

OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2024

IN THE OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL, UNDER EXISTING LAW, INTEREST ON THE BONDS IS EXCLUDABLE FROM GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX ON INDIVIDUALS; HOWEVER, SUCH INTEREST IS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN DETERMINING THE ANNUAL ADJUSTED FINANCIAL STATEMENT INCOME OF APPLICABLE CORPORATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING THE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX IMPOSED ON CORPORATIONS. SEE “TAX MATTERS” FOR A DISCUSSION OF BOND COUNSEL’S OPINION.

THE BONDS HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AS “QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS” FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. SEE “TAX MATTERS—QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS” HEREIN.

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\$5,670,000
RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Chambers County)
UNLIMITED TAX BONDS
SERIES 2024

Dated Date: December 1, 2024

Due: September 1, as shown below

Interest Accrual Date: Date of Delivery

The bonds described above (the “Bonds”) will be issued in fully registered form only, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000 for any one maturity. Principal of 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 The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Houston, Texas (the “Paying Agent/Registrar”). Interest will accrue from the initial date of delivery (expected on or about December 19, 2024) (the “Date of Delivery”) and is payable March 1, 2025, and each September 1 and March 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or redemption on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

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 “THE BONDS—Book-Entry-Only System.”

MATURITY SCHEDULE

\$1,250,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2034 (a), 762833 AJ0	(c), 4.250% Interest Rate, 4.25% Yield (b)
\$1,000,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2039 (a), 762833 AP6	(c), 4.375% Interest Rate, 4.45% Yield (b)
\$1,020,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2043 (a), 762833 AT8	(c), 4.500% Interest Rate, 4.60% Yield (b)
\$1,260,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2047 (a), 762833 AX9	(c), 4.625% Interest Rate, 4.75% Yield (b)
\$1,140,000 Term Bonds due September 1, 2050 (a), 762833 BA8	(c), 4.625% Interest Rate, 4.80% Yield (b)

- (a) Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2032, 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, 2031, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. The Bonds are also Term Bonds (as defined herein) and are also subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption as more fully described herein. See “THE BONDS—Redemption Provisions.”
- (b) Initial reoffering yield represents the initial offering yield to the public which has been established by the Initial Purchaser (as herein defined) 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.
- (c) CUSIP Numbers have been assigned to the Bonds by CUSIP Global Services and are included solely for the convenience of the purchasers of the Bonds. Neither the District nor the Initial Purchaser shall be responsible for the selection or correctness of the CUSIP Numbers set forth herein.

The Bonds, when issued, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 (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, Chambers County, the City of Mont Belvieu or any entity other than the District. The Bonds are subject to special investment risks described herein. See “RISK FACTORS.”

The Bonds are offered by the Initial Purchaser subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued by the District and accepted by the Initial Purchaser, subject, among other things, to the approval of the Bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and the approval of certain legal matters by Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P., Bond Counsel. Delivery of the Bonds through DTC is expected on or about December 19, 2024.

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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, orders, 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 Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P., 2727 Allen Parkway, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77019, upon payment of duplication costs.

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

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."

OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

The following information is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information and financial statements appearing elsewhere in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

THE FINANCING

<i>The Issuer ...</i>	Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the “District”), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, located in Chambers County, Texas. See “THE DISTRICT.”
<i>The Issue ...</i>	\$5,670,000 Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2024 (the “Bonds”), dated December 1, 2024. The Bonds mature as term bonds on September 1 in each of the years 2034, 2039, 2043, 2047 and 2050 (the “Term Bonds”) in the principal amounts set forth on the cover page hereof. Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the date of delivery, expected to be on or about December 19, 2024 (the “Date of Delivery”), with interest payable March 1, 2025 and each September 1 and March 1 thereafter until maturity. See “THE BONDS.”
<i>Redemption ...</i>	Bonds maturing on or after September 1, 2032 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, 2031, or on any date thereafter at a price of par value plus unpaid accrued interest from the most recent interest payment date to the date fixed for redemption. The Bonds are also Term Bonds and are also subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption as more fully described herein. See “THE BONDS—Redemption Provisions.”
<i>Book-Entry-Only System ...</i>	The definitive Bonds will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC, pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein. Beneficial ownership of the Bonds may be acquired in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the beneficial owners thereof. Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the participating members of DTC for subsequent payment to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See “THE BONDS—Book-Entry-Only System.”
<i>Source of Payment ...</i>	The Bonds are payable from a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, unlimited as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property within the District. The Bonds are obligations solely of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Chambers County, the City of Mont Belvieu or any entity other than the District. See “THE BONDS—Source of Payment.”
<i>Use of Proceeds...</i>	Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used to reimburse the Developer for the (1) water, sanitary sewer, and drainage for Riceland, Section 1; (2) water, sanitary sewer, and drainage for Riceland, Section 2; (3) Phase 1 Detention Pond A; and (4) engineering. Bond proceeds will also be used to capitalize twenty-four (24) months of interest on the Bonds, to pay Developer interest and to pay certain costs associated with creation of the District and the issuance of the Bonds. See “USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS.”
<i>Payment Record ...</i>	The District has no prior debt history. The District will capitalize twenty-four (24) months of interest from Bond proceeds. See “USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS.”
<i>Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations ...</i>	The District has designated the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” pursuant to Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. See “TAX MATTERS—Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations for Financial Institutions.”
<i>Authority for Issuance ...</i>	The Bonds are the first series of bonds issued out of an aggregate of \$178,470,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for purposes of construction and acquisition of water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities authorized by the District’s voters at elections held in the District on November 8, 2022 and November 7, 2023. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$172,800,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for purposes of construction and acquisition of water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. The Bonds are being issued pursuant to an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the “Commission”), Article XVI, Section 59 of the Constitution of Texas, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, the general laws of the State of Texas and an order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the “Bond Order”) adopted by the Board of Directors of the District. See “RISK FACTORS—Future Debt,” “THE BONDS—Authority for Issuance” and “—Issuance of Additional Debt.”

