#### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2024**

THE DELIVERY OF THE BONDS IS SUBJECT TO THE OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL AS TO THE VALIDITY OF THE BONDS AND THE OPINION OF SPECIAL TAX COUNSEL TO THE EFFECT THAT INTEREST ON THE BONDS IS EXCLUDABLE FROM GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES UNDER STATUTES, REGULATIONS, COURT DECISIONS, AND PUBLISHED RULINGS EXISTING ON THE DATE THEREOF, SUBJECT TO THE MATTERS DESCRIBED UNDER "TAX MATTERS" HEREIN, INCLUDING THE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX ON CERTAIN CORPORATIONS.

# THE DISTRICT HAS NOT DESIGNATED THE BONDS AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.

#### <u>NEW ISSUE – Book Entry Only</u>

Rating: S&P "AA" (Stable Outlook)/Insured See "MUNICIPAL BOND RATING" and "BOND INSURANCE" herein

\$9,900,000

# LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Guadalupe County, Texas) UNLIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2024

#### Dated: October 1, 2024 Interest Accrual Date: Date of Delivery (defined below)

Due: September 1, as shown on the inside cover page

Principal of the above described bonds (the "Bonds") will be payable at stated maturity or redemption upon presentation of the Bonds at the principal payment office of the paying agent/registrar, initially BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas (the "Paying Agent/Registrar"). Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the initial date of delivery (expected on October 29, 2024) (the "Date of Delivery"), and be payable on March 1, 2025 and on each September 1 and March 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or redemption. The Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 each or integral multiples thereof. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as shown on the inside cover page.

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



The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be guaranteed under a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds by Build America Mutual Assurance Company ("BAM" or the "Bond Insurer") (see "BOND INSURANCE").

# See "MATURITIES, PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, INTEREST RATES, AND INITIAL REOFFERING YIELDS" on the inside cover page hereof.

The Bonds, when issued, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District (the "District") and will be payable from the proceeds of a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property located within the District. The Bonds are obligations solely of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Guadalupe County, Texas, the City of New Braunfels, Texas or any entity other than the District. The Bonds are subject to special risk factors described herein. See "RISK FACTORS."

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued by the District subject, among other things, to the approval of the Bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and the approval of certain legal matters by McLean & Howard, L.L.P., Bond Counsel, and McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Special Tax Counsel. Delivery of the Bonds in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC is expected on October 29, 2024.

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

			Initial					Initial	
Due	Principal	Interest	Reoffering	CUSIP	Due	Principal	Interest	Reoffering	CUSIP
Sept. 1	Amount	Rate	Yield <sup>(a)</sup>	Number <sup>(b)</sup>	Sept. 1	Amount	Rate	Yield <sup>(a)</sup>	Number <sup>(b)</sup>
2026	\$ 230,000	5.000%	3.000%	54221VBA8	2038	\$ 400,000 (c)	4.000%	3.950%	54221VBN0
2027	240,000	5.000%	3.000%	54221VBB6	2039	420,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.000%	54221VBP5
2028	250,000	5.000%	3.000%	54221VBC4	2040	440,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.050%	54221VBQ3
2029	265,000	5.000%	3.050%	54221VBD2	***	***	***	***	* * *
2030	275,000	4.000%	3.100%	54221VBE0	2043	505,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.110%	54221VBT7
2031	290,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	3.250%	54221VBF7	2044	530,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.120%	54221VBU4
2032	305,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	3.400%	54221VBG5	2045	555,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.140%	54221VBV2
2033	320,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	3.500%	54221VBH3	2046	580,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.160%	54221VBW0
2034	335,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	3.600%	54221VBJ9	2047	610,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.180%	54221VBX8
2035	350,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	3.650%	54221VBK6	2048	635,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.200%	54221VBY6
2036	365,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	3.700%	54221VBL4	2049	670,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	4.210%	54221VBZ3
2037	385,000 <sup>(c)</sup>	4.000%	3.800%	54221VBM2					

#### \$945,000 4.000% Term Bonds due September 1, 2042<sup>(c)</sup> Priced to Yield 4.100%<sup>(a)</sup> – 54221VBS9<sup>(b)</sup>

(a) Initial reoffering yield represents the initial offering yield to the public which has been established by the Initial Purchaser for offers to the public and which may be subsequently changed by the Initial Purchaser and is the sole responsibility of the Initial Purchaser. The initial reoffering yields indicated above represent the lower of the yields resulting when priced at maturity or to the first call date.

(b) CUSIP is a registered trademark of the American Bankers Association. CUSIP data herein is provided by CUSIP Global Services, managed by FactSet Research Systems Inc. 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. CUSIP numbers are included herein solely for the convenience of the owners of the Bonds. The CUSIP number for a specific maturity is subject to being changed after the execution and delivery of the Bonds as a result of various subsequent actions, including but not limited to, a refunding in whole or in part of such maturity, or as a result of the procurement of secondary market portfolio insurance or other similar enhancement by investors that is applicable to all or a portion of the Bonds. None of the District, the Financial Advisor nor the Initial Purchaser shall be responsible for the selection or correctness of the CUSIP numbers shown herein.

(c) Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2031, are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District, in whole or, from time to time, in part, on September 1, 2030, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. See "THE BONDS – Redemption Provisions." Additionally, Term Bonds maturing on September 1, 2042 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. See "THE BONDS – Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption."

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# **USE OF INFORMATION IN OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

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

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

All of the summaries of the statutes, resolutions, contracts, audited financial statements, engineering and other related reports set forth in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such documents. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions, and reference is made to such documents, copies of which are available from McLean & Howard, L.L.P., 4301 Bull Creek Road, Suite 150, Austin, Texas 78731, upon payment of duplication costs.

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

NEITHER THE DISTRICT NOR THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR MAKES ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY OR ITS BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS LEGAL, BUSINESS OR TAX ADVICE, AND PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEYS AND BUSINESS AND TAX ADVISORS.

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

#### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY**

The following information is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Official Statement. The summary should not be detached and should be used in conjunction with the more complete information contained herein.

#### THE FINANCING

The Issuer	.Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District (the "District"), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, is located in Guadalupe County, Texas. See "THE DISTRICT."
The Issue	\$9,900,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2024 (the "Bonds") are issued pursuant to a resolution (the "Bond Resolution") of the District's Board of Directors authorizing the issuance of the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds maturing in the years and in the amounts shown on the inside cover hereof. Interest on the Bonds accrues from the Date of Delivery (expected on October 29, 2024), at the rates shown on the inside cover hereof, and is payable on March 1, 2025, and on each September 1 and March 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption.
Redemption	The Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2031, are subject to redemption, in whole or, from time to time, in part, at the option of the District, prior to their maturity dates, on September 1, 2030, or on any date thereafter. Upon redemption, the Bonds will be payable at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. See "THE BONDS – Redemption Provisions." Additionally, Term Bonds maturing on September 1, 2042 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. See "THE BONDS – Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption."
Source of Payment	The Bonds are payable from a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied upon all taxable property within the District (see "TAX PROCEDURES"). The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Guadalupe County, Texas, the City of New Braunfels, Texas, or any other political subdivision or agency other than the District. See "THE BONDS – Source of and Security for Payment."
Authority for Issuance	The Bonds are issued pursuant to Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution and the general laws of the State of Texas, including Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Chapter 7888, Texas Special District Local Laws Code, an order of the Commission (defined herein), an election held within the District on November 3, 2020, and the Bond Resolution. See "THE BONDS – Authority for Issuance."
Bonds Authorized But Unissued	At a bond election held within the District on November 3, 2020, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$481,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities to serve the District. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$471,100,000 of authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds for water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities. At the same election, the voters of the District authorized the

	issuance of a total of \$174,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing road improvements, of which \$168,175,000 remains authorized but unissued. At the same election, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$721,500,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for refunding bonds issued for the water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities, and \$261,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds issued for road purposes. All of such bonds remain authorized but unissued. See "THE BONDS – Future Debt."
Use of Proceeds	Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used, in part, to reimburse the Developers (as hereinafter defined) for the construction costs shown herein under "THE SYSTEM – Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds." Bond proceeds will also be used to reimburse certain impact and connection fees, to capitalize twelve (12) months of interest on the Bonds, pay developer interest, operating costs, and to pay certain costs associated with the issuance of the Bonds.
Payment Record	"The District has previously issued one series of unlimited tax road bonds. As of the Date of Delivery, \$5,825,000 of such previously issued bonds will remain outstanding (the "Outstanding Bonds"). The District has never defaulted on the payment of principal or interest on its previously issued bonds.
Municipal Bond Rating and Insurance	"The Bonds are expected to be rated "AA"/(Stable Outlook) by S&P Global Ratings ("S&P"), a business unit of Standard and Poor's Financial Services LLC, by virtue of a municipal bond insurance policy issued by Build America Mutual Assurance Company ("BAM" or the "Bond Insurer") at the time of delivery of the Bonds. See "BOND INSURANCE" and "RISK FACTORS – Bond Insurance Risks."
Bond Counsel	McLean & Howard, L.L.P., Austin, Texas.
Special Tax Counsel	McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas.
Financial Advisor	Specialized Public Finance Inc., Austin, Texas.
Disclosure Counsel	McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Austin, Texas.
Engineer	Jones-Heroy & Associates, Inc., Austin, Texas.
Paying Agent/Registrar	BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas.

# THE DISTRICT

Description	The District was created by Senate Bill 2558, an act of the 86th Legislature of the State
	of Texas, Regular Session (2019) and codified as Chapter 7888 of the Special District
	Local Laws Code (the "Act"). The District contains approximately 473 acres of land
	after annexations in March 2021 of approximately 116 acres, May 2022 of approximately
	141 acres, and August 2024 of approximately 11 acres. The District is located in
	Guadalupe County, Texas (the "County") near the intersection of Highway 123 and F.M.
	758, approximately 13 miles east of the City of New Braunfels, Texas (the "City") and
	approximately 10 miles north of the City of Seguin. The District lies totally within the
	extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City and within Navarro Independent School District.
Status of Development	The District is being developed primarily for single family residential purposes as
	Navarro Ranch and Jaro. Navarro Ranch is being developed by Lennar Homes of Texas
	Land and Construction, Ltd. Water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities have been
	constructed to serve Navarro Ranch, Units 1A, 1B, 1C, 2A, 2B, 2C, 4, 5, and 7
	(approximately 208 acres of land developed into 961 single-family residential lots). Jaro
	South has been developed by NB Dean 32, LLC. Water, sanitary sewer and drainage
	facilities have been constructed to serve Jaro South, Unit 1 (approximately 11 acres of
	land developed into 62 single-family residential lots). As of August 8, 2024, the District
	contained 655 single-family homes completed and occupied, 23 single-family homes
	completed and not occupied, 71 single-family homes in various stages of construction, 2
	model homes, and 272 vacant developed lots available to new home construction. The
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	current builder in Navarro Ranch and Jaro is Lennar (defined herein). New homes in the District range in offering prices from approximately \$200,000 to \$380,000 with square footage ranging from 1,800 to 3,000 square feet.
	Construction of water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities to serve Navarro Ranch, Units 3A, 3B, 6, and 8 (approximately 105 acres of land being developed into 345 single-family residential lots) is underway.
	In addition to the development described above, the District contains approximately 96 acres of developable land which are not provided with underground water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. Also, approximately 53 acres of undevelopable land is contained in easements, rights of way, storm water detention facilities and other land uses. See "THE DISTRICT – Status of Development."
The Developers /	
	Lennar Homes of Texas Land and Construction, Ltd. ("Lennar"), a Texas limited partnership, has developed water, sewer and drainage facilities to serve specific sections within the District known as Navarro Ranch. NB Dean 32, LLC ("NB Dean"), a Texas limited liability company, developed water, sewer and drainage facilities to serve Jaro South. Lennar and NB Dean may be collectively referred to herein as the "Developers." In May 2022, the District annexed an adjacent tract of undeveloped land. BG Land Development LLC ("BG Land") owns approximately 55 undeveloped acres within the District and Lennar owns approximately 85 undeveloped acres within the District. NB Dean and BG Land are under common ownership and control. See "THE DEVELOPERS/PRINCIPAL LANDOWNERS."

2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$135,565,842 <sup>(a)</sup>
Gross Direct Debt Outstanding (after the issuance of the Bonds) Estimated Overlapping Debt Gross Direct Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt	\$15,725,000 <u>6,936,148</u> <sup>(b)</sup> \$22,661,148
Ratio of Gross Direct Debt to 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	11.60%
Ratio of Gross Direct Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	16.72% <sup>(b)</sup>
Funds Available for Debt Service as of August 26, 2024 Debt Service Funds Capitalized Interest from Bond Proceeds Total Funds Available for Debt Service	\$664,905 <u>405,850</u> <sup>(c)</sup> \$1,070,755
Funds Available in General Operating Fund as of August 26, 2024	\$386,064 <sup>(d)</sup>
2024 District Tax Rate <sup>(e)</sup> : Debt Service Maintenance and Operations Total	\$0.32 <u>0.40</u> \$0.72/\$100 A.V.
Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2024-2049) ("Average Requirement")	\$1,030,435
Tax rate required to pay Average Requirement based upon 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation at a 95% collection rate	\$0.81/\$100 A.V.

