</sup>	\$ 4,880,922,833
Population: 1990 - 1,308; 2000 - 3,646; 2010 - 25,898; 2020 - 46,200; Current (Estimate) -	48,910
Per Capita 2020 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation (Less TIRZ Captured Value) -	\$99,794
Per Capita <b>Gross</b> General Obligation/Special Obligation Debt Principal -	\$2,291 *
Per Capita <b>Net</b> General Obligation/Special Obligation Debt Principal -	\$1,096 *

<sup>(a)</sup> For general obligation debt for which repayment is provided from revenues of the System, the amount of self-supporting debt is based on the percentages of revenue support as shown above. To the extent the System revenues are not available, the Town is obligated to levy ad valorem taxes to pay the debt service on such obligations. See Table 8 – "Computation of Waterworks and Sewer System Self-Supporting Debt" herein.

<sup>(b)</sup> See "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES" and "TOWN APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE" in the Official Statement for a description of the Issuer's taxation procedures.

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

**GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

**TABLE 3**

Fiscal Year 30-Sep	Currently Outstanding	The Certificates*			Combined	Less: Self- Supporting	Net General Obligation
	Debt Service <sup>(a)</sup>	Principal	Interest	Total	Debt Service <sup>(a)*</sup>	Debt <sup>(b)*</sup>	Debt Service <sup>(c) *</sup>
2021	\$ 10,053,083				\$ 10,053,083	\$ 4,661,732	\$ 5,391,351
2022	9,500,569	\$ 965,000	\$ 617,500	\$ 1,582,500	11,083,069	5,514,764	5,568,305
2023	9,357,470	990,000	593,375	1,583,375	10,940,845	5,510,989	5,429,856
2024	9,178,738	1,015,000	568,625	1,583,625	10,762,363	5,506,464	5,255,899
2025	9,180,126	1,045,000	543,250	1,588,250	10,768,376	5,494,214	5,274,162
2026	8,655,240	1,070,000	517,125	1,587,125	10,242,365	4,963,853	5,278,512
2027	8,287,467	1,100,000	490,375	1,590,375	9,877,842	4,972,238	4,905,604
2028	7,202,780	1,120,000	462,875	1,582,875	8,785,655	4,461,131	4,324,524
2029	7,134,293	1,150,000	434,875	1,584,875	8,719,168	4,392,975	4,326,193
2030	5,902,295	1,175,000	406,125	1,581,125	7,483,420	4,061,213	3,422,208
2031	5,287,931	1,210,000	376,750	1,586,750	6,874,681	4,046,363	2,828,319
2032	5,303,131	1,235,000	346,500	1,581,500	6,884,631	4,049,188	2,835,444
2033	5,303,316	1,265,000	315,625	1,580,625	6,883,941	4,044,063	2,839,878
2034	4,685,238	1,300,000	284,000	1,584,000	6,269,238	3,643,950	2,625,288
2035	3,559,350	1,335,000	251,500	1,586,500	5,145,850	2,529,988	2,615,863
2036	3,567,263	1,360,000	218,125	1,578,125	5,145,388	2,526,825	2,618,563
2037	2,391,844	1,400,000	184,125	1,584,125	3,975,969	1,996,925	1,979,044
2038	1,599,738	1,440,000	149,125	1,589,125	3,188,863	1,206,050	1,982,813
2039	701,500	1,475,000	113,125	1,588,125	2,289,625	1,209,475	1,080,150
2040	255,000	1,505,000	76,250	1,581,250	1,836,250	1,197,175	639,075
2041	-	1,545,000	38,625	1,583,625	1,583,625	1,004,500	579,125
	<u>\$ 117,106,371</u>	<u>\$ 24,700,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,987,875</u>	<u>\$ 31,687,875</u>	<u>\$ 148,794,246</u>	<u>\$ 76,994,071</u>	<u>\$ 70,581,974</u>

<sup>(a)</sup> Includes self-supporting debt.

<sup>(b)</sup> See Table 2 for a breakdown on the specific issues that have self-supporting debt.

<sup>(c)</sup> Excludes self-supporting debt.

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

**TAX ADEQUACY (Includes Self-Supporting Debt)**

**TABLE 4**

2021 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$ 4,880,922,833
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements (Fiscal Year Ending 9-30-22*)	\$ 11,083,069 *
Indicated required I&S Fund Tax Rate at 99% Collections to produce Maximum Debt Service requirements	\$ 0.22936 *

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

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

**TAX ADEQUACY (Excludes Self-Supporting Debt)**

**TABLE 5**

2021 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$ 4,880,922,833
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements (Fiscal Year Ending 9-30-22*)	\$ 5,568,305 *
Indicated required I&S Fund Tax Rate at 99% Collections to produce Maximum Debt Service requirements	\$ 0.11524 *

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

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

**OTHER OBLIGATIONS**

**TABLE 6**

**(Audited information per the Town's Audited Annual Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020)**

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Amount Due Within One Year</u>
Capital Leases	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

For additional information regarding the Town's Long-Term Debt, see the Town's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Contract Revenue Payments:

\$5,390,000 North Texas Municipal Water District ("NTMWD") Water Transmission Facilities Contract Revenue Bonds (Town of Little Elm Project), Series 2003 (the "Contract Revenue Bonds"). This issue was refinanced in February 2013.

The Contract Revenue Bonds are payable from the Town's water and sewer system (the "System") gross revenues, and to the extent System revenues are unavailable or insufficient, the Town has levied and therefor has the authority to assess and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to make such payments. Since payments began in Fiscal Year 2004 they have been made from System revenues. Under the terms of the contract, the NTMWD owns and maintains the water facility. The NTMWD charges to the Town reflect the cost of water plus the repayment of the Contract Revenue Bonds, as shown below. These charges are embedded in the total operating expenses in the Town's Annual Audited Financial Statements. For additional information, see Town's 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Note 13.

<u>Fiscal Year Ended 9-30</u>	<u>Outstanding Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2021	\$ 380,000.00	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 403,500.00
2022	390,000.00	15,900.00	405,900.00
2023	405,000.00	8,100.00	413,100.00
	<u>\$ 1,175,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 47,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,222,500.00</u>

**INTEREST AND SINKING FUND MANAGEMENT INDEX**

**TABLE 7**

Interest and Sinking Fund Balance, Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020	\$ 1,078,697
2020-21 Interest and Sinking (I&S) Fund Tax Levy of \$0.129700 at 99% Collections Produces <sup>(a)</sup>	<u>5,893,527</u>
Total Available for Debt Service	<u>\$ 6,972,224</u>
Less: Net General Obligation Debt Service Requirements, Fiscal Year Ending 9-30-21	<u>6,200,846</u> <sup>(b)*</sup>
Estimated Interest & Sinking Fund Balance at Fiscal Year Ending 9-30-21	<u>\$ 771,378</u> <sup>(c)*</sup>

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

<sup>(b)</sup> Excludes self-supporting general obligation debt being paid from surplus revenues of the Waterworks and Sewer System.

<sup>(c)</sup> The City anticipates a drawdown from an overfunded Interest and Sinking Fund Balance due to paying the CDC supported debt.

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

**COMPUTATION OF WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM SELF-SUPPORTING DEBT**

**TABLE 8**

Net System Revenues Available, Fiscal Year End September 30, 2020	\$ 8,556,618
Less: 2021 Annual Debt Service Requirements on Outstanding Revenue Bonds	<u>-</u>
Balance Available for Other Purposes	<u>\$ 8,556,618</u>
Estimated System General Obligation Debt for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021	\$ 3,865,946
Percentage of System General Obligation Debt Self-Supporting	100%

**GENERAL OBLIGATION PRINCIPAL REPAYMENT SCHEDULE**

**TABLE 9**

(As of June 30, 2021)

Fiscal Year Ending 9/30	Principal Repayment Schedule*			Bonds Unpaid at End of Year*	Percent of Principal Retired (%)*
	Outstanding Principal <sup>(a)</sup>	The Certificates	Total		
2021	\$ 7,120,000	\$ -	\$ 7,120,000	\$ 111,820,000	5.99%
2022	6,790,000	965,000	7,755,000	104,065,000	12.51%
2023	6,875,000	990,000	7,865,000	96,200,000	19.12%
2024	6,925,000	1,015,000	7,940,000	88,260,000	25.79%
2025	7,135,000	1,045,000	8,180,000	80,080,000	32.67%
2026	6,835,000	1,070,000	7,905,000	72,175,000	39.32%
2027	6,685,000	1,100,000	7,785,000	64,390,000	45.86%
2028	5,810,000	1,120,000	6,930,000	57,460,000	51.69%
2029	5,935,000	1,150,000	7,085,000	50,375,000	57.65%
2030	4,885,000	1,175,000	6,060,000	44,315,000	62.74%
2031	4,410,000	1,210,000	5,620,000	38,695,000	67.47%
2032	4,560,000	1,235,000	5,795,000	32,900,000	72.34%
2033	4,700,000	1,265,000	5,965,000	26,935,000	77.35%
2034	4,230,000	1,300,000	5,530,000	21,405,000	82.00%
2035	3,240,000	1,335,000	4,575,000	16,830,000	85.85%
2036	3,350,000	1,360,000	4,710,000	12,120,000	89.81%
2037	2,270,000	1,400,000	3,670,000	8,450,000	92.90%
2038	1,550,000	1,440,000	2,990,000	5,460,000	95.41%
2039	685,000	1,475,000	2,160,000	3,300,000	97.23%
2040	250,000	1,505,000	1,755,000	1,545,000	98.70%
2041	<u>-</u>	<u>1,545,000</u>	<u>1,545,000</u>	-	100.00%
	<u>\$ 94,240,000</u>	<u>\$ 24,700,000</u>	<u>\$ 118,940,000</u>		

<sup>(a)</sup> Includes self-supporting debt principal

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

**CLASSIFICATION OF ASSESSED VALUATION**

**TABLE 10**

Category	2021	% of Total	2020	% of Total	2019	% of Total	2018	% of Total	2017	% of Total
Real, Residential, Single-Family	\$ 3,943,894,302	69.86%	\$ 3,428,363,449	67.64%	\$ 3,166,052,037	67.12%	\$ 2,905,061,872	68.87%	\$ 2,569,833,909	68.90%
Real, Residential, Multi-Family	500,241,123	8.86%	481,020,818	9.49%	477,354,824	10.12%	349,707,686	8.29%	265,382,007	7.12%
Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts	114,539,699	2.03%	132,695,206	2.62%	129,649,542	2.75%	117,553,978	2.79%	86,570,495	2.32%
Real, Acreage (Land Only)	89,154,546	1.58%	80,844,939	1.60%	78,039,397	1.65%	74,546,469	1.77%	83,189,786	2.23%
Farm & Ranch Improvements	43,393,768	0.77%	41,556,223	0.82%	54,730,220	1.16%	29,844,730	0.71%	63,551,721	1.70%
Real, Commercial / Industrial	494,528,607	8.76%	479,295,614	9.46%	390,768,372	8.28%	369,574,754	8.76%	331,713,201	8.89%
Real & Tangible, Personal Utilities	35,481,042	0.63%	33,841,577	0.67%	29,041,243	0.62%	28,075,402	0.67%	24,300,794	0.65%
Personal, Commercial / Industrial	87,508,493	1.55%	80,040,032	1.58%	77,797,620	1.65%	70,180,699	1.66%	70,883,863	1.90%
Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes	10,878,240	0.19%	9,857,280	0.19%	7,985,132	0.17%	8,045,449	0.19%	7,904,368	0.21%
Residential Inventory/Vacant	70,383,994	1.25%	67,964,254	1.34%	78,429,528	1.66%	68,975,459	1.64%	40,888,113	1.10%
Special Inventory	1,547,957	0.03%	1,224,849	0.02%	1,610,328	0.03%	1,285,405	0.03%	1,623,613	0.04%
Totally Exempt Property	253,521,677	4.49%	231,869,196	4.57%	225,344,682	4.78%	195,352,747	4.63%	183,731,158	4.93%
<b>Total Appraised Value</b>	<b>\$ 5,645,073,448</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 5,088,573,437</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 4,716,802,925</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 4,218,204,650</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 3,729,543,028</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>Less Exemptions:</b>										
Over-65 or Disabled Homestead	\$ 13,651,217		\$ 12,087,289		\$ 10,616,720		\$ 9,777,878		\$ 9,069,126	
Veteran's Exemptions	50,789,329		37,762,184		29,712,007		20,769,813		13,952,413	
Homestead Cap Adjustment	17,880,439		5,968,674		19,385,162		48,639,334		58,825,518	
Productivity Value Loss	89,081,053		80,806,717		77,921,302		74,430,571		83,019,565	
Prorated Exempt Property	521		397,043		858,208		1,019,658		1,210	
House Bill 366 Exempt Propoerty	7,046		6,129		4,976		8,683		6,511	
Freepoort	9,826,823		-		-		-		69,053	
Community Housing Dev. Corp.	-		-		4,650,000		5,186,172		4,386,500	
Abatements	-		-		2,640,958		3,283,457		3,743,506	
Pollution Control / Other/Charitable	5,436,943		4,814,150		209,216		153,263		166,239	
Totally Exempt Property	248,211,663		231,790,780		219,790,998		189,079,359		179,291,196	
Total Exemptions	434,885,034		373,632,966		365,789,547		352,348,188		352,530,837	
<b>Net Taxable Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>\$ 5,210,188,414</b>		<b>\$ 4,694,940,471</b>		<b>\$ 4,351,013,378</b>		<b>\$ 3,865,856,462</b>		<b>\$ 3,377,012,191</b>	
<b>Less:</b>										
Freeze Taxable Value	\$ 329,265,581		\$ 271,637,476		\$ 242,601,223		\$ 209,253,959		\$ 181,751,600	
Transfer Adjustment	-		204,420		69,500		97,673		-	
<b>Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation (After Deduction of TIRZ Captured Value)</b>	<b>\$ 4,880,922,833</b>		<b>\$ 4,423,098,575</b>		<b>\$ 4,108,342,655</b>		<b>\$ 3,656,504,830</b>		<b>\$ 3,195,260,591</b>	

Source: Denton Central Appraisal District  
 Note: Assessed Valuations shown here are Certified Valuations and may change during the year due to various supplements and protests. Valuations on a later date or in other tables of this Official Statement may not match those shown on this table.



**TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION FOR TAX YEARS 2012-2021**

**TABLE 11**

Fiscal Year	Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	Change From Preceding Year	
		Amount (\$)	Percent
2012-13	\$ 1,615,536,605	43,823,122	2.79%
2013-14	1,780,379,223	164,842,618	10.20%
2014-15	2,060,061,476	279,682,253	15.71%
2015-16	2,421,160,195	361,098,719	17.53%
2016-17	2,810,731,709	389,571,514	16.09%
2017-18	3,081,268,379	270,536,670	9.63%
2018-19	3,489,018,280	407,749,901	13.23%
2019-20	3,952,306,571	463,288,291	13.28%
2020-21	4,423,098,575	470,792,004	11.91%
2021-22	4,880,922,833	457,824,258	10.35%

Sources: The Municipal Advisory Council of Texas Website, the Issuer's 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Denton Central Appraisal District  
 Note: Values are before Freeze Value Loss or deduction of TIRZ Captured Value. Assessed Valuations may change during the year due to various supplements and protests.

**PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS 2021**

**TABLE 12**

Name	Type of Business	2021 Net Taxable Assessed Valuation	% of Total 2021 Taxable Assessed Valuation
Western Rim Investors 2014-5 LP	Financial/Banking	\$ 72,484,240	1.49%
Orion Lakeside LLC	Real Estate Development	69,000,000	1.41%
Texas Property Borrower LLC	Real Estate Development	62,606,686	1.28%
4 Corners AL AP	Apartments	61,371,440	1.26%
Bell Fund VI Frisco LLC	Real Estate Development	56,416,358	1.16%
The Landing at Little Elm LLC	Real Estate Development	54,000,000	1.11%
Centennial Luxe LP	Real Estate Development	50,300,000	1.03%
Palladium USA	Real Estate Development	31,500,000	0.65%
GCRE/TX MAIN MARKETPLACE LLC & LCAR	Real Estate Development	31,361,264	0.64%
Crimson 1031 Portfolio LLC	Real Estate Development	27,408,600	0.56%
		<b>\$ 516,448,588</b>	<b>10.58%</b>

Based on a 2021 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation \$ 4,880,922,833

Source: Denton Central Appraisal District.

**PROPERTY TAX RATES AND COLLECTIONS <sup>(a)</sup>**

**TABLE 13**

Tax Year	Net Taxable Assessed Valuation <sup>(b)</sup>	Tax Rate	Adjusted Tax Levy	% Collections <sup>(c)</sup>		Fiscal Year Ended
				Current	Total	
2010	\$ 1,470,524,017	0.665229	\$ 10,024,864	98.34%	99.99%	9/30/2011
2011	1,571,713,483	0.664960	10,462,821	98.25%	100.00%	9/30/2012
2012	1,615,536,605	0.664980	10,651,248	98.71%	100.00%	9/30/2013
2013	1,780,379,223	0.664971	11,780,687	98.88%	99.88%	9/30/2014
2014	2,060,061,476	0.664970	13,629,127	99.65%	99.93%	9/30/2015
2015	2,421,160,195	0.661687	15,848,795	99.77%	99.91%	9/30/2016
2016	2,810,731,709	0.661687	18,694,955	99.58%	99.93%	9/30/2017
2017	3,081,268,379	0.657671	21,819,292	99.80%	99.90%	9/30/2018
2018	3,489,018,280	0.649900	24,976,789	99.71%	99.89%	9/30/2019
2019	3,952,306,571	0.649900	25,686,040	99.72%	99.92%	9/30/2020
2020	4,423,098,575	0.649702	30,237,816	96.43% <sup>(d)</sup>	96.79% <sup>(d)</sup>	9/30/2021

<sup>(a)</sup> See "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES" and "TOWN'S APPLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX CODE" in the Official Statement for a description of the Issuer's taxation procedures.

<sup>(b)</sup> Taxable values in this table DO NOT reflect value loss due to protest / review, freeze loss or TIRZ captured values.

<sup>(c)</sup> Includes interest and penalties.

<sup>(d)</sup> Current Collections are as of May 31, 2021.

Source: The Denton Central Appraisal District, The Town's 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and other information from the Issuer.

**TAX RATE DISTRIBUTION**

**TABLE 14**

	2020-2021	2019-2020	2018-2019	2017-2018	2016-2017
Maintenance & Operations	\$0.520000	\$0.495874	\$0.479431	\$0.485188	\$0.495731
I & S Fund	0.129700	0.154026	0.170469	0.172483	0.165956
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0.649700</b>	<b>\$0.649900</b>	<b>\$0.649900</b>	<b>\$0.657671</b>	<b>\$0.661687</b>

Source: The Denton Central Appraisal District.

The Issuer has adopted the provisions of Chapter 321, as amended, Texas Tax Code (the "Municipal Sales and Use Tax Act") which provides for the maximum levy of a one percent sales tax which may be used for any lawful purpose except that the sales tax revenue may not be pledged to the payment of debt. The voters of the Town approved a 1/2% sales tax for the benefit of economic development on January 16, 1993, with collections beginning June 1993. The voters of the Town approved a 1/4% sales tax for street maintenance on May 7, 2005, with collections beginning October 1, 2005. On May 9, 2009 the Town held a successful election for the purpose of continuing the 1/4% sales tax for street maintenance. The voters of the Town approved a 1/4% sales tax for 4B community development purposes on May 12, 2007, with collections beginning October 1, 2007. The sales taxes for economic development and community development are collected solely for the benefit of the Little Elm Economic Development Corporation ("4A EDC") and the Little Elm Community Development Corporation ("4B CDC"), respectively, and may be pledged to secure payment of sales tax obligations issued or incurred by the Corporations and are not pledged to the payment of the Obligations.

Net collections on a **fiscal year** basis are shown below:

<b>Fiscal Ended</b>	<b>Total 2% Collected</b>	<b>1.25% Town</b>	<b>Ad Valorem Tax Levy</b>	<b>Ad Valorem Tax Rate</b>	<b>0.50% 4A EDC</b>	<b>0.25% 4B CDC</b>
2012	3,861,035	2,413,147	23.30%	0.15490	965,259	482,629
2013	4,479,710	2,799,819	26.53%	0.17640	1,119,928	559,964
2014	4,810,546	3,006,591	25.58%	0.17007	1,202,637	601,318
2015	5,705,401	3,565,876	26.18%	0.17412	1,426,350	713,175
2016	6,962,498	4,351,562	27.66%	0.18303	1,740,625	870,312
2017	7,242,129	4,526,331	24.21%	0.16020	1,810,532	905,266
2018	7,999,075	4,999,422	22.91%	0.15069	1,999,769	999,884
2019	8,695,403	5,434,627	21.76%	0.14141	2,173,851	1,086,925
2020	10,105,335	6,315,835	24.59%	0.15980	2,526,334	1,263,167
2021 *	6,410,653	4,006,658	14.57%	0.09467	1,602,663	801,332

\* As of June 2021.

Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Affairs Website (<http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/sales>)

**Note: The Comptroller's website figures list sales tax revenues in the month they are delivered to the Town, which is two months after they are generated/collected.**

FUND BALANCES

TABLE 16

	<b>Unaudited estimate for 9/30/2021</b>
General Operating Fund (Unrestricted / Undesignated)	\$ 23,897,617
General Obligation Interest and Sinking Fund (Debt Service Fund)	771,378
Capital Projects Fund (Major governmental Funds)	28,271,658
Waterworks and Sewer System Operating fund (Excluding Impact Fees)	16,740,722
Water and Sewer Impact Fees Fund	3,799,801
Solid Waste Fund	691,186
Special Revenue Funds	4,545,554
Internal Replacement Funds	4,348,782
Street Impact Fees Fund	1,745,478
Component Units Funds (CDC)	1,894,482
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 86,706,658</b>

Sources: The Issuer.