<i>Municipal Bond Rating ...</i>	The District has not applied for an investment grade rating nor is it expected that the District would have been successful if application had been made.
<i>Bond Counsel ...</i>	Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P., Bond Counsel, Houston, Texas.
<i>Financial Advisor ...</i>	Masterson Advisors LLC, Houston, Texas.
<i>Disclosure Counsel ...</i>	McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Disclosure Counsel, Houston, Texas.

THE DISTRICT

<i>Description ...</i>	The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, created by Order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the “Commission”) on August 11, 2022, under the provisions of Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution. The District operates in accordance with Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended. The District is located in Chambers County, Texas and wholly within the corporate limits of the City of Mont Belvieu, Texas (the “City”) approximately 35 miles east of downtown Houston. The District is bounded on the northwest by Eagle Pointe Drive, on the south by Eagle Drive and on the east by Farm-to-Market 565. The District is within the boundaries of the Barbers Hill Independent School District. The District contains approximately 455 acres of land. See “THE DISTRICT” and “AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH.”
<i>Riceland ...</i>	The District is part of the approximately 1,394-acre master planned community of Riceland. Riceland consists of three (3) municipal utility districts: the District, Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 2, and Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 3. The Riceland Management District also encompasses all of the acreage in Riceland, including all of the land within the boundaries of the District. To date, all residential development in Riceland is occurring in the District. See “RICELAND” and “THE DISTRICT.”
<i>Overlapping Debt and Taxes ...</i>	All of the land within the District is included within the boundaries of the Riceland Management District (“Riceland MD”) and is also subject to taxation by Riceland MD. Riceland MD levied a 2024 tax rate in the amount of \$0.50 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation (all Maintenance). Riceland MD has no debt currently outstanding but expects to issue approximately \$4,245,000 principal amount of unlimited tax road bonds in the fourth quarter of 2024. The District’s 2024 tax rate of \$0.80 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation, in combination with the 2024 tax rate of Riceland MD is \$1.30 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. See “RISK FACTORS—Overlapping Debt and Taxes.”
<i>Developer ...</i>	RDC Partners, LP, a Texas limited partnership (“RDC”) is an entity formed by McGrath Real Estate Partners (“McGrath”) for the sole purpose of owning and developing land in Riceland, including the District. McGrath is a privately held real estate investment firm located in Houston, Texas. RDC has assigned its reimbursement agreement with the District to Riceland Development Company, Inc., a Texas corporation (“Riceland Development Company”). RDC and Riceland Development Company are affiliated companies through common ownership and are collectively referred to herein as the “Developer.” The Developer has developed approximately 85 acres of land and continues to own approximately 205 acres of developable land in the District (including approximately 86 acres where utility construction is underway). See “RISK FACTORS—Dependence on Principal Taxpayers and the Developer,” “THE DEVELOPER,” “TAX DATA—Principal Taxpayers” and “APPENDIX B.”
<i>Status of Development ...</i>	Single-family residential development in the District currently consists of Riceland, Sections One through Six (417 single-family residential lots on approximately 85 acres). As of October 31, 2024, 86 homes were completed (10 occupied), 84 homes were under construction or in a builder’s name and 247 vacant developed lots were available for home construction. Of the unoccupied homes and homes under construction, 51 were under contract according to the Developer. In addition, 198 single-family residential lots on approximately 57 acres are under construction with an expected completion date in the first quarter of 2025 and 113 single-family residential lots on approximately 29 acres are under construction with an expected completion date in the second quarter of 2025.

The District also contains approximately 119 acres of developable land which are not provided with underground water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. Additionally, approximately 165 acres of land are undevelopable and consist of drainage easements, detention ponds, pipelines, park, landscape, open space and right of way. See “THE DISTRICT—Status of Development.”

Homebuilders ...

Homebuilders active in the District include Chesmar Homes, David Weekley Homes, Highland Homes and Perry Homes. New homes in the District are being offered for sale at prices ranging from approximately \$330,000 to \$785,000. See “THE DISTRICT—Status of Development.”

*Water and Wastewater
Facilities ...*

Pursuant to a Utility Agreement between the District and the City, the City provides retail water and sewer services to the residents in the District and all revenues from the collection of charges for water and sewer services are paid directly to the City. See “RISK FACTORS—Utility Agreement with the City of Mont Belvieu,” “THE SYSTEM” and “UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU.”

RISK FACTORS

THE PURCHASE AND OWNERSHIP OF THE BONDS ARE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL RISK FACTORS AND ALL PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS ARE URGED TO EXAMINE CAREFULLY THIS ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT WITH RESPECT TO THE INVESTMENT SECURITY OF THE BONDS, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY THE SECTION CAPTIONED “RISK FACTORS.”

SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$32,929,325 (a)
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024.....	\$59,759,825 (b)
Gross Debt Outstanding (the Bonds)	\$ 5,670,000 (c)
Estimated Overlapping Debt.....	<u>6,189,197 (d)</u>
Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt.....	\$11,859,197
Ratio of Gross Debt to:	
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024.....	9.49%
Ratio of Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to:	
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024.....	19.84%
Funds Available for Debt Service:	
Capitalized Interest from Proceeds of the Bonds (Twenty-Four (24) Months)	\$507,550 (e)(f)
Operating Funds Available as of November 11, 2024	\$11,908 (g)
2024 Total Tax Rate (All Maintenance)	\$0.80
Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2025-2050) of the Bonds (“Average Requirement”).....	\$380,302
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement (2050) of the Bonds (“Maximum Requirement”)	\$418,500
Tax Rate Required to Pay Average Requirement (2025-2050) at a 90% Collection Rate Based upon Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024	\$0.71
Tax Rate Required to Pay Maximum Requirement (2050) at a 90% Collection Rate Based upon Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024	\$0.78
Status of home construction as of October 31, 2024 (h):	
Homes Completed (10 Occupied)	86
Homes Under Construction or in a Builder’s Name	84
Lots Available for Home Construction.....	247
Lots Under Construction	311

Estimated 2024 Population – 35 (i)

- (a) As certified by the Chambers County Appraisal District (the “Appraisal District”). See “TAX PROCEDURES.”
- (b) Provided by the Appraisal District as of September 3, 2024, for informational purposes only. Such amounts reflect an estimate of the taxable assessed value within the District on September 3, 2024. No tax will be levied on such amount until it is certified. Increases in value occurring between January 1, 2024 and September 3, 2024, will be certified as of January 1, 2025. See “TAX PROCEDURES.”
- (c) After issuance of the Bonds. See “FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DISTRICT (UNAUDITED).”
- (d) See “ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT AND TAX RATES STATEMENT.”
- (e) The District will capitalize twenty-four (24) months of interest from Bond proceeds. See “USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS.”
- (f) The City has agreed to make an annual payment to the District from the City’s annual ad valorem tax revenue actually collected and received by the City from the taxpayers within the District (the “Annual Payment”). All Annual Payments received by the District from the City shall be deposited by the District into the Debt Service Fund, and used, along with any interest thereon, solely for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on the District’s outstanding indebtedness as required by the Utility Agreement. The Annual Payment for each year shall be payable to the District each February 1, beginning in February 2025, and equal to \$0.18 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation of the land located in the District, based upon the District’s certified taxable assessed valuation for the prior year. See “RISK FACTORS—Utility Agreement with the City of Mont Belvieu,” “THE BONDS—Source of Payment,” and “UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU.”
- (g) See “RISK FACTORS—Operating Funds.”
- (h) See “THE DISTRICT—Land Use” and “—Status of Development.”
- (i) Based upon 3.5 persons per occupied home.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

\$5,670,000

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
(A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Chambers County)

UNLIMITED TAX BONDS SERIES 2024

This OFFICIAL STATEMENT provides certain information in connection with the issuance by Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the “District”) of its \$5,670,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2024 (the “Bonds”).

The Bonds are issued pursuant to Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, the general laws of the State of Texas relating to the issuance of bonds by political subdivisions of the state, an order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the “Bond Order”) adopted by the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”), an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the “TCEQ” or the “Commission”) and elections held within the District.

This OFFICIAL STATEMENT includes descriptions, among others, of the Bonds and the Bond Order, and certain other information about the District, RDC Partners, LP, a Texas limited partnership (“RDC”), Riceland Development Company, Inc., a Texas corporation (“Riceland Development Company”) (RDC and Riceland Development Company are collectively referred to herein as the “Developer”) and development activity 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 such documents may be obtained from the District upon payment of the costs of duplication therefor from Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P., Bond Counsel, 2727 Allen Parkway, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77019.

RISK FACTORS

General

The Bonds are obligations solely of the District and are not obligations of the City of Mont Belvieu (the “City”), Chambers County, the State of Texas, or any entity other than the District. Payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds depends upon the ability of the District to collect taxes levied on taxable property within the District in an amount sufficient to service the District's bonded debt or in the event of foreclosure, on the value of the taxable property in the District and the taxes levied by the District and other taxing authorities upon the property within the District. See “THE BONDS—Source of Payment.” The collection by the District of delinquent taxes owed to it and the enforcement by Registered Owners of the District's obligation to collect sufficient taxes may be a costly and lengthy process. Furthermore, the District cannot and does not make any representations that continued development of taxable property within the District will accumulate or maintain taxable values sufficient to justify continued payment of taxes by property owners or that there will be a market for the property or that owners of the property will have the ability to pay taxes. See “—Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations” herein.

Dependence on Principal Taxpayers and the Developer

The top ten principal taxpayers within the District represent \$32,901,410 or 99.92% of the 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$32,929,325, which represents ownership as of January 1, 2024. The Developer represents \$19,758,010 or 60.00% of the 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation. If the Developer or another principal taxpayer were to default in the payment of taxes in an amount which exceeds the balance in the debt service fund (see “THE BONDS—Source of Payment”), the ability of the District to make timely payment of debt service on the Bonds would be dependent on the ability of the District 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 the District being forced to set an excessive tax rate, hindering growth and leading to further defaults in the payment of taxes. The District is not required by law or the Bond Order to maintain any specified amount of surplus in its debt service funds. See “—Tax Collections Limitations” herein, “THE DEVELOPER,” “TAX PROCEDURES—Levy and Collection of Taxes” and “APPENDIX B.”