Connection count as of August 8, 2024:	
Single-family residential – completed and occupied	655
Single-family residential – completed and unoccupied	
Single-family residential – under construction	71
Model homes	2
Total	751

Area of District – 473 acres Estimated 2024 Population – 2,293<sup>(f)</sup>

(b)

(d) See "RISK FACTORS - Operating Funds."

The District levied a total tax rate of \$0.72 per \$100 of assessed valuation for the 2024 tax year. (e)

(f) Estimate based on 3.5 persons per occupied home.

As certified by the Guadalupe Central Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District"). Includes \$132,688,551 of value certified by the Appraisal District and \$2,897,291 of value not yet certified by the Appraisal District. See "TAX PROCEDURES." See "ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT" herein. (a)

The District will capitalize twelve (12) months of interest from Bond proceeds. Neither the Bond Resolution nor Texas law requires that the District maintain any particular balance in the Debt Service Fund. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS." (c)

# **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

### \$9,900,000

# LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Guadalupe County, Texas)

# UNLIMITED TAX BONDS SERIES 2024

This Official Statement provides certain information in connection with the issuance by Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District (the "District") of its \$9,900,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2024 (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are issued pursuant to Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, the general laws of the State of Texas, including Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Chapter 7888, Texas Special District Local Laws Code, an election held in the District on November 3, 2020, a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Bond Resolution") adopted by the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), and an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "Commission" or "TCEQ").

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

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

# **RISK FACTORS**

#### <u>General</u>

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

#### Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments

*Economic Factors, Interest Rates, Credit Availability and Residential Foreclosures:* A substantial percentage of the taxable value of the District results from the current market value of single-family residences and developed lots. The market value of such homes and lots is related to general economic conditions affecting the demand for and taxable value of residences. Demand for lots and residential dwellings can be significantly affected by factors such as interest rates, credit availability, construction costs, energy availability and the economic prosperity and demographic characteristics of the urban centers toward which the marketing of lots is directed. Decreased levels of construction activity would tend to restrict the growth of property values in the District or could adversely impact existing values.

Interest rates and the availability of credit, including mortgage and development funding, have a direct impact on the construction activity, particularly short-term interest rates at which developers and homebuilders are able to obtain financing for development and construction costs. Interest rate levels and the general availability of credit may affect the ability of a landowner with undeveloped property to undertake and complete development activities within the District and the ability of potential homeowners to purchase homes. Because of the changing factors affecting the availability of funds, the District is unable to assess the future availability of such funds for continued development and construction within the District. In addition, the success of development within the District and growth of District taxable property values are, to a great extent, a function of the Austin metropolitan and regional economies.

*Competition:* The demand for single-family homes in the District could be affected by competition from other residential developments, including other residential developments located in other utility districts located near the District. In addition to competition for new home sales from other developments, there are numerous previously owned homes in more established neighborhoods closer to downtown New Braunfels that are for sale. Such homes could represent additional competition for homes proposed to be sold within the District.

*Dependence Upon Developers and Homebuilder:* The Developers, principal landowners and active homebuilder are the principal taxpayers in the District. The growth of the tax base is dependent upon additional construction of homes within the District. The Developers are under no obligation to continue to market developed tracts of land for improvement. Thus, the furnishing of information related to the proposed development by the Developers should not be interpreted as such a commitment by the Developers. The District makes no representation about the probability of development continuing in a timely manner or about the ability of the Developers, the homebuilder within the District, or other entities to whom such parties may sell all or a portion of their holdings within the District to implement any plan of development. Furthermore, there is no restriction on the Developer's right to sell its land. The District can make no prediction as to the effects that current or future economic or governmental circumstances may have on any plans of the Developers. Failure to construct taxable improvements on developed lots and tracts or failure of the Developers to develop its land would restrict the rate of growth of taxable value in the District. See "THE DISTRICT – Status of Development" and "THE DEVELOPERS/PRINCIPAL LANDOWNERS."

Based upon the most recently available information from the Guadalupe Central Appraisal District, the principal taxpayers in the District represented \$15,357,119 or approximately 11.33% of the District's 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$135,565,842. As of January 1, 2024, the Developers and its related entities owned property located within the District, the total aggregate assessed value of which comprised approximately 10.22% of the District's total assessed valuation. If the Developers (or other principal taxpayer) were to default in the payment of taxes in an amount which exceeds the District's debt service fund surplus, the ability of the District to make timely payment of debt service on the Bonds will be dependent on its ability to enforce and liquidate its tax lien, which is a time-consuming process, or to sell tax anticipation notes. Failure to recover or borrow funds in a timely fashion could result in an excessive District tax rate, hindering growth and leading to further defaults in the payment of taxes. The District is not required by law or the Bond Resolution to maintain any specified amount of surplus in its debt service fund. See "Tax Collection Limitations" in this section, "TAX DATA – Principal Taxpayers," and "TAX PROCEDURES – Levy and Collection of Taxes."

*Undeveloped Acreage and Vacant Lots:* There are approximately 96 developable acres that have not been provided with water distribution, wastewater collection, and storm drainage facilities and 272 developed lots that remain vacant as of August 8, 2024. The District makes no representation as to when or if the undeveloped land will be developed or if construction of homes on vacant lots will occur. See "THE DISTRICT – Status of Development."

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

Assuming no further development, the value of the land and improvements currently within the District will be the major determinant of the ability or willingness of District property owners to pay their taxes. The 2024 certified taxable assessed valuation of the District (see "FINANCIAL STATEMENT") is \$135,565,842. After issuance of the Bonds, the maximum annual debt service requirement will be \$1,129,250 (2048) and the average annual debt service requirement will be \$1,030,435 (2024-2049). Assuming no increase or decrease from the 2024 certified taxable assessed valuation and no use of funds other than tax collections, a tax rate of \$0.88 per \$100 assessed valuation at a 95% collection rate would be necessary to pay the average annual debt service requirement of \$1,030,435 (see "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS"). Although calculations have been made regarding average and maximum tax rates necessary to pay the debt service on the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds (defined herein) based upon the 2024 certified taxable assessed valuation within the District. Increases in the tax rate may be required in the event the District's assessed valuation does not continue to increase or in the event major taxapayers do not pay their District taxes timely. Increases in taxable values depend primarily on the continuing construction of taxable improvements within the District. See "TAX PROCEDURES" and "TAX DATA – Tax Adequacy for Debt Service."

# <u>Future Debt</u>

At a bond election held within the District on November 3, 2020, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$481,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities to serve the District. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$471,100,000 of authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds for water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities. At the same election, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$174,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing road improvements, of which \$168,175,000 remains authorized but unissued. The voters of the District have also authorized the issuance of a total of \$721,500,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for refunding bonds issued for road purposes. All of such bonds remain authorized but unissued. See "THE BONDS – Issuance of Additional Debt." The issuance of such future obligations may adversely affect the investment security of the Bonds. The District does not employ any formula with regard to assessed valuations or tax collections or otherwise to limit the amount of bonds which may be issued. Any bonds issued to acquire or construct water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities must be approved by the TCEQ. Any additional bonds issued by the District may dilute the security for the Bonds.

The Developers have financed the engineering and construction costs of underground utilities to serve the District, as well as certain other District improvements. After reimbursement from the proceeds of the Bonds, the Developers will have expended approximately \$25,900,000 (as of September 1, 2024) for design, construction and acquisition of District improvements not yet reimbursed. It is anticipated that proceeds from future issues of District bonds will be used, in part, to reimburse the Developers for these costs to the extent allowed by the Commission. According to the Engineer, the District's authorized but unissued bonds will be adequate, under present land use projections, to finance such improvements.

# Tax Collection Limitations

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

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

If the District defaults in the payment of principal, interest, or redemption price on the Bonds when due, or if it fails to make payments into any fund or funds created in the Bond Resolution, or defaults in the observation or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Bond Resolution, the Registered Owners have the statutory right of a writ of mandamus issued by a court of competent jurisdiction requiring the District and its officials to observe and perform the covenants, obligations, or conditions prescribed in the Bond Resolution. Except for mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not specifically provide for remedies to protect and enforce the interests of the Registered Owners. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. Further, there is no trust indenture or trustee, and all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the Registered Owners. Based on recent Texas court decisions, it is unclear whether Section 49.066 Texas Water Code, effectively waives governmental immunity of a municipal utility district for suits for money damages. Even if such a judgment against the District were obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the Registered Owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners may further be limited by a State of Texas statute reasonably required to attain an important public purpose or by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions, such as the District.

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

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

The District may not be placed into bankruptcy involuntarily.

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

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

#### <u>Marketability</u>

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

#### **Governmental Approval**

The Attorney General of Texas must approve the legality of the Bonds prior to their delivery. The Attorney General of Texas does not pass upon or guarantee the security of the Bonds as an investment, nor has the foregoing authority passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of the information contained in this Official Statement.

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

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

The forward looking statements 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, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement would prove to be accurate.

#### **Environmental Regulation**

Wastewater treatment and water supply facilities are subject to stringent and complex environmental laws and regulations. Facilities must comply with environmental laws at the federal, state, and local levels. These laws and regulations can restrict or prohibit certain activities that affect the environment in many ways such as:

- Requiring permits for construction and operation of water supply wells and wastewater treatment facilities;
- Restricting the manner in which wastes are released into the air, water, or soils;
- Restricting or regulating the use of wetlands or other property;
- Requiring remedial action to prevent or mitigate pollution;
- Imposing substantial liabilities for pollution resulting from facility operations.

Compliance with environmental laws and regulations can increase the cost of planning, designing, constructing and operating water production and wastewater treatment facilities. Sanctions against a water district for failure to comply with environmental laws and regulations may include a variety of civil and criminal enforcement measures, including assessment of monetary penalties, imposition of remedial requirements, and issuance of injunctions as to future compliance of and the ability to operate the District's water supply, wastewater treatment, and drainage facilities. Environmental laws and regulations can also impact an area's ability to grow and develop. The following is a discussion of certain environmental concerns that relate to the District. It should be noted that changes in environmental laws and regulations occur frequently, and any changes that result in more stringent and costly requirements could materially impact the District.

*Air Quality Issues.* The Federal Clean Air Act ("CAA") requires the United States Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") to adopt and periodically revise national ambient air quality standards ("NAAQS") for each air pollutant that may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health or welfare. Areas that exceed the NAAQS for a given pollutant can be designated as nonattainment by the EPA. A nonattainment designation then triggers a process by which the affected state must develop and implement a plan to improve air quality and "attain" compliance with the appropriate standard. This so called State Implementation Plan ("SIP") entails enforceable control measures and time frames.

In 1997, the EPA adopted an ozone standard with a standard for fine particulates, often referred to as the 8-hour standard because it is based on an 8-hour average and is intended to protect public health against longer exposure. In 2008, the EPA tightened the existing eight-hour ozone standard from 0.08 ppm to 0.075 ppm. The Austin area, consisting of Williamson, Hays, Travis, Bastrop, and Caldwell Counties (the "Austin Area"), was not designated "nonattainment" for any NAAQS by the EPA in 2012; however, the Austin Area has been just below the 2008 eight-hour ozone standard.

On November 26, 2014, the EPA announced a new proposed ozone NAAQS range of between 65-70 ppb. The Austin Area is vulnerable to being designated nonattainment if the EPA adopts the new proposed ozone NAAQS or otherwise maintains the existing standard applied to more recent air quality monitoring data.

On October 1, 2015, the EPA adopted new NAAQS for ground level ozone of 70 ppb. On November 6, 2017, the EPA issued final designations for the 2015 Ozone NAAQS for most areas of the United States and found that the Austin Area met the standards and thus designated the Austin Area "attainment/unclassified."

Should the Austin Area fail to achieve attainment under an EPA NAAQS, or should the Austin Area fail to satisfy a then effective SIP (for nonattainment or otherwise), or for any other reason should a lapse in conformity with the CAA occur, the Austin Area may be subjected to sanctions pursuant to the CAA. Under such circumstances, the TCEQ would be required under the CAA to submit to the EPA a new SIP under the CAA for the Austin Area. Due to the complexity of the nonattainment/conformity analysis, the status of EPA's implementation of any future EPA NAAQS and the incomplete information surrounding any SIP requirements for areas designated nonattainment under any future EPA NAAQS, the exact nature of sanctions or any potential SIP that may be applicable to the Austin Area in the future is uncertain. The CAA provides for mandatory sanctions, including the suspension of federal highway funding, should the State fail to submit a proper SIP, or associated submissions, or fail to revise or implement a SIP, or fail to comply with an existing SIP. Subject to certain exceptions, if the Austin Area falls out of conformity and the mandatory highway funding suspension sanction is implemented, the United States Secretary of Transportation may be prohibited from approving or awarding transportation projects or grants within the area.

It is possible that nonattainment, a lapse in conformity under the CAA, litigation involving injunctive or other relief, or other environmental issues may impact new industrial, commercial and residential development in the Austin Area.