**OVERLAPPING DEBT DATA AND INFORMATION**

**TABLE 17**

(As of May 31, 2021)

<u>Taxing Body</u>	<u>Gross Debt</u>		<u>Amount</u>
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>% Overlapping</u>	
Denton County	\$ 607,670,000	3.86%	\$ 23,456,062
Frisco Independent School District	2,122,543,118	3.14%	66,647,854
Highway 380 MMD #1	44,745,000	71.26%	31,885,287
Little Elm Independent School District	340,799,997	39.89%	135,945,119
Total Gross Overlapping Debt	\$ 3,115,758,115		\$ 257,934,322
Town of Little Elm	112,035,000 <sup>(a),</sup>	100.00%	112,035,000 <sup>(a) *</sup>
<b>Total Gross Direct and Overlapping Debt Principal</b>			<b>\$ 369,969,322 <sup>(a) *</sup></b>
Ratio of Gross Direct and Overlapping Debt to 2020 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation			7.58% <sup>(a) *</sup>
Ratio of Gross Direct and Overlapping Debt to 2020 Actual Value			6.55% <sup>(a) *</sup>
Per Capita Gross Direct and Overlapping Debt			\$7,564 <sup>(a) *</sup>
Note: The above figures show Gross General Obligation Debt for the Town of Little Elm, Texas			
The Issuer's Net General Obligation Debt Principal is			\$ 53,600,000 <sup>(b) *</sup>
Calculations on the basis of Net General Obligation Debt would change the above figures as follows:			
<b>Total Net Direct and Overlapping Debt Principal</b>			<b>\$ 311,534,322 <sup>(b) *</sup></b>
Ratio of Net Direct and Overlapping Debt Principal to 2020 Freeze Adjusted Net Taxable Assessed Valuation			6.38% <sup>(b) *</sup>
Ratio of Net Direct and Overlapping Debt Principal to 2020 Actual Value			5.52% <sup>(b) *</sup>
Per Capita Net Direct and Overlapping Debt			\$6,370 <sup>(b) *</sup>

<sup>(a)</sup> Includes the Certificates and self-supporting debt. (See "TABLE 2 - GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDED DEBT" herein.)

<sup>(b)</sup> Includes the Certificates but excludes self-supporting debt. (See "TABLE 2 - GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDED DEBT" herein.)

Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

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

**TABLE 18**

<u>Governmental Entity</u>	<u>2020 Net Taxable</u>		<u>% of Actual</u>	<u>2020 Tax Rate<sup>(a)</sup></u>
	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>			
Denton County	\$ 115,693,123,870		100%	0.22500
Frisco Independent School District	44,440,564,440		100%	1.31000
Highway 380 Municipal Management District #1	352,790,725		100%	0.51500
Little Elm Independent School District	5,740,062,074		100%	1.49400

Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

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

**TABLE 19**

<u>Taxing Body</u>	<u>Date Authorized</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>		<u>Unissued</u>
			<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Issued To Date</u>	
Denton County	1/16/1999	Road	\$ 85,320,000	\$ 77,629,375	\$ 7,690,625
	5/15/2004	Equipment	2,000,000	-	2,000,000
			\$ 87,320,000	\$ 77,629,375	\$ 9,690,625
Frisco Independent School District	5/10/2014	Sch Bldg & Technology	\$ 775,000,000	\$ 749,000,000	\$ 26,000,000
	11/6/2018	Sch Bldg & Security	691,000,000	287,250,000	403,750,000
			\$ 1,466,000,000	\$ 1,036,250,000	\$ 429,750,000
Highway 380 Municipal Management District #1	5/9/2015	Road	\$ 99,000,000	\$ 21,955,000	\$ 77,045,000
	5/9/2015	Utility	62,000,000	24,615,000	37,385,000
	5/7/2016	Road	19,450,000	-	19,450,000
	5/7/2016	Utility	7,825,000	-	7,825,000
			\$ 188,275,000	\$ 46,570,000	\$ 141,705,000
Little Elm Independent School District	11/7/2017	Sch Bldg/Athletic Imp	\$ 235,000,000	\$ 220,000,000	\$ 15,000,000
	11/7/2017	Refunding	4,500,000	3,985,000	515,000
			\$ 239,500,000	\$ 223,985,000	\$ 15,515,000

Source: Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

**AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE ISSUER**

**TABLE 20**

-None-

**GENERAL FUND COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

**TABLE 21**

	<b>Fiscal Year Ending September 30</b>				
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>Revenues</b>					
Property taxes, penalty, and interest	\$ 26,776,344	\$ 23,731,352	\$ 21,845,134	\$ 19,346,127	\$ 16,835,452
Licenses and Permits	3,807,739	3,494,513	4,105,031	4,501,472	4,827,059
Intergovernmental and Grant Revenues	5,005,745	1,158,889	518,461	806,708	408,265
Charges for Services	3,619,666	4,398,501	3,797,275	3,169,497	2,583,980
Fines	823,427	813,047	765,229	653,524	594,256
Interest	425,055	629,050	327,787	139,061	81,041
Contributions and Donations	-	-	-	-	-
Other Revenues	160,550	300,041	375,998	355,872	508,757
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>\$ 40,618,526</u>	<u>\$ 34,525,393</u>	<u>\$ 31,734,915</u>	<u>\$ 28,972,261</u>	<u>\$ 25,838,810</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
<b>Current:</b>					
General Government	\$ 4,610,819	\$ 4,171,885	\$ 4,052,008	\$ 3,941,541	\$ 3,896,083
Community Services	2,772,783	2,635,371	2,519,977	2,275,030	2,638,775
Public Safety	20,990,799	18,243,219	15,773,178	12,851,040	10,763,308
Public Works	2,474,534	3,678,222	3,232,957	2,546,491	2,356,842
Culture and Recreation	4,243,591	4,315,131	3,952,086	3,553,251	3,161,376
Capital Outlay	1,050,432	699,185	78,143	1,316,232	605,829
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 36,142,958</u>	<u>\$ 33,743,013</u>	<u>\$ 29,608,349</u>	<u>\$ 26,483,585</u>	<u>\$ 23,422,213</u>
<b>Excess (Deficit) of Revenues</b>					
Over Expenditures	\$ 4,475,568	\$ 782,380	\$ 2,126,566	\$ 2,488,676	\$ 2,416,597
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Proceeds from Capital Leases/Sale of Assets	\$ -	\$ 142,943	\$ 103,668	\$ 31,663	\$ 252,717
Insurance proceeds	146,328	426,578	321,485	1,016,343	-
Operating Transfers In	2,225,794	1,969,135	2,786,598	2,109,670	1,898,332
Operating Transfers Out	(2,624,050)	(3,160,000)	(100,000)	(1,000,000)	(205,464)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<u>\$ (251,928)</u>	<u>\$ (621,344)</u>	<u>\$ 3,111,751</u>	<u>\$ 2,157,676</u>	<u>\$ 1,945,585</u>
<b>Excess (Deficit) of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses</b>	<u>\$ 4,223,640</u>	<u>\$ 161,036</u>	<u>\$ 5,238,317</u>	<u>\$ 4,646,352</u>	<u>\$ 4,362,182</u>
<b>Fund Balance - October 1 (Beginning)</b>	<u>\$ 21,373,848</u>	<u>\$ 21,212,812</u>	<u>\$ 15,974,495</u>	<u>\$ 11,328,143</u>	<u>\$ 6,965,961</u>
Restatement	-	-	-	-	-
Prior Period Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-
Reclassification of Funds	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Fund Balance - September 30 (Ending)</b>	<u>\$ 25,597,488</u>	<u>\$ 21,373,848</u>	<u>\$ 21,212,812</u>	<u>\$ 15,974,495</u>	<u>\$ 11,328,143</u>
<b>Fund Balance:</b>					
Non-spendable (Prepays and Inventory)	\$ 60,914	\$ 60,914	\$ 64,554	\$ 313,699	\$ 299,425
Spendable	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted	-	-	-	-	-
Committed	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	21,312,934	21,312,934	21,148,258	15,660,796	11,028,718
	<u>\$ 25,597,488</u>	<u>\$ 21,373,848</u>	<u>\$ 21,212,812</u>	<u>\$ 15,974,495</u>	<u>\$ 11,328,143</u>

**Town Management estimates the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2021 Fund Balance to be \$24,313,875\*.**

\*The Town Council transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund \$2,000,000 for future Public Safety Infrastructure Needs.

Source: The Issuer's Audited Financial Statements and Town officials.

	<b>Fiscal Year Ended 9-30</b>				
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Revenues <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 19,753,154	\$ 18,631,658	\$ 18,300,349	\$ 15,570,997	\$ 14,228,299
Expenses <sup>(b)</sup>	<u>(9,708,159)</u>	<u>(9,670,109)</u>	<u>(9,743,731)</u>	<u>(9,154,302)</u>	<u>(8,068,474)</u>
Net Revenue Available for Debt Service	<u>\$ 10,044,995</u>	<u>\$ 8,961,549</u>	<u>\$ 8,556,618</u>	<u>\$ 6,416,695</u>	<u>\$ 6,159,825</u>
Annual Revenue Bond Debt					
Service Requirements	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue Debt Service Coverage	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A x
Annual Debt Service Requirements for all Bonds Paid from System Revenues	\$ 4,021,596	\$ 4,027,587	\$ 4,029,817	\$ 3,540,906	\$ 2,753,238
Debt Service Coverage on All Bonds Paid from System Revenues	2.50 x	2.23 x	2.12 x	1.81 x	2.24 x
Customer Count					
Water	11,763	11,408	11,153	10,680	10,370
Sewer	11,170	10,948	10,732	10,272	9,983
Impact Fee Revenues <sup>(c)</sup> (not included in Revenues above)	\$ 890,918	\$ 1,128,838	\$ 1,351,845	\$ 912,169	\$ 980,403

<sup>(a)</sup> Revenues include operating revenues and interest income.

<sup>(b)</sup> Expenses exclude depreciation and include operating expenses. Contract payments to the NTMWD are included as part of the operating expenses. See TABLE 6 - OTHER OBLIGATIONS on page A-4 for payment amounts due on the Series 2003 NTMWD Contract Revenue Bonds.

<sup>(c)</sup> Impact Fees may be used for debt service, if required.

Source: The Issuer's Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports and other information from the Issuer.

Note: For a description of the System, see "THE SYSTEM" in the Official Statement.

**WATER RATES****TABLE 23***(Based on Monthly Billing)*

**Existing Rates  
Effective  
October 1, 2020**

**Minimum Charge for up to 2,000 Gallons, Based on Meter Size**

5/8 inch Meter	\$	24.08	
1 inch Meter		39.35	
1½ inch Meter		72.08	
2 inch Meter		120.39	
3 inch Meter		240.83	
4 inch Meter		787.37	
6 inch Meter		1,576.82	
8 inch Meter		1,908.04	Commercial/Schools/Multi-Family

Rate per 1,000 Gallons for Amounts Over 2,000 Gallons and:

2,000 to 10,000 gallons	\$	6.39	/ 1,000 gallons
10,001 to 20,000 gallons		6.69	/ 1,000 gallons
20,001 & above gallons		6.99	/ 1,000 gallons

2,001 gallons & greater (all meter sizes)	\$	7.07	Commercial/Schools/Multi-Family
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**PRINCIPAL WATER CUSTOMERS****TABLE 24***(As of September 30, 2020)*

<b><u>Name of Customer</u></b>	<b><u>Customer Consumption (Gals.)</u></b>	<b><u>Total Annual Revenue</u></b>	<b><u>Average Monthly Bill</u></b>
Frisco West	113,765,000	\$ 458,473	\$ 38,206
YES Companies	32,064,000	299,094	24,925
Bell Fund VI Frisco LLC	27,205,000	262,896	21,908
Orion Lakeside LLC	26,341,000	256,970	21,414
Little Elm ISD	22,213,000	194,057	16,171
Overlook	20,898,000	212,839	17,737
4 Corners LP	15,174,000	165,737	13,811
Terra Southwest	9,835,000	39,635	3,303
Palladium	6,808,000	93,518	7,793
Fast Lane Car Wash	5,465,000	40,082	3,340
Sub-Total Top Ten <sup>(a)</sup>	<u>279,768,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,023,301</u>	<u>\$ 168,608</u>
Remaining (All Customers)	<u>71,293,000</u>	<u>\$ 652,529</u>	<u>\$ 54,377.40</u>
Total Consumption / Revenue	<u>351,061,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,675,830</u>	<u>\$ 222,986</u>
Top Ten Percent of Total System	79.69%	75.61%	
Remaining Customers Percent of Total	20.31%	24.39%	

<sup>(a)</sup> Excludes Governments

**SEWER RATES****TABLE 25***(Based on Monthly Billing)*

**Existing Rates  
Effective  
October 1, 2020**

**Minimum Charge Per Month**

Residential (single family, one unit) Base Rate		
First 2,000 Gallons	\$	30.73
2,001 & Above (per 1,000) (Winter Average)	\$	4.71
Commercial - first 2,000 Gallons	\$	30.73
2,001 & Above (per 1,000) (Actual Average)	\$	4.71

**PRINCIPAL SEWER CUSTOMERS <sup>(a)</sup>****TABLE 26***(As of September 30, 2020)*

<b><u>Name of Customer</u></b>	<b><u>Customer Consumption (Gals.)</u></b>	<b><u>Total Annual Revenue</u></b>	<b><u>Average Monthly Bill</u></b>
YES Companies	32,064,000	\$ 151,533	\$ 12,628
Bell Fund VI Frisco LLC	22,348,000	105,771	8,814
Orion Lakeside LLC	21,360,000	101,117	8,426
Overlook	17,227,000	101,117	8,426
4 Corners LP	11,132,000	52,971	4,414
Palladium	6,180,000	29,619	2,468
LEISD	4,747,000	24,172	2,014
Fast Lane Car Wash	4,630,000	22,063	1,839
Lakeside	4,369,000	20,834	1,736
Eldorado Village	3,304,000	16,585	1,382
Sub-Total Top Ten	<u>127,361,000</u>	<u>\$ 625,782</u>	<u>\$ 52,148</u>
Remaining (All Customers)	<u>39,415,000</u>	<u>\$ 182,602</u>	<u>\$ 15,217</u>
Total Consumption / Revenue	<u>166,776,000</u>	<u>\$ 808,384</u>	<u>\$ 67,365</u>
Top Ten Percent of Total System	76.37%	77.41%	
Remaining Customers Percent of Total	23.63%	22.59%	

<sup>(a)</sup> Excludes Governments

NOTE: The Town is on an averaging system for residential customers - with sewer based on water consumption.

NOTE: The Town provides sanitary sewer treatment and disposal for Denton County Fresh Water Supply District No. 8-B and 8-C (the "District") pursuant to an agreement, effective February 13, 2002, between the Town and the District, wherein the town agreed to provide wastewater collection, treatment and disposal services to the District. Services are billed quarterly at a rate equal to 1.25 times the Town's historic treatment cost, which currently is a rate of \$5.40 per 1,000 gallons (\$4.32 x 1.25 = \$5.40). The Town billed 32.6 million gallons of effluent in calendar year 2013 for an annual revenue of \$176,000.

NOTE: The Town provides water to Frisco Ranch and Hills and bills a minimum on the metered water at \$1,200 per month; the minimum bill is for the first 500,000 gallons; after the first 500,000 gallons, the Town charges \$2.40 per 1,000 gallons. During the fiscal year 2013-2014 (start-up January 2013) the Town billed 8.6 million gallons for a total revenue to the Town's Utility system of \$21,500.

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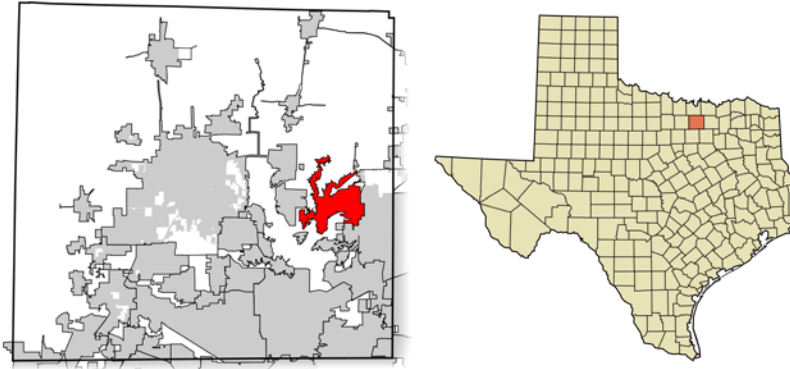
**APPENDIX B**

**GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM AND DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS**

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## GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM AND DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS

Location of Little Elm in Denton County, Texas



### General:

Little Elm is located in North Central Texas, and covers approximately 22 square miles of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex (“DFW”). Little Elm is situated in Denton County and located at the crossroads of US Highway 380, FM 423, and FM 720. The Town is primarily a bedroom community. The Town is all wet, in the sense that over 66 miles of the Town’s corporate town limits are shoreline on Lewisville Lake meaning that almost anywhere you travel in town, neighborhoods have a view of the lake, for which the Town is drawing more attention and bringing attractions within the DFW region.

The Town’s 2010 Census was 25,898, which is a 610.3% growth since 2000. The current estimated population is 48,910. Beyond the town limits, Little Elm supports an additional 20,000 area residents, putting Little Elm’s five-mile service radius at more than 50,000 people served. Much of the growth is attributed to development in areas annexed by the Town.

Located on two peninsulas of the Lake, a 23,280 acre reservoir operated by the U.S. Army corps of Engineers, the town has more miles of shoreline than any other community adjacent to the Lake. The Town’s geographic positioning provides shoreline that can be used for numerous recreational opportunities. The Town provides a full range of municipal services, including police and fire protection, municipal courts, street maintenance, engineering, traffic and transportation, water distribution, sewage treatment, sanitation and health inspection, outdoor recreation and library services.

Easy access to the North Dallas Tollway, as well as FM720 (a major road through the Town) provides connections to neighboring cities and job centers (Denton, Frisco, The Colony, Carrollton, Lewisville and Plano). This accessibility to major thoroughfares has been one of the major driving forces in the overall growth and development of the area.

In August 2009, the Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge opened to traffic. The bridge and approaching roadways have provided an east-west connection between Interstate 35E, the North Dallas Tollway, and even further east to State Highway 75. Little Elm has two main arteries that run through the middle of town - FM 720 (Eldorado Parkway) going east towards Frisco and North/Northwest to US Highway 380, and FM 423 going north to US 380 and south to SH 121 in the Colony. Population growth, along with transportation corridor improvements, continues to stimulate both residential and commercial development in Little Elm.

Denton County (the “County”) is located in north central Texas and was created in 1846 from Fannin County. The 2010 Census was 662,614, which is a 53.0% increase since 2000. The current population estimate for the County is 933,220.

Major industrial investments in the past, which include Alliance Airport, Wal-Mart, Target, Aldi and Winco distribution centers, and the Texas Motor Speedway, continue to attract additional development in the County. There also have been major investments in the County by the healthcare profession with several major hospitals undergoing significant expansions. Denton County’s two major universities, the University of North Texas and Texas Woman’s University, and North Central Texas College continue to turn out a large number of skilled graduates each year, and enrollment at these schools continues to increase significantly each year. This labor supply, combined with air, rail and highway transportation centers, assists to the County’s continued economic growth.

Source: *Latest Texas Municipal Report published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and other information from the Town and the County.*

**Population Trends:**

<b>Census Report</b>	<b>Town of Little Elm</b>	<b>Denton County</b>
Current Estimate	48,910	933,220
2020	46,200	902,190
2010	25,898	662,614
2000	3,646	432,976
1990	1,308	273,525

Sources: North Central Texas Council of Governments and the Issuer.

**Leading Employers in the Town of Little Elm:**

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Product or Type of Business</b>	<b>Number of Employees</b>
Little Elm Independent School District	Education	879
Town of Little Elm	Municipal government	311
Kroger	Retail Grocery	191
Lowe's Home Center	Retail Sales	178
Retractable Technologies	Medical Production	146
Hula Hut	Restaurant	80
Holt	Heavy Duty Equipment	78
Applebee's	Restaurant	48

Source: The Issuer's 2020 CAFR

**Labor Force Statistics:**

	<b>Little Elm</b>		<b>Denton County</b>		<b>State of Texas</b>	
	<b>May 2021</b>	<b>May 2020</b>	<b>May 2021</b>	<b>May 2020</b>	<b>May 2021</b>	<b>May 2020</b>
Civilian Labor Force	27,732	26,462	510,046	486,451	14,061,243	13,549,965
Total Employed	26,476	23,605	486,483	433,730	13,231,992	11,957,125
Total Unemployed	1,256	2,857	23,563	52,721	829,251	1,592,840
% Unemployed	4.5%	10.8%	4.6%	10.8%	5.9%	11.8%
% Unemployed (United States)	5.5%	13.0%	5.5%	13.0%	5.5%	13.0%

Source: Texas Workforce Commission, Labor Market Information Department.

**APPENDIX C**

**FORM OF LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL**

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IN REGARD to the authorization and issuance of the “Town of Little Elm, Texas, Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021,” dated August 1, 2021, in the principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (the “Certificates”), we have examined into their issuance by the Town of Little Elm, Texas (the “Town”), solely to express legal opinions as to the validity of the Certificates and the exclusion of the interest on the Certificates from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and for no other purpose. We have not been requested to investigate or verify, and we neither expressly nor by implication render herein any opinion concerning, the financial condition or capabilities of the Town, the disclosure of any financial or statistical information or data pertaining to the Town and used in the sale of the Certificates, or the sufficiency of the security for or the value or marketability of the Certificates.