The Developer has informed the District that their current plans are to continue developing its property in the District and/or marketing lots. However, neither the Developer nor any future developer is obligated to implement development plans on any particular schedule or at all. Thus, the furnishing of any information related to any proposed development should not be interpreted as a commitment. The District makes no representation about the probability of development continuing in a timely manner or about the ability of the Developer and other landowners to implement any plan of development. Furthermore, there is no restriction on any landowner's right to sell land. The District can make no prediction as to the effects that current or future economic conditions or governmental circumstances may have on any plans of the Developer, their affiliates or any other landowners.

Operating Funds

The District's primary source of operating revenue, to date, has been Developer advances and maintenance tax revenue. The District levied a 2024 tax rate of \$0.80 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation (all maintenance). The District expects to levy its initial debt service tax rate in 2025 and reduce the maintenance tax rate proportionately such that the total tax rate does not exceed \$0.80 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. See "TAX DATA—Tax Rate Distribution. The District's unaudited General Fund balance as of November 11, 2024 was \$11,908. The revenue produced from a 2024 maintenance tax rate of \$0.80 or a reduced 2025 maintenance tax rate may not be sufficient to offset the operating expenses of the District. Continued maintenance of a positive General Fund balance will depend upon (1) cash subsidies from the Developer, and (2) continued development and increased amounts of maintenance tax revenue. If funds from these sources are not forthcoming, the District would have to increase its maintenance tax rate. Such an increase may result in a total District tax in excess of similar developments and could adversely affect continued development of the District, as well as the willingness of taxpayers to pay taxes on their property. See "THE SYSTEM—General Operating Fund."

Utility Agreement with the City of Mont Belvieu

The City and the District have entered into the Water Supply and Wastewater Services Agreement by and between Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 and The City of Mont Belvieu, Texas, dated March 27, 2024 ("Utility Agreement"). Pursuant to the Utility Agreement, the City has agreed to make an annual payment from the City's annual ad valorem tax revenue actually collected and received by the City from the taxpayers within the District (the "Annual Payment"). All Annual Payments received by the District from the City shall be deposited by the District into the Debt Service Fund, and used, along with any interest thereon, solely for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on the Bonds and the District's outstanding bonds, if any, and additional bonds payable from ad valorem taxes as required by the Utility Agreement. See "THE BONDS—Source of Payment." The Annual Payment for each year shall be payable each February 1, beginning in February 2025, and equal to \$0.18 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation based upon the District's certified taxable assessed valuation for the prior year. The obligation of the City to make the Annual Payment to the District shall terminate only after (1) all the District's outstanding debt obligations have been paid in full or otherwise defeased, or (2) the City has dissolved the District and assumed all outstanding District debt obligations in accordance with applicable laws. Any reduction in the amount of the Annual Payment would have an effect on the District's rate of taxation. If the City fails to make the Annual Payment to the District in a timely manner, the District may need to increase its debt service tax rate. See "THE BONDS—Dissolution by the City of Mont Belvieu" and "UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU."

Economic Factors and Interest Rates

A substantial percentage of the taxable value of the District results from the current market value of single-family residences and of developed lots which are currently being marketed by the Developer for sale to homebuilders for the construction of primary residences. The market value of such homes and lots is related to general economic conditions in Houston, the State of Texas and the nation and those conditions can affect the demand for residences. Demand for lots of this type and the construction of residential dwellings thereon can be significantly affected by factors such as interest rates, credit availability (see "Credit Markets and Liquidity in the Financial Markets" below), construction costs and the prosperity and demographic characteristics of the urban center 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 such values.

Credit Markets and Liquidity in the Financial Markets

Interest rates and the availability of mortgage and development funding have a direct impact on the construction activity, particularly short-term interest rates at which developers are able to obtain financing for development costs. Interest rate levels may affect the ability of a landowner with undeveloped property to undertake and complete construction activities within the District. Because of the numerous and changing factors affecting the availability of funds, particularly liquidity in the national credit markets, the District is unable to assess the future availability of such funds for continued construction within the District. In addition, since the District is located approximately 35 miles from the central downtown business district of the City of Houston, the success of development within the District and growth of District taxable property values are, to a great extent, a function of the Houston metropolitan and regional economies and national credit and financial markets. A decline in the nation's real estate and financial markets could adversely affect development and home-building plans in the District and restrain the growth or reduce the value of the District's property tax base.

Competition

The demand for and construction of single-family homes in the District, which is approximately 35 miles east from downtown Houston, could be affected by competition from other residential developments in the eastern portion of the greater Houston area market. In addition to competition for new home sales from other developments, there are numerous previously-owned homes in the area of the District. Such homes could represent additional competition for new homes proposed to be sold within the District.

The competitive position of builders in the sale of single-family residential houses within the District is affected by most of the factors discussed in this section. Such a competitive position directly affects the growth and maintenance of taxable values in the District and tax revenues to be received by the District. The District can give no assurance that building and marketing programs in the District by the Developer will be implemented or, if implemented, will be successful.