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

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

Pursuant to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act ("SDWA") and the EPA's National Primary Drinking Water Regulations ("NPDWRs"), which are implemented by the TCEQ's Water Supply Division, a municipal utility district's provision of water for human consumption is subject to extensive regulation as a public water system. Municipal utility districts must generally provide treated water that meets the primary and secondary drinking water quality standards adopted by the TCEQ, the applicable disinfectant residual and inactivation standards, and the other regulatory action levels established under the agency's rules. The EPA has established NPDWRs for more than ninety (90) contaminants and has identified and listed other contaminants which may require national drinking water regulation in the future. Further, the EPA has established a NPDWR for six (6) Per- and Polyflouroalkyl Substances ("PFAS"), which requires public water systems to perform certain monitoring and remediation measures. Public water systems may be subject to additional PFAS regulation in the future, which could increase the cost of constructing, operating, and maintaining water production and distribution facilities.

Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") permits set limits on the type and quantity of discharge, in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. The TCEQ reissued the TPDES Construction General Permit (TXR150000) ("CGP"), with an effective date of March 5, 2023, which is a general permit authorizing the discharge of stormwater runoff associated with small and large construction sites and certain non-stormwater discharges into surface water in the state. The CGP has a 5-year permit term, and is then subject to renewal. Moreover, the Clean Water Act ("CWA") and Texas Water Code require municipal wastewater treatment plants to meet secondary treatment effluent limitations and more stringent water quality-based limitations and requirements to comply with the Texas water quality standards. Any water quality-based limitations and requirements with which a municipal utility district must comply may have an impact on the municipal utility district's ability to obtain and maintain compliance with TPDES permits.

The District is subject to the TCEQ's General Permit for Phase II (Small) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (the "MS4 Permit"), which was issued by the TCEQ on January 24, 2019. The MS4 Permit authorizes the discharge of stormwater to surface water in the state from small municipal separate storm sewer systems. The District has applied for coverage under the MS4 Permit and is awaiting final approval from the TCEQ. In order to maintain compliance with the MS4 Permit, the District continues to develop, implement, and maintain the required plans, as well as to install or implement best management practices to minimize or eliminate unauthorized pollutants that may otherwise be found in stormwater runoff. Costs associated with these compliance activities could be substantial in the future.

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

In 2023, the Supreme Court of the United States issued its decision in *Sackett v. EPA*, which clarified the definition of "waters of the United States" and significantly restricted the reach of federal jurisdiction under the CWA. Under the *Sackett* decision, "waters of the United States" includes only geographical features that are described in ordinary parlance as "streams, oceans, rivers, and lakes" and to adjacent wetlands that are indistinguishable from such bodies of water due to a continuous surface connection. Subsequently, the EPA and USACE issued a final rule amending the definition of "waters of the United States" under the CWA to conform with the Supreme Court's decision.

While the *Sackett* decision and subsequent regulatory action removed a great deal of uncertainty regarding the ultimate scope of "waters of the United States" and the extent of EPA and USACE jurisdiction, operations of municipal utility districts, including the District, could potentially be subject to additional restrictions and requirements, including additional permitting requirements, in the future.

#### Potential of Natural Disaster

The District could be impacted by a natural disaster such as wide-spread fires, earthquakes, or weather events such as hurricanes, tornados, tropical storms, or other severe weather events that could produce high winds, heavy rains, hail, and flooding. In the event that a natural disaster should damage or destroy improvements and personal property in the District, the assessed value of such taxable properties could be substantially reduced, resulting in a decrease in the taxable assessed value of the District or an increase in the District's tax rate. See "TAX PROCEDURES – Valuation of Property for Taxation."

There can be no assurance that a casualty will be covered by insurance (certain casualties, including flood, are usually excepted unless specific insurance is purchased), that any insurance company will fulfill its obligation to provide insurance proceeds, or that insurance proceeds will be used to rebuild, repair, or replace any taxable properties in the District that were damaged. Even if insurance proceeds are available and damaged properties are rebuilt, there could be a lengthy period in which assessed values in the District would be adversely affected. There can be no assurance the District will not sustain damage from such natural disasters.

#### **Changes in Tax Legislation**

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the Federal or state level, may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds under Federal or state law and could affect the market price or marketability of the Bonds. Any such proposal could limit the value of certain deductions and exclusions, including the exclusion for tax-exempt interest. The likelihood of any such proposal being enacted cannot be predicted. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

#### **Drought Conditions**

Central Texas, like other areas of the State, has experienced drought conditions in recent years. The CCSUD (defined herein) provides water to the District residents in amounts sufficient to service the residents of the District, however, as drought conditions emerge, water usage, District revenues and rates could be impacted.

#### Storm Water

In 2018, the National Weather Service completed a rainfall study known as Atlas 14. Floodplain boundaries within the District may be redrawn based on the Atlas 14 study based a higher statistical rainfall amount, resulting in interim floodplain regulations applying to a larger number of properties and consequently leaving less developable property within the District. Such regulations could additionally result in higher insurance rates, increased development fees, and stricter building codes for any property located within the expanded boundaries of the floodplain. See "THE SYSTEM – Water, Sanitary Sewer and Drainage Facilities – 100-Year Flood Plain and Storm Drainage Information."

#### **Bond Insurance Risks**

The following risk factors related to municipal bond insurance policies generally apply:

In the event of default of the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Bonds when all or some becomes due, any owner of the Bonds shall have a claim under the Policy (as defined herein) for such payments. However, in the event of any acceleration of the due date of such principal by reason of mandatory or optional redemption or acceleration resulting from default or otherwise, other than any advancement of maturity pursuant to a mandatory sinking fund payment, the payments are to be made in such amounts and at such times as such payments would have been due had there not been any such acceleration. The Policy does not insure against a redemption premium, if any. The payment of principal and interest in connection with mandatory or optional prepayment of the Bonds by the District which is recovered by the District from the bond owner as a voidable preference under applicable bankruptcy law is covered by the Policy, however, such payments will be made by the Bond Insurer at such time and in such amounts as would have been due absence such prepayment by the District unless the Bond Insurer chooses to pay such amounts at an earlier date.

Under most circumstances, default of payment of principal and interest does not obligate acceleration of the obligations of the Bond Insurer without appropriate consent. The Bond Insurer may direct and must consent to any remedies and the Bond Insurer's consent may be required in connection with amendments to any applicable Bond documents. In the event the Bond Insurer is unable to make payment of principal and interest as such payments become due under the Policy, the Bonds are payable solely from the monies received by the Paying Agent/Registrar pursuant to the Bond Resolution. In the event the Bond Insurer becomes obligated to make payments with respect to the Bonds, no assurance is given that such event will not adversely affect the market price of the Bonds or the marketability (liquidity) for the Bonds.

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

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

Neither the District nor the Initial Purchaser has made independent investigation into the claims-paying ability of the Bond Insurer and no assurance or representation regarding the financial strength or projected financial strength of the Bond Insurer is given. Thus, when making an investment decision, potential investors should carefully consider the ability of the District to pay principal and interest on the Bonds and the claims-paying ability of the Bond Insurer, particularly over the life of the investment.

# THE BONDS

#### <u>General</u>

Following is a description of some of the terms and conditions of the Bonds, which description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Bond Resolution of the Board. The Bond Resolution authorizes the issuance and sale of the Bonds and prescribes the terms, conditions, and provisions for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds by the District.

The Bonds will be dated October 1, 2024 and will accrue interest from the Date of Delivery (expected on October 29, 2024), at the rates shown on the inside cover hereof, and interest is payable on each March 1 and September 1 commencing March 1, 2025, until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds mature on September 1 in the amounts and years shown on the inside cover page of this Official Statement. Interest calculations are based on a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form only, without coupons, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as registered owner and nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, acting as securities depository for the Bonds until DTC resigns or is discharged. The Bonds initially will be available to purchasers in book-entry form only. So long as Cede & Co., as the nominee of DTC, is the registered owner of the Bonds, principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the paying agent to DTC, which will be solely responsible for making such payment to the beneficial owners of the Bonds.

#### Authority for Issuance

At a bond election held within the District on November 3, 2020, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$481,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities to serve the District. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$471,100,000 of authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds for water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities. At the same election, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$174,000,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing road improvements, of which \$168,175,000 remains authorized but unissued. The District may also issue refunding bonds.

The Bonds are issued by the District pursuant to the election described above, the terms and provisions of the Bond Resolution, Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Chapter 7888, Texas Special District Local Laws Code, and an order of the Commission.

#### Source of and Security for Payment

The Bonds are payable as to the principal and interest from the proceeds of a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, against all taxable property within the District. While the Bonds or any part of the principal thereof or interest thereon remain outstanding and unpaid, the District covenants in the Bond Resolution to levy an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds, with full allowance being made for delinquencies and costs of collection. The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not the obligations of the State of Texas, Guadalupe County, Texas, the City or any entity other than the District.

# **Funds**

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

Twelve (12) months of capitalized interest on the Bonds shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund upon receipt. The remaining proceeds from sale of the Bonds, including interest earnings thereon, shall be deposited into the Capital Projects Fund and used to reimburse the Developers for the costs of acquiring or constructing District facilities on behalf of the District, pay interest on such reimbursements and pay the costs of issuing the Bonds. See "THE SYSTEM – Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds" for a more complete description of the use of Bond proceeds.

#### No Arbitrage

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

#### **Record Date**

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

#### **Redemption Provisions**

The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem the Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2031, prior to their scheduled maturities, in whole or from time to time in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000, on September 1, 2030, or on any date thereafter, at a price of par plus accrued interest on the principal amounts called for redemption to the date fixed for redemption. If fewer than all of the Bonds are redeemed at any time, the particular maturities and amounts of Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the District. If fewer than all the Bonds of any maturity are redeemed at any time, the particular Bonds within a maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the Paying Agent/Registrar (hereinafter defined) by lot or other customary method of random selection (or by DTC (hereinafter defined) in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form).

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

#### **Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption**

The Bonds maturing on September 1, 2042 (the "Term Bonds") are also subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to their stated maturity in the following amounts, on the following dates and at a price of par to the date of redemption by lot:

Term Bonds Due September 1, 2042		
	Principal	
Redemption Date	Amount	
September 1, 2041	\$ 460,000	
September 1, 2042*	485,000	

#### \*Stated Maturity.

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

#### **Registration and Transfer**

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

#### Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Bonds

In the event the Book-Entry-Only System should be discontinued, upon the presentation and surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar of a mutilated Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a replacement Bond of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. If any Bond is lost, apparently destroyed, or wrongfully taken, the District, pursuant to the applicable laws of the State of Texas and in the absence of notice or knowledge that such Bond has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, shall, upon receipt of certain documentation from the Registered Owner and an indemnity bond, execute and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver a replacement Bond of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding.

Registered owners of lost, stolen or destroyed bonds will be required to pay the District's costs to replace such bond. In addition, the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar may require the Registered Owner to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed.

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

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

#### **Issuance of Additional Debt**

The District may issue additional bonds, with the approval of the Commission, necessary to acquire contract rights and provide and maintain improvements and facilities consistent with the purposes for which the District was created. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$471,100,000 authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds for water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities. The District will also have \$168,175,000 of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for the purpose of acquiring or constructing road improvements. At the same election, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$721,500,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for refunding bonds issued for road purposes. All of such bonds remain authorized but unissued. The Bond Resolution imposes no limitation on the amount of additional parity bonds which may be authorized for issuance by the District's voters or the amount ultimately issued by the District. Any additional bonds issued by the District may dilute the security for the Bonds. See "RISK FACTORS – Future Debt."

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

#### Annexation by the City of New Braunfels

The District is located entirely within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City. Generally, under current Texas law, the District may be annexed by the City without the District's consent, and the City cannot annex territory within the District unless it annexes the entire District; however, the City may not annex the District unless (i) such annexation has been approved by a majority of those voting in an election held for that purpose within the area to be annexed, and (ii) if the registered voters in the area to be annexed do not own more than fifty-percent (50%) of the land in the area, a petition has been signed by more than fifty-percent (50%) of the annexation. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the described election and petition process does not apply during the term of a strategic partnership agreement between the City and the District specifying the procedures for full purpose annexation of all or a portion of the District.

If a municipal utility district is annexed, the municipality must assume the assets, functions, and obligations of the District, including outstanding bonds, and the pledge of taxes will terminate. No representation is made concerning the likelihood of annexation and dissolution or the ability of the City to make debt service payments on the Bonds should dissolution occur.

#### **Consolidation**

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

#### **Remedies in Event of Default**

Other than a writ of mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not provide a specific remedy for a default. If the District defaults, a Registered Owner could petition for a writ of mandamus issued by a court of competent jurisdiction compelling and requiring the District and the District's officials to observe and perform the covenants, obligations or conditions prescribed in the Bond Resolution. Such remedy might need to be enforced on a periodic basis. Based on recent Texas court decisions, it is unclear whether §49.066, Texas Water Code, effectively waives governmental immunity of a municipal utility district for suits for money damages. Even if a judgment against the District for money damages could be obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the Registered Owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The enforcement of a claim for payment on the Bonds would be subject to the applicable provisions of the federal bankruptcy laws, any other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions, and general principles of equity which permit the exercise of judicial discretion. Certain traditional legal remedies also may not be available. See "RISK FACTORS – Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations."