THE CERTIFICATES are issued in fully registered form only and in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof (within a maturity). The Certificates mature on August 1 in each of the years specified in the ordinance adopted by the Town Council of the Town authorizing the issuance of the Certificates (the “Ordinance”), unless redeemed prior to maturity in accordance with the terms stated on the Certificates. The Certificates accrue interest from the dates, at the rates, and in the manner and interest is payable on the dates, all as provided in the Ordinance.

IN RENDERING THE OPINIONS herein we have examined and rely upon (i) original or certified copies of the proceedings relating to the issuance of the Certificates, including the Ordinance and an examination of the initial Certificate executed and delivered by the Town (which we found to be in due form and properly executed); (ii) certifications of officers of the Town relating to the expected use and investment of proceeds of the sale of the Certificates and certain other funds of the Town and (iii) other documentation and such matters of law as we deem relevant. In the examination of the proceedings relating to the issuance of the Certificates, we have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original copies of all documents submitted to us as certified copies, and the accuracy of the statements contained in such documents and certifications.

BASED ON OUR EXAMINATIONS, IT IS OUR OPINION that, under the applicable laws of the United States of America and the State of Texas in force and effect on the date hereof:

1. The Certificates have been duly authorized by the Town and, when issued in compliance with the provisions of the Ordinance, are valid, legally binding and enforceable obligations of the Town, payable from an ad valorem tax levied, within the limits prescribed by law, upon all taxable property in the Town, and are additionally payable from and secured by a limited pledge of the Net Revenues (as defined in the Ordinance) of the Town’s Waterworks and Sewer System in the manner and to the extent provided in the Ordinance, except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar laws affecting creditors’ rights or the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with the general principles of equity.

Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP is a limited liability partnership registered under the laws of Texas.

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Re: "Town of Little Elm, Texas, Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021"

2. Pursuant to section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date hereof (the "Code"), and existing regulations, published rulings, and court decisions thereunder, and assuming continuing compliance after the date hereof by the Town with the provisions of the Ordinance relating to sections 141 through 150 of the Code, interest on the Certificates for federal income tax purposes (a) will be excludable from the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Code, of the owners thereof, and (b) will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of the owners thereof.

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

OUR OPINIONS ARE BASED on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement our opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service; rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law that we deem relevant to such opinions and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above.



**APPENDIX D**

**EXCERPTS FROM THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2020**

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

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# Town of Little Elm, Texas

## Comprehensive Annual Financial Report



Fiscal Year Ended  
September 30, 2020

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# Financial Section



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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor,  
Town Council, and Town Manager  
Town of Little Elm, Texas

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Little Elm (the Town), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town'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 financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

The Honorable Mayor,  
Town of Little Elm, Texas

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town, as of September 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other Matters**

### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis (pages 5-15), budgetary comparison information (Pages 72-74), and TMRS pension and OPEB schedules (pages 75-78) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules, and statistical section, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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



The Honorable Mayor,  
Town of Little Elm, Texas

The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated March 9, 2021, on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Weaver and Tidwell, L.L.P.*

WEAVER AND TIDWELL, L.L.P.

Dallas, Texas  
March 9, 2021



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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

For the year ended September 30, 2020  
(unaudited)

As management of the Town of Little Elm, we offer the reader of the Town's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Little Elm for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal, which can be found in the introductory section of this report and the financial reports that follow in this section.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$264,201,599 (net position). Of this amount \$42,500,818 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The Town's total net position increased by \$26,245,852 during the fiscal year.
- The Town's total amount of long-term liabilities is \$108,402,855, which is a net decrease of (\$5,965,842) when compared to the prior year. During 2020, the Town issued \$4,085,000 of Certificates of Obligation and \$5,725,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town of Little Elm's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$49,538,102, a decrease of \$5,993,014 in comparison with the prior year. The decrease is due in part to less capital grants and contributions. Within this total, \$22,668,693 (58%) is restricted by specific legal requirements, \$25,515,797 (38%) is unassigned fund balance, \$1,271,178 (3%) is committed to specific types of expenditures and \$82,434 (1%) is nonspendable.

### OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Town of Little Elm's basic financial statements. The Town of Little Elm's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements.** The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broader overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. Two statements, the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, are utilized to provide this financial overview.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the Town's assets and liabilities, and deferred inflows/outflows of resources with the differences reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether or not the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating. The statement of net position combines and consolidates governmental and business-type current financial resources with capital assets and long-term obligations. In order to assess the overall health or financial condition of the Town, other non-financial factors should also be taken into consideration. These include changes in the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's infrastructure (i.e., streets, drainage improvements, storm and sewer lines, etc.).



## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

For the year ended September 30, 2020

(unaudited)

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

Both of the government-wide statements distinguish between governmental activities and business-type activities. Governmental activities basically account for those activities supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues. On the other hand, business-type activities are basically supported by user fees and charges. Most Town services are reported in governmental activities while business-type activities are reported in the Enterprise Fund. The governmental activities of the Town include general government, community services, public safety, public works, and culture and recreation. The business-type activities of the Town include water and sewer services and solid waste services.

The government-wide financial statements include not only the Town of Little Elm itself (known as the primary government), but also two discretely presented component units. The Town's sales tax corporations are the Little Elm Economic Development Corporation 4A (LEEDC) and Little Elm Community Development Corporation 4B (LECDC). Although legally separate, these component units operate under the criteria of board appointment and removal by the Town Council. Approval and oversight of capital projects as well as budget appropriations and approval is under the authorization of the Town Council.

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

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

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



## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

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(unaudited)

The Town of Little Elm maintains several individual governmental funds organized according to their type (special revenue, debt service, and capital projects). Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund, the debt service fund, the capital projects fund and the PID capital projects fund, all of which are considered to be major funds. All capital project funds are combined for a single, aggregated presentation. Data from the other non-major funds are also combined and reported in a single column. Individual fund data for each of the non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

**Proprietary funds.** The Town maintains two types of proprietary funds: enterprise funds and an internal service fund. Enterprise funds are used to report the same function as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town uses enterprise funds to account for its water/sewer and solid waste operations. The internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate costs internally among the Town's various functions. The Town of Little Elm uses its internal service fund to account for vehicle and equipment replacements.

Proprietary funds financial statements provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

**Fiduciary Funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town of Little Elm's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds. The Town has one fiduciary fund, the PID Agency Fund.

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

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information. Required supplementary information can be found after the notes to the financial statements.

### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

At the end of fiscal year 2020, the Town's net position (assets exceeding liabilities) totaled \$264,201,599. This analysis focuses on the net position (Table 1) and charges in net position (Table 2).

**Net Position.** The largest portion of the Town's net position, \$201,890,614 or 78% reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment and infrastructure); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these assets to provide services to its citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town reports its capital assets net of related debt, the resources



**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS**  
 For the year ended September 30, 2020  
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needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate the liabilities.

An additional portion of the Town's net position, \$19,810,167 or 7%, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The unrestricted portion of net position which is \$42,500,818 or 15% may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

**Table 1**  
**Condensed Schedule of Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Current and other assets	\$ 63,465,299	\$ 67,157,545	\$ 28,004,184	\$ 24,452,048	\$ 91,469,483	\$ 91,609,593
Capital assets	208,300,946	185,346,202	81,078,661	79,909,387	289,379,607	265,255,589
Total assets	271,766,245	252,503,747	109,082,845	104,361,435	380,849,090	356,865,182
Deferred outflow s of resources	2,993,678	4,112,872	888,391	1,189,740	3,882,069	5,302,612
Current liabilities	8,298,257	6,578,230	2,573,885	3,176,130	10,872,142	9,754,360
Noncurrent liabilities	68,789,103	71,492,457	39,613,752	42,876,240	108,402,855	114,368,697
Total liabilities	77,087,360	78,070,687	42,187,637	46,052,370	119,274,997	124,123,057
Deferred inflow s of resources	1,143,216	80,589	111,347	8,401	1,254,563	88,990
Net position:						
Net investment in capital	157,699,639	145,345,688	44,190,975	41,141,551	201,890,614	186,487,239
Restricted	15,434,016	13,172,118	4,376,151	3,895,353	19,810,167	17,067,471
Unrestricted	23,395,692	19,947,537	19,105,126	14,453,500	42,500,818	34,401,037
Total net position	\$ 196,529,347	\$ 178,465,343	\$ 67,672,252	\$ 59,490,404	\$ 264,201,599	\$ 237,955,747

**Changes in Net Position.** The net position of the Town increased by \$26,245,852 from the prior year.

*Governmental Activities.* Governmental activities increased the Town's net position by \$18,064,004 from the prior year. This was due in part to operating grants and contributions, but in large part, the increase is due to increased property values and new growth within Little Elm. This, in turn, brings in more tax revenue to the Town that support services. During the pandemic, some major one-time programs or capital projects were delayed until next year.

*Business-type Activities.* Net position from business-type activities increased \$8,181,848 from the prior year. Increased utility revenues from growth of our customer base are partially responsible for this increase in net position. However, previously approved rate increases in water and sewer rates as well as capital grants and contributions also played a role in our increase in the net position since the prior fiscal year.



**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS**  
 For the year ended September 30, 2020  
 (unaudited)

**Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

**Table 2**  
**Changes in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 11,098,392	\$ 11,269,262	\$ 21,871,215	\$ 20,668,887	\$ 32,969,607	\$ 31,938,149
Operating grants and contributions	4,403,463	741,359	288,654	3,750	4,692,117	745,109
Capital grants and contributions	8,561,351	20,308,931	3,695,752	1,128,838	12,257,103	21,437,769
General revenues:						
Property taxes	27,474,111	24,654,126	-	-	27,474,111	24,654,126
Sales taxes	6,201,247	5,278,231	-	-	6,201,247	5,278,231
Franchise taxes	2,265,747	2,271,058	173,375	150,895	2,439,122	2,421,953
Investment income	999,944	1,456,551	426,620	472,431	1,426,564	1,928,982
Other	1,052,785	1,648,669	9,007	25,136	1,061,792	1,673,805
Gain on sale of capital assets	12,422	108,592	-	15,456	12,422	124,048
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>62,069,462</b>	<b>67,736,779</b>	<b>26,464,623</b>	<b>22,465,393</b>	<b>88,534,085</b>	<b>90,202,172</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>						
General government	6,028,316	8,443,749	-	-	6,028,316	8,443,749
Community service	3,072,109	2,948,714	-	-	3,072,109	2,948,714
Public safety	21,585,797	18,514,472	-	-	21,585,797	18,514,472
Public works	7,500,282	8,392,911	-	-	7,500,282	8,392,911
Culture and recreation	6,223,043	5,884,721	-	-	6,223,043	5,884,721
Interest expense	1,961,911	3,244,002	-	-	1,961,911	3,244,002
Water and sewer services	-	-	13,570,792	13,401,840	13,570,792	13,401,840
Solid waste services	-	-	2,345,983	2,061,254	2,345,983	2,061,254
<b>Total expenses:</b>	<b>46,371,458</b>	<b>47,428,569</b>	<b>15,916,775</b>	<b>15,463,094</b>	<b>62,288,233</b>	<b>62,891,663</b>
Change in net position before transfers	15,698,004	20,308,210	10,547,848	7,002,299	26,245,852	27,310,509
Transfers	2,366,000	2,327,150	(2,366,000)	(2,327,150)	-	-
<b>Change in net position</b>	<b>18,064,004</b>	<b>22,635,360</b>	<b>8,181,848</b>	<b>4,675,149</b>	<b>26,245,852</b>	<b>27,310,509</b>
Net position - beginning	178,465,343	155,829,983	59,490,404	54,815,255	237,955,747	210,645,238
<b>Net position - ending</b>	<b>\$ 196,529,347</b>	<b>\$ 178,465,343</b>	<b>\$ 67,672,252</b>	<b>\$ 59,490,404</b>	<b>\$ 264,201,599</b>	<b>\$ 237,955,747</b>

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of **\$49,538,102**.



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Table 3  
 Governmental Funds  
 Condensed Balance Sheet

	General Fund	Debt Service	Capital Projects	PID Capital Projects	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Assets	\$ 30,039,565	\$ 1,131,689	\$ 21,061,571	\$ 1,471,325	\$ 8,329,729	\$ 62,033,879
Liabilities	\$ 3,897,778	\$ 4,247	\$ 4,310,210	\$ 76,148	\$ 2,270,649	\$ 10,559,032
Deferred Inflows of Resources	544,299	48,745	1,273,213	-	70,488	1,936,745
Fund Balances	25,597,488	1,078,697	15,478,148	1,395,177	5,988,592	49,538,102
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ 30,039,565	\$ 1,131,689	\$ 21,061,571	\$ 1,471,325	\$ 8,329,729	\$ 62,033,879

The General Fund is the main operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance was \$25,515,797. The unassigned fund balance of the General Fund increased by \$4,202,863 primarily due to the net effect of a \$2.3 million increase in property taxes, a \$733,000 decrease in sales taxes, and a \$3.8 million increase in intergovernmental revenue.

The Debt Service Fund had a decrease of \$1,837 in fund balance which included refunding bond issuance of \$5,560,000 and payments to escrow agent to refund prior debt outstanding of \$5,476,891. The Capital Projects Fund decreased by \$11,094,875 primarily due to the net effect of capital outlay expenditures on various projects and the issuance of debt with a premium totaling \$4,388,844 this fiscal year. PID Capital Projects Fund decreased by \$975,433 due to continuing expenditures for PID projects. Other governmental funds' combined fund balances increased by \$1,855,491 with almost the entire ending fund balance of \$5,988,592 restricted for specific purposes.

**Proprietary funds.** The Town's proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the government-wide statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net position of the Enterprise Funds at the end of the year was \$19,105,126. This represents an increase of \$4,651,626. The increase is attributable to gains in water and sewer sales revenue and from maintaining operating expenses consistent to the prior year amount. This year's operating revenue was \$22,168,876. The slight increase of \$1,773,449 from last year's operating revenue is attributable to increases in water and sewer sales and solid waste charges for services revenue, due to increases in rates and charges with increased consumption.

**General Fund Budgetary Highlights.** In FY 2020, the General Fund expenditure budget was increased by \$5,057,706 over the 2019 budget. Amendments made during the fiscal year 2020 increased the original revenue budget by \$1,755,752 and increased the expenditure budget by \$1,062,078. Amendments were primarily due to unanticipated expenditures during the year due to the pandemic and federal funds received to assist with relief. During the fiscal year, the Town analyzes their quarterly financial statements and determines if a budget amendment is reasonable and necessary. All budget amendments receive scrutiny and Town Council approval through an ordinance.





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In the General Fund, the actual revenue received was \$2,753,765 more than budgeted. This positive variance is most noticeable in taxes and intergovernmental revenue due to growth in the community and Federal Aid for pandemic relief. General Fund expenditures had a final budget to actual variance of \$4,947,619 prior to other financing sources/uses. This positive variance is the result of savings experienced in nearly all departments. Also some budgeted projects were not completed in FY2020 and were encumbered to the FY2021 budget.

This is primarily due to an action plan prepared by management in response to COVID-19. Several capital projects, along with a hiring freeze for vacant positions, was delayed in anticipation of decrease revenue.

**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

**Capital Assets.** The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of September 30, 2020, amounts to \$289,379,607 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land and improvements, buildings, park facilities, vehicles, machinery and equipment, roads, bridges and water and sewer lines. About 70% of the capital assets are governmental and 30% are business-type activities. The total increase in the Town's investment in capital assets for the current year was 9%.

Table 4  
 Capital Assets at Year-end  
 (net of accumulated depreciation)

	Governmental activities		Business-type activities		Total Primary Government	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Land	\$ 9,210,630	\$ 9,210,630	\$ 1,639,066	\$ 1,639,066	\$ 10,849,696	\$ 10,849,696
Construction in progress	34,688,527	14,378,446	3,100,307	13,560,560	37,788,834	27,939,006
Buildings	32,258,365	33,371,051	2,008,929	2,062,333	34,267,294	35,433,384
Infrastructure	104,221,928	102,031,849	73,760,940	61,422,763	177,982,868	163,454,612
Other improvements	19,677,420	19,181,475	-	-	19,677,420	19,181,475
Machinery and equipment	8,244,076	7,172,751	569,419	1,224,665	8,813,495	8,397,416
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 208,300,946</b>	<b>\$ 185,346,202</b>	<b>\$ 81,078,661</b>	<b>\$ 79,909,387</b>	<b>\$ 289,379,607</b>	<b>\$ 265,255,589</b>

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 5 of the notes to the financial statements.

**Debt Administration.** At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town of Little Elm had total bonded debt outstanding of \$93,990,000, all of which is backed by the full faith and credit of the Town. Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in Note 8 of the notes to the financial statements.



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Table 5  
 Outstanding Debt  
 Outstanding Debt and Long-Term Liabilities

	Governmental activities		Business-type activities		Total Primary Government		Component Units	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
<b>Gross bonded debt:</b>								
General obligation	\$ 20,365,000	\$ 22,541,613	\$ 16,745,000	\$ 18,228,388	\$ 37,110,000	\$ 40,770,001	\$ -	\$ -
Certificates of obligation	36,840,000	35,860,000	20,040,000	21,270,000	56,880,000	57,130,000	-	-
<b>Total bonded debt</b>	<b>57,205,000</b>	<b>58,401,613</b>	<b>36,785,000</b>	<b>39,498,388</b>	<b>93,990,000</b>	<b>97,900,001</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other long-term debt:</b>								
Capital leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tax notes	250,000	495,000	-	-	250,000	495,000	-	-
Notes Payable	-	-	500,000	600,000	500,000	600,000	11,268,329	11,819,698
Unamortized premiums	2,771,804	2,800,220	1,492,476	1,639,444	4,264,280	4,439,664	-	-
Compensated absences	2,882,182	2,524,700	270,789	268,969	3,152,971	2,793,669	9,659	72,410
Total OPEB liability	379,786	298,307	37,810	31,097	417,596	329,404	-	-
Net pension liability	5,300,331	6,972,617	527,677	838,342	5,828,008	7,810,959	-	-
<b>Total other long-term debt</b>	<b>11,584,103</b>	<b>13,090,844</b>	<b>2,828,752</b>	<b>3,377,852</b>	<b>14,412,855</b>	<b>16,468,696</b>	<b>11,277,988</b>	<b>11,892,108</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 68,789,103</b>	<b>\$ 71,492,457</b>	<b>\$ 39,613,752</b>	<b>\$ 42,876,240</b>	<b>\$ 108,402,855</b>	<b>\$ 114,368,697</b>	<b>\$ 11,277,988</b>	<b>\$ 11,892,108</b>

The Town continues to maintain favorable ratings from the bond rating agencies. Standard & Poor's rating continues to be AA. The outlook is stable. The rating reflects the Town's economic improvement driven by strong tax base growth coupled with sustained and very strong reserves.

Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in Note 8 of the notes to the financial statements.

**Discretely Presented Component Units**

The Little Elm Economic Development Corporation (LEEDC) and Little Elm Community Development Corporation (LECDC) have been included in the reporting entity as discretely presented components unit since they provide benefits to other entities aside from the Town. Separate audited financial statements are not issued for LEEDC or LECDC.

The Economic Development Corporation (LEEDC) is a legally separate governmental entity that promotes (a) existing business enterprise expansion and retention, and (b) new business enterprise development. The LEEDC's net position at fiscal year-end was \$5,146,001. This is an increase of \$1,533,750 from the prior year. The LEEDC's total revenues were \$2,895,951 of which \$2,430,202 was from sales taxes. For the year, the LEEDC had expenditures of \$1,362,201.

Additional information on the LEEDC's long-term debt can be found in Note 8 of the notes to the financial statements.

The Community Development Corporation (LECDC) is a legally separate governmental entity tasked with bringing recreational, facility development and tourism opportunities to the Town and is supported by a voter approved sales tax. The LECDC's net position at year-end was \$1,053,800. This is an increase of \$472,582 from the prior year. The LECDC's total revenues were \$1,241,442 of which \$1,231,399 was from sales taxes. For the year, the LECDC had expenditures of \$768,860. Of this amount, \$163,249 was for economic and physical development and \$583,611 for debt service.



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### 2020 Highlights and Accomplishments

At the close of fiscal year 2020 here are a few of the highlights and accomplishments for this year:

- Maintain tax rate of \$0.649900
- Conducted 725 rental home safety inspections and over 14,000 new residential inspections, up 4.3% from 2019
- Saw a 21% increase in residential certificate of occupancy over 2019
- Achieved a 96% voluntary compliance rate and cleared 6,877 community integrity cases using a more proactive and educational approach to gain compliance
- Responded to 44,385 calls for service for the Police department and responded to 4,344 fire incidents
- Little Elm Animal Services ran 5,138 calls; adopted out 201 pets and reunited 177 pets with their owners
- Completed the construction of French Settlement Road, located near the Jerry Walker Middle School
- Began the reconstruction of Button Street to install new curbs, sidewalks, and new roadway
- Economic Development Authority mailed out 31,000 vouchers to Little Elm residents assist in the local restaurants during March-December 2020.
- Hosted the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Citizens Government Academy – virtually- The program has 88 graduates to date
- Construction continued on the 42,000 square-foot aquatic park – The Cove at the Lakefront™ projected to open in Spring of 2021
- Secured a brand name hotel for the Lakefront™ expected to be completed in 2022
- Completed the Wood Family Dog Park and McCord Park playground
- Partnered with three high schools that serve Little Elm residents to create artwork to wrap on utility boxes in the Lakefront™
- Completed \$1.5M in street, sidewalk, and curb maintenance projects as part of the Annual Street Maintenance Program
- Managed and hauled over 1800 tons of refuse from the Town's courtesy drop site
- Renewed the solid waste contract with CWD and locked in residential and multi-family trash service rates for CWD services
- Hosted a bi-annual clean and green events and recycled 35 tons of household hazardous waste, e-waste, and documents
- Provided various programs and services virtually during the pandemic

All of these highlights, accomplishments and more is located in the Town's 2020 Strategic Report located at <https://www.littleelm.org/1429/Strategic-Plan>.