Undeveloped Acreage and Vacant Lots

There are approximately 119 developable acres of land within the District that have not been fully provided with water, wastewater, storm drainage and road facilities necessary for the construction of new development and 247 developed single-family residential lots that remain vacant as of October 31, 2024. The District makes no representation as to when or if development of the undeveloped acreage will occur or the success of any homebuilding programs. Failure of the Developer to develop the developable land or of builders to build homes on developed lots could restrict the rate of growth of taxable values in the District. See “THE DISTRICT—Land Use” and “—Status of Development.”

Developer/Landowner Obligation to the District

There are no commitments from or obligations of the Developer, any homebuilder, or any other landowner to the District to proceed at any particular rate or according to any specified plan with the development of land or the construction of improvements in the District, and there is no restriction on any landowner's right to sell its land. Failure to construct taxable improvements on developed lots or developed tracts of land could restrict the rate of growth of taxable values in the District. The District cannot and does not make any representations that over the life of the Bonds the District will increase or maintain its taxable value.

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 Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024 is \$59,759,825, which is subject to review and downward adjustment prior to review and downward adjustment prior to certification. After issuance of the Bonds, the maximum annual debt service requirement will be \$418,500 (2050) and the average annual debt service requirement will be \$380,302 (2025-2050, inclusive). Assuming no increase or decrease from the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024 and no use of funds other than tax collections, a tax rate of \$0.78 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation at a 90% collection rate would be necessary to pay the maximum annual debt service requirement of \$418,500 and a tax rate of \$0.71 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation at a 90% collection rate would be necessary to pay the average annual debt service requirement of \$380,302 (see “FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DISTRICT (UNAUDITED)—Debt Service Requirements”). Although calculations have been made regarding average and maximum tax rates necessary to pay the debt service on the Bonds based upon the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024, the District can make no representations regarding the future level of assessed valuation within the District. Increases in taxable values depend primarily on the continuing construction and sale of taxable improvements within the District. See “TAX PROCEDURES” and “TAX DATA—Tax Adequacy for Debt Service.”

Overlapping Debt and Taxes

All of the land within the District is included within the boundaries of the Riceland Management District (“Riceland MD”) and is also subject to taxation by Riceland MD. Riceland MD levied a 2024 tax rate in the amount of \$0.50 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation (all maintenance). Riceland MD has no debt currently outstanding but expects to issue approximately \$4,245,000 principal amount of unlimited tax road bonds in the fourth quarter of 2024. The District’s 2024 tax rate of \$0.80 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation, in combination with the 2024 tax rate of Riceland MD is \$1.30 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

The District cannot represent whether any of the development planned or occurring in Riceland MD will be successful or whether the appraised valuation of the land located within Riceland MD will justify continued payment of the taxes by property owners. An increase in Riceland MD’s tax rate could have an adverse impact upon future development and home sales within the District and in the willingness of owners of property located within the District to pay ad valorem taxes levied by Riceland MD and the District.

The tax rate that may be required to service debt on any bonds issued by the District or Riceland MD is subject to numerous uncertainties such as the growth of taxable values within the boundaries of each, regulatory approvals, construction costs and interest rates. There can be no assurances that the composite of the tax rates imposed by all jurisdictions on property in the District will be competitive with the composite of the tax rates imposed on competing projects in the Chambers County area. To the extent that such composite tax rates are not competitive with competing developments, the growth of property tax values in the District and the investment quality or security of the Bonds could be adversely affected. A combined tax rate of \$1.30 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation for the District and Riceland MD is higher than the tax rate of many utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area, although such combined rates is within the range of tax rates imposed for similar purposes by many utility districts in the Houston metropolitan area in stages of development comparable with the District.

The current TCEQ rules regarding the feasibility of a bond issue for utility districts in Chambers County limit the projected combined total tax rate of entities levying a tax for water, sewer, drainage, roads and recreational facilities to \$1.50 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. In the case of the District, the total combined tax rate under current TCEQ rules includes the tax rate of the District in combination with Riceland MD. The current combined tax rate of the District and Riceland MD is consistent with the rules of the TCEQ. If the total combined tax rate of the District and Riceland MD should ever exceed \$1.50 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation, the District and Riceland MD could be prohibited under rules of the TCEQ from selling additional bonds which require the prior approval of TCEQ. See “—Impact on District Tax Rates” herein and “ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT AND TAX RATES STATEMENT.”

Tax Collections Limitations

The District's ability to make debt service payments may be adversely affected by its inability to collect ad valorem taxes. Under Texas law, the levy of ad valorem taxes by the District constitutes a lien in favor of the District on a parity with the liens of all other state and local taxing authorities on the property against which taxes are levied, and such lien may be enforced by foreclosure. The District's ability to collect ad valorem taxes through such foreclosure may be impaired by 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.”

Potential Effects of Oil Price Volatility on the Houston Area

The economy of the Houston area has, in the past, been particularly affected by adverse conditions in the oil and gas industry, and such conditions and their spillover effects into other industries could result in declines in the demand for residential and commercial property in the Houston area and could reduce or negatively affect property values or homebuilding activity within the District. The District cannot predict the impact that negative conditions in the oil and gas industry could have on property values in the District.