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

Pursuant to Section 49.186, Texas Water Code, the Bonds, whether rated or unrated, are (a) legal investments for banks, savings banks, trust companies, building and loan associations, savings and loan associations, insurance companies, fiduciaries, and trustees and (b) legal investments for the public funds of cities, towns, villages, school districts, and other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State. The Bonds are also eligible under the Public Funds Collateral Act, Chapter 2257, Texas Government Code, to secure deposits of public funds of the State or any political subdivision or public agency of the State and are lawful and sufficient security for those deposits to the extent of their market value. Most political subdivisions in the State are required to adopt investment guidelines under the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, and such political subdivisions may impose other, more stringent requirements in order for the Bonds to be legal investments for such entity's funds or to be eligible to serve as collateral for their funds.

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

#### Defeasance

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

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

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

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

This section describes how ownership of the Bonds is to be transferred and how the principal of and interest on the Bonds are to be paid to and credited by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC") while the Bonds are registered in its nominee name. The information in this section concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been provided by DTC for use in disclosure documents such as this Official Statement. The District and the Financial Advisor believe the source of such information to be reliable, but neither of the District or the Financial Advisor takes any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof.

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

# <u>General</u>

The DTC, New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

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

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

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

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

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

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

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

A Beneficial Owner shall give notice to elect to have its Bonds purchased or tendered, through its Participant, to the Paying Agent/Registrar, and shall effect delivery of such Bonds by causing the Direct Participant to transfer the Participant's interest in the Bonds, on DTC's records, to the Paying Agent/Registrar. The requirement for physical delivery of Bonds in connection with an optional tender or a mandatory purchase will be deemed satisfied when the ownership rights in the Bonds are transferred by Direct Participants on DTC's records and followed by a book-entry credit of tendered Bonds to the Paying Agent/Registrar's DTC account.

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

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

#### THE DISTRICT

#### <u>General</u>

The District was created by Senate Bill 2558, an act of the 86th Legislature of the State of Texas, Regular Session (2019) and codified as Chapter 7888 of the Special District Local Laws Code (the "Act"), and operates under the provisions of Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, the Act, and other general statutes applicable to municipal utility districts.

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

The Commission exercises continuing supervisory jurisdiction over the District. The District is required to observe certain requirements of the City which limit the purposes for which the District may sell bonds; limit the net effective interest rate on such bonds and other terms of such bonds; and require public water, sewer, and drainage facilities to be designed in accordance with certain City standards. Construction and operation of the District's drainage system are subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of additional government agencies. See "THE SYSTEM."

#### Location

The District contains approximately 473 acres of land after annexations in March 2021 of approximately 116 acres, May 2022 of approximately 141 acres, and August 2024 of approximately 11 acres. The District is located in Guadalupe County near the intersection of Highway 123 and F.M. 758, approximately 13 miles east of the City and approximately 10 miles north of the City of Seguin. The District lies totally within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City and within Navarro Independent School District.

#### Status of Development

The District is being developed primarily for single family residential purposes as Navarro Ranch. Water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities have been constructed to serve Navarro Ranch, Units 1A, 1B, 1C, 2A, 2B, 2C, 4, 5, and 7 (approximately 208 acres of land developed into 961 single-family residential lots). As of August 8, 2024, the District contained 655 single-family homes completed and occupied, 23 single-family homes completed and not occupied, 71 single-family homes in various stages of construction, 2 model homes, and 272 vacant developed lots available to new home construction.

Construction of water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities to serve Navarro Ranch, Units 3A, 3B, 6, and 8, and Jaro South, Unit 1 (approximately 105 acres of land being developed into 345 single-family residential lots) is underway.

In addition to the development described above, the District contains approximately 96 acres of developable land which are not provided with underground water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. Also, approximately 53 acres of undevelopable land is contained in easements, rights of way, storm water detention facilities and other land uses.

The current builder in the District is Lennar (defined herein). New homes in the District range in offering prices from approximately \$200,000 to \$380,000. As of August 8, 2024, the District contained 751 single-family homes completed as shown below:

Status of home construction as of August 8, 2024:

Single-family residential – completed and occupied	655
Single-family residential – completed and unoccupied	
Single-family residential – under construction	
Model homes	2
Total	

#### MANAGEMENT

#### **Board of Directors**

The District is governed by the Board of Directors, consisting of five directors, which has control over and management supervision of all affairs of the District. None of the Directors listed below reside within the District; however, each of the Directors owns an undivided interest in a small parcel of land in the District. Directors are elected by the voters within the District for four-year staggered terms. Directors elections are held only in May even numbered years. The Directors and Officers of the District are listed below:

Name	Title	Term Expires
Erika Ramon	President	May 2026
Evana Toll	Vice President	May 2028
Kyle Hackett	Secretary	May 2026
Patrick Lynch, Jr.	Assistant Secretary	May 2028
Aaron Neumann	Assistant Secretary	May 2028

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

#### Tax Assessor/Collector

Land and improvements within the District are appraised for ad valorem taxation purposes by the Guadalupe Central Appraisal District ("Appraisal District"). The District's Tax Assessor/Collector is contracted with by the Board of the District, and the District has contracted with the Guadalupe County Tax Assessor/Collector to serve in this capacity for the District.

#### **Bookkeeper**

The District has engaged Bott & Douthitt, PLLC to serve as the District's bookkeeper (the "Bookkeeper").

#### Engineer

The consulting engineer for the District in connection with the design and construction of the District's facilities is Jones-Heroy & Associates, Inc. (the "Engineer").

#### **General Counsel and Bond Counsel**

The District engages McLean & Howard, L.L.P. as general counsel and as bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The legal fees to be paid bond counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the Bonds actually issued, sold and delivered and, therefore, such fees are contingent on the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

#### Special Tax Counsel

McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Dallas, Texas has been retained as Special Tax Counsel. The fees payable to Special Tax Counsel are contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

#### **Disclosure Counsel**

McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Austin, Texas has been engaged to serve as Disclosure Counsel. Fees for services rendered by Disclosure Counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

#### **Financial Advisor**

Specialized Public Finance Inc. (the "Financial Advisor") serves as financial advisor to the District. The fees to be paid the Financial Advisor for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the Bonds actually issued, sold and delivered and, therefore, such fees are contingent on the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

#### Auditor

The District's financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023, were audited by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC. See APPENDIX A for a copy of the District's September 30, 2023 audited financial statements.

# THE DEVELOPERS/PRINCIPAL LANDOWNERS

#### Role of a Developer

In general, the activities of a landowner or developer in a municipal utility district such as the District include designing the project; defining a marketing program and setting building schedules; securing necessary governmental approvals and permits for development; arranging for the construction of roads and the installation of utilities; and selling or leasing improved tracts or commercial reserves to other developers or third parties. In some instances, a landowner or developer will be required by the Commission to pay thirty percent (30%) of the cost of placing the water distribution, wastewater collection, and storm drainage facilities in a district, exclusive of water supply and storage and wastewater treatment plants of which the district incurs one hundred percent (100%) of the cost. While a developer is required by the Commission to pave streets (in areas where District facilities are being financed with bonds), a developer is under no obligation to a district to undertake development activities according to any particular plan or schedule. Furthermore, there is no restriction on a developer's right to sell any or all of the land which the developer owns within a district. In addition, the developer is ordinarily the major taxpayer within the district during the early stages of development. The relative success or failure of a developer to perform in the above-described capacities may affect the ability of a district to collect sufficient taxes to pay debt service and retire bonds.

Neither the Developers (as hereinafter defined) nor any of their affiliates, is obligated to pay principal of or interest on the Bonds. See "RISK FACTORS – Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments." Furthermore, neither the Developers nor any of their affiliates has any binding commitment to the District to carry out any plan of development, and the furnishing of information relating to the proposed development by the Developers should not be interpreted as such a commitment. Prospective purchasers are encouraged to inspect the District in order to acquaint themselves with the nature of development that has occurred or is occurring within the boundaries of the District.

#### **The Developers**

Lennar Homes of Texas Land and Construction, Ltd. ("Lennar"), a Texas limited partnership, has developed water, sewer and drainage facilities to serve specific sections within the District known as Navarro Ranch. Lennar financed, or is financing, the development of Navarro Ranch, Units 1A through 1C, 2A through 2C, 3A, 3B, and 4 through 8 in the District with funds provided by its parent company. Lennar does not own any additional land in the District but does own 272 vacant developed lots.

The General Partner of Lennar is U.S. Home LLC, a Delaware limited liability company that is wholly owned by Lennar Corporation. Lennar Corporation is a publicly traded corporation whose stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Audited financial statements for Lennar Corporation can be found online at https:investors.lennar.com/financials. Lennar Corporation is subject to the information requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and in accordance therewith files reports and other information with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Reports, proxy statements and other information filed by Lennar Corporation can be inspected at the office of the SEC at Judiciary Plaza, Room 1024, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such material can be obtained from the Public Reference Section of the SEC at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, at prescribed rates. Copies of the above reports, proxy statements and other information may also be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005. The SEC maintains a website at http://www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC.

NB Dean 32, LLC ("NB Dean"), a Texas limited liability company, developed water, sewer and drainage facilities to serve Jaro South, Unit 1. NB Dean financed the development of Jaro South, Unit 1 with financing provided by commercial lending institutions. NB Dean has sold the lots to Lennar and does not own any additional land in the District.

Lennar and NB Dean may be collectively referred to herein as the Developers.

The Developers are not responsible for, liable for, and has not made any commitment for payment of the Bonds or other obligations of the District. The Developers have no legal commitment to the District or owners of the Bonds to continue development of land within the District and may sell or otherwise dispose of its property within the District, or any other assets, at any time.

#### **Principal Landowners**

In May 2022, the District annexed an adjacent tract of undeveloped land. BG Land Development LLC ("BG Land") owns approximately 55 undeveloped acres within the District and Lennar owns approximately 85 undeveloped acres within the District. NB Dean and BG Land are under common ownership and control.

# THE SYSTEM

## **Regulation**

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

#### Water, Sanitary Sewer and Drainage Facilities

Construction of the water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities to serve the District have been, or will be, financed with funds advanced by the Developers. It is expected that proceeds from sale of future issues of District Bonds will be used to reimburse the Developers for certain of the advances.

*Source of Water Supply*: Crystal Clear Special Utility District ("CCSUD") provides retail water service to all residents within the District pursuant to Nonstandard Service Agreement entered into by CCSUD and Lennar dated July 23, 2019 (the "Water Agreement"). The Water Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which CCSUD agreed to provide up to 1,450 living unit equivalents ("LUEs") of retail water service to customers within the District. CCSUD owns and operates groundwater production facilities and is a member of the Canyon Regional Water Authority ("CRWA"). CRWA provides water to CCSUD pursuant to certain water supply contracts including Lake Dunlap/Mid Cities Project Contract, Hays/Caldwell Counties Area Contract, Wells Ranch I Contract, and Wells Ranch II Project. CRWA and the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority ("GBRA") entered into a water purchase contract dated as of October 13, 1998, as amended, which provides for the purchase of water by CRWA. The current annual commitment under the contract is 10,575 acre feet of water per year. CRWA also has water rights in the Carrizo and Wilcox Aquifers located in Guadalupe and Gonzales Counties. In 2007, through the Wells Ranch I and II projects, CRWA has permits for 13,029 acre feet of water.

*Source of Wastewater Treatment:* The City of Seguin, Texas ("Seguin") provides retail sewer service to all residents within the District pursuant to a Capital Improvement Agreement for Sanitary Sewer Service entered into by Seguin and Lennar effective July 19, 2019 (the "Wastewater Agreement"). Pursuant to the Wastewater Agreement, Seguin has agreed to provide wastewater service sufficient to serve a total of 1,450 LUEs until June 18, 2044. Seguin treats the wastewater generated within the District at its Geronimo Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant, which has a current capacity of 5.54 million gallons per day. Lennar financed the construction of the sanitary sewer line and lift station to transport all wastewater flows from the District to the Seguin wastewater system. As of August 8, 2024, Seguin served 655 active retail sewer connections within the District.

*100-Year Flood Plain and Storm Drainage Information:* Flood Insurance Rate Map" or "FIRM" means an official map of a community on which the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has delineated the appropriate areas of flood hazards. The 1% chance of probable inundation, also known as the 100-year flood plain, is depicted on these maps. The "100-year flood plain" (or 1% chance of probable inundation) as shown on the FIRM is the estimated geographical area that would be flooded by a rain storm of such intensity to statistically have a one percent chance of occurring in any given year. Generally speaking, homes must be built above the 100-year flood plain in order to meet local regulatory requirements and to be eligible for federal flood insurance. According to the District's Engineer, approximately 62 acres of land within the District are located within the 100-year flood plain as designated by the most recent Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance Rate Map.

In 2018, the National Weather Service completed a rainfall study known as Atlas 14 which shows that severe rainfall events are now occurring more frequently. Within Texas, the Atlas 14 study showed an increased number of rainfall events in a band extending from the upper Gulf Coast in the east and running west generally along the I-10 corridor to Central Texas. In particular, the study shows that Central Texas is more likely to experience larger storms than previously thought. Flood plain boundaries within the District may be redrawn based on the Atlas 14 study based on the higher statistical rainfall amount, and could mean higher insurance rates, increased development fees, and stricter building codes for any property located within the expanded boundaries of the flood plain.