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### Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget and Rates (2020-2021)

Little Elm is still one of the fastest growing areas in the nation and with that comes a tremendous number of challenges, but also outstanding opportunity. With this growth, there are new sources and higher amounts of revenue allocated in the budget. Still, there is also a mounting list of needs for programs and services to accommodate the growth and meet the expectations of the community.

Little Elm continues to present a five-year balanced budget (technically a one-year budget and 4-year financial plan) to the Council for consideration. The purpose of the approach is to ensure that we are providing sustainable services in Little Elm's high growth environment. This is particularly important as we continue expanding services in the northern part of the community and extend contractual services to various partners in our region.

For the last several years, it has been the goal to maintain the tax rate at a competitive level with other cities and towns while still providing adequate revenue to fund the needs of a rapidly growing community now and into the future. This year, the Town was able to adopt a tax rate of \$.649702 and still meet those objectives. The Town was able to maintain the voter-approval tax rate, prepare for its future obligations, and adhere to the Town's long and short-term operational plan. Of the total tax rate, \$.520000 is dedicated to general operations and maintenance (O&M) in the General Fund, and \$.129702 is dedicated to general obligation debt service (I&S).

Some of the more significant upcoming capital projects are as follows: (Many of these projects cover several years, so they are not limited to the FY 2020-2021 budget.) Projects include the aquatic center The Cove at the Lakefront™, several road reconstruction projects, McCord Park water reuse water line, Cottonwood Creek Park, Lakefront Park and parking, and an event facility in the Lakefront™ district.

The fiscal year 2020-2021 operating budget increased by 9.94% or \$5,517,247, from fiscal year 2019-2020 budget. The primary increase in budget to budget is a result of delays in projects due to the unforeseen pandemic in 2020. General revenues for property taxes were budgeted with a 2.59% or \$657,518 increase from fiscal year 2019-2020. The growth in property tax revenue is due to new assessed properties added to the tax roll as well as a moderate increase of \$262 million more on assessed values. Sales tax revenue is also expected to grow. The total amount of sales tax (\$.015) budgeted for FY 2020-2021 reflects an increase of 14% increase over last year, which is another indicator of growth within the area. Major increases in operational costs are:

Compensation and Benefits (existing Personnel)	\$ 466,685
New Personnel	\$ 296,945
Public Safety (Police) Market Adjustment	\$ 528,355
New Aquatic Center Program (including personnel)	\$ 1,937,174
City of Denton Dispatch Services	\$ 1,221,298
Dispatch Software	\$ 947,546

General Fund revenues and budgeted transfers are estimated at \$39,048,323 for FY 2020-2021. This is an increase of 5.36% or \$1,989,420 over FY 2020. The sales tax maximum rate is 8.25%, with 1% contributed to the Town of Little Elm's General Fund. The sales tax reported in the General



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Fund is projected to generate revenue of approximately \$4.484 million or 14% more than last year's budget. This growth is a result of continued commercial development and population growth in the area.

The Water and Sewer Fund is expected to begin FY 2020-2021 with a \$14.50 million working capital balance. The Town's policy initiative to maintain working capital reserves at a minimum of 60 days calculated from the previous year's earnings. A healthy fund balance is necessary to help fund the future capital projects and one-time maintenance infrastructure costs planned within the five-year balanced budget.

The Utility Fund total system revenues are estimated at \$19,162,522, or 1.46% more than the prior year budget due to the moderate growth in residential, multi-family and commercial connections to the Town's utility system.

The total number of budgeted employees or FTE's (Full-time equivalents) is 353 for a salary with benefits cost of \$32.6 million (including new positions and market adjustments). New positions budgeted for FY 2020-2021 are: Police: two-Patrol Officers; two Community Service Officers from part-time to full time; SRO Police Officer; Parks Maintenance worker; Public Works: Solid Waste Driver, Water Quality Technician; Aquatic Center: Operations Supervisor, Programming Supervisor, Event Programmer, Aquatics Programmer, Maintenance Technician, Two Head Lifeguards, Marketing Specialist, and part time employees.

The 2020-2021 budget reflects the efforts of the governing body and Town staff to address the need to provide services and facilities to support our vibrant and growing community, while still maintaining a strong financial position.

### **Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones and Public Improvement Districts**

Note 14 to the Financial Statements addresses the Town Council's creation of four Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones ("TIRZ") (#3, #4, #5 and #6) and the four Public Improvement Districts. The Financial Statements specifically addresses the creation for each zone and district.

### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Finance Department, Town of Little Elm, 100 W. Eldorado Parkway, Little Elm, Texas 75068, or call (214)975-0415.



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# Basic Financial Statements



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Town of Little Elm, Texas  
Statement of Net Position  
September 30, 2020

	Primary Government			Component Units
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 21,581,586	\$ 15,987,868	\$ 37,569,454	\$ 3,199,233
Investments	19,818,540	7,223,570	27,042,110	104,902
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	9,270,728	756,916	10,027,644	-
Restricted investments	6,867,429	105,359	6,972,788	-
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	3,578,405	3,705,125	7,283,530	776,648
Due from other governments	2,171,865	-	2,171,865	-
Due from component unit	94,312	-	94,312	-
Lease receivable	-	-	-	2,885,589
Prepays	16,642	40	16,682	490
Inventories	65,792	225,306	291,098	-
Note receivable from primary government				500,000
Capital assets:				
Land	9,210,630	1,639,066	10,849,696	10,309,703
Depreciable assets, net	164,401,789	76,339,288	240,741,077	-
Construction in progress	34,688,527	3,100,307	37,788,834	-
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>271,766,245</b>	<b>109,082,845</b>	<b>380,849,090</b>	<b>17,776,565</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred outflows - pension	2,909,895	238,261	3,148,156	-
Deferred outflows - OPEB	83,783	7,108	90,891	-
Deferred loss on refunding	-	643,022	643,022	-
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>2,993,678</b>	<b>888,391</b>	<b>3,882,069</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	5,622,552	1,012,646	6,635,198	173,796
Due to primary government	-	-	-	94,312
Accrued interest payable	291,662	228,492	520,154	30,668
Retainage payable	1,155,043	7,090	1,162,133	-
Customer deposits	440,427	1,325,657	1,766,084	-
Unearned revenue	788,573	-	788,573	-
Non-current liabilities:				
Due within one year	5,751,581	2,852,572	8,604,153	690,287
Due in more than one year	63,037,522	36,761,180	99,798,702	10,587,701
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>77,087,360</b>	<b>42,187,637</b>	<b>119,274,997</b>	<b>11,576,764</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred gain on refunding	24,782	-	24,782	-
Deferred inflows - pension	1,071,589	106,683	1,178,272	-
Deferred inflows - OPEB	46,845	4,664	51,509	-
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>1,143,216</b>	<b>111,347</b>	<b>1,254,563</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>NET POSITION (DEFICIT)</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	157,699,639	44,190,975	201,890,614	(958,626)
Restricted:				
Construction	8,535,081	4,376,151	12,911,232	-
Economic development	1,346,058	-	1,346,058	5,901,870
Stormwater drainage	1,254,515	-	1,254,515	-
Street maintenance	1,359,041	-	1,359,041	-
Streetscape	1,170,497	-	1,170,497	-
Debt service	839,855	-	839,855	202,757
Other	928,969	-	928,969	-
Unrestricted	23,395,692	19,105,126	42,500,818	1,053,800
<b>Total net position (deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 196,529,347</b>	<b>\$ 67,672,252</b>	<b>\$ 264,201,599</b>	<b>\$ 6,199,801</b>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Town of Little Elm, Texas  
Statement of Activities  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
<b>Primary Government:</b>				
Functions/Programs:				
Governmental activities:				
General government	\$ 6,028,316	\$ 146,117	\$ 17,908	\$ -
Community service	3,072,109	4,352,645	-	60,000
Public safety	21,585,797	3,663,496	4,089,891	-
Public works	7,500,282	1,785,248	228,149	6,157,944
Culture and recreation	6,223,043	1,150,886	67,515	2,343,407
Interest expense	1,961,911	-	-	-
<b>Total governmental activities</b>	<b>46,371,458</b>	<b>11,098,392</b>	<b>4,403,463</b>	<b>8,561,351</b>
Business-type activities:				
Water and sewer services	13,570,792	19,036,780	287,343	3,695,752
Solid waste services	2,345,983	2,834,435	1,311	-
<b>Total business-type activities</b>	<b>15,916,775</b>	<b>21,871,215</b>	<b>288,654</b>	<b>3,695,752</b>
<b>Total primary government</b>	<b>\$ 62,288,233</b>	<b>\$ 32,969,607</b>	<b>\$ 4,692,117</b>	<b>\$ 12,257,103</b>
<b>Component Units:</b>				
Economic Development Corporation	\$ 1,362,201	\$ -	\$ 244,735	\$ -
Community Development Corporation	768,860	-	-	-
<b>Total component units</b>	<b>\$ 2,131,061</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 244,735</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

General revenues:  
Property taxes, penalty, and interest  
Sales taxes  
Franchise taxes  
Interest  
Miscellaneous  
Gain on sale of capital assets  
Transfers  
**Total general revenues and transfers**  
Change in net position  
Net position at beginning of year  
**Net position, end of year**

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position**

<b>Primary Government</b>			
<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b>Business-type Activities</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Component Units</b>
\$ (5,864,291)	\$ -	\$ (5,864,291)	\$ -
1,340,536	-	1,340,536	-
(13,832,410)	-	(13,832,410)	-
671,059	-	671,059	-
(2,661,235)	-	(2,661,235)	-
(1,961,911)	-	(1,961,911)	-
<u>(22,308,252)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(22,308,252)</u>	<u>-</u>
-	9,449,083	9,449,083	-
-	489,763	489,763	-
<u>-</u>	<u>9,938,846</u>	<u>9,938,846</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>\$ (22,308,252)</u>	<u>\$ 9,938,846</u>	<u>\$ (12,369,406)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(1,117,466)
-	-	-	(768,860)
<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (1,886,326)</u>
\$ 27,474,111	\$ -	\$ 27,474,111	\$ -
6,201,247	-	6,201,247	3,661,601
2,265,747	173,375	2,439,122	-
999,944	426,620	1,426,564	38,945
1,052,785	9,007	1,061,792	192,112
12,422	-	12,422	-
2,366,000	(2,366,000)	-	-
<u>40,372,256</u>	<u>(1,756,998)</u>	<u>38,615,258</u>	<u>3,892,658</u>
18,064,004	8,181,848	26,245,852	2,006,332
<u>178,465,343</u>	<u>59,490,404</u>	<u>237,955,747</u>	<u>4,193,469</u>
<u>\$ 196,529,347</u>	<u>\$ 67,672,252</u>	<u>\$ 264,201,599</u>	<u>\$ 6,199,801</u>

Town of Little Elm, Texas  
Balance Sheet  
Governmental Funds  
September 30, 2020

	General Fund	Debt Service	Capital Projects	PID Capital Projects	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,832,011	\$ 412,962	\$ 5,188,464	\$ -	\$ 3,651,545	\$ 18,084,982
Investments	18,038,377	61,561	723,708	-	508,187	19,331,833
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	-	-	5,941,974	-	3,328,754	9,270,728
Restricted investments	-	-	5,106,048	1,471,325	290,056	6,867,429
Receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts						
Taxes	1,087,944	54,333	-	-	266,335	1,408,612
Franchise fees	918,071	-	-	-	-	918,071
Other	1,038,714	-	-	-	212,122	1,250,836
Due from other governments	-	-	2,101,377	-	70,488	2,171,865
Due from component unit	-	94,312	-	-	-	94,312
Due from other funds	42,757	508,521	2,000,000	-	1,499	2,552,777
Prepays	15,899	-	-	-	743	16,642
Inventories	65,792	-	-	-	-	65,792
Total assets	<u>\$ 30,039,565</u>	<u>\$ 1,131,689</u>	<u>\$ 21,061,571</u>	<u>\$ 1,471,325</u>	<u>\$ 8,329,729</u>	<u>\$ 62,033,879</u>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	\$ 1,866,918	\$ 49	\$ 2,761,822	\$ 76,148	\$ 913,200	\$ 5,618,137
Due to other funds	2,001,376	123	-	-	551,278	2,552,777
Accrued interest payable	-	4,075	-	-	-	4,075
Retainage payable	-	-	1,122,445	-	32,598	1,155,043
Unearned Revenue	15,000	-	-	-	773,573	788,573
Deposits	14,484	-	425,943	-	-	440,427
Total liabilities	<u>3,897,778</u>	<u>4,247</u>	<u>4,310,210</u>	<u>76,148</u>	<u>2,270,649</u>	<u>10,559,032</u>
Deferred inflows of resources:						
Unavailable resources	544,299	48,745	1,273,213	-	70,488	1,936,745
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>544,299</u>	<u>48,745</u>	<u>1,273,213</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>70,488</u>	<u>1,936,745</u>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>						
Nonspendable	81,691	-	-	-	743	82,434
Restricted	-	1,078,697	14,206,970	1,395,177	5,987,849	22,668,693
Committed	-	-	1,271,178	-	-	1,271,178
Unassigned	25,515,797	-	-	-	-	25,515,797
Total fund balances	<u>25,597,488</u>	<u>1,078,697</u>	<u>15,478,148</u>	<u>1,395,177</u>	<u>5,988,592</u>	<u>49,538,102</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances						
	<u>\$ 30,039,565</u>	<u>\$ 1,131,689</u>	<u>\$ 21,061,571</u>	<u>\$ 1,471,325</u>	<u>\$ 8,329,729</u>	<u>\$ 62,033,879</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

## Town of Little Elm, Texas

### Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position September 30, 2020

Total governmental fund balances \$ 49,538,102

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds financial statements (less \$4,312,681 in assets allocated to governmental activities from the internal service fund). 203,988,265

Accrued interest on governmental activities debt is not reported in the governmental funds financial statements until paid. (287,587)

Revenues earned but not available within sixty days of fiscal year-end are not recognized as revenue in the governmental funds financial statements. 1,936,745

Unamortized losses on refunding are not due and payable and, therefore are not reported in the governmental funds financial statements. In the government-wide financial statements, the losses are reported as deferred outflows of resources. (24,782)

Internal service funds are used by management to charge the cost of certain activities, such as fleet management, to individual funds. This amount represents the assets less the liabilities of the internal service fund allocated to governmental activities. 8,292,463

Net deferred outflows/inflows of resources related to the Town's net pension and total OPEB liability increases net position. 1,875,244

Net pension liability (\$5,300,331) and total OPEB liability (\$379,786) are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds financial statements. (5,680,117)

Premiums on bond issuance for governmental activities debt are included in other financing sources in the governmental funds financial statements. (2,771,804)

Compensated absences are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds financial statements. (2,882,182)

Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds financial statements. (57,455,000)

**NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES** **\$ 196,529,347**

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# Town of Little Elm, Texas

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

### Governmental Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

	General Fund	Debt Service	Capital Projects	PID Capital Projects	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Taxes:						
Property taxes, penalty, and interest	\$ 19,736,243	\$ 6,370,921	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,249,811	\$ 27,356,975
General sales and use taxes	4,818,560	-	-	-	1,382,687	6,201,247
Other taxes and franchise fees	2,221,541	-	-	-	44,206	2,265,747
Licenses and permits	3,807,739	-	975,766	-	-	4,783,505
Intergovernmental	5,005,745	677,923	185,761	-	299,541	6,168,970
Charges for services	3,619,666	-	-	-	710,175	4,329,841
Impact fees	-	-	620,170	-	-	620,170
Fines and forfeitures	823,427	-	-	-	83,698	907,125
Contributions	-	-	2,343,407	-	26,440	2,369,847
Interest	425,055	41,348	323,303	21,223	130,937	941,866
Other revenues	160,550	-	-	-	416,598	577,148
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>40,618,526</b>	<b>7,090,192</b>	<b>4,448,407</b>	<b>21,223</b>	<b>4,344,093</b>	<b>56,522,441</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
Current:						
General government	4,610,819	-	-	420,549	109,002	5,140,370
Community services	2,772,783	-	-	-	334,233	3,107,016
Public safety	20,990,799	-	-	-	109,812	21,100,611
Public works	2,474,534	-	-	-	1,520,308	3,994,842
Culture and recreation	4,243,591	-	-	-	116,239	4,359,830
Debt service:						
Principal retirement	-	5,620,395	-	-	-	5,620,395
Interest and fiscal agent fees	-	2,038,797	-	-	-	2,038,797
Other debt service costs	-	83,108	109,913	-	-	193,021
Capital outlay	1,050,432	-	21,698,684	575,285	620,453	23,944,854
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>36,142,958</b>	<b>7,742,300</b>	<b>21,808,597</b>	<b>995,834</b>	<b>2,810,047</b>	<b>69,499,736</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	4,475,568	(652,108)	(17,360,190)	(974,611)	1,534,046	(12,977,295)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Issuance of refunding bonds	-	5,560,000	-	-	-	5,560,000
Issuance of certificates of obligation	-	-	4,085,000	-	-	4,085,000
Premium on debt issuances	-	-	303,844	-	-	303,844
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-	(5,476,891)	-	-	-	(5,476,891)
Insurance proceeds	146,328	-	-	-	-	146,328
Transfers in	2,225,794	567,162	2,710,552	-	1,470,343	6,973,851
Transfers out	(2,624,050)	-	(834,081)	(822)	(1,148,898)	(4,607,851)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(251,928)</b>	<b>650,271</b>	<b>6,265,315</b>	<b>(822)</b>	<b>321,445</b>	<b>6,984,281</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances</b>	<b>4,223,640</b>	<b>(1,837)</b>	<b>(11,094,875)</b>	<b>(975,433)</b>	<b>1,855,491</b>	<b>(5,993,014)</b>
Fund balance at beginning of year	21,373,848	1,080,534	26,573,023	2,370,610	4,133,101	55,531,116
<b>Fund balance, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 25,597,488</b>	<b>\$ 1,078,697</b>	<b>\$ 15,478,148</b>	<b>\$ 1,395,177</b>	<b>\$ 5,988,592</b>	<b>\$ 49,538,102</b>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

## Town of Little Elm, Texas

### Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance to Statement of Activities For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (5,993,014)
Amounts reported for governmental funds in the statement of activities are different because:	
Certain revenues in the government-wide statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenue in the governmental funds.	122,476
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds; however, in the government-wide financial statements, the costs are capitalized as capital asset additions. Disposals of capital assets reduce net position. This amount is the net effect of \$30,529,993 of capital additions less \$5,354,045 developer contributions less \$1,714,876 allocated from internal service fund and non internal service fund disposals of \$117,346.	23,343,726
Depreciation is not recognized as an expenditure in governmental funds since it does not require the use of current financial resources. The effect of recording depreciation expense is to decrease net position. Depreciation expense is \$7,441,343 less the internal service fund depreciation expense of \$814,296.	(6,627,047)
Donation of property from developers is not reported in the governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities, the fair market value of those assets is	5,354,045
The repayment of the principal of long term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds, but has no effect on net position. The amortization of bond issuance costs, bond premiums, and deferred gain/loss on refunding of long term debt is reported in the statement of activities but does not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore the effect of the amortization of these various items are not reported in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund balance. This amount represents the net effect of the following items:	
Debt issued	(9,645,000)
Premiums from bond issuance	(303,844)
Repayments of bonds	5,620,395
Refunded bonds	5,466,218
Amortization of premium from debt that was refunded	104,506
Deferred loss on refunding	(93,833)
Current year amortization of deferred loss on refunding	(16,296)
Current year amortization of premium on bonds	227,754
Changes in compensated absences are not reported in the fund financial statements. The net effect of the current year increase is to decrease net position.	(357,482)
The following is the net effect of a increase in net position from net decrease in the TMRS pension liability and increases in total OPEB liability, \$1,590,807, and a decrease in net position from the changes in deferred outflows/inflows for TMRS pension and OPEB, (\$2,071,692).	(480,885)
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain activities, such as fleet management, to individual funds. The net income of the internal service fund is allocated entirely to governmental activities.	1,283,836
Current year changes in accrued interest payable do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	58,449
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>\$ 18,064,004</b>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**Proprietary Funds**  
**September 30, 2020**

	Business-type Activities Enterprise funds			Governmental Activities- Internal Service Fund
	Water and Sewer	Solid Waste	Total	
<b>ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,631,028	\$ 356,840	\$ 15,987,868	\$ 3,496,604
Investments	7,173,877	49,693	7,223,570	486,707
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	756,916	-	756,916	-
Restricted investments	105,359	-	105,359	-
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	3,412,262	292,863	3,705,125	886
Prepays	40	-	40	-
Inventories	225,306	-	225,306	-
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>27,304,788</b>	<b>699,396</b>	<b>28,004,184</b>	<b>3,984,197</b>
Capital assets:				
Land	1,639,066	-	1,639,066	-
Depreciable assets, net	76,053,797	285,491	76,339,288	4,312,681
Construction in progress	3,100,307	-	3,100,307	-
<b>Total capital assets</b>	<b>80,793,170</b>	<b>285,491</b>	<b>81,078,661</b>	<b>4,312,681</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>108,097,958</b>	<b>984,887</b>	<b>109,082,845</b>	<b>8,296,878</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred outflows - pension	238,261	-	238,261	-
Deferred outflows - OPEB	7,108	-	7,108	-
Deferred loss on refunding	643,022	-	643,022	-
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>888,391</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>888,391</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total assets and deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>\$ 108,986,349</b>	<b>\$ 984,887</b>	<b>\$ 109,971,236</b>	<b>\$ 8,296,878</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	\$ 791,088	\$ 221,558	\$ 1,012,646	\$ 4,415
Accrued interest payable	228,492	-	228,492	-
Retainage payable	7,090	-	7,090	-
Customer deposits	1,325,657	-	1,325,657	-
Current portion of long-term debt	2,852,085	487	2,852,572	-
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>5,204,412</b>	<b>222,045</b>	<b>5,426,457</b>	<b>4,415</b>
Long-term debt, net of current portion	36,754,349	6,831	36,761,180	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>41,958,761</b>	<b>228,876</b>	<b>42,187,637</b>	<b>4,415</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Deferred inflows - pension	106,683	-	106,683	-
Deferred inflows - OPEB	4,664	-	4,664	-
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>111,347</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>111,347</b>	<b>-</b>
Net position:				
Net investment in capital assets	43,905,484	285,491	44,190,975	4,312,681
Restricted for:				
Construction - impact fees	4,376,151	-	4,376,151	-
Unrestricted	18,634,606	470,520	19,105,126	3,979,782
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>66,916,241</b>	<b>756,011</b>	<b>67,672,252</b>	<b>8,292,463</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position</b>	<b>\$ 108,986,349</b>	<b>\$ 984,887</b>	<b>\$ 109,971,236</b>	<b>\$ 8,296,878</b>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