Extreme Weather Events

The greater Houston area, including the District, is subject to occasional severe weather events, including tropical storms and hurricanes. If the District were to sustain damage to its facilities requiring substantial repair or replacement, or if substantial damage were to occur to taxable property within the District as a result of such a weather event, the investment security of the Bonds could be adversely affected. The greater Houston area has experienced multiple storms exceeding a 0.2% probability (i.e. “500-year flood” events) since 2015, including Hurricane Harvey, which made landfall along the Texas Gulf Coast on August 26, 2017 and brought historic levels of rainfall during the successive four days.

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

Specific Flood Type Risks

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

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

Future Debt

The District's voters have authorized a total of \$178,470,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of constructing or acquiring water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities, and after issuance of the Bonds, \$172,800,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities will remain authorized but unissued. The District's voters have also authorized a total of \$130,275,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of constructing roads and related facilities, a total of \$125,000,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of constructing or acquiring park and recreational facilities, and a total of \$433,745,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds of the District, of which all of the principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for constructing roads and related facilities, constructing or acquiring park and recreational facilities, and for refunding purposes will remain authorized but unissued. See "THE BONDS—Issuance of Additional Debt." The issuance of such 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 by the District, however, must be approved by the Attorney General of Texas and the Board of the District and any bonds issued to acquire or construct water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities and recreational facilities must be approved by the Commission.

To date, the Developer has advanced certain funds for construction of water and stormwater drainage facilities, roads and parks and recreational facilities which has not been reimbursed. After reimbursement with proceeds of the Bonds, the District will owe the Developer approximately \$7,000,000 for funds advanced to construct water and stormwater drainage facilities, roads and parks and recreational facilities in the District. The District intends to issue additional bonds in the future in order to develop the remainder of undeveloped but developable land (approximately 119 acres). The District does not employ any formula with respect to appraised valuations, tax collections or otherwise to limit the amount of parity bonds which it may issue. However, the outstanding principal amount of bonds issued to finance parks and recreational facilities may not exceed 1% of the District's certified taxable assessed valuation, unless the District meets certain financial feasibility requirements under the TCEQ rules, in which case the outstanding principal amount of such bonds issued by the District may not exceed an amount equal to three percent (3%) of the value of the taxable property in the District. Any bonds issued by the District, however, must be approved by the Attorney General of Texas and the Board of the District and any bonds issued to acquire or construct water and storm drainage facilities and recreational facilities, but not road facilities, must be approved by the TCEQ.

In addition, future changes in health or environmental regulations could require the construction and financing of additional improvements without any corresponding increases in taxable value in the District. See "THE BONDS—Issuance of Additional Debt." The issuance of additional obligations may increase the District's tax rate and adversely affect the security for and investment quality and value of the Bonds.

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 Order, or defaults in the observation or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Bond Order, 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 Order. Except for mandamus, the Bond Order 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. Statutory language authorizing local governments such as the District to sue and be sued does not waive the local government's sovereign immunity from suits for money damages, so that in the absence of other waivers of such immunity by the Texas Legislature, a default by the District in its covenants in the Bond Order may not be reduced to a judgment for money

damages. 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.

Notwithstanding noncompliance by a district with Texas law requirements, the District could file a voluntary bankruptcy petition under Chapter 9, thereby invoking the protection of the automatic stay until the bankruptcy court, after a hearing, dismisses the petition. A federal bankruptcy court is a court of equity and federal bankruptcy judges have considerable discretion in the conduct of bankruptcy proceedings and in making the decision of whether to grant the petitioning District relief from its creditors. While such a decision might be appealable, the concomitant delay and loss of remedies to the Registered Owner could potentially and adversely impair the value of the Registered Owner's claim.

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.

A district may not be forced into bankruptcy involuntarily.

Continuing Compliance with Certain Covenants

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

Marketability

The District has no agreement with the Initial Purchaser 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.

Environmental Regulation and Air Quality

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

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

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

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

The HGB Area is currently designated as a “severe” nonattainment area under the 2008 Ozone Standard, with an attainment deadline of July 20, 2027. If the EPA ultimately determines that the HGB Area has failed to meet the attainment deadline based on the relevant data, the area is subject to reclassification to a nonattainment classification that provides for more stringent controls on emissions from the industrial sector. In addition, the EPA may impose a moratorium on the awarding of federal highway construction grants and other federal grants for certain public works construction projects if it finds that an area fails to demonstrate progress in reducing ozone levels.

The HGB Area is currently designated as a “serious” nonattainment area under the 2015 Ozone Standard, with an attainment deadline of August 3, 2027. For purposes of the 2015 Ozone Standard, the HGB Area consists of only six counties: Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, and Montgomery Counties.

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

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

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

Pursuant to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (“SDWA”) and the EPA’s National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (“NPDWRs”), which are implemented by the TCEQ’s Water Supply Division, a municipal utility district’s provision of water for human consumption is subject to extensive regulation as a public water system. Municipal utility districts must generally provide treated water that meets the primary and secondary drinking water quality standards adopted by the TCEQ, the applicable disinfectant residual and inactivation standards, and the other regulatory action levels established under the agency’s rules. The EPA has established NPDWRs for more than ninety (90) contaminants and has identified and listed other contaminants which may require national drinking water regulation in the future. Further, the EPA has established a NPDWR for six (6) Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl 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), 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. It has a 5-year permit term, and is then subject to renewal. Moreover, the Clean Water Act (“CWA”) and Texas Water Code require municipal wastewater treatment plants to meet secondary treatment effluent limitations and more stringent water quality-based limitations and requirements to comply with the Texas water quality standards. Any water quality-based limitations and requirements with which a municipal utility district must comply may have an impact on the municipal utility district’s ability to obtain and maintain compliance with TPDES permits.