#### Use and Distribution of Bond Proceeds

The estimated use and distribution of Bond proceeds is shown below.

#### **CONSTRUCTION RELATED COSTS**

Navarro Offsite Wastewater Line – 3A & 3B1\$	277,000
Water Facilities Construction Contribution	426,593
Water Connection Fees	3,310,000
Wastewater Impact Fees	3,688,875
Total Construction Related Costs	7,702,468

# **NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS**

Bond Discount\$	297,000
Capitalized Interest	405,850
Operating Costs	100,000
Interest on Construction Costs (Estimated)	811,086
Contingency <sup>(a)</sup>	64,400
Total Non-Construction Costs\$	1,678,336

# **ISSUANCE COSTS AND FEES**

Issuance Costs and Professional Fees\$	422,696
Bond Report Costs	62,250
State Regulatory Fees	34,250
Total Issuance Costs and Fees	519,196
TOTAL BOND ISSUE REQUIREMENT\$	9,900,000

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

Date of <u>Authorization</u>	Purpose	Amount <u>Authorized</u>	Issued to Date	Amount <u>Unissued</u>
11/03/2020	Water, Sanitary Sewer and Drainage	\$481,000,000	\$9,900,000 <sup>(a)</sup>	\$471,100,000
11/03/2020	Road Bonds	\$174,000,000	\$5,825,000	\$168,175,000
11/03/2020	Refunding Water, Sanitary Sewer And Drainage Bonds	\$721,500,000	\$0	\$721,500,000
11/03/2020	Refunding Road Bonds	\$261,000,000	\$0	\$261,000,000

UNLIMITED TAX BONDS AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED

(a) The Bonds.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$135,565,842 <sup>(a)</sup>
District Debt: Outstanding Bonds (as of August 1, 2024) The Bonds Gross Direct Debt Outstanding (after issuance of the Bonds)	<u>9,900,000</u>
Ratio of Gross Direct Debt to: 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	11.60%

Area of District – 473 acres Estimated 2024 Population - 2,293<sup>(b)</sup>

As certified by the Appraisal District. Includes \$132,688,551 of value certified by the Appraisal District and \$2,897,291 of value not yet certified by the Appraisal District. See "TAX PROCEDURES." Estimate based on 3.5 persons per occupied home. (a)

(b)

# Cash and Investment Balances (unaudited as of August 26, 2024)

General Operating Fund	Cash and Temporary Investments	\$386,064
Debt Service Fund	Cash and Temporary Investments	\$664,905 <sup>(a)</sup>

(a) Twelve (12) months of capitalized interest will be deposited into such fund from Bond proceeds. Neither the Bond Resolution nor Texas law requires that the District maintain any particular balance in the Debt Service Fund.

#### ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT

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

Taxing	Outstanding		Ov	erlapping
Jurisdiction	Bonds <sup>(a)</sup>	<u>As of</u>	Percent	Amount
	<b>#0.015.000</b>	07/01/04	0.000/	<b>\$22.244</b>
Guadalupe County	\$8,015,000	07/31/24	0.29%	\$23,244
Navarro Independent School District	171,111,494	07/31/24	4.04%	6,912,904
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Total Estimated Overlapping Debt				\$6,936,148
Total Estimated Overlapping Debt				\$0,950,140
	¢15 725 000(b)		100.000/	15 725 000
The District	\$15,725,000(8)		100.00%	15,725,000
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt				\$22,661,148
Ratio of Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping I	Debt to			
2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation				16 729/
2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation				

(a) Includes principal amounts of current interest bonds and capital appreciation bonds. Capital appreciation bonds are shown at original principal amount as opposed to maturity value.

(b) Includes the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds.

#### **Overlapping Tax Rates for 2023**<sup>(a)</sup>

<u> </u>	2023 Tax Rate per \$100 Assessed Valuation
Guadalupe County	\$0.3231
Navarro Independent School District	1.1401
The District <sup>(b)</sup>	0.7200
Total Overlapping Tax Rate	\$2.1832

(a) These jurisdictions are in the process of levying their 2024 tax rates

(b) The District levied a total tax rate of \$0.72 per \$100 of assessed valuation for the 2024 tax year.

# TAX DATA

#### **Tax Collections**

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

Tax	Assessed	Tax	Tax	Total Collections as of 07/31/2024	
Year	Valuation	Rate	Levy	Amount	Percent
2021	\$131,763 <sup>(a)</sup>	\$0.72	\$949	\$949	100.00%
2022	6,810,843	0.72	49,038	49,038	100.00
2023	63,833,810	0.72	463,418	458,035	98.84
2024	135,565,842	0.72	N/A	N/A	N/A

(a) Initial year of tax levy.

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

#### Tax Rate Distribution

	2024	2023	2022	2021
Debt Service	\$0.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Maintenance and Operations	<u>0.40</u>	<u>0.72</u>	0.72	<u>0.72</u>
Total	\$0.72	\$0.72	\$0.72	\$0.72

#### Tax Rate Limitations

Debt Service: Unlimited (no legal limit as to rate or amount). Maintenance and Operations: \$1.00 per \$100 assessed valuation.

#### **Debt Service Tax**

The Board covenants in the Bond Resolution to levy and assess, for each year that all or any part of the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid, a tax adequate to provide funds to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. For the 2024 tax year, the Board levied a \$0.32 debt service tax.

#### Maintenance Tax

The Board of the District has the statutory authority to levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for maintenance of the District's improvements, if such maintenance tax is authorized by vote of the District's electors. On November 3, 2020, the Board was authorized to levy such a maintenance tax in an amount not to exceed \$1.00 per \$100 of assessed valuation. For the 2024 tax year, the Board levied a maintenance tax in the amount of \$0.40 per \$100 assessed valuation. Such tax is in addition to taxes which the District is authorized to levy for paying principal and interest on the District's bonds.

#### Tax Exemptions

As discussed in the section titled "TAX PROCEDURES" herein, certain property in the District may be exempt from taxation by the District. The District does not exempt any percentage of the market value of any residential homesteads from taxation.

#### **Additional Penalties**

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

# **Principal Taxpayers**

The following list of principal taxpayers was provided by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector based upon the 2024 tax roll.

		2024	% of
	Type of	Assessed	Assessed
Taxpayer	Property	Valuation	Valuation
Lennar Homes of Texas Land & Construction, Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	Land and Improvements	\$10,493,995	7.74%
Benchmark Acquisitions LLC	Land and Improvements	1,456,618	1.07
BG Land Dev LLC <sup>(a)</sup>	Land and Improvements	1,139,822	0.81
Jorgensen Properties LLC	Land and Improvements	442,236	0.33
Upward America Central REIT TRS LP <sup>(a)</sup>	Land and Improvements	422,929	0.31
Upward America Central Property Owner LP <sup>(a)</sup>	Land and Improvements	358,667	0.26
Individual	Homeowner	354,205	0.26
Individual	Homeowner	350,683	0.26
Individual	Homeowner	337,964	0.25
Total		\$15,357,119	11.33%

(a) The Developers. See "THE DEVELOPERS/PRINCIPAL LANDOWNERS."

#### Summary of Assessed Valuation

The following summary of the 2024, 2023, and 2022 Assessed Valuation is provided by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector based on information contained in the 2024, 2023, and 2022 tax rolls of the District. Differences in values from other information herein are due to differences in dates of information provided.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Land	\$32,506,142	\$21,696,716	\$8,286,679
Improvements	108,415,237	49,045,451	0
Personal Property	178,001	200,856	151,552
Exemptions and Deferments	(8,430,829)	(5,781,245)	(1,627,388)
Total Assessed Valuation	\$132,668,551	\$65,161,778	\$6,810,843

#### Tax Adequacy for Debt Service

The calculation shown below assumes, solely for purposes of illustration, no increase or decrease in assessed valuation over the 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation, no use of available funds, and utilizes a tax rate necessary to pay the District's average annual debt service requirements on the Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds.

Average annual debt service requirement (2024-2049)	\$1,030,435
\$0.81 tax rate on the 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	
of \$135,565,842 at a 95% collection rate produces	\$1,043,179

# **TAX PROCEDURES**

#### Authority to Levy Taxes

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

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

The Texas Property Tax Code (the "Property Tax Code") specifies the taxing procedures of all political subdivisions of the State of Texas, including the District. The District must also follow tax procedures found in the Texas Water Code. These statutory provisions are complex and are not fully summarized here.

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

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

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

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

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

#### Tax Abatement

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

#### Valuation of Property for Taxation

Generally, property in the District must be appraised by the Appraisal District at market value as of January 1 of each year. Once an appraisal roll is prepared and finally approved by the Appraisal Review Board, it is used by the District in establishing its tax rolls and tax rate. Generally, assessments under the Property Tax Code are to be based on one hundred percent (100%) of market value, as such is defined in the Property Tax Code. In determining market value, either the replacement cost or the income or the market data method of valuation may be used, whichever is appropriate. Nevertheless, certain land may be appraised at less than market value under the Property Tax Code. Increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads are limited by the Texas Constitution to 10 percent annually regardless of the market value of the property.

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

The Property Tax Code requires the Appraisal District to implement a plan for periodic reappraisal of property to update appraisal values. The plan must provide for appraisal of all real property in the Appraisal District at least once every three (3) years. It is not known what frequency of reappraisal will be utilized by the Appraisal District or whether reappraisals will be conducted on a zone or county-wide basis. The District, however, at its expense has the right to obtain from the Appraisal District a current estimate of appraised values within the District or an estimate of any new property or improvements within

the District. While such current estimate of appraised values may serve to indicate the rate and extent of growth of taxable values within the District, it cannot be used for establishing a tax rate within the District until such time as the Appraisal District chooses formally to include such values on its appraisal roll.

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

On July 13, 2023, during the Second Special Session, the Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill 2, which, among other things, includes provisions that prohibit an appraisal district from increasing the appraised value of real property during the 2024 tax year on non-homestead properties (the "subjected property") whose appraised values are not more than \$5 million dollars (the "maximum property value") to an amount not to exceed the lesser of: (1) the market value of the subjected property for the most recent tax year that the market value was determined by the appraisal office or (2) the sum of: (a) 20 percent (20%) of the appraised value of the subjected property for the preceding tax year; (b) the appraised value of the subjected property for the preceding tax year; (b) the appraised value of the subjected property for the preceding tax year; (b) the appraised value of the subjected property (collectively, the "appraisal cap"). After the 2024 tax year, through December 31, 2026, the maximum property value may be increased or decreased by the product of the preceding state fiscal year's increase or decrease in the consumer price index, as applicable, to the maximum property value. The appraisal cap took effect on January 1, 2024.

#### **District and Taxpayer Remedies**

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

#### Levy and Collection of Taxes

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

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

Chapter 49 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, classifies districts differently based on the current operation and maintenance tax rate or on the percentage of build-out that the District has completed. Districts that have adopted an operation and maintenance tax rate for the current year that is 2.5 cents or less per \$100 of taxable value are classified as "Special Taxing Units." Districts that have financed, completed, and issued bonds to pay for all improvements and facilities necessary to serve at least 95% of the projected build-out of the district are classified as "Developed Districts." Districts that do not meet either of the classifications previously discussed can be classified herein as "Developing Districts." The impact each classification has on the ability of a district to increase its maintenance and operations tax rate is described for each classification below. Debt service and contract tax rates cannot be reduced by a rollback election held within any of the districts described below.

#### Special Taxing Units

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

#### Developed Districts

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

#### Developing Districts

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

#### The District

According to the District's Board of Directors, the District is considered a Developing District as of the 2024 tax year. The District cannot give any assurances as to what its classification will be at any point in time or whether the District's future tax rates will result in a total tax rate that will reclassify the District into a new classification and new election calculation.

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

Taxes levied by the District are a personal obligation of the owner of the property as of January 1 of the year for which the tax is imposed. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit, including the District, having power to tax the property. The District's tax lien is on a parity with tax liens of such other taxing units (see "ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT STATEMENT – Overlapping Tax Rates for 2023"). A tax lien on real property takes priority over the claim of most creditors and other holders of liens on the property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before the attachment of the tax lien; however, whether a lien of the United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the District is determined by applicable federal law. Personal property under certain circumstances is subject to seizure and sale for the payment of delinquent taxes, penalty, and interest.

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

#### **GENERAL FUND OPERATIONS**

#### General

The Bonds are payable from the levy of an ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District. Net revenues, if any, derived from the District's general fund are not pledged to the payment of the Bonds but are available for any lawful purpose including payment of debt service on the Bonds, at the discretion and upon action of the Board. The District is provided water service by Crystal Clear Special Utility District. Consequently, the District's general fund is used primarily for administration and it is not expected that significant net revenues, if any, will be available for debt service.

# **Operating Statement**

The following statement sets forth in condensed form the historical results of operation of the District's General Fund. Accounting principles customarily employed in the determination of net revenues have been observed and, in all instances, exclude depreciation. Such summary is based upon information obtained from the District's audited financial statements for fiscal year ended September 30, 2022 and 2023. The unaudited summary shown below for the period ended June 30, 2024 has been provided by the Bookkeeper. Reference is made to such statements for further and more complete information.