# Town of Little Elm, Texas

## Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund

### Net Position – Proprietary Funds

For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

	Business-type Activities Enterprise funds			Governmental- Activities Internal Service Fund
	Water and Sewer	Solid Waste	Total	
<b>Operating revenues:</b>				
Water sales	\$ 10,961,084	\$ -	\$ 10,961,084	\$ -
Charges for sewer services	7,635,996	-	7,635,996	-
Tap, connections, and other fees	384,227	-	384,227	-
Charges for solid waste	-	2,824,457	2,824,457	-
Contributions	-	-	-	2,230,254
Other revenue	351,823	11,289	363,112	-
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>19,333,130</b>	<b>2,835,746</b>	<b>22,168,876</b>	<b>2,230,254</b>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>				
Personnel services	2,305,312	68,852	2,374,164	-
Contractual services	405,793	2,147,103	2,552,896	-
Repairs and maintenance	342,780	80,037	422,817	-
Supplies	6,204,610	18,761	6,223,371	173,640
Depreciation	2,612,058	26,031	2,638,089	814,296
Other operating expenses	449,664	5,199	454,863	-
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>12,320,217</b>	<b>2,345,983</b>	<b>14,666,200</b>	<b>987,936</b>
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>7,012,913</b>	<b>489,763</b>	<b>7,502,676</b>	<b>1,242,318</b>
<b>Non-operating revenues (expenses):</b>				
Taxes	-	173,375	173,375	-
Gain on sale of assets	-	-	-	(16,560)
Interest income	420,024	6,596	426,620	58,078
Interest expense	(1,250,575)	-	(1,250,575)	-
<b>Total non-operating revenue (expenses)</b>	<b>(830,551)</b>	<b>179,971</b>	<b>(650,580)</b>	<b>41,518</b>
<b>Income before capital contributions and transfers</b>	<b>6,182,362</b>	<b>669,734</b>	<b>6,852,096</b>	<b>1,283,836</b>
<b>Capital contributions and transfers</b>				
Capital contributions	2,804,834	-	2,804,834	-
Impact fees	890,918	-	890,918	-
Transfers out	(1,800,000)	(566,000)	(2,366,000)	-
<b>Total capital contributions and transfers</b>	<b>1,895,752</b>	<b>(566,000)</b>	<b>1,329,752</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<b>8,078,114</b>	<b>103,734</b>	<b>8,181,848</b>	<b>1,283,836</b>
<b>Net position at beginning of year</b>	<b>58,838,127</b>	<b>652,277</b>	<b>59,490,404</b>	<b>7,008,627</b>
<b>Net position, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 66,916,241</b>	<b>\$ 756,011</b>	<b>\$ 67,672,252</b>	<b>\$ 8,292,463</b>

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**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**Proprietary Funds**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2020**

	<b>Business-type Activities</b>			<b>Governmental Activities- Internal Service Fund</b>
	<b>Enterprise Funds</b>			
	<b>Water and Sewer</b>	<b>Solid Waste</b>	<b>Total</b>	
<b>Cash flow from operating activities:</b>				
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 19,493,732	\$ 2,804,855	\$ 22,298,587	\$ -
Payments to suppliers	(8,686,328)	(2,271,073)	(10,957,401)	(169,607)
Payments to employees	(1,645,920)	(11,176)	(1,657,096)	-
Cash received (paid) from transactions with other funds	-	-	-	2,229,368
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>9,161,484</u>	<u>522,606</u>	<u>9,684,090</u>	<u>2,059,761</u>
<b>Cash flow from noncapital financing activities:</b>				
Transfers out	(1,800,000)	(566,000)	(2,366,000)	-
Taxes	-	173,375	173,375	-
Net cash used by noncapital financing activities	<u>(1,800,000)</u>	<u>(392,625)</u>	<u>(2,192,625)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Cash flow from capital financing activities:</b>				
Proceeds from long-term debt	165,000	-	165,000	-
Payment to escrow agent	(162,536)	-	(162,536)	-
Acquisition of capital assets	(820,401)	(182,128)	(1,002,529)	(1,714,876)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	-	-	-	-
Impact fees	890,918	-	890,918	-
Principal paid on capital debt	(2,819,604)	-	(2,819,604)	-
Interest paid on capital debt	(1,306,748)	-	(1,306,748)	-
Net cash used by capital financing activities	<u>(4,053,371)</u>	<u>(182,128)</u>	<u>(4,235,499)</u>	<u>(1,714,876)</u>
<b>Cash flow from investing activities:</b>				
Net purchases of investments	(2,279,236)	(49,693)	(2,328,929)	(486,707)
Interest and dividends on investments	420,024	6,596	426,620	58,078
Net cash used by investing activities	<u>(1,859,212)</u>	<u>(43,097)</u>	<u>(1,902,309)</u>	<u>(428,629)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,448,901	(95,244)	1,353,657	(83,744)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the year	14,939,043	452,084	15,391,127	3,580,348
Cash and cash equivalent, ending of the year	<u>\$ 16,387,944</u>	<u>\$ 356,840</u>	<u>\$ 16,744,784</u>	<u>\$ 3,496,604</u>
<b>Noncash transactions:</b>				
Capital contributions	<u>\$ 2,804,834</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,804,834</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
Statement of Cash Flows – Continued  
Proprietary Funds  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

	<u>Water and Sewer</u>	<u>Solid Waste</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Internal Service Fund</u>
<b>Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>				
Operating income	\$ 7,012,913	\$ 489,763	\$ 7,502,676	\$ 1,242,318
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation	2,612,058	26,031	2,638,089	814,296
Pension and OPEB expense (net)	27,599	-	27,599	-
Effects of changes in assets and liabilities:				
Decrease (increase) in receivables	114,572	(30,891)	83,681	(886)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	46,030	-	46,030	-
Decrease (increase) in prepaids	739	-	739	-
Increase (decrease) in payables	(665,468)	36,086	(629,382)	4,033
Increase (decrease) in deposits	12,838	-	12,838	-
Increase (decrease) in compensated absences	203	1,617	1,820	-
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<u>\$ 9,161,484</u>	<u>\$ 522,606</u>	<u>\$ 9,684,090</u>	<u>\$ 2,059,761</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
 Statement of Fiduciary Net Position  
 Agency Fund  
 September 30, 2020

	<b>PID Agency Fund</b>
	<u>                    </u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$      111,736
Restricted Investments	4,877,734
Accounts receivable	28
	<u>                    </u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u><u>      \$  4,989,498</u></u>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Liability to bond holders	\$      4,984,998
	<u>                    </u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u><u>      \$  4,984,998</u></u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
Statement of Net Position  
Discretely Presented Component Units  
September 30, 2020

	<b>Economic Development Corporation</b>	<b>Community Development Corporation</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,445,598	\$ 753,635	\$ 3,199,233
Investments	-	104,902	104,902
Receivables (net of allowance for uncollectibles)	547,146	229,502	776,648
Leases receivable	2,885,589	-	2,885,589
Note receivable from primary government-current	100,000	-	100,000
Non-current assets:			
Note receivable from primary government	400,000	-	400,000
Land	10,309,703	-	10,309,703
Prepaid	490	-	490
	<u>16,688,526</u>	<u>1,088,039</u>	<u>17,776,565</u>
Total Assets			
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	139,557	34,239	173,796
Due to primary government	94,312	-	94,312
Accrued interest payable	30,668	-	30,668
Non-current liabilities:			
Due within one year	690,287	-	690,287
Due in more than one year	10,587,701	-	10,587,701
	<u>11,542,525</u>	<u>34,239</u>	<u>11,576,764</u>
Total Liabilities			
<b>NET POSITION</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	(958,626)	-	(958,626)
Restricted for economic development	5,901,870	-	5,901,870
Restricted for debt service	202,757	-	202,757
Unrestricted	-	1,053,800	1,053,800
	<u>\$ 5,146,001</u>	<u>\$ 1,053,800</u>	<u>\$ 6,199,801</u>
Total Net Position			

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
Statement of Activities  
Discretely Presented Component Units  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

	<u>Program Revenues</u>		
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>			
Economic Development Corporation	\$ 1,362,201	\$ 244,735	\$ -
Community Development Corporation	768,860	-	-
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>Total component units</b>	<u>\$ 2,131,061</u>	<u>\$ 244,735</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

General revenues:  
    Sales taxes  
    Investment income  
    Miscellaneous  
    Total general revenues  
    Change in net position  
Net position - beginning of year  
  
Net position - end of year

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Component Units		
Economic Development Corporation	Community Development Corporation	Total
\$ (1,117,466)	\$ -	\$ (1,117,466)
-	(768,860)	(768,860)
<u>\$ (1,117,466)</u>	<u>\$ (768,860)</u>	<u>\$ (1,886,326)</u>
2,430,202	1,231,399	\$ 3,661,601
28,902	10,043	38,945
192,112	-	192,112
<u>2,651,216</u>	<u>1,241,442</u>	<u>3,892,658</u>
1,533,750	472,582	2,006,332
<u>3,612,251</u>	<u>581,218</u>	<u>4,193,469</u>
<u>\$ 5,146,001</u>	<u>\$ 1,053,800</u>	<u>\$ 6,199,801</u>



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## Town of Little Elm, Texas

### Notes to the Financial Statements

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

The Town of Little Elm, Texas (the Town) is a municipal corporation governed by an elected mayor and six-member Town Council and provides the following services by its charter: public safety, public works, health, culture, recreation, community development, water and sewer utilities, and solid waste utilities.

The accounting and reporting policies of the Town conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standards setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues, expenditures, and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that are used. The more significant accounting policies of the Town are described below.

##### A. Financial Statement Presentation

The basic financial statements are prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, which requires the government-wide financial statements to be prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and the economic resources measurement focus. Government-wide financial statements do not provide information by fund, but distinguish between the Town's governmental activities, business-type activities and activities of its discretely presented component units on the statement of net position and statement of activities. Significantly, the Town's statement of net position includes both noncurrent assets and noncurrent liabilities of the Town. In addition, the government-wide statement of activities reflects depreciation expenses on the Town's capital assets, including infrastructure.

In addition to the government-wide financial statements, the Town has prepared fund financial statements, which use the modified accrual basis of accounting and the current financial resources measurement focus for the governmental funds. The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by proprietary funds. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

##### B. Financial Reporting Entity

The Town's basic financial statements include the accounts of all Town operations. In evaluating how to define the government for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all entities for which the Town is considered to be financially accountable. As required by GAAP, these financial statements present the Town and its component units, entities for which the Town is considered to be financially accountable. The discretely presented component units are reported in a separate column in the combined financial statements to emphasize that they are legally separate from the Town.

##### Little Elm Economic Development Corporation

The Little Elm Economic Development Corporation (EDC) is a duly-established municipal corporation created under the provisions of Section 4A of the Development Corporation Act of 1976 as revised, with approval of the governing body of the Town of Little Elm. The EDC, a separate non-profit corporation, was formed in 1993 for the public purposes of the promotion and development of new and expanded business enterprises to provide and encourage employment in the furtherance of the public welfare and is operated primarily within the geographic boundaries of the Town. The affairs of the EDC shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of five members who shall be appointed by the Town council: one director from the Town council and four directors at-large. The EDC is supported by a half-cent sales tax voted by referendum in 1993. An Executive Director is appointed by the EDC Board to carry out the Board's administrative and policy initiatives. The EDC is considered part of the Town's reporting entity and presented in the accompanying basic financial statements as a discretely presented component unit. The EDC does not issue separate financial statements.

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#### Little Elm Community Development Corporation

The Little Elm Community Development Corporation (CDC) is a separate entity formed in February 2007 to improve and expand park and recreation facilities from revenue generated through the Type 4B sales tax. The CDC operates under the authority of Section 2(11)-(A)-(E) and Section 4B of Article 5190.6 of Revised Civil Statutes, as amended. The CDC is considered part of the Town's reporting entity and presented in the accompanying basic financial statements as a discretely presented component unit. The CDC is a discretely presented component unit under the criteria of board appointment and removal by the Town Council, approval and oversight of capital projects as well as budget authorization and approval. The CDC does not issue separate financial statements.

#### Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Three (TIRZ #3)

The Town created Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Three (TIRZ#3) to provide additional financing resources to further enhance development within the zone. The Town Council appoints a Board and Board members are removable by the Town Council. TIRZ#3 commenced October 2013 and will terminate on December 31, 2043, or at an earlier time designated by subsequent ordinance, or at such time, subsequent to the issuance of tax increment bonds, if any, that all project costs, tax increment bonds, notes and obligations of the zone have been paid in full. Although TIRZ#3 is fiscally dependent on the Town, as the Town approves their budgets and any debt issuances, TIRZ#3 qualifies for blending because the Board is the same as the Town Council. Previous to fiscal year 2017, TIRZ#3 had been reported as a discretely presented component unit, but is now reported as a blended component unit of the Town as ordinance #1413 was approved in 2017 clarifying the composition of the Board as described above. TIRZ#3 does not issue separate financial statements.

#### Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Four (TIRZ #4)

The Town created Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Four (TIRZ#4) to provide additional financing resources to further enhance development within the zone. The Town Council appoints a Board and Board members are removable by the Town Council. TIRZ#4 commenced December 2013 and will terminate on December 31, 2048, or at an earlier time designated by subsequent ordinance, or at such time, subsequent to the issuance of tax increment bonds, if any, that all project costs, tax increment bonds, notes and obligations of the zone have been paid in full. TIRZ#4 is fiscally dependent on the Town, as the Town approves their budgets and any debt issuances. TIRZ#4 qualifies for blending because the Board is the same as the Town Council. TIRZ#4 is reported as a blended component unit of the Town and it does not issue separate financial statements.

#### Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Five (TIRZ #5)

The Town created Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Five (TIRZ#5) to provide additional financing resources to further enhance development within the zone. The Town Council appoints a Board and Board members are removable by the Town Council. TIRZ#5 commenced December 2014 and will terminate on December 31, 2049, or at an earlier time designated by subsequent ordinance, or at such time, subsequent to the issuance of tax increment bonds, if any, that all project costs, tax increment bonds, notes and obligations of the zone have been paid in full. TIRZ#5 is fiscally dependent on the Town, as the Town approves their budgets and any debt issuances. TIRZ#5 qualifies for blending because the Board is the same as the Town Council. TIRZ#5 is reported as a blended component unit of the Town and it does not issue separate financial statements.

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#### Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Six (TIRZ #6)

The Town created Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Six (TIRZ#6) to provide additional financing resources to further enhance development within the zone. The Town Council appoints a Board and Board members are removable by the Town Council. TIRZ#6 commenced November 1, 2016 and will terminate on December 31, 2052, or at an earlier time designated by subsequent ordinance, or at such time, subsequent to the issuance of tax increment bonds, if any, that all project costs, tax increment bonds, notes and obligations of the zone have been paid in full. TIRZ#6 is fiscally dependent on the Town, as the Town approves their budgets and any debt issuances. TIRZ#6 qualifies for blending because the Board is the same as the Town Council. TIRZ#6 is reported as a blended component unit of the Town and it does not issue separate financial statements.

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

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the Town as a whole) and fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely on fees and charges for support. Additionally, the primary government is reported separately from the legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The government-wide statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a functional category (Public Safety, Public works, etc.) or program are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or program. Program revenues include: a) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or program, b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational requirements of a particular function or program, or c) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the capital requirements of a particular function or program. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. Internally dedicated resources are also reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

Separate fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. The major governmental funds are the general fund, the debt service fund, the capital projects fund, and the Valencia capital projects fund. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of assets plus deferred outflows of resources, liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources, revenues or expenditures /expenses of either fund category for the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The non-major funds are combined in a column in the fund financial statements. The non-major funds are detailed in the combining section of the financial statements.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements; however, interfund services provided and used are not eliminated in the process of consolidation.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
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**D. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation**

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

Governmental fund level financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. The governmental fund financial statements follow the accounting set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

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

**Fund Accounting**

The following major funds are used by the Town:

**1. Governmental Funds:**

Governmental Funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Town are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the Town's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities (except those accounted for in proprietary funds) are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is on determination of changes in financial position, rather than on net income determination. The following is a description of the major Governmental Funds of the Town:

**General Fund** is the Town's primary operating fund. This fund is used to account for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

**Debt Service Fund** is used to account for the accumulation of financial resources for the payment of principal, interest and related costs on general obligation long-term debt paid from taxes levied by the Town.

**Capital Projects Fund** is used to account for the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and improvements except those being financed by proprietary funds.

**PID Capital Projects Fund** is used to account for the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and improvements relating to the Valencia, Lakeside and Hillstone Public Improvement Districts (PIDs).

The Town reports the following non-major governmental funds.

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**Dedication Funds** accounts for dedicated revenue that is attributed to court operations, motor vehicle and child safety.

**Donations Fund** accounts for donations made by civic organizations, businesses, and citizens for specific uses which include the library, animal control center, police, and fire departments. Donations are generally donated for the purchase of equipment.

**Forfeitures Fund** accounts for fines and forfeiture of property resulting from criminal cases within the boundaries of the Town that have been adjudicated by the State of Texas in District Court.

**Street Maintenance Fund** – this Special Purpose District provides 1/4 cent sales and use tax for street maintenance. This was originally approved in 2009 by voters and has since been renewed twice by the citizens of Little Elm. This Special Purpose District is up for renewal in 2021.

**Red Light Camera Fund** accounts for proceeds and expenses related to red-light cameras.

**Stormwater Drainage Fund** accounts for fees charged for stormwater drainage services.

**PEG Fund** accounts for fees used to defer the cost of streaming Council meeting videos of all meetings to meet the objective of local government transparency.

**Grant Fund** accounts for the grant expenditures for emergency activity due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

**Landscape Fund** The fund was established by resolution from Council whereby all funds from lease/rental payments received from broadband and cellular providers is set aside for Streetscape improvements throughout the Town. In particular to manage the medians and screening walls along all street thoroughfares.

**Little Elm Parks Fund** accounts for fees used to help fund parks and recreational spaces.

**Little Elm TIRZ#3 Fund** accounts for proceeds and expenditures related to Little Elm Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 3.

**Little Elm TIRZ#4 Fund** accounts for proceeds and expenditures related to Little Elm Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 4.

**Little Elm TIRZ#5 Fund** accounts for proceeds and expenditures related to Little Elm Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 5.

**Little Elm TIRZ#6 Fund** accounts for proceeds and expenditures related to Little Elm Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 6.

**Highway 380 MMD fund** accounts for the Town's contributions to the Highway 380 Municipal Management District (MMD).

The Town reports the following fiduciary fund:

**Public Improvement District (PID) Agency Fund** accounts for bond proceeds, assessments, and related debt associated with the issuance of bonds issued by the Town as an agent for the Valencia, Hillstone, and Lakeside Public Improvement Districts.

Governmental funds with legally adopted annual budgets include the General Fund and the Debt Service Fund.

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#### 2. Proprietary Funds:

Proprietary Funds are accounted for using an economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objectives are a determination of net income, financial position, and changes in cash flows. All assets and liabilities associated with a proprietary fund's activities are included on its statement of net position.

The proprietary funds are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprise. The costs (expenses including depreciation on capital assets) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis are financed or recovered primarily through user charges. Periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes. The following is a description of the major enterprise funds of the Town:

**The Water and Sewer Fund** is used to account for the operations of providing water and sewer services to residential and commercial customers.

**The Solid Waste Fund** is used to account for the collection of trash and recyclables from residential users.

Additionally, the Town reports an Internal Service Fund to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department to other departments within the Town. The Vehicle Replacements fund is used to account for the acquisition and disposal of vehicles and large dollar equipment for the Town.

#### E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash of all funds, excluding the Town's payroll clearing account, medical card account, and certain escrow accounts, is pooled into a common interest-earning bank account in order to maximize investment opportunities. Each fund whose monies are deposited in the pooled cash has equity therein, and interest earned on these monies is allocated based upon relative equity at each month end.

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the Town.

The Town may invest in certificates of deposit, authorized investment pools and funds, U.S. Government Securities, commercial paper, and repurchase agreements. Investments purchased with pooled cash, as well as separate investments, are recorded at fair value. The fair value is based on the market price. The fair value of the local government investment pools are the same as the fair value of the pool shares.

Restricted cash and cash equivalents represent bond debt service reserves and restricted accounts required to be established under the various TIRZ and PID agreements of the Town.

#### F. Inventories, Prepaid Items and Deferred Charges

Inventory is valued at cost (first-in, first-out). The cost of governmental fund type inventory is recorded as an expenditure when consumed rather than when purchased. Reported inventories are equally offset by non-spendable fund balance, which indicates that they do not constitute "available, spendable resources" even though they are a component of fund balance. Inventories in the Proprietary Funds consist of meters and various supplies.