The TCEQ issued the General Permit for Phase II (small) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (the “MS4 Permit”) on August 14, 2024. The MS4 Permit authorizes the discharge of stormwater to surface water in the state from small municipal separate storm sewer systems. The District is in the Woodlands urbanized area and is thus required to develop and implement stormwater pollution prevention plans and stormwater management plans. See “THE SYSTEM—Stormwater Discharge Permit.”

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

In 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 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.

Changes in Tax Legislation

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

THE BONDS

Description

The Bonds are dated December 1, 2024 and interest will accrue from the Date of Delivery with interest payable each March 1 and September 1 (each an “Interest Payment Date”), beginning March 1, 2025, and mature on the dates and in the principal amounts and pay interest at the rates shown on the cover page hereof. The definitive Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form in any integral multiple of \$5,000 for any one maturity and will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the owners thereof. Initially, principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable by the Paying Agent/Registrar to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the participating members of DTC for subsequent payment to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. See “—Book-Entry-Only System” herein. Interest calculations are based upon a three hundred sixty (360) day year comprised of twelve (12) thirty (30) day months.

In the event the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, interest on the Bonds shall be payable by check on or before each interest payment date, mailed by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the registered owners (“Registered Owners”) as shown on the bond register (the “Register”) kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the 15th calendar day of the month immediately preceding each interest payment date to the address of such Registered Owner as shown on the Register, or by such other customary banking arrangements as may be agreed upon by the Paying Agent/Registrar and a Registered Owner at the risk and expense of such Registered Owner.

Book-Entry-Only System

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof. The District cannot and does not give any assurances that DTC, DTC Direct Participants or Indirect Participants will distribute to the Beneficial Owners (a) payments of interest, principal or premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds, (b) Bonds representing ownership interest in or other confirmation or ownership interest in the Bonds, or (c) prepayment or other notices sent to DTC or Cede & Co., its nominee, as the registered owner of the Bonds, or that they will do so on a timely basis or that DTC, DTC Direct Participants or DTC Indirect Participants will 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 "Procedure" of DTC to be followed in dealing with DTC Direct Participants are on file with DTC.

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered 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 rating of "AA+" from S&P Global Ratings. 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, 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, 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, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District or the Paying Agent. 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 information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Use of Certain Terms in Other Sections of this Official Statement

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

Registration, Transfer and Exchange

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 Bond Order. While the Bonds are in the Book-Entry-Only system, Bonds will be registered only in the name of Cede & Co and held by DTC. See "—Book-Entry-Only System."

Mutilated, Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Bonds

In the event the book-entry-only system is 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 therefore 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.

If, after the delivery of such replacement Bond, a bona fide purchaser of the original Bond in lieu of which such replacement Bond was issued presents for payment such original Bond, the District and Registrar shall be entitled to recover such replacement Bond from the person to whom it was delivered or any person taking therefrom, except a bona fide purchaser, and shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar in connection therewith.

If any such mutilated, lost, apparently destroyed or wrongfully taken Bond has become or is about to become payable, the District in its discretion may, instead of issuing a replacement Bond, authorize the Paying Agent/Registrar to pay such Bond.

Each replacement Bond delivered in accordance with this Section shall be entitled to the benefits and security of the Bond Order to the same extent as the Bond or Bonds in lieu of which such replacement Bond is delivered.

Paying Agent/Registrar

The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., in Houston, Texas. In the Bond Order the District retains the right to replace the Paying Agent/Registrar. The District covenants to maintain and provide a Paying Agent/Registrar at all times until the Bonds are duly paid, and any successor Paying Agent/Registrar shall be a commercial bank or trust company organized under the laws of the State of Texas or other entity duly qualified and legally authorized to serve as and perform the duties and services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds, the District agrees to promptly cause a written notice thereof to be sent to each Registered Owner of the Bonds by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, which notice shall also give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.

Source of Payment

The Bonds and any additional bonds payable from ad valorem taxes, are secured by and payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied upon all taxable property located within the District. See "TAX PROCEDURES." Additionally, the City has entered into a Utility Agreement with the District pursuant to which the City has agreed to make an Annual Payment from the City's annual ad valorem tax revenue actually collected and received by the City from the taxpayers within the District. All Annual Payments received by the District from the City shall be deposited by the District into the Debt Service Fund, and used, along with any interest thereon, solely for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on the Bonds and additional bonds payable from ad valorem taxes as required by the Utility Agreement. The Annual Payment for each year shall be payable each February 1 and equal to \$0.18 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation based upon the District's certified taxable assessed valuation for the prior year. The obligation of the City to make the Annual Payment to the District shall terminate only after (1) all the District's outstanding debt obligations have been paid in full or otherwise defeased, or (2) the City has dissolved the District and assumed all outstanding District debt obligations in accordance with applicable laws. See "RISK FACTORS—Utility Agreement with the City of Mont Belvieu," "—Dissolution by the City of Mont Belvieu" herein, and "UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU." Although the Annual Payment is to be used solely for the purposes of paying a portion of the principal and interest on the Bonds and additional bonds issued by the District, such Annual Payment will not be pledged to the payment of the Bonds in the Bond Order. Investment in the Bonds involves certain elements of risk, and all prospective purchasers are urged to examine carefully this OFFICIAL STATEMENT with respect to the investment security of the Bonds. See "RISK FACTORS." The Bonds are obligations solely of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Chambers County, the City, or any political subdivision or entity other than the District.