	10/1/2023 to 6/30/2024 <sup>(a)</sup>		Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30, 2023		Fiscal Year Ended Sept. 30, 2022 <sup>(b)</sup>	
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
Property taxes, including penalties	\$	462,716 7,514	\$	56,111	\$	949
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	470,230	\$	56,111	\$	949
EXPENDITURES:						
Drainage maintenance	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Director fees, including payroll taxes		4,520		3,025		3,364
Legal fees		17,741		14,229		29,293
Bookkeeping fees		12,350		6,500		5,500
Audit fees		9,750		9,250		-
Engineering fees		20,401		20,745		8,098
Website maintenance		560		510		525
Insurance		3,250		1,449		1,449
Tax appraisal/collection fees		734		774		12
Public notice		-		-		-
Miscellaneous expenditures		3,358		3,266	<u> </u>	2,250
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	72,664	\$	59,748	\$	50,491
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES						
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$	397,566	\$	(3,637)	\$	(49,542)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES -</b>						
Developer advances	\$		\$	-	\$	50,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$	397,566	\$	(3,637)	\$	458
FUND BALANCE:						
Beginning of the year		(8,749)		(5,112)		(5,570)
End of the year	\$	388,817	\$	(8,749)	\$	(5,112)

(a) Unaudited, prepared by the Bookkeeper.

(b) The District's first audited financial statements.

#### **DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

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

	Outst	tanding Bonds								
	D	ebt Service	 Debt Service on the Bonds						Debt Service	
Year	Re	equirements	Principal		Interest		Total	Requirement		
2024	\$	251,076	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	251,076	
2025		442,813	-		340,463		340,463		783,276	
2026		443,513	230,000		405,850		635,850		1,079,363	
2027		438,438	240,000		394,350		634,350		1,072,788	
2028		437,975	250,000		382,350		632,350		1,070,325	
2029		431,738	265,000		369,850		634,850		1,066,588	
2030		430,113	275,000		356,600		631,600		1,061,713	
2031		431,713	290,000		345,600		635,600		1,067,313	
2032		432,788	305,000		334,000		639,000		1,071,788	
2033		433,338	320,000		321,800		641,800		1,075,138	
2034		433,363	335,000		309,000		644,000		1,077,363	
2035		432,863	350,000		295,600		645,600		1,078,463	
2036		431,838	365,000		281,600		646,600		1,078,438	
2037		435,288	385,000		267,000		652,000		1,087,288	
2038		432,950	400,000		251,600		651,600		1,084,550	
2039		435,088	420,000		235,600		655,600		1,090,688	
2040		436,438	440,000		218,800		658,800		1,095,238	
2041		437,000	460,000		201,200		661,200		1,098,200	
2042		436,775	485,000		182,800		667,800		1,104,575	
2043		435,763	505,000		163,400		668,400		1,104,163	
2044		438,963	530,000		143,200		673,200		1,112,163	
2045		436,113	555,000		122,000		677,000		1,113,113	
2046		437,475	580,000		99,800		679,800		1,117,275	
2047		437,788	610,000		76,600		686,600		1,124,388	
2048		442,050	635,000		52,200		687,200		1,129,250	
2049		-	 670,000		26,800		696,800		696,800	
Total	\$	10,713,251	\$ 9,900,000	\$	6,178,063	\$	16,078,063	\$	26,791,314	

Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2024-2	2049)\$1,030,435
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements (2048	3)\$1,129,250

#### LEGAL MATTERS

#### Legal Proceedings

Delivery of the Bonds will be accompanied by the unqualified approving legal opinion of the Attorney General of Texas to the effect that the Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the District under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax levied by the District, without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property within the District, and, based upon their examination of a transcript of certified proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the approving legal opinion of McLean & Howard, L.L.P., Bond Counsel ("Bond Counsel"), to a like effect and the opinion of McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Special Tax Counsel ("Special Tax Counsel"), to the matters set forth in "TAX MATTERS." Bond Counsel will not be responsible in any manner for matters addressed in the opinion of Bond Counsel. Moreover, Bond Counsel and Special Tax Counsel have no joint responsibility with respect to the Bonds or the proceedings relating to the Bonds. Bond Counsel will be solely responsible for such proceedings and Special Tax Counsel will be solely responsible for its opinion.

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

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

In its capacity as Special Tax Counsel, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. has reviewed the information appearing in this Official Statement under the captions "MANAGEMENT – Special Tax Counsel," "LEGAL MATTERS – Legal Proceedings" (insofar as such section relates to the legal opinion of Special Tax Counsel), and "TAX MATTERS" solely to determine whether such information fairly summarizes the law referred to therein. Special Tax Counsel has not independently verified factual information contained in this Official Statement and has not conducted an investigation of the affairs of the District for the purpose of passing upon the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. No person is entitled to rely upon 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 other information contained herein.

The legal fees paid to Bond Counsel and Special Tax Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

#### No Material Adverse Change

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

#### **No-Litigation Certificate**

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

#### TAX MATTERS

#### **Opinion**

On the date of initial delivery of the Bonds, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Special Tax Counsel, will render its opinion that, in accordance with statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date thereof ("Existing Law") for Federal income tax purposes interest on the Bonds (1) will be excludable from the "gross income" of the holders thereof and (2) the Bonds will not be treated as "specified private activity bonds" the interest on which would be included as an alternative minimum tax preference under Section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). Except as stated above, Special Tax Counsel will express no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds.

In rendering its opinion, Special Tax Counsel will rely upon (a) the opinion of McLean & Howard, L.L.P., Bond Counsel, that the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the District payable from proceeds of a generally applicable ad valorem tax, (b) the District's federal tax certificate, and (c) covenants of the District relating to, including arbitrage and the use of the proceeds of the Bonds and the property financed or refinanced therewith. Failure by the District to comply with these representations or covenants could cause the interest on the Bonds to become includable in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance.

The Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder contain a number of requirements that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order for interest on the Bonds to be, and to remain, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The opinion of Special Tax Counsel is conditioned on compliance by the District with the covenants and the requirements, and Special Tax Counsel has not been retained to monitor compliance with these requirements subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds.

Special Tax Counsel's opinion represents its legal judgment based upon its review of Existing Law and the reliance on the aforementioned information, representations and covenants. Special Tax Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a result. The Existing Law is subject to change by the Congress and to subsequent judicial and administrative interpretation by the courts and the Department of the Treasury. There can be no assurance that such Existing Law or the interpretation thereof will not be changed in a manner which would adversely affect the tax treatment of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds.

A ruling was not sought from the Internal Revenue Service by the District with respect to the Bonds or the facilities financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds. Special Tax Counsel's opinion represents its legal judgment based upon its review of Existing Law and the representations of the District that it deems relevant to render such opinion and is not a guarantee of a result. No assurances can be given as to whether the Internal Revenue Service will commence an audit of the Bonds, or as to whether the Internal Revenue Service would agree with the opinion of Special Tax Counsel. If an audit is commenced, under current procedures the Internal Revenue Service is likely to treat the District as the taxpayer and the Bondholders may have no right to participate in such procedure. No additional interest will be paid upon any determination of taxability.

#### Federal Income Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Discount

The initial public offering price to be paid for one or more maturities of the Bonds may be less than the principal amount thereof or one or more periods for the payment of interest on the bonds may not be equal to the accrual period or be in excess of one year (the "Original Issue Discount Bonds"). In such event, the difference between (i) the "stated redemption price at maturity" of each Original Issue Discount Bonds, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such Original Issue Discount Bonds, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such Original Issue Discount Bonds and (ii) the initial offering price at maturity" means the sum of all payments to be made on the bonds less the amount of all periodic interest payments. Periodic interest payments and payments which are made during equal accrual periods (or during any unequal period if it is the initial or final period) and which are made during accrual periods which do not exceed one year.

Under Existing Law, any owner who has purchased such Original Issue Discount Bond in the initial public offering is entitled to exclude from gross income (as defined in Section 61 of the Code) an amount of income with respect to such original Issue Discount Bond equal to that portion of the amount of such original issue discount allocable to the accrual period. For a discussion of certain collateral federal tax consequences, see discussion set forth below.

In the event of redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of such Original issue Discount Bonds prior to stated maturity, however, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Original issue Discount Bond in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the Original Issue Discount allocable to the period for which such Original issue Discount Bond was held by such initial owner) is includable in gross income.

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

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

#### Collateral Federal Income Tax Consequences

The following discussion is a summary of certain collateral federal income tax consequences resulting from the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds. This discussion is based on existing statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions, all of which are subject to change or modification, retroactively.

The following discussion is applicable to investors, other than those who are subject to special provisions of the Code, such as financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, life insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals allowed an earned income credit, certain S corporations with accumulated earnings and profits and excess passive investment income, foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax, taxpayers qualifying for the health insurance premium assistance credit, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase tax-exempt obligations.

THE DISCUSSION CONTAINED HEREIN MAY NOT BE EXHAUSTIVE. INVESTORS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL PROVISIONS OF THE CODE, SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS AS TO THE TAX TREATMENT WHICH MAY BE ANTICIPATED TO RESULT FROM THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS BEFORE DETERMINING WHETHER TO PURCHASE THE BONDS.

Interest on the Bonds may be includable in certain corporation's "adjusted financial statement income" determined under section 56A of the Code to calculate the alternative minimum tax imposed by section 55 of the Code.

Under Section 6012 of the Code, holders of tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, may be required to disclose interest received or accrued during each taxable year on their returns of federal income taxation.

Section 1276 of the Code provides for ordinary income tax treatment of gain recognized upon the disposition of a tax-exempt obligation, such as the Bonds, if such obligation was acquired at a "market discount" and if the fixed maturity of such obligation in equal to, or exceeds, one year from the date of issue. Such treatment applies to "market discount bonds" to the extent such gain does not exceed the accrued market discount of such bonds; although for this purpose, a de minimis amount of market discount is ignored. A "market discount bond" is one which is acquired by the holder at a purchase price which is less than the stated redemption price at maturity or, in the case of a bond issued at an original issue discount, the "revised issue price" (i.e., the issue price plus accrued original issue discount). The "accrued market discount" is the amount which bears the same ratio to the market discount as the number of days during which the holder holds the obligation bears to the number of days between the acquisition date and the final maturity date.

#### State, Local and Foreign Taxes

Investors should consult their own tax advisors concerning the tax implications of the purchase, ownership or disposition of the Bonds under applicable state or local laws. Foreign investors should also consult their own tax advisors regarding the tax consequences unique to investors who are not United States persons.

#### Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Subject to certain exceptions, information reports describing interest income, including original issue discount, with respect to the Bonds will be sent to each registered holder and to the IRS. Payments of interest and principal may be subject to backup withholding under section 3406 of the Code if a recipient of the payments fails to furnish to the payor such owner's social security number or other taxpayer identification number ("TIN"), furnishes an incorrect TIN, or otherwise fails to establish an exemption from the backup withholding tax. Any amounts so withheld would be allowed as a credit against the recipient's federal income tax. Special rules apply to partnerships, estates and trusts, and in certain circumstances, and in respect of foreign investors, certifications as to foreign status and other matters may be required to be provided by partners and beneficiaries thereof.

#### **Future and Proposed Legislation**

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the Federal or state level, may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds under Federal or state law and could affect the market price or marketability of the Bonds. Any such proposal could limit the value of certain deductions and exclusions, including the exclusion for tax-exempt interest. The likelihood of any such proposal being enacted cannot be predicted. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

### SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE BONDS

#### Award of the Bonds

After requesting competitive bids for the Bonds, the District accepted the bid resulting in the lowest net interest cost, which bid was tendered by SAMCO Capital Markets (the "Initial Purchaser") bearing the interest rates shown on the inside cover page hereof, at a price of 97.00% of the principal amount thereof which resulted in a net effective interest rate of 4.215124% as calculated pursuant to Chapter 1204 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

#### **Prices and Marketability**

The delivery of the Bonds is conditioned upon the receipt by the District of a certificate executed and delivered by the Initial Purchaser on or before the date of delivery of the Bonds stating the prices at which the Bonds have been offered for sale to the public. Otherwise, the District has no understanding with the Initial Purchaser regarding the reoffering yields or prices of the Bonds. Information concerning reoffering yields or prices is the responsibility of the Initial Purchaser.

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

The District has no control over trading of the Bonds in the secondary market. Moreover, there is no guarantee that a secondary market will be made in the Bonds. In such a secondary market, the difference between the bid and asked price of utility district bonds may be greater than the difference between the bid and asked price of bonds of comparable maturity and quality issued by more traditional municipal entities, as bonds of such entities are more generally bought, sold, or traded in the secondary market. Additionally, there are no assurances that if a secondary market for the Bonds were to develop, that it will not be disrupted. Consequently, investors may not be able to resell the Bonds purchased should they need or wish to do so for emergency or other purposes.