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Prepaid balances are for payments made by the Town for which benefits extend beyond September 30, 2020, and the non-spendable fund balance has been recognized to signify that a portion of fund balance is not available for other subsequent expenditures. The cost of prepaid services is recorded based on when prepaids are consumed rather than when purchased.

#### G. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist primarily of amounts due from citizens for various services provided by the Town as well as property taxes, sales taxes receivable, franchise taxes and amounts due from other governments. Management evaluates the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts based on a review of the aging of accounts and other specific information known by management.

#### H. Restricted Assets

Certain proceeds of enterprise fund revenue bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants or contractual agreements.

#### I. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items) are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$10,000. Such assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at the acquisition value at the date of donation.

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

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business-type activities acquired with tax-exempt debt is included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed.

Capital assets of the primary government, as well as the component units, are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Buildings	20 - 40
Infrastructure	10 - 25
Water and sewer system	40
Improvements other than buildings	7 - 40
Machinery and equipment	3 - 20

#### J. Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the Town has transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services, construct assets, and service debt. There is no interest charged between funds for these advances.

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**K. Compensated Absences**

It is the Town's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation benefits. All vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements. No liability is recorded for non-vesting accumulating rights to receive sick pay benefits.

**L. Long-term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position.

Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method, which approximates the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

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

**M. Pensions and Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)**

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, pension related deferred outflows and inflows of resources and pension expense, Town specific information about its Fiduciary Net Position in the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) and additions to/deductions from the Town's Fiduciary Net Position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TMRS. For this purpose, plan contributions are recognized in the period that compensation is reported for the employee, which is when contributions are legally due. Benefit payments and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Information regarding the Town's Total Pension and Total OPEB Liabilities is obtained from TMRS through reports prepared for the Town by TMRS consulting actuary, Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company, in compliance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions.

**N. Deferred Outflows and inflows of Resources**

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

**Deferred Loss or Gain on Refunding** – these deferred outflows and inflows is the result from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt.



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**Pension / OPEB** – these deferred outflows result from pension/ OPEB contributions after the measurement date (deferred and recognized in the following fiscal year). Deferred outflows/inflows is the result from pension/OPEB differences in projected and actual earnings on pension / OPEB assets (deferred and amortized over a closed five year period). Deferred outflows/inflows may also occur from the changes in pension/OPEB actuarial assumptions and/or from the difference in expected and actual experiences which are deferred and amortized for a period determined by the pension/OPEB actuarial measurement.

#### O. Fund Equity

##### Governmental Funds:

The Town has adopted the provisions of GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Government Fund Type Definitions. The objective of the statement is to enhance the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying the existing government fund type definitions.

The statement establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. Fund balance classifications, under GASB 54 are Nonspendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, and Unassigned. These classifications reflect not only the nature of funds, but also provide clarity to the level of restriction placed upon fund balance. Fund balance can have different levels of constraint, such as external versus internal compliance requirements. Unassigned fund balance is a residual classification within the General Fund. The General Fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned balance. In all other funds, unassigned is limited to negative residual fund balance.

In accordance with GASB 54, the Town classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

Nonspendable: includes amounts that are not in a spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted: includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers either constitutionally or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.

Committed: includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Town's highest level of decision making authority, which is the Town Council. The formal action that is required to be taken to establish, modify, or rescind a fund balance commitment is an ordinance adopted by the Town Council. The ordinance must either adopt or rescind the commitment, as applicable, prior to the last day of the fiscal year for which the commitment is made. The amount subject to the constraint may be determined in the subsequent period.

Assigned: includes amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used by the Town for specific purposes. Intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority. The Town Council has authorized the Town Manager or his or her designee as the official authorized person to assign fund balance to a specific purpose as approved by the fund balance policy.

Unassigned fund balance: is the residual classification of the general fund and includes all amounts not contained in other classifications. Unassigned amounts are technically available for any purpose.

Order of Expenditure of Funds: When multiple categories of fund balance are available for expenditure, the Town will start with the most restricted category and spend those funds first before moving down to the next category with available funds.

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Economic stabilization: It is the goal of the Town to achieve and maintain an unassigned fund balance in the General Fund equal to 25% of the budgeted expenditures in the General Fund for unanticipated expenditures, unforeseen revenue fluctuations, or other adverse circumstances. The fund balance level may be reduced to the equivalent of 15% of budgeted expenditures in unusual financial circumstances. If such a situation should occur, the Town will implement necessary corrective action with a three-year plan to restore the unassigned fund balance to the equivalent of 25% of budgeted expenditures.

#### Proprietary Funds:

Net position represents the difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets, and adding back unspent debt proceeds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### **P. Subsequent Events**

The Town has evaluated all events or transactions that occurred after September 30, 2020 up through March 9, 2021, the date the financial statements were issued.

#### **Note 2. Cash and Investments**

The Town has adopted an investment policy pursuant to Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code, which authorizes the Town's investments in United States government obligations and its agencies, obligations of Texas and its agencies, fully collateralized repurchase agreements, prime domestic commercial paper, prime domestic bankers' acceptances, government pools, and money market funds. The Town selects its investments based on safety, liquidity, yield, and public trust.

The EDC can invest in obligations of the United States Treasury, the State of Texas, certain United States Agencies, certificates of deposit, money market savings accounts, certain municipal securities, repurchase agreements, common trust funds, and other investments specifically allowed by the Public Funds Investment Act of 1987 (Article 842a-2 Vernon's Civil Statutes).

At year end, the carrying amount of the Town's deposits was \$50,972,241 and the bank balance was \$50,905,794. The bank balance was completely covered by federal deposit insurance and collateral held by the pledging financial institution in the Town's name.

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Cash and investments as of September 30, 2020 consist of and are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Statement of net position:	
Primary Government:	
Cash and cash equivalents	37,569,454
Investments	27,042,110
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	10,027,644
Restricted investments	6,972,788
Fiduciary Fund:	
Cash and cash equivalents	111,736
Restricted investments	4,877,734
Component Units:	
Cash and cash equivalents	3,199,233
Investments	104,902
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Total cash and investments	<u>\$ 89,905,601</u>
Cash on hand:	
	\$ 2,273
Deposits with financial institutions	50,905,794
Investments	38,997,534
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Total cash and investments	<u>\$ 89,905,601</u>

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The table below identifies the investment types that are authorized for the Town by the Public Funds Investment Act. (Government Code Chapter 2256) The table also identifies certain provisions of the Town's investment policy that address interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk.

<u>Authorized Investment Type</u>	<u>Maximum Maturity</u>	<u>Maximum Percentage of Portfolio</u>	<u>Maximum Investment In One Issuer</u>
U.S. Treasury obligations	2 years	None	None
U.S. Agency obligations	2 years	None	None
Certificates of deposit	2 years	None	None
Direct repurchase agreements	2 years	None	None
No-load money market mutual funds	2 years	None	None
Direct obligations of State of Texas	2 years	None	None
Investment pools	2 years	None	None

#### Disclosures relating to credit risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization for negotiable investments. The minimum rating required by (where applicable) the Public Funds Investment Act, the Town's investment policy, or debt agreements, and the actual rating as of year-end for the mutual funds held by the Town and TexPool Prime was AAA-m at September 30, 2020.

#### Concentration of credit risk

The Town's investment policy is to avoid a concentration of assets in a specific maturity, a specific issue, or a specific class of investments.

#### Custodial credit and interest rate risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. The Public Funds Investment Act does not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for deposits or investments, other than the following provision for deposits: The Public Funds Investment Act requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local governmental units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under state law (unless so waived by the governmental unit). The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least the bank balance less the FDIC insurance at all times.

The Town requires all deposits to be covered by Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance and/or collateralized by qualified securities pledged by the Town's depository in the Town's name and held by the depository's agent.

As of September 30, 2020 the Town deposits with financial institutions in excess of federal depository insurance limits were fully collateralized.

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The Town categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, provides a framework for measuring fair value which establishes a three-level fair value hierarchy that describes the inputs that are used to measure assets and liabilities.

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that a government can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs are inputs—other than quoted prices included within Level 1—that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for an asset or liability.

The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level 1 inputs and the lowest priority to Level 3 inputs. If a price for an identical asset or liability is not observable, a government should measure fair value using another valuation technique that maximizes the use of relevant observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs. If the fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using inputs from more than one level of the fair value hierarchy, the measurement is considered to be based on the lowest priority level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates.

In accordance with its investment policy, the Town manages its exposure to declines in fair value by limiting the weighted average maturity of its non-bond proceed investments to no more than nine months.

The Town has recurring fair value measurements as presented in the table below. The Town's investment balances and weighted average maturity of such investments are as follows:

Certificate of deposits that are non-negotiable are measured at cost and may be withdrawn at cost with forfeit of the interest that accrues based on agreement with financial institution. Mutual funds reported as level 1 are valued at the net asset value (NAV) of shares held by the Town at year end. The NAV is a quoted price in an active market. Negotiable certificate of deposits are held with a financial investment institution and are bought and sold as part of the Town's investment portfolio. Negotiable certificate of deposits are measured at fair value with level 2 inputs.

	Value at September 30, 2020	Fair Value Measurements Using			Percent of Total Investments	Weighted Average Maturity (Days)
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		
<i>Investments not subject to Fair Value:</i>						
Non-negotiable Certificate of Deposits:						
Legacy CD	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	12.82%	184
Investment Pools:						
TexPool Prime	19,045,771	-	-	-	48.84%	38
<i>Subject to fair value level:</i>						
Marketable Equity Securities						
Mutual Funds - Short Term Investments	6,333,506	6,333,506	-	-	16.24%	41
Negotiable Certificate of Deposits	8,618,257	-	8,618,257	-	22.10%	434
<i>Total Value</i>	<u>\$ 38,997,534</u>	<u>\$ 6,333,506</u>	<u>\$ 8,618,257</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		145

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**Note 3. Property Taxes**

Taxes are levied on October 1 and are payable until January 31 without penalty. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of January 1. The total assessed value upon which the fiscal year 2020 (2019 tax) levy was based was approximately \$4,388,888,355. Such assessed value was computed based on 100% appraised values.

Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution allows a tax rate up to \$2.50 per \$100 valuation. Further, Section 8.03B of the Town’s Home-Rule Charter provides that the “Town Council shall have the power, and is hereby authorized to levy, assess, and collect annual taxes not to exceed the maximum limit set by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, as they now exist or as they may be amended, on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation”. The combined tax rate to finance general governmental service and debt service for the year ended September 30, 2020 was \$0.6499 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Current tax collections for the year ended September 30, 2020 were approximately 99.72% of the tax levy.

**Note 4. Receivables**

Receivables as of year-end for the government’s individual major funds, non-major funds in the aggregate and discretely presented component units, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts as of September 30, 2020 are as follows:

	Governmental Funds			
	General	Debt Service	Nonmajor Funds	Total
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 186,773	\$ 59,365	\$ -	\$ 246,138
Sales taxes	917,244	-	263,585	1,180,829
Court	1,718,555	-	-	1,718,555
Ambulance	858,967	-	-	858,967
Storm drainage	-	-	154,836	154,836
Franchise fees	918,071	-	-	918,071
Other	565,443	-	75,519	640,962
Gross receivables	<u>5,165,053</u>	<u>59,365</u>	<u>493,940</u>	<u>5,718,358</u>
Less: allowances	<u>(2,120,324)</u>	<u>(5,032)</u>	<u>(15,483)</u>	<u>(2,140,839)</u>
Net total receivables	<u>\$ 3,044,729</u>	<u>\$ 54,333</u>	<u>\$ 478,457</u>	<u>\$ 3,577,519</u>

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	Proprietary Funds		
	Water and Sewer	Solid Waste	Total
Customer accounts	\$ 2,787,442	\$ 319,607	\$ 3,107,049
Note receivable	500,000	-	500,000
Other	461,371	-	461,371
Gross receivables	<u>3,748,813</u>	<u>319,607</u>	<u>4,068,420</u>
Less: allowances	<u>(336,551)</u>	<u>(26,744)</u>	<u>(363,295)</u>
Net total receivables	<u>\$ 3,412,262</u>	<u>\$ 292,863</u>	<u>\$ 3,705,125</u>

	Component Units		
	EDC	CDC	Total
Sales taxes	\$ 547,146	\$ 229,502	\$ 776,648
Total receivables	<u>\$ 547,146</u>	<u>\$ 229,502</u>	<u>\$ 776,648</u>

**Direct-Financing Lease**

EDC leases certain Corporation-owned property to a company for use in its business. The lease is classified as a direct-financing lease and expires in 2043. The following are the components of the EDC's net investment in direct financing leases and reported as leases receivable as of September 30, 2020:

Total minimum lease payments to be received	\$ 4,573,695
less: unearned interest income	<u>(1,688,106)</u>
Net investment in direct financing lease	<u>\$ 2,885,589</u>

As of September 30, 2020, minimum lease payments are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Amount
2021	\$ 205,559
2022	205,559
2023	205,559
2024	205,559
2025	205,559
2026-2030	1,027,797
2031-2035	1,027,797
2036-2040	1,027,797
2041-2043	462,509
	<u>\$ 4,573,695</u>

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**Note 5. Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2020 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Transfers	Ending Balance
Governmental activities:					
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 9,210,630	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,210,630
Construction in progress	14,378,446	22,229,169	-	(1,919,088)	34,688,527
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	23,589,076	22,229,169	-	(1,919,088)	43,899,157
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Infrastructure	149,241,091	5,354,045	-	-	154,595,136
Buildings	39,970,285	-	(123,522)	-	39,846,763
Improvements other than buildings	24,544,160	106,308	-	1,919,088	26,569,556
Machinery and Equipment	16,629,305	2,840,471	(49,682)	-	19,420,094
Total capital assets being depreciated	230,384,841	8,300,824	(173,204)	1,919,088	240,431,549
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Infrastructure	47,209,242	3,163,966	-	-	50,373,208
Buildings	6,599,234	995,340	(6,176)	-	7,588,398
Improvements other than buildings	5,362,685	1,529,451	-	-	6,892,136
Machinery and Equipment	9,456,554	1,752,586	(33,122)	-	11,176,018
Total accumulated depreciation	68,627,715	7,441,343	(39,298)	-	76,029,760
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	161,757,126	859,481	(133,906)	1,919,088	164,401,789
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 185,346,202	\$ 23,088,650	\$ (133,906)	\$ -	\$ 208,300,946
Business-type activities:					
Capital assets not being depreciated:					
Land	\$ 1,639,066	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,639,066
Construction in progress	13,560,560	603,473	-	(11,063,726)	3,100,307
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	15,199,626	603,473	-	(11,063,726)	4,739,373
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Buildings	2,229,206	-	-	-	2,229,206
Water system improvements	48,827,736	743,031	-	-	49,570,767
Sewer system improvements	34,312,309	2,124,428	-	11,063,726	47,500,463
Machinery and equipment	3,298,431	336,431	-	-	3,634,862
Total capital assets being depreciated	88,667,682	3,203,890	-	11,063,726	102,935,298
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Buildings	166,873	53,404	-	-	220,277
Water system improvements	11,282,524	240,319	-	-	11,522,843
Sewer system improvements	10,434,758	1,352,689	-	-	11,787,447
Machinery and equipment	2,073,766	991,677	-	-	3,065,443
Total accumulated depreciation	23,957,921	2,638,089	-	-	26,596,010
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	64,709,761	565,801	-	11,063,726	76,339,288
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 79,909,387	\$ 1,169,274	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 81,078,661



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

Governmental activities:	
General government	\$ 227,354
Public safety	1,269,315
Public works	3,210,461
Culture and recreation	1,919,917
Internal service fund	814,296
	<u>\$ 7,441,343</u>
Business-type activities:	
Solid Waste	\$ 26,031
Water and Sewer	2,612,058
	<u>\$ 2,638,089</u>

**Note 6. Interfund Activity**

Transfers are used to provide funds for debt service, contributions for capital construction, cost allocations and other operational costs as determined by the Town's annual budget. Transfers between funds during the year were as follows:

Transfer In	Transfer Out	Amount	Purpose
General Fund	Non-major Governmental Fund	\$ 165,362	To correct allocation of funds from TIRZ
General Fund	Solid Waste Fund	175,000	Transfer for operating services
General Fund	Water and Sewer Fund	1,800,000	Transfer for operating services
General Fund	Non-major Governmental Fund	85,432	To fund maintenance on behalf of the TIRZ
Debt Service Fund	Non-major Governmental Fund	508,366	Budgeted debt service payment from TIRZ
Debt Service Fund	Non-major Governmental Fund	567,162	To correct allocation of funds from TIRZ
Capital Projects Fund	General Fund	2,378,788	Funding for infrastructure CIP projects
Capital Projects Fund	PID Capital Projects Fund	822	Reimbursement of funds for capital project cost
Capital Projects Fund	Non-major Governmental Fund	67,838	Funding for capital projects that are restricted by revenue funding source
Non-major Governmental Fund	Solid Waste Fund	391,000	Solid waste portion of landscaping projects
Non-major Governmental Fund	Capital Projects Fund	834,081	To fund landscaping projects and operations
Non-major Governmental Fund	General Fund	245,262	Dedication of funds for restricted services
		<u>\$ 7,219,113</u>	

During a fiscal year, interfund receivables and payables arise. Interfund payables are expected to be paid within the following year. The following were receivable and outstanding as of September 30, 2020:

Receivable	Payable	Amount	Purpose
General Fund	Non-major Governmental	\$ 42,757	Short term funding for operational cash
Debt Service Fund	Non-major Governmental	508,521	Funds owed for allocation of restricted debt service purposes
Capital Projects Fund	General Fund	2,000,000	Funding owed for capital projects
Non-major Governmental	General Fund	1,376	Funds owed for allocation of restricted purposes
Non-major Governmental	Debt Service Fund	123	Funds owed for allocation of restricted purposes
		<u>\$ 2,552,777</u>	

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**Note 7. Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Governmental funds report deferred inflows of resources in connection with receivables for revenue that is not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred inflows of resources reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Nonmajor Funds	Total
Property taxes	\$ 153,785	\$ 48,745	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 202,530
Court fines	223,302	-	-	-	223,302
Other	167,212	-	1,273,213	70,488	1,510,913
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 544,299</b>	<b>\$ 48,745</b>	<b>\$ 1,273,213</b>	<b>\$ 70,488</b>	<b>\$ 1,936,745</b>

**Note 8. Long-Term Debt**

The Town of Little Elm issues general obligation bonds, certificates of obligation and revenue bonds to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds have been issued for both governmental and business-type activities. The Town also issues revenue bonds where the Town pledges income derived from the acquired or constructed assets, or sales tax to pay the debt service.

**Changes in Long-term Liabilities**

On September 22, 2020, the Town issued \$4,085,000 Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2020 at a premium of \$303,844. Proceeds from the sale of the certificates will be used for (i) constructing, improving and equipping the Town’s aquatics center, (ii) constructing street improvements, including drainage, landscaping, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, signage, traffic signalization and street noise abatement incidental thereto and the acquisition of land and rights-of-way therefor, (iii) acquiring, constructing, improving and equipping municipal park and recreational facilities, including the acquisition of land therefor.

On April 30, 2020, the Town issued \$5,725,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020, to refund governmental activities debt for \$5,466,218 of General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, series 2010, and business type activities debt for \$158,784 of General Obligation Combination Tax and Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010. The difference between the debt service of the old and new debt is \$845,216, resulting in an economic gain of \$743,694.