#### Securities Laws

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

#### MUNICIPAL BOND RATING

The Bonds are expected to be rated "AA"/(Stable Outlook) by S&P Global Ratings ("S&P"), a business unit of Standard and Poor's Financial Services LLC, by virtue of a municipal bond insurance policy issued by Build America Mutual Assurance Company ("BAM" or the "Bond Insurer") at the time of delivery of the Bonds. See "BOND INSURANCE" and "RISK FACTORS – Bond Insurance Risks."

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

The District is not aware of any ratings assigned the Bonds other than those shown above.

#### **BOND INSURANCE**

#### **Bond Insurance Policy**

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

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

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

BAM is a New York domiciled mutual insurance corporation and is licensed to conduct financial guaranty insurance business in all fifty states of the United States and the District of Columbia. BAM provides credit enhancement products solely to issuers in the U.S. public finance markets. BAM will only insure municipal bonds, as defined in Section 6901 of the New York Insurance Law, which are most often issued by states, political subdivisions, integral parts of states or political subdivisions or entities otherwise eligible for the exclusion of income under section 115 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. No member of BAM is liable for the obligations of BAM.

The address of the principal executive offices of BAM is: 200 Liberty Street, 27th Floor, New York, New York 10281, its telephone number is: 212-235-2500, and its website is located at: www.buildamerica.com.

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

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

#### **Capitalization of BAM**

BAM's total admitted assets, total liabilities, and total capital and surplus, as of June 30, 2024 and as prepared in accordance with statutory accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the New York State Department of Financial Services were \$486.0 million, \$232.7 million and \$253.3 million, respectively.

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

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

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

#### Additional Information Available from BAM

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

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

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

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#### **PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

#### Sources and Compilation of Information

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

#### **Financial Advisor**

The Financial Advisor is employed as the financial advisor to the District to render certain professional services, including advising the District on a plan of financing and preparing the Official Statement, including the Official Notice Of Sale and the Official Bid Form for the sale of the Bonds. In its capacity as Financial Advisor, the Financial Advisor has compiled and edited this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this official statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to the District and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

#### **Consultants**

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

<u>Engineer</u>: The information contained in this Official Statement relating to engineering matters and to the description of the System and in particular that information included in the sections entitled "THE DISTRICT" and "THE SYSTEM" has been provided by the Engineer and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of said firm as experts in the field of civil engineering.

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

<u>Tax Assessor/Collector</u>: The information contained in this Official Statement relating to the historical breakdown of the Assessed Valuations, principal taxpayers, and certain other historical data concerning tax rates and tax collections has been provided by the Appraisal District and the Guadalupe County Tax Assessor/Collector, and is included herein in reliance upon their authority as experts in assessing and collecting taxes.

<u>Auditor</u>: The District's financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023, were audited by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC. See APPENDIX A for a copy of the District's September 30, 2023 audited financial statements.

<u>Bookkeeper</u>: The information related to the "unaudited" summary of the District's General Fund has been provided by Bott & Douthitt PLLC and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such firm as experts in the tracking and managing the various funds of municipal utility districts.

#### **Updating the Official Statement**

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

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

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

#### **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION**

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

#### Annual Reports

The District will provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually to the MSRB, or any successor, through its EMMA. The information to be updated with respect to the District includes all quantitative financial information and operating data of the general type included in this Official Statement under the headings "FINANCIAL STATEMENT," "TAX DATA," "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS," and "APPENDIX A" (Annual Financial Report and supplemental schedules). The District will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year ending in or after 2024.

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

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

#### **Event Notices**

The District will provide timely notices of certain specified events to the MSRB, but in no event will such notices be provided to the MSRB in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of an event. The District will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) nonpayment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, if material; (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District or other obligated person within the meaning of CFR §240.15c2-12 (the "Rule"); (13) consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or other obligated person within the meaning of the Rule or the

sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District or other obligated person within the meaning of the Rule, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of 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 obligated person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the obligated person, 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 obligated person, any of which reflect financial difficulties. The term "material" when used in this paragraph shall have the meaning ascribed to it under federal securities laws. Neither the Bonds nor the Bond Resolution makes any provision for debt service reserves, credit enhancement, or liquidity enhancement. In addition, the District will provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide financial information, operating data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports."

#### Availability of Information from MSRB

The District 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.

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

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

The District may amend its continuing disclosure agreement from time to time to adapt the changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the District, if but only if the agreement, as amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the offering made hereby in compliance with SEC Rule 15c2-12, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of SEC Rule 15c2-12 to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and either the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds consent to the amendment or any person unaffiliated with the District (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determines that the amendment will not materially impair the interests of the Registered and beneficial owners of the Bonds. The District may amend or repeal the agreement in the Bond Resolution if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of SEC Rule 15c2-12 or a court of final jurisdiction determines that such provisions are invalid or unenforceable, but only to the extent that its right to do so would not prevent the Underwriters from lawfully purchasing the Bonds in the initial offering. If the District so amends the agreement, it has agreed to include with any financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports" an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information and operating data so provided.

#### **Compliance with Prior Undertakings**

The District entered into its first continuing disclosure agreement in connection with the issuance of its Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2023. The District has complied in all material respects with its continuing disclosure agreement in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12.

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

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

This Official Statement was approved by the Board of Directors of Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District, as of the date shown on the cover page.

/s/ Erika Ramon

President, Board of Directors Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District

ATTEST:

/s/ Kyle Hackett

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### PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE DISTRICT

The following photographs were taken in the District in October 2023, solely to illustrate the type of improvements which have been constructed in the District. The District cannot predict if any additional improvements will be constructed in the future.













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## **APPENDIX A**

Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District Guadalupe County, Texas

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District (the "District") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and major fund of the District as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The Texas Supplementary Information required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality as published in the *Water District Financial Management Guide* is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion or provide any assurance on it.

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McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC Certified Public Accountants Houston, Texas

January 24, 2024

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 ("GASB 34"), the management of Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District (the "District") offers the following discussion and analysis to provide an overview of the District's financial activities for the year ended September 30, 2023. Since this information is designed to focus on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts, it should be read in conjunction with the District's basic financial statements that follow.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- *General Fund*: At the end of the current fiscal year, the nonspendable and unassigned fund balance was a deficit balance of \$8,749, a decrease of \$3,637 from the previous fiscal year. General Fund revenues were \$56,111 in the current fiscal year while expenditures were \$59,748.
- *Governmental Activities*: On a government-wide basis for governmental activities, the District had expenses net of revenues of \$3,338 during the current fiscal year. Net position decreased from a deficit balance of \$105,112 at September 30, 2022 to a deficit balance of \$108,450 at September 30, 2023.

# **OVERVIEW OF THE DISTRICT**

The District was created on September 1, 2019 pursuant to Acts of the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Regular Session, and codified by Chapter 7888 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code and in accordance with Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, with the powers and duties provided by Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code.

The District is located on approximately 462 acres of land in Guadalupe County near the intersection of State Highway 123 and FM 758, approximately 13 miles east of the City of New Braunfels, Texas and approximately 10 miles north of the City of Sequin, Texas.

## **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

This annual report consists of four parts:

- 1. Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section)
- 2. Basic Financial Statements
- 3. Required Supplementary Information
- 4. *Texas Supplementary Information* (required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the TSI section))

For purposes of GASB 34, the District is considered a special purpose government. This allows the District to present the required fund and government-wide statements in a single schedule. The requirement for fund financial statements that are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting is met with the "General Fund" column. An adjustment column includes those entries needed to convert to the full accrual basis government-wide statements. Government-wide statements are comprised of the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities.

## **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The *Statement of Net Position and Governmental Fund Balance Sheet* includes a column (titled "General Fund") that represents a balance sheet prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. This method measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash. The adjustments column converts those balances to a balance sheet that more closely reflects a private-sector business. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position will indicate financial health.

The Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance includes a column (titled "General Fund") that derives the change in fund balance resulting from current year revenues, expenditures, and other financing sources or uses. These amounts are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The adjustments column converts those activities to full accrual, a basis that more closely represents the income statement of a private-sector business.

The Notes to the Financial Statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the information presented in the Statement of Net Position and Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance.

The *Required Supplementary Information* presents a comparison statement between the District's adopted budget for the General Fund and its actual results.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

### **Statement of Net Position:**

The following table reflects the condensed Statement of Net Position:

### Summary Statement of Net Position

	Govern Activ	Change Increase		
	 2023	2022	(D	ecrease)
Current and other assets	\$ 16,257	\$ 3,851	\$	12,406
Capital and non-current assets	-	-		-
Total Assets	\$ 16,257	\$ 3,851	\$	12,406
Current liabilities	\$ 24,707	\$ 8,963	\$	15,744
Long-term liabilities	100,000	100,000		-
Total Liabilities	\$ 124,707	\$ 108,963	\$	15,744
Unrestricted	(108,450)	(105,112)		(3,338)
Total Net Position	\$ (108,450)	\$ (105,112)	\$	(3,338)

The District's net position decreased by \$3,338 to a deficit balance of \$108,450 from the previous year's deficit balance of \$105,112.

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (continued) -

## **Revenues and Expenses:**

Summary Statement of Activities

	Governmental Activities					
						Change
						ncrease
	2023			2022	([	Decrease)
Property taxes, including penalties	\$	56,410	\$	949	\$	55,461
Total Revenues	\$	56,410	\$	949	\$	55,461
Professional fees	\$	50,724	\$	42,891	\$	7,833
Recurring operating		9,024		7,600		1,424
Total Expenses	\$	59,748	\$	50,491	\$	9,257
Change in Net Position	\$	(3,338)	\$	(49,542)	\$	46,204
Beginning Net Position		(105,112)		(55,570)		(49,542)
Ending Net Position	\$	(108,450)	\$	(105,112)	\$	(3,338)

Revenues were \$56,410 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023 while expenses were \$59,748. Net position decreased \$3,338 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

Property tax revenues in the current fiscal year totaled \$56,410. Property tax revenue is derived from taxes being levied based upon the assessed value of real and personal property within the District. Property taxes levied for the 2022 tax year (September 30, 2023 fiscal year) were based upon a current assessed value of \$6,810,843 and a tax rate of \$0.72 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Property taxes levied for the 2021 tax year (September 30, 2022 fiscal year) were based upon a current assessed value of \$6,810,843 and a tax rate of \$0.72 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Property taxes levied for the 2021 tax year (September 30, 2022 fiscal year) were based upon a current assessed value of \$248,135 and a tax rate of \$0.72 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The tax rate levied is determined after the District's Board of Directors reviews the General Fund budget requirements of the District. The District's primary revenue sources during fiscal years 2022 and 2023 were property taxes.

Governmental Funds by Year

## ANALYSIS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Obvenin	liental Funds	<u>Uy I cai</u>					
	2023			2022		2021 *	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	15,438	\$	3,851	\$	4,240	
Taxes receivable		299		-		-	
Other		520		-		-	
Total Assets	\$	16,257	\$	3,851	\$	4,240	
Liabilities	\$	24,707	\$	8,963	\$	9,810	
Total Liabilities	\$	24,707	\$	8,963	\$	9,810	
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	299	\$	-	\$	-	
Nonspendable	\$	520	\$	-	\$	-	
Unassigned	\$	(9,269)	\$	(5,112)	\$	(5,570)	
Total Fund Balance	\$	(8,749)	\$	(5,112)	\$	(5,570)	
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows							
of Resources and Fund Balance	\$	16,257	\$	3,851	\$	4,240	

\* - Unaudited

As of September 30, 2023, the District's governmental fund reflected a fund balance deficit of \$8,749. For the year ended September 30, 2023, General Fund fund balance decreased by \$3,637.

# **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

The General Fund pays for daily operating expenditures. The Board of Directors adopted a budget on September 19, 2022 for the 2023 fiscal year. The budget included projected revenues of \$49,038 and other financing sources of \$35,797 as compared to expenditures of \$84,835. When comparing actual results to budget, the District had a negative variance of \$3,637. More detailed information about the District's budgetary comparison is presented in the *Required Supplementary Information*.

## CURRENTLY KNOWN FACTS, DECISIONS, OR CONDITIONS

The net property tax assessed value for 2023 (September 30, 2024 fiscal year) is approximately \$63 million. The fiscal year 2024 tax rate is \$0.72 on each \$100 of taxable value. All of the property tax will fund general operating expenses.

The adopted budget for fiscal year 2024 projects an increase of \$322,020 to the operating fund balance.

## **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the funds it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the District in care of McLean & Howard, LLP, 4301 Bull Creek Blvd., Suite 150, Austin, TX 78731.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

		General Fund	Adjust Not		Sta	vernment - Wide atement of et Position
ASSETS					•	
Cash	\$	15,438	\$	-	\$	15,438
Receivables - Property taxes		299				299
Prepaid expenditures		299 520		-		299 520
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	16,257				16,257
	÷	10,207				10,257
<u>LIABILITIES</u>						
Accounts payable	\$	24,707		-		24,707
Long-term liabilities -						
Due to developer		-		100,000		100,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES		24,707		100,000		124,707
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Property taxes TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS		299		(299)		
OF RESOURCES		299		(299)		-
FUND BALANCE / NET POSITION Fund balance: Nonspendable Unassigned		520 (9,269)		(520) 9,269		-
TOTAL FUND BALANCE		(8,749)		8,749		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	16,257				
Net position:						
Unrestricted				(108,450)		(108,450)
TOTAL NET POSITION			\$	(108,450)	\$	(108,450)

## LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

		General Fund		Adjustments Note 2		Government - Wide Statement of Activities
<u>REVENUES</u> - Property taxes, including penalties	\$	56,111	\$	299	\$	56,410
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	56,111	\$	299	\$	56,410
EXPENDITURES / EXPENSES: Current: Director fees, including payroll taxes Legal fees Bookkeeping fees Audit fees Engineering fees	\$	3,025 14,229 6,500 9,250 20,745	\$	- - - -	\$	3,025 14,229 6,500 9,250 20,745
Website maintenance Insurance Tax appraisal/collection fees Miscellaneous expenditures		510 1,449 774 3,266		- - - -		510 1,449 774 3,266
TOTAL EXPENDITURES / EXPENSES NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE CHANGE IN NET POSITION	<u>\$</u> \$	59,748 (3,637)	\$ \$		\$\$	59,748 - (3,338)
FUND BALANCE / NET POSITION:		(5.112)		(100.000)		(105.112)
Beginning of the year End of the year	\$	(5,112) (8,749)	\$	(100,000) (99,701)	\$	(105,112) (108,450)

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting and reporting policies of Lone Oak Farm Municipal Utility District (the "District") relating to the fund included in the accompanying financial statements conform to generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") as applied to governmental entities. GAAP for local governments includes those principles prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"), which constitutes the primary source of GAAP for governmental units. The more significant of these accounting policies are described below and, where appropriate, subsequent pronouncements will be referenced.

**Reporting Entity** - The District was created on September 1, 2019 pursuant to Acts of the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Regular Session, and codified by Chapter 7888 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code and in accordance with Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, with the powers and duties provided by Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code. The reporting entity of the District encompasses those activities and functions over which the District's elected officials exercise significant oversight or control. The District residents or appointed by the Board of Directors (the "Board") which has been elected by District residents or appointed by the Board. The District is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined by the GASB since Board members are elected by the public and have decision making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to significantly influence operations and primary accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, there are no component units included in the District's reporting entity. The District's Board held its first meeting on August 13, 2020, and the District was confirmed at an election held on November 3, 2020.

**Basis of Presentation - Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements -** These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards Part II, Financial Reporting (the "GASB Codification").

GASB Codification sets forth standards for external financial reporting for all state and local government entities, which include a requirement for a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. It requires the classification of net position into three components: Net Investment in Capital Assets; Restricted; and Unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

- Net Investment in Capital Assets This component of net position consists of capital and intangible assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.
- Restricted Net Position This component of net position consists of external constraints placed on the use of assets imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulation of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted Net Position This component of net position consists of assets that do not meet the definition of Restricted or Net Investment in Capital Assets.

# 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

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

The basic financial statements are prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34 and include a column for government-wide (based upon the District as a whole) and fund financial statement presentations. GASB Statement No. 34 also requires as supplementary information the Management's Discussion and Analysis, which includes an analytical overview of the District's financial activities. In addition, a budgetary comparison statement is presented that compares the adopted General Fund budget with actual results.

• **Government-Wide Financial Statements:** The District's Statement of Net Position includes both non-current assets and non-current liabilities of the District. In addition, the government-wide Statement of Activities column reflects depreciation and amortization expense on the District's capital and intangible assets, including infrastructure.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the District as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from financial activities of the fiscal period. The focus of the fund financial statements is on the individual funds of the governmental categories. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared to enhance the usefulness of the information.

• **Fund Financial Statements:** Fund based financial statement columns are provided for governmental funds. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures of either fund category) for the determination of major funds. All of the District's funds are considered major funds.

*Governmental Fund Types* - The accounts of the District are organized and operated on the basis of funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a self-balancing set of accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues and expenditures. The various funds are grouped by category and type in the financial statements. The District maintains the following fund type:

• **General Fund** - The General Fund accounts for financial resources in use for general types of operations which are not encompassed within other funds. This fund is established to account for resources devoted to financing the general services that the District provides for its residents. Tax revenues and other sources of revenue used to finance the fundamental operations of the District are included in this fund.

# 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

*Non-current Governmental Assets and Liabilities* - GASB Statement No. 34 eliminates the presentation of Account Groups, but provides for these records to be maintained and incorporates the information into the government-wide financial statement column in the Statement of Net Position.

## **Basis of Accounting**

*Government-Wide Statements* - The government-wide financial statement column is reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied.

*Fund Financial Statements* - The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and deferred outflows of resources and current liabilities and deferred inflows of resources generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in the fund balances. Governmental funds are accounted for on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual (i.e., both measurable and available).

"Measurable" means that the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means the amount of the transaction is collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

Expenditures, if measurable, are generally recognized on the accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include the unmatured principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt which is recognized when due. This exception is in conformity with GAAP.

Property tax revenues are recognized when they become available. In this case, available means when due, or past due and receivable within the current period and collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Such time thereafter shall not exceed 60 days. Tax collections expected to be received subsequent to the 60-day availability period are reported as deferred inflows of resources. All other revenues of the District are recorded on the accrual basis in all funds.

# 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

The District may report deferred inflows of resources on its combined balance sheet. These arise when a potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. In subsequent periods, when revenue recognition criteria are met, the balance for deferred inflows of resources is removed from the combined balance sheet and revenue is recognized.

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting -** An unappropriated budget was adopted on September 19, 2022, for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. The District's Board utilizes the budget as a management tool for planning and cost control purposes. The budget was not amended during the current fiscal year. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund presents the original and revised budget amounts, if revised, compared to the actual amounts of revenues and expenditures for the current fiscal year.

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

**Pensions** - The District has not established a pension plan as the District does not have employees. The Internal Revenue Service has determined that Directors are considered to be "employees" for federal payroll tax purposes.

Cash - Includes cash on deposit.

*Ad Valorem Property Taxes* - Property taxes, penalties, and interest are reported as revenue in the fiscal year in which they become available to finance expenditures of the District. Allowances for uncollectible property taxes within the General Fund and Debt Service Fund are based upon historical experience in collecting property taxes. Uncollectible personal property taxes are periodically reviewed and written off, but the District is prohibited from writing off real property taxes without specific statutory authority from the Texas Legislature.

**Fund Equity** - The District complies with GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, which 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. Those fund balance classifications are described below.

# 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

- <u>Nonspendable</u> Amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in a spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- <u>Restricted</u> Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constraints imposed by external providers, or imposed by constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District had no such amounts.
- <u>Committed</u> Amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to approval by formal action by the Board. The District had no such amounts.
- <u>Assigned</u> For the General Fund, amounts that are appropriated by the Board that are to be used for specific purposes. For all other governmental funds, any remaining positive amounts not previously classified as nonspendable, restricted or committed. The District had no such amounts.
- <u>Unassigned</u> Amounts that are available for any purpose; these amounts can be reported only in the District's General Fund.

The detail of the fund balances is included in the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet on page FS-1.

Fund balance of the District may be committed for a specific purpose by formal action of the Board, the District's highest level of decision-making authority. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through a resolution approved by the Board. The Board may also assign fund balance for a specific purpose.

In circumstances where an expenditure is to be made for a purpose for which amounts are available in multiple fund balance classifications, the order in which resources will be expended is as follows: restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and lastly, unassigned fund balance.

# LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

## 2. RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND

Adjustments to convert the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position are as follows:

Fund Balance - General Fund	\$ (8,749)
Revenue is recognized when earned in the government-wide	
statements, regardless of availability. Governmental funds	
report deferred inflows of resources for revenues earned	
but not available.	299
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current	
period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental fund -	
Developer advances	 (100,000)
Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ (108,450)

Adjustments to convert the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities are as follows:

Net Change in Fund Balance - General Fund	\$ (3,637)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the	
Statement of Activities are different because -	
Governmental funds report -	
Property tax revenue in year collected	 299
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ (3,338)

#### 3. CASH

The investment policies of the District are governed by State statute and an adopted District investment policy that includes depository contract provisions and custodial contract provisions. Major provisions of the District's investment policy include: depositories must be FDIC-insured Texas banking institutions; depositories must fully insure or collateralize all demand and time deposits; and securities collateralizing time deposits are held by independent third party trustees.

At September 30, 2023, the carrying amount of the District's cash was \$15,438 and the bank balance was \$22,854. The bank balance was fully covered by federal depository insurance.

# LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

#### 4. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on January 1. Taxes are levied on or about October 1, are due on November 1, and are past due the following February 1. The Guadalupe Central Appraisal District establishes appraisal values in accordance with requirements of the Texas Legislature. The District levies taxes based upon the appraised values. The Guadalupe County Tax Assessor Collector bills and collects the District's property taxes. The Board of Directors set current tax rates on September 19, 2022.

The property tax rates, established in accordance with state law, were based on 100% of the net assessed valuation of real property within the District on the 2022 tax roll. The tax rate, based on total taxable assessed valuation of \$6,810,843 was \$0.72 on each \$100 valuation and was allocated solely to the General Fund. The maximum allowable maintenance tax of \$1.00 was established by the voters at an election held on November 3, 2020.

Property taxes of \$299 were uncollected and receivable at September 30, 2023.

The District is prohibited from writing off real property taxes without specific authority from the Texas Legislature.

## 5. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The developer of the land within the District has incurred costs for construction of facilities, as well as costs pertaining to the creation and operation of the District. Claims for reimbursement of construction costs and operational advances will be evaluated upon receipt of adequate supporting documentation and proof of contractual obligation. Such costs may be reimbursable to the developer by the District from proceeds of future District bond issues or from operations, subject to approval by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. On November 3, 2020, a bond election held within the District approved authorization to issue \$481,000,000 of bonds to fund costs for water, wastewater and drainage system facilities and \$174,000,000 of road improvements. As of September 30, 2023, the District has not issued any unlimited tax bonds to reimburse the developer for District construction or road facilities. At September 30, 2023, the District has \$100,000 outstanding in developer advances which were used to fund operating activities of the District.

# LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

#### 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The District has obtained coverage from the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool ("TML Pool") to effectively manage its risk. All risk management activities are accounted for in the General Fund. Expenditures and claims are recognized when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. In determining claims, events that might create claims, but for which none have been reported, are considered.

The TML Pool was established by various political subdivisions in Texas to provide self-insurance for its members and to obtain lower costs for insurance. TML Pool members pay annual contributions to obtain the insurance. Annual contribution rates are determined by the TML Pool Board. Rates are estimated to include all claims expected to occur during the policy including claims incurred but not reported. The TML Pool has established claims reserves for each of the types of insurance offered. Although the TML Pool is a self-insured risk pool, members are not contingently liable for claims filed above the amount of the fixed annual contributions. If losses incurred are significantly higher than actuarially estimated, the TML Pool adjusts the contribution rate for subsequent years. Members may receive returns of contributions if actual results are more favorable than estimated.

#### 7. DEFICIT IN FUND BALANCE AND NET POSITION

The District had a deficit in fund balance of \$8,749 and a deficit in net position of \$108,450 at September 30, 2023. The deficits represent cumulative expenditures that exceeded revenues due to the District being in the early stage of development. Currently, the Developer is funding operations, but management believes that as development continues, the District will become fully self-funded.

#### 8. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On November 21, 2023, the District issued \$5,825,000 of Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2023, the proceeds of which were used to reimburse the Developer for certain costs of road improvements. The bonds were issued at interest rates ranging from 5.25% to 7.75% with maturity dates through September 1, 2048.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# LONE OAK FARM MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	 Actual		ginal and Final Budget	I	ariance Positive (egative)
<b>REVENUES</b> - Property taxes, including penalties	\$ 56,111	\$	49,038		7,073
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 56,111	\$	49,038		7,073
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
Drainage maintenance	\$ -	\$	22,000	\$	22,000
Director fees, including payroll taxes	3,025		4,860		1,835
Legal fees	14,229		36,000		21,771
Bookkeeping fees	6,500		6,350		(150)
Audit fees	9,250		-		(9,250)
Engineering fees	20,745		12,000		(8,745)
Website maintenance	510		-		(510)
Insurance	1,449		2,750		1,301
Tax appraisal/collection fees	774		25		(749)
Public notice	-		250		250
Miscellaneous expenditures	 3,266		600		(2,666)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 59,748	\$	84,835	\$	25,087
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	 (3,637)		(35,797)		32,160
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES -</b>					
Developer advances	\$ -	\$	35,797	\$	(35,797)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ -	\$	35,797	\$	(35,797)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (3,637)	\$		\$	(3,637)
FUND BALANCE:					
Beginning of the year	(5,112)				
End of the year	\$ (8,749)				

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## **APPENDIX B**

**Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy** 

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# MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

ISSUER: [NAME OF ISSUER]

MEMBER: [NAME OF MEMBER]

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

Policy No:	
Effective Date:	
Risk Premium: \$ Member Surplus Contribution: \$	
Total Insurance Payment: \$	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<b>BUILD AMERICA</b>	MUTUAL .	ASSURANCE	COMPANY

By:		
	Authorized Officer	

## Notices (Unless Otherwise Specified by BAM)

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