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The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended September 30, 2020:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Amount Due within One year
<b>Governmental activities:</b>					
General obligation bonds	\$ 22,541,613	\$ 5,560,000	\$ (7,736,613)	\$ 20,365,000	\$ 2,515,000
Unamortized bond premium	2,800,220	303,844	(332,260)	2,771,804	-
Certificates of obligation	35,860,000	4,085,000	(3,105,000)	36,840,000	1,695,000
Tax Notes	495,000	-	(245,000)	250,000	250,000
Compensated absences	2,524,700	1,364,927	(1,007,445)	2,882,182	1,291,581
Net pension liability	6,972,617	-	(1,672,286)	5,300,331	-
OPEB	298,307	81,479	-	379,786	-
	<u>71,492,457</u>	<u>11,395,250</u>	<u>(14,098,604)</u>	<u>68,789,103</u>	<u>5,751,581</u>
<b>Business-type activities:</b>					
General obligation bonds	18,228,388	165,000	(1,648,388)	16,745,000	1,485,000
Certificates of obligation	21,270,000	-	(1,230,000)	20,040,000	1,175,000
Unamortized bond premium	1,639,444	-	(146,968)	1,492,476	-
Compensated absences	268,969	100,481	(98,661)	270,789	92,572
Note payable to EDC	600,000	-	(100,000)	500,000	100,000
Net pension liability	838,342	-	(310,665)	527,677	-
OPEB	31,097	6,713	-	37,810	-
	<u>42,876,240</u>	<u>272,194</u>	<u>(3,534,682)</u>	<u>39,613,752</u>	<u>2,852,572</u>
Total Primary Government	<u>\$ 114,368,697</u>	<u>\$ 11,667,444</u>	<u>\$ (17,633,286)</u>	<u>\$ 108,402,855</u>	<u>\$ 8,604,153</u>
<b>Component Units:</b>					
Notes payable - EDC	\$ 11,819,698	\$ 6,659,559	\$ (7,210,928)	\$ 11,268,329	\$ 687,980
Compensated absences	72,410	27,795	(90,546)	9,659	2,307
	<u>\$ 11,892,108</u>	<u>\$ 6,687,354</u>	<u>\$ (7,301,474)</u>	<u>\$ 11,277,988</u>	<u>\$ 690,287</u>

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Long-term debt of the Town is comprised of the following individual issues as of September 30, 2020:

Certificates of Obligation	Outstanding		Outstanding	
	Governmental	Due in one year	Business-Type	Due in one year
\$6,000,000 Series 2013 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$150,000 to \$335,000 through August 2028, plus interest at 1.50% to 3.00%	\$ 4,270,000	\$ 280,000		
\$3,000,000 Series 2013A Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$130,000 to \$210,000 through August 2033, plus interest at 1.50% to 3.50%	2,200,000	140,000		
\$9,966,000 Series 2015 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$275,000 to \$630,000 through August 2036, plus interest at 2.00% to 3.50%	8,105,000	420,000		
\$9,966,000 Series 2018 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$440,000 to \$2,000,000 through August 2038, plus interest at 3.00% to 5.00%	11,810,000	440,000		
\$6,640,000 Series 2019 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$410,000 to \$410,000 through February 2039, plus interest at 1.18% to 2.75%	6,370,000	235,000		
\$4,085,000 Series 2020 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$160,000 to \$250,000 through February 2040, plus interest at 2.00% to 2.37%	4,085,000	180,000		
\$6,000,000 Series 2012 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$280,000 to \$495,000 through August 2027, plus interest at 2.00% to 2.38%			\$ 3,160,000	\$ 410,000
\$7,640,000 Series 2016 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$205,000 to \$510,000 through August 2036, plus interest at 2.00% to 5.00%			6,580,000	315,000
\$11,830,000 Series 2017 Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation due in annual installments of \$450,000 to \$770,000 through August 2037, plus interest at 3.00% to 5.00%			10,300,000	450,000
	<u>\$ 36,840,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,695,000</u>	<u>\$ 20,040,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,175,000</u>

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General Obligation Bonds	Outstanding		Outstanding	
	Governmental	Due in one year	Business-Type	Due in one year
\$2,735,000 Series 2012A General Obligation due in annual installments of \$130,000 to \$210,000 through September 2027, plus interest at 2.09%	\$ 1,395,000	\$ 185,000		
\$6,985,000 Series 2012 Combination Tax and Revenue Refunding General Obligation due in annual installments of \$300,000 to \$700,000 through August 2024, plus interest at 2.00% to 3.00%	905,000	425,000		
\$6,725,000 Series 2016 General Obligation Refunding Bonds due in annual installments of \$375,000 to \$735,000 through August 2027, plus interest at 2.00% to 5.00%	4,400,000	595,000	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 275,000
\$4,550,000 Series 2014 General Obligation Refunding Bonds due in annual installments of \$235,000 to \$375,000 through August 2029, plus interest at 2.00% to 4.00%	1,310,000	130,000	1,650,000	165,000
\$7,320,000 Series 2019 General Obligation Refunding Bonds due in annual installments of \$525,000 to \$880,000 through August 2029, plus interest at 1.60% to 2.20%	6,795,000	625,000	-	-
\$13,645,000 Series 2017 General Obligation Refunding Bonds due in annual installments of \$10,000 to \$1,090,000 through September 2025, plus interest at 3.00% to 5.00%			12,320,000	665,000
\$3,040,000 Series 2013 General Obligation Refunding Bonds due in annual installments of \$205,000 to \$525,000 through September 2025, plus interest at 2.00% to 2.50%			1,460,000	215,000
\$5,725,000 Series 2020 General Obligation Refunding Bonds due in annual installments of \$720,000 to \$535,000 through September 2030, plus interest at 2.00% to 1.77%	5,560,000	555,000	165,000	165,000
	<u>\$ 20,365,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,515,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,745,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,485,000</u>

Tax Notes	Outstanding		Outstanding	
	Governmental	Due in one year	Business-Type	Due in one year
\$1,990,000 Series 2014 Tax Notes due in annual installments of \$230,000 to \$250,000 through September 2021, plus interest at 1.77%	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ -
	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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The annual aggregate maturities for each bond type are as follows:

General Obligation Bonds

Fiscal Year Ending September 30,	Governmental Activities			Business Activities		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 2,515,000	\$ 535,448	\$ 3,050,448	\$ 1,485,000	\$ 745,088	\$ 2,230,088
2022	2,450,000	456,312	2,906,312	1,395,000	527,856	1,922,856
2023	2,390,000	375,663	2,765,663	1,440,000	473,356	1,913,356
2024	2,300,000	296,106	2,596,106	1,490,000	417,806	1,907,806
2025	2,375,000	238,994	2,613,994	1,515,000	367,756	1,882,756
2026-2030	8,335,000	454,598	8,789,598	5,270,000	1,177,200	6,447,200
2031-2035	-	-	-	4,150,000	325,588	4,475,588
Total	\$ 20,365,000	\$ 2,357,121	\$ 22,722,121	\$ 16,745,000	\$ 4,034,650	\$ 20,779,650

Certificates of Obligation

Fiscal Year Ending September 30,	Governmental Activities			Business Activities		
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 1,695,000	\$ 1,187,266	\$ 2,882,266	\$ 1,175,000	\$ 625,858	\$ 1,800,858
2022	1,715,000	1,146,994	2,861,994	1,230,000	579,408	1,809,408
2023	1,775,000	1,093,294	2,868,294	1,270,000	540,158	1,810,158
2024	1,820,000	1,036,869	2,856,869	1,315,000	502,958	1,817,958
2025	1,885,000	974,419	2,859,419	1,360,000	463,958	1,823,958
2026-2030	10,605,000	3,711,370	14,316,370	5,940,000	1,688,913	7,628,913
2031-2035	11,270,000	1,790,317	13,060,317	5,720,000	883,065	6,603,065
2036-2040	6,075,000	320,620	6,395,620	2,030,000	89,725	2,119,725
Total	\$ 36,840,000	\$ 11,261,149	\$ 48,101,149	\$ 20,040,000	\$ 5,374,043	\$ 25,414,043

Tax Notes

Fiscal Year Ending September 30,	Governmental Activities		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 250,000	\$ 4,425	\$ 254,425
Total	\$ 250,000	\$ 4,425	\$ 254,425

On December 15, 2015, the Town Council approved an Interlocal Chapter 380 Economic Development Program and Performance Agreement between the Town of Little Elm and the Little Elm EDC for payments related to the Utility Acquisition Agreement with Mustang Special Utility District (SUD). Mustang SUD agreed to purchase the system and assume the contracts for a cash consideration of \$1,000,000 which is to be paid to the Town in ten equal yearly payments of \$100,000 with the first installment payment to the Town to occur on July 1, 2016. The Town also covenants and agrees to pay to the Little Elm EDC the ten equal yearly payments. Accordingly a note payable / receivable has been recorded between the Town and Little Elm EDC. The remaining balance as of September 30, 2020 was \$500,000.

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**Compensated Absences**

Substantially all vacation and sick leave are paid by the General Fund.

**Discretely presented component units – Economic Development Corporation**

Notes payable of the Little Elm Economic Development Corporation as of September 30, 2020 are as follows:

Payee	Description	Balance 09/30/20
Government Capital Corporation	\$6,659,559, payable to bank, made June 23, 2020 payable in semi-annual installments of \$337,252 starting September 15, 2020 through September 15, 2031, including interest at 2.75%.	\$ 6,365,039
Southside Bank	\$2,543,750, payable to bank, made January 2015, payable in semi-annual installments of \$87,965 through November 15, 2034, including interest at 3.4%	1,998,841
Government Capital Corporation	\$3,048,000 payable to bank, made July 13, 2017 payable in quarterly installments of \$34,138 through October 13, 2018, and then \$51,389 through to final payment January 13, 2043, including interest at 4.48%	2,904,449
		<u>\$ 11,268,329</u>

During 2017, EDC entered into a \$3,048,000 note payable with the Government Capital Corporation. Proceeds from the note were used to fund construction of the facility described in the direct-financing lease portion of Note 4.

In 2020, the EDC entered into a note payable with Government Capital Corporation in the amount of \$6,659,559. The proceeds of the note were used to refund the outstanding balances of two notes originally entered into with Government Capital Corporation (one dated October 2011 in the amount of \$7,780,815 and the other dated May 2013 in the amount of \$2,000,000) as well as accrued interest and issuance cost. The difference between the remaining debt service payments on the old debt and new debt is \$346,533 resulting in an economic gain of \$310,871.

Annual debt service requirements for the Economic Development Corporation loans are as follows:

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 687,980	\$ 368,014	\$ 1,055,994
2022	709,149	346,845	1,055,994
2023	730,992	325,002	1,055,994
2024	753,532	302,462	1,055,994
2025	776,792	279,202	1,055,994
2026-2030	4,259,793	1,020,176	5,279,969
2031-2035	2,046,805	449,289	2,496,094
2036-2040	819,677	208,120	1,027,797
2041-2043	483,609	30,288	513,897
Total	<u>\$ 11,268,329</u>	<u>\$ 3,329,398</u>	<u>\$ 14,597,727</u>

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**Note 9. Pension Plan**

**Plan Description**

The Town participates as one of 888 cities in the nontraditional, joint contributory, hybrid defined benefit pension plan administered by the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). TMRS is an agency created by the State of Texas and administered in accordance with the TMRS Act, Subtitle G, Title 8, Texas Government Code (the TMRS Act) as an agent multiple-employer retirement system for municipal employees in the State of Texas. The TMRS Act places the general administration and management of the System with a six-member Board of Trustees. Although the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoints the Board, TMRS is not fiscally dependent on the State of Texas. TMRS' defined benefit pension plan is a tax-qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. TMRS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CFAR) that can be obtained at [www.tmr.com](http://www.tmr.com).

All eligible employees of the Town are required to participate in TMRS.

**Benefits Provided**

TMRS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Benefit provisions are adopted by the governing body of the Town, within the options available in the state statutes governing TMRS.

At retirement, the benefit is calculated as if the sum of the employee's contributions, with interest, and the Town-financed monetary credits with interest were used to purchase an annuity. Members may choose to receive their retirement benefit in one of seven payments options. Members may also choose to receive a portion of their benefit as a Partial Lump Sum Distribution in an amount equal to 12, 24, or 36 monthly payments, which cannot exceed 75% of the member's deposits and interest.

At the date the plan began, the Town granted monetary credits for service rendered before the plan began of a theoretical amount at least equal to two times what would have been contributed by the employee, with interest, prior to establishment of the plan. Monetary credits for service since the plan began are a percent (100%, 150%, or 200%) of the employee's accumulated contributions. In addition, the Town can grant, as often as annually, another type of monetary credit referred to as an updated service credit which is a theoretical amount which, when added to the employee's accumulated contributions and the monetary credits for service since the plan began, would be the total monetary credits and employee contributions accumulated with interest if the current employee contribution rate and Town matching percent had always been in existence and if the employee's salary had always been the average of his salary in the last three years that are one year before the effective date. At retirement, the benefit is calculated as if the sum of the employee's accumulated contributions with interest and the employer-financed monetary credits with interest were used to purchase an annuity.

Members can retire at ages 60 and above with 5 or more years of service or with 20 years of service. A member is vested after 5 years. The plan provisions are adopted by the governing body of the Town, within the options available in the state statutes governing TMRS and within the actuarial constraints also in the statutes.

At the December 31, 2019 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	52
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	162
Active employees	270
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**Contributions**

The contribution rates for employees in TMRS are either 5%, 6%, or 7% of employee gross earnings, and the Town matching percentages are either 100%, 150%, or 200%, both as adopted by the governing body of the Town. Under the state law governing TMRS, the contribution rate for each Town is determined annually by the actuary, using the Entry Age Normal (EAN) actuarial cost method. The actuarially determined rate is the estimated amount necessary to finance the cost of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability.

Employees for the Town were required to contribute 7% of their annual gross earnings during the fiscal year. The contribution rates for the Town were 13.31% and 13.59% in calendar years 2019 and 2020, respectively. The Town's contributions to TMRS for the year ended September 30, 2020 were \$2,640,722, and were equal to the required contributions.

The Town's Net Pension Liability (NPL) was measured as of December 31, 2019 and the Total Pension Liability (TPL) used to calculate the NPL was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

**Actuarial Assumptions:**

The Total Pension Liability in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.5% per year
Salary Increases	3.5% to 11.5% per year including inflation
Investment Rate of Return	6.75%, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for post-retirement were based on the 2019 Municipal Retirees of Texas Mortality Tables. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis with scale UMP. Mortality rates for pre-retirement were based on PUB(10) mortality tables, with the Public Safety table used for males and the General Employee table used for females. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis with scale UMP.

Actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019 valuation were developed primarily from the actuarial investigation of the experience of TMRS over the four-year period from December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2018. They were first adopted in 2019 and first used in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation.

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The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. In determining their best estimate of a recommended investment return assumption under the various alternative asset allocation portfolios, GRS focused on the area between (1) arithmetic mean (aggressive) without an adjustment for time (conservative) and (2) the geometric mean (conservative) with an adjustment for time (aggressive).

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return (Arithmetic)</u>
Domestic Equity	17.5%	4.30%
International Equity	17.5%	6.10%
Core Fixed Income	10.0%	1.00%
Non-Core Fixed Income	20.0%	3.39%
Real Return	10.0%	3.78%
Real Estate	10.0%	4.44%
Absolute Return	10.0%	3.56%
Private Equity	5.0%	7.75%
Total	<u>100.0%</u>	

### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the Total Pension Liability was 6.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee and employer contributions will be made at the rates specified in statute. Based on that assumption, the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

### Allocations

The Town's net pension liability, pension expense, and deferred outflows of resources related to TMRS have been allocated between governmental activities and business-type activities using a contribution-based method.

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**Changes in the Net Pension Liability**

	Total Pension Liability (a)	Increase (Decrease) Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)	Net Pension Liability (a) - (b)
Balance at 12/31/2018	\$ 38,676,724	\$ 30,865,765	\$ 7,810,959
Changes for the year:			
Service Cost	3,282,649	-	3,282,649
Interest	2,691,346	-	2,691,346
Change of benefit terms	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	279,168	-	279,168
Changes of assumptions	178,056	-	178,056
Contributions - employer	-	2,386,394	(2,386,394)
Contributions - employee	-	1,267,432	(1,267,432)
Net investment income	-	4,788,117	(4,788,117)
Benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions	(892,522)	(892,522)	-
Administrative expense	-	(26,963)	26,963
Other changes	-	(810)	810
Net Changes	<u>5,538,697</u>	<u>7,521,648</u>	<u>(1,982,951)</u>
Balance at 12/31/2019	<u>\$ 44,215,421</u>	<u>\$ 38,387,413</u>	<u>\$ 5,828,008</u>

**Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

The following presents the net pension liability of the Town, calculated using the discount rate of 6.75%, as well as what the Town's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage-point lower (5.75%) or 1 percentage-point higher (7.75%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (5.75%)	Discount Rate (6.75%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (7.75%)
Net pension liability	\$ 13,839,800	\$ 5,828,008	\$ (582,731)

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the pension plan's Fiduciary Net Position is available in a separately-issued TMRS financial report. That report may be obtained at [www.tmr.com](http://www.tmr.com).

The general fund has typically been used to liquidate pension and OPEB liabilities related to governmental activities.

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

For the year ended September 30, 2020, the Town recognized pension expense of \$2,970,097. At September 30, 2020, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 970,483	\$ 45,278
Changes in actuarial assumptions	164,981	-
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	-	1,132,994
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,012,692	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,148,156</b>	<b>\$ 1,178,272</b>

The \$2,012,692 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions result from contributions subsequent to the measurement date and will reduce the net pension liability during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30:	Net deferred outflows (inflows) of resources
2021	\$ 38,056
2022	(27,308)
2023	239,231
2024	(337,356)
2025	44,569
	<u>\$ (42,808)</u>

**Note 10. Other Postemployment Benefits Plan (OPEB)**

**A. Plan Description**

Texas Municipal Retirement System (“TMRS”) administers a defined benefit group-term life insurance plan known as the Supplemental Death Benefits Fund (“SDBF”). This is a voluntary program in which participating member cities may elect, by ordinance, to provide group-term life insurance coverage for their active members, including or not including retirees. Employers may terminate coverage under and discontinue participation in the SDBF by adopting an ordinance before November 1 of any year to be effective the following January 1. The Town has elected to participate in the SDBF for its active members including retirees. As the SDBF covers both active and retiree participants, with no segregation of assets, the SDBF is considered to be an unfunded single-employer OPEB plan (i.e. no assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75) for Town reporting.

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**B. Benefits Provided**

The death benefit for active employees provides a lump-sum payment approximately equal to the employee’s annual salary (calculated based on the employee’s actual earnings, for the 12-month period preceding the month of death). The death benefit for retirees is considered an other postemployment benefit (“OPEB”) and is a fixed amount of \$7,500.

At the December 31, 2019 valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees currently receiving benefits	38
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	32
Active employees	270
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**C. Contributions**

The member town contributes to the SDBF at a contractually required rate as determined by an annual actuarial valuation. The rate is equal to the cost of providing one-year term life insurance. The funding policy for the SDBF program is to assure that adequate resources are available to meet all death benefit payments for the upcoming year. The intent is not to pre-fund retiree term life insurance during employees’ entire careers.

Contributions are made monthly based on the covered payroll of employee members of the participating member town. The contractually required contribution rate is determined annually for each town. The rate is based on the mortality and service experience of all employees covered by the SDBF and the demographics specific to the workforce of the town. There is a one-year delay between the actuarial valuation that serves as the basis for the employer contribution rate and the calendar year when the rate goes into effect. The funding policy of this plan is to assure that adequate resources are available to meet all death benefit payments for the upcoming year.

The retiree portion of contribution rates to the SDBF for the Town was 0.01% in both calendar years 2019 and 2020. The Town’s contributions to the SDBF for the year ended September 30, 2020 were \$1,952, and were equal to the required contributions. Covered Payroll was \$19,524,411.

**D. Total OPEB Liability**

The Town’s Total OPEB Liability (TOL) was measured as of December 31, 2019 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

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**E. Actuarial Assumptions**

The Total OPEB Liability in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.5% per year
Salary increases	3.5% to 11.5% including inflation
Discount rate	2.75%
Retiree's share of benefit-related costs	\$0
Actuarial cost Method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization Method	Level percentage of payroll; closed

Salary increases were based on a service-related table. Mortality rates for post-retirement were based on the 2019 Municipal Retirees of Texas Mortality Tables. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis with scale UMP. Mortality rates for pre-retirement were based on PUB(10) mortality tables, with the Public Safety table used for males and the General Employee table used for females. The rates are projected on a fully generational basis with scale UMP.

Actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019 valuation were developed primarily from the actuarial investigation of the experience of TMRS over the four-year period from December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2018. They were first adopted in 2019 and first used in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation.

The discount rate used to measure the Total OPEB Liability was 2.75% and was based on the Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index" rate as of December 31, 2019.

**F. Changes in Total OPEB Liability**

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>
Balance at 12/31/2018	\$ 329,404
Changes for the year:	
Service Cost	27,159
Interest on Total OPEB Liability	12,691
Change of benefit terms	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	(31,013)
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	81,166
Benefit payments	(1,811)
Administrative expense	-
Other changes	-
Net changes	<u>88,192</u>
Balance at 12/31/19	<u><u>\$ 417,596</u></u>

Total OPEB liability was 2.31% of covered payroll during the measurement period.

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**G. Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate**

The following presents the total OPEB liability of the Town, calculated using the discount rate of 3.75%, as well as what the Town’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage-point lower (1.75%) or 1 percentage-point higher (3.75%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (1.75%)	Discount Rate (2.75%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (3.75%)
Total OPEB Liability	<u>\$ 522,136</u>	<u>\$ 417,596</u>	<u>\$ 338,921</u>

**H. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

For the year ended September 30, 2020, the Town recognized pension expense of \$45,880. At September 30, 2020, the Town reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 30,342
Changes in assumptions and other inputs	89,409	21,167
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	1,482	-
Total	<u>\$ 90,891</u>	<u>\$ 51,509</u>

The \$1,482 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date will reduce the Total OPEB liability during the year ending September 30, 2021. The other amounts reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30:	Net deferred outflows (inflows) of resources
2021	\$ 6,030
2022	6,030
2023	6,030
2024	6,030
2025	5,459
Thereafter	<u>8,321</u>
Total	<u>\$ 37,900</u>

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**Note 11. Risk Management**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omission; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town is a participant in the Texas Municipal League Workers' Compensation Joint Insurance Fund (WC Fund) and the Texas Municipal League Joint Self-Insurance Fund (Property-Liability Fund), a public entity risk pool operated by the Texas Municipal League Board for the benefit of 2,800 individual governments and political subdivision units located within Texas. The Town pays an annual premium to the funds for its workers' compensation, property and liability, and cyber security insurance coverage. The WC Fund and Property-Liability Fund are considered self-sustaining risk pools that provide coverage for its members for up to \$1,000,000 per occurrence with a \$2,000,000 annual aggregate. There is a deductible of \$5,000 due from the Town per claim for personnel liability claims and a \$2,500 deductible for general liability. The cyber security provides various tiers of coverage to limit the Town's exposure to this new risk.

There were no reductions in insurance coverage and the Town had not been declined coverage for any exposures or limits of liability and/or scheduled covered amounts from the previous year. Settled claims for risks have not exceeded insurance coverage for the past three years.

**Note 12. Net Position / Fund Balance**

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

**A. Restricted Net Position**

Net position is reported in the government-wide statement of net position consisted of the following as of September 30, 2020:

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total Primary Government	Discretely Presented Component Units
Restricted for construction	\$ 8,535,081	\$ 4,376,151	\$ 12,911,232	\$ -
Restricted for economic development	1,346,058	-	1,346,058	5,901,870
Restricted for stormwater drainage	1,254,515	-	1,254,515	-
Restricted for street maintenance	1,359,041	-	1,359,041	-
Restricted for streetscape	1,170,497	-	1,170,497	-
Restricted for debt service	839,855	-	839,855	202,757
Restricted for other:				
Grant requirements	408,220	-	408,220	-
Donor stipulations	46,339	-	46,339	-
Pubic, education, gov't access	63,961	-	63,961	-
Emergency management	2,999	-	2,999	-
Parks	114,862	-	114,862	-
Forfeitures	292,588	-	292,588	-
Total restricted for other	928,969	-	928,969	-
	<u>\$ 15,434,016</u>	<u>\$ 4,376,151</u>	<u>\$ 19,810,167</u>	<u>\$ 6,104,627</u>



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**B. Fund Balance**

The composition of the governmental fund balances at September 30, 2020 is as follows:

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	PID Capital Projects Project	Non major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Non-spendable:						
Inventory	\$ 65,792	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65,792
Prepays	15,899	-	-	-	743	16,642
<b>Total nonspendable</b>	<b>81,691</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>82,434</b>
Restricted for:						
Debt service	-	1,078,697	-	-	-	1,078,697
Street maintenance	-	-	-	-	1,359,041	1,359,041
Police	-	-	-	-	65,599	65,599
Fire	-	-	-	-	19,633	19,633
Parks and Rec	-	-	-	-	125,066	125,066
Stormwater drainage	-	-	-	-	1,254,515	1,254,515
Court	-	-	-	-	155,998	155,998
Emergency management	-	-	-	-	2,999	2,999
Library	-	-	-	-	9,420	9,420
Animal Control	-	-	-	-	4,700	4,700
Forfeiture	-	-	-	-	292,588	292,588
Public, Education, Govt. Access	-	-	-	-	63,961	63,961
Streetscape	-	-	-	-	1,100,009	1,100,009
Economic Development	-	-	-	-	1,346,058	1,346,058
Child Safety	-	-	-	-	188,262	188,262
Capital projects	-	-	14,206,970	1,395,177	-	15,602,147
<b>Total restricted</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,078,697</b>	<b>14,206,970</b>	<b>1,395,177</b>	<b>5,987,849</b>	<b>22,668,693</b>
Committed to:						
Street development	-	-	1,271,178	-	-	1,271,178
<b>Total committed</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,271,178</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,271,178</b>
Unassigned	25,515,797	-	-	-	-	25,515,797
	<b>\$ 25,597,488</b>	<b>\$ 1,078,697</b>	<b>\$ 15,478,148</b>	<b>\$ 1,395,177</b>	<b>\$ 5,988,592</b>	<b>\$ 49,538,102</b>

**Note 13. Commitments and Contingencies**

In March 2003, the Town entered into a thirty-year contract with the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) for the purchase of treated water. Under the terms of this contract, the Town is obligated to make a minimum annual payment (adjusted annually) in return for a minimum volume of gallons of water per year. During the year ended September 30, 2020, the cost of water purchased under this contract was \$4,589,199.

Management recently became aware that the Town has been overbilling Frisco West Water Control Improvement District (the District) for wholesale sewer since 2018 due to an error in measuring the District's flow. The dollar amount of the overcharges is unknown at this time. The Town and the District are currently in discussion regarding this matter.

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The Town also entered into a water transmission facilities contract in March 2003 with the NTMWD. Under the terms of this contract, the NTMWD is to own, operate and maintain water transmission facilities located near the eastern border of the Town. NTMWD issued its Water Transmission Facilities Contract Revenue Bonds, Series 2003 (Town of Little Elm Project), in the amount of \$5,390,000 for the purpose of acquiring and constructing the transmission facility. The obligation of the Town was to make payments to NTMWD under contract terms until all of the bonds are paid and retired and is no longer outstanding. During the year ended September 30, 2013, the NTMWD issued its Water Transmission Facilities Contract Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 (Town of Little Elm) in the amount of \$3,555,000 for the purpose of defeasing the Series 2003 obligations. During the year ended September 30, 2020, the payments made under this contract were \$388,005.

At September 30, 2020 and subsequent to year end, the Town is committed to numerous contracts for capital improvements totaling \$4,904,776. Of this amount, \$2,628,410 is attributable to the aquatic center the Town is currently constructing.

#### **Note 14. Little Elm Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones and Public Improvement District**

The Town Council created and participates in a total of four Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones ("TIRZ") (#3, #4, #5, and #6). The two original TIRZ created in 2008 referred to as TIRZ #1 and TIRZ #2 were terminated in November 2013. Subsequent to the creation of the two TIRZ zones, the Council on February 3, 2009 authorized and established the creation of the Little Elm Redevelopment Authority ("LERA"). The LERA was dissolved in February 2014. Upon the termination of TIRZ #1 in 2013, the Town created TIRZ #3 for the "Lakefront District" which consists of approximately 847 acres and has a base taxable assessed value of \$33,542,713.

The Town Council created TIRZ #4 in December 2013 for the Valencia on the Lake multi-phase residential development of approximately 447.942 acres. The Town also created the Valencia Public Improvement District ("PID") in September 2013 to finance certain public infrastructure improvements. The PID and the TIRZ boundaries are contiguous as the goal of the TIRZ is to assist with the development. The Town issued two series of special assessment revenue bonds (the "PID Bonds") in the amounts of \$12,240,000 and \$4,000,000 in February 2014 that are secured solely from assessment revenues generated within the Valencia PID. The bonds funded major improvement projects to include certain roadway, water, wastewater and drainage improvements. On November 6, 2018 the Town issued three series of bonds for the Valencia on the Lake PID. The first series of revenue bonds refunded the 2014 Phase #1 Bonds, refinanced the Phase #1 reimbursement agreement portion of the 2014 bonds and restructured the debt service requirements by passage of Ordinance No.1445. The second series of revenue bonds were identified as the Improvement Area #2 Refunding and Improvement Bonds and were issued to refund a portion of the 2014 bonds used to finance improvements related to Improvement Area #2, refinance the pro rata portion of the Phase #2 local improvements and financed additional improvements relating in Improvement Area #2 thru Ordinance No. 1446. The Major Improvement Area Refunding Bonds were the third series of bonds issued in FY2018 thru Ordinance No. 1447. They were to refund the pro-rata portion of the 2014 Major Improvement Bonds related to Phases #2B, #3B, and #4.

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The Town Council created TIRZ #5 in December 2014 with a base value of Real Property of \$5,380,866. The TIRZ #5 zone has removed sections and added additional property to create the existing 943.5 acre zone. The Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2 was created in June 2015. It is located at the northern section of TIRZ #5 and its boundaries are not contiguous. TIRZ #5 and Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2 are located near the 380 Corridor within the newly annexed area on the northern boundary of the Town of Little Elm. The Town issued \$6,000,000 in special assessment revenue bonds (the "PID Bonds") for Phases #1-1a thru approval of Ordinance No. 1422 on October 17, 2017. The Bonds are secured solely from assessment revenues generated within the Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2. The Bonds funded Phase 1 and Phase 1A improvements which included certain roadway, water system, storm drainage, sanitary sewer, screening and landscaping and other soft and miscellaneous improvements. The Town issued the next set of Bonds (\$4,688,000 Special Assessment Revenue Bonds, Series 2018) for the Hillstone Pointe PID No. 2 Phases 2 and 3 thru Ordinance No. 1471 in December 2018. The Bonds are secured solely from assessment revenues generated from Phases 2 and 3 of the PID and the proceeds are being used to fund a portion of the actual costs of the Phase 2 and 3 improvements.

The Town's third PID was created by the Town on October 2016 identified as the Rudman Tract Public Improvement District to finance the costs of certain public improvements for the benefit of property in the PID. TIRZ #6 was created in November 2016 to be contiguous with the Rudman Tract to help the area develop. The area encompasses 146.8 acres. The Town approved reimbursement obligations to finance the public improvements provided for the benefit of the property in the PID. Phase #1 Reimbursement Agreement of \$7,300,000 and Phase #2 Major Improvements Reimbursement Agreement of \$2,075,000 are secured by special assessments. The Town consented to the assignment of the reimbursement amounts between the OPLE Prairie Oaks Development, Inc. and the Public Finance Authority ("PFA") in May 2017. Bonds were issued by the Wisconsin PFA for the development in May 2017.

The Town on December 20, 2016 created the fourth PID for the Town of Little Elm. This PID is located at the Town's northern border next to Highway 380 and will be identified as Lakeside Estates PID No. 2. A TIRZ was not approved to assist with the development of this project. The Town authorized the issuance and sale of special assessment revenue bonds, Series 2017 in December 2017 for \$4,700,000. The bonds funded improvements which included certain roadway, water distribution system, storm drainage, sanitary sewer, screening and other PID Bond issuance costs.

The TIRZ and PID's in respect to their duration and the projects to be undertaken and other terms and conditions are set forth in the respective ordinances creating such zones and the public improvement districts. Although current plans provide that project costs for the zones will be paid or reimbursed from tax increments as collected, the Town may determine at a future date to issue bonds or other obligations secured by or payable in whole or in part from Tax Increment Revenues. The owners of the PID Bonds do not have the right to demand payment from any funds of the Town other than the pledged revenues, consisting primarily of assessments levied and collected against the property within the specific PID, and the Town has no obligation to pay the PID Bonds from any other source.

#### **Note 15. Tax Abatements and Economic Incentives**

The Town enters into economic development agreements designed to promote development, stimulate commercial activity, enhance the property tax base, and increase the economic vitality. These programs rebate property taxes and sales tax. The Town's economic development agreements are authorized under the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 311 (Tax Increment Financing Act) and Chapter 380 (Economic Development Programs). Recipients may be eligible to receive economic assistance based upon employment impact, economic or community impact of the project requesting assistance. Recipients receiving assistance generally commit to building or remodeling real property and related infrastructure, expanding operations, renewing facility leases or bringing targeted development to the Town. Agreements generally contain recapture provisions which may require repayment or termination if recipients do not meet the required provisions of the economic incentives.

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The Town has two categories of economic development agreements:

#### **A. General Economic Development**

The Town enters into various agreements under Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code to stimulate economic development. Agreements may rebate a flat amount or a percentage of property taxes or sales tax received by the Town. For fiscal year 2020, the Town rebated \$404,999 in sales taxes and \$779,675 of property taxes.

#### **B. Tax Increment Financing**

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) is a tool to help finance public improvements and development projects within a defined area. A municipality makes an area eligible for TIF by designating it a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ). Within the designated zone all of the incremental tax revenue growth flows to an established tax increment fund to help pay for public improvements within the zone. The Town has adopted four Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ) in accordance with the provisions of the Tax Increment Financing Act, V.T.C.A., Tax Code, Chapter 311. The four active Tax increment reinvestment zones include TIRZ #3, #4, #5 and #6. The purpose of TIRZ #3 is to help pay for project costs associated with the development of the Town's Lakefront District. The Zone's projected costs are primarily related to park and park improvements, streets, a conference center, utilities, a recreation center, landscaping, trails, a plaza and lighting. TIRZ #4, #5 and #6 were created to facilitate the development of the currently vacant land with retail and single family developments while creating a unique cohesive development that builds on the high development standards already established within the Town. Specific project costs may include but is not limited to roads, water, sewer and storm water management. In fiscal year 2020, the Town made \$1,204,204 in payments to the TIRZ funds. Denton County agreed to participate in TIRZ 3 for a period of five years and contributed \$61,520 in fiscal year 2020.

#### **Note 16. Coronavirus Pandemic**

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the novel coronavirus ('COVID-19') a global pandemic and recommended containment and mitigation measures worldwide. This contagious disease outbreak, which has continued to spread, and any related adverse public health developments, has adversely affected public education, workforces, economies, and financial markets globally, potentially leading to economic downturn. It has also disrupted the normal operations of many businesses and organizations. It is not possible for management to predict the duration or magnitude of the adverse results of the outbreak and its disruptive effects on the Town's operations and financial results at this time.

## Required Supplementary Information

## Town of Little Elm, Texas

### Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes

#### In Fund Balances - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual – General Fund

For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Budget
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Taxes:				
Property taxes, penalty, and interest	\$ 19,073,302	\$ 19,073,302	\$ 19,736,243	\$ 662,941
General sales and use taxes	3,831,130	3,831,130	4,818,560	987,430
Other taxes and franchise fees	2,265,000	2,265,000	2,221,541	(43,459)
Licenses and permits	3,101,500	3,101,500	3,807,739	706,239
Intergovernmental revenue	2,486,550	4,131,174	5,005,745	874,571
Charges for services	4,135,897	4,247,025	3,619,666	(627,359)
Fines	652,430	652,430	823,427	170,997
Interest	420,500	420,500	425,055	4,555
Miscellaneous	142,700	142,700	160,550	17,850
	<u>36,109,009</u>	<u>37,864,761</u>	<u>40,618,526</u>	<u>2,753,765</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General government:				
Town council	185,698	76,108	65,561	10,547
Town manager	1,734,658	1,700,681	1,519,526	181,155
Town secretary	181,387	181,387	165,818	15,569
Finance	2,127,521	2,127,521	1,501,475	626,046
Information technology	1,432,365	1,432,365	1,083,371	348,994
Town attorney	340,000	340,000	275,068	64,932
	<u>6,001,629</u>	<u>5,858,062</u>	<u>4,610,819</u>	<u>1,247,243</u>
Community services:				
Inspections	3,400,927	3,348,428	2,772,783	575,645
	<u>3,400,927</u>	<u>3,348,428</u>	<u>2,772,783</u>	<u>575,645</u>
Public safety:				
Police	10,830,593	11,020,221	10,165,322	854,899
Fire	10,325,512	10,562,527	10,063,186	499,341
Municipal court	580,895	580,895	456,127	124,768
Animal control	319,651	319,651	306,164	13,487
	<u>22,056,651</u>	<u>22,483,294</u>	<u>20,990,799</u>	<u>1,492,495</u>
Public works:				
Streets	1,715,018	1,715,018	1,246,125	468,893
Fleet maintenance	497,657	497,657	419,038	78,619
Facility maintenance	910,795	910,795	809,371	101,424
	<u>3,123,470</u>	<u>3,123,470</u>	<u>2,474,534</u>	<u>648,936</u>

## Town of Little Elm, Texas

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes (Concluded)  
 In Fund Balances - Budget (GAAP Basis) and Actual - General Fund  
 For the Year Ended September 30, 2020

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Budget
Culture and recreation:				
Library	\$ 595,405	\$ 595,405	\$ 517,796	\$ 77,609
Parks and recreation	4,158,362	4,200,563	3,725,795	474,768
Total culture and recreation	4,753,767	4,795,968	4,243,591	552,377
Capital outlay	692,055	1,481,355	1,050,432	430,923
Total expenditures	40,028,499	41,090,577	36,142,958	4,947,619
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(3,919,490)	(3,225,816)	4,475,568	7,701,384
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers in	2,065,000	2,065,000	2,225,794	160,794
Proceeds from sale of assets	12,090	12,090	-	(12,090)
Insurance recovery	-	-	146,328	146,328
Transfers out	(350,000)	(2,735,362)	(2,624,050)	111,312
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,727,090	(658,272)	(251,928)	406,344
Revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	(2,192,400)	(3,884,088)	4,223,640	8,107,728
Fund balance at beginning of year	21,373,848	21,373,848	21,373,848	-
<b>Fund balance, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 19,181,448</b>	<b>\$ 17,489,760</b>	<b>\$ 25,597,488</b>	<b>\$ 8,107,728</b>

## Town of Little Elm, Texas

### Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

#### Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

##### A. Budgetary Information

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Annual appropriated budgets are legally adopted for the general fund, debt service fund, and water and sewer fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The Town follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the basic financial statements:

- (1) Prior to September 1, the Town Manager submits to the Town Council a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1. The operating budget includes the proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- (2) Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- (3) Prior to October 1, the budget is legally enacted through the passage of an ordinance.
- (4) The Town Manager is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund. Any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the Town Council.



## Town of Little Elm, Texas

### Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios – Texas Municipal Retirement System Last Six Measurement Periods

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Total Pension Liability:</b>						
Service cost	\$ 1,781,572	\$ 2,120,510	\$ 2,355,108	\$ 2,626,348	\$ 3,014,390	\$ 3,282,649
Interest	1,306,279	1,544,900	1,739,588	2,023,022	2,313,659	2,691,346
Change in benefit terms	-	-	-	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	511,427	187,346	298,105	(90,555)	859,152	279,168
Change in assumptions	-	90,206	-	-	-	178,056
Benefit payments	(326,527)	(393,218)	(323,979)	(334,803)	(559,416)	(892,522)
Net change in total pension liability	3,272,751	3,549,744	4,068,822	4,224,012	5,627,785	5,538,697
Total Pension Liability-beginning	17,933,610	21,206,361	24,756,105	28,824,927	28,824,927	38,676,724
Total Pension Liability-ending	\$ 21,206,361	\$ 24,756,105	\$ 28,824,927	\$ 33,048,939	\$ 34,452,712	\$ 44,215,421
<b>Plan Fiduciary Net Position</b>						
Contributions - employer	\$ 1,185,583	\$ 1,535,872	\$ 1,676,473	\$ 1,968,224	\$ 2,266,748	\$ 2,386,394
Contributions - nonemployer	774,891	838,620	908,306	1,021,378	1,197,238	1,267,432
Net investment income	857,339	25,774	1,316,544	3,194,579	(866,209)	4,788,117
Benefit payments	(326,527)	(393,218)	(323,979)	(334,803)	(559,416)	(892,522)
Administrative income	(8,946)	(15,693)	(14,848)	(16,529)	(16,699)	(26,963)
Other	(736)	(776)	(798)	(838)	(871)	(810)
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	2,481,604	1,990,579	3,561,698	5,832,011	2,020,791	7,521,648
Plan fiduciary net position -beginning	14,979,082	17,460,686	19,451,265	23,012,963	28,844,974	30,865,765
Plan fiduciary net position - ending	17,460,686	19,451,265	23,012,963	28,844,974	30,865,765	38,387,413
Town's net pension liability -ending	\$ 3,745,675	\$ 5,304,840	\$ 5,811,964	\$ 4,203,965	\$ 3,586,947	\$ 5,828,008
Plan fiduciary net position as a % of total pension liability	82.34%	78.57%	79.84%	87.28%	89.59%	86.82%
Covered payroll	\$ 11,065,942	\$ 11,980,280	\$ 12,975,800	\$ 14,574,627	\$ 16,783,907	\$ 18,106,173
Town's net pension liability as a % of covered payroll	33.85%	44.28%	44.79%	28.84%	21.37%	32.19%

Note: Only six years of data is presented in accordance with GASB #68, paragraph 138. "The information for all periods for the 10-year schedules that are required to be presented as required supplementary information may be available initially. In these cases, during the transition period, that information should be presented for as many periods as are available. The schedules should not include information that is not measured in accordance with the requirements of this statement. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available."

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
 Schedule of Pension Contributions –  
 Texas Municipal Retirement System  
 Last Six Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year 2015	Fiscal Year 2016	Fiscal Year 2017	Fiscal Year 2018	Fiscal Year 2019	Fiscal Year 2020
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 1,450,482	\$ 1,721,094	\$ 1,901,949	\$ 2,201,774	\$ 2,459,086	\$ 2,640,722
Contribution in relation of the actuarially determined contribution	1,450,482	1,721,094	1,901,949	2,201,774	2,459,086	2,640,722
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Covered payroll	\$ 12,244,425	\$ 13,214,555	\$ 14,104,876	\$ 16,242,464	\$ 18,403,629	\$ 19,524,411
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	11.85%	13.02%	13.48%	13.56%	13.36%	13.53%

Note: GASB #68, paragraph 81.2.b requires that the data in this schedule be presented as of the Town’s fiscal year as opposed to the time period covered by the measurement date.

Note: Only six years of data is presented in accordance with GASB #68, paragraph 138. “The information for all periods for the 10-year schedules that are required to be presented as required supplementary information may be available initially. In these cases, during the transition period, that information should be presented for as many periods as are available. The schedules should not include information that is not measured in accordance with the requirements of this statement. Additional years’ information will be displayed as it becomes available.”

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**

Schedule of Changes in the Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Texas Municipal Retirement System

Last Three Measurement Periods

	Measurement Year		
	2017	2018	2019
<b>Total OPEB Liability:</b>			
Service cost	\$ 24,777	\$ 33,568	\$ 27,159
Interest	10,108	11,094	12,691
Change in benefit terms	-	-	-
Difference between expected and actual experience	-	(4,395)	(31,013)
Change in assumptions	30,053	(28,403)	81,166
Benefit payments	(1,457)	(1,678)	(1,811)
	<u>63,481</u>	<u>10,186</u>	<u>88,192</u>
Net change in total OPEB liability	63,481	10,186	88,192
Total OPEB Liability-beginning	<u>255,737</u>	<u>319,218</u>	<u>329,404</u>
	<u>\$ 319,218</u>	<u>\$ 329,404</u>	<u>\$ 417,596</u>
Total OPEB Liability-ending			
Covered payroll	\$ 14,574,627	\$ 16,783,907	\$ 18,106,173
Town's total OPEB liability as a % of covered payroll	2.19%	1.96%	2.31%

Only three years of data is presented in accordance with GASB Statement No. #75. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

The TMRS Supplementary Death Benefit Fund (SDBF) is considered to be an unfunded OPEB plan; therefore, no plan fiduciary net position and related ratios are reported in the above schedule.

**Town of Little Elm, Texas**  
 Schedule of OPEB Contributions  
 Texas Municipal Retirement System  
 Last Three Fiscal years

	Fiscal Year 2018	Fiscal Year 2019	Fiscal Year 2020
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 2,885	\$ 2,258	\$ 1,952
Contribution in relation of the actuarially determined contribution	<u>2,885</u>	<u>2,258</u>	<u>1,952</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Covered payroll	\$ 16,242,464	\$ 18,403,629	\$ 19,524,411
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.02%	0.01%	0.01%

Only three years of data is presented in accordance with GASB Statement No. #75. Additional years' information will be displayed as it becomes available.

Note: GASB Statement No. 75 paragraph 57 requires that the data in this schedule be presented as of the Town's fiscal year as opposed to the time period covered by the measurement date.



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