Funds

The Bond Order establishes the District's Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund. The Debt Service Fund is to be kept separate from all other funds of the District and used for payment of debt service on the Bonds and any of the District's duly authorized additional bonds, together with interest thereon, as such becomes due. Amounts on deposit in the Debt Service Fund may also be used to pay the fees and expenses of the Paying Agent/Registrar, and to defray the expenses of assessing and collecting taxes levied for payment of interest on and principal of the Bonds and any additional bonds.

Twenty-four (24) months of interest will be deposited into the Debt Service Fund upon receipt. The remaining proceeds from sale of the Bonds will be deposited into the Capital Projects Fund to be used for the purpose of acquiring and constructing District facilities, paying Developer interest, paying for creation costs of the District, and paying the costs of issuing the Bonds. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS."

The Bond Order also confirms the previous establishment of the District's General Fund. The District deposits, as collected, all revenues derived from operation of the District's water and sanitary sewer system and from maintenance taxes into the General Fund. From the General Fund, the District pays all administration, operation, and maintenance expenses of the water and sanitary sewer system and the District's storm drainage system, recreational facilities and streetlights in the District. Any funds remaining in the General Fund after payment of maintenance and operating expenses, and to the extent they are ever necessary, after any payments pledged pursuant to the requirements of the Bonds, may be used by the District for any lawful purposes.

Redemption Provisions

Mandatory Redemption: The Bonds are Term Bonds maturing on September 1 in each of the years 2034, 2039, 2043, 2047 and 2050 (the “Term Bonds”) and shall be redeemed, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption (the “Mandatory Redemption Date”), on September 1 in each of the years and in the principal amounts set forth in the following schedule (with each such scheduled principal amount reduced by the principal amount as may have been previously redeemed through the exercise of the District’s reserved right of optional redemption, as provided under “Optional Redemption” below):

\$1,250,000 Term Bonds Due September 1, 2034		\$1,000,000 Term Bonds Due September 1, 2039		\$1,020,000 Term Bonds Due September 1, 2043	
Mandatory Redemption Date	Principal Amount	Mandatory Redemption Date	Principal Amount	Mandatory Redemption Date	Principal Amount
2026	\$ 110,000	2035	\$ 180,000	2040	\$ 235,000
2027	115,000	2036	190,000	2041	250,000
2028	125,000	2037	200,000	2042	260,000
2029	130,000	2038	210,000	2043 (maturity)	275,000
2030	140,000	2039 (maturity)	220,000		
2031	145,000				
2032	155,000				
2033	160,000				
2034 (maturity)	170,000				

\$1,260,000 Term Bonds Due September 1, 2047		\$1,140,000 Term Bonds Due September 1, 2050	
Mandatory Redemption Date	Principal Amount	Mandatory Redemption Date	Principal Amount
2044	\$ 290,000	2048	\$ 360,000
2045	305,000	2049	380,000
2046	325,000	2050 (maturity)	400,000
2047 (maturity)	340,000		

On or before 30 days prior to each Mandatory Redemption Date set forth above, the Registrar shall (i) determine the principal amount of such Term Bonds 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 Bonds 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 Order. The principal amount of any Term Bonds to be mandatorily redeemed on such Mandatory Redemption Date shall be reduced by the principal amount of Term Bonds of such maturity, 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 Registrar or optionally redeemed and which, in either case, has not previously been made the basis for a reduction under this sentence.

Optional Redemption: The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem the Bonds maturing on and after September 1, 2032, prior to their scheduled maturities, in whole or, from time to time in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000 on September 1, 2031, or any date thereafter, at a price of the principal amount of bonds to be redeemed plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. If less than all of the Bonds of a given maturity are to be redeemed, the particular Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Paying Agent/Registrar by random method selection (or by DTC in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in Book-Entry-Only form).

Effects of Redemption: 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 less 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 which would otherwise accrue after the redemption date on any Bond or portion thereof called for redemption shall terminate on the date fixed for redemption.

Authority for Issuance

At elections held within the District on November 8, 2022 and November 7, 2023, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$178,470,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for purposes of acquiring and constructing the District's water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$172,800,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for purposes of acquiring and constructing the District's water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities. See "—Issuance of Additional Debt" below.

The Commission, pursuant to its order approving sale of the Bonds, has authorized the District to sell the Bonds for the purposes described in "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS."

The Bonds are issued by the District pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Bond Order, an order of the Commission, Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended and the general laws of the State relative to the issuance of bonds by political subdivision of the State. Before the Bonds can be issued, the Attorney General of Texas must pass upon the legality of certain related matters. The Attorney General of Texas does not guarantee or pass upon the safety of the Bonds as an investment or upon the adequacy of the information contained in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT. See "LEGAL MATTERS—Legal Opinion."

Issuance of Additional Debt

The District's voters have authorized the issuance of \$178,470,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for purposes of acquiring and constructing the District's water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities to serve land within the District. The voters in the District could authorize additional amounts. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$172,800,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for purposes of acquiring and constructing water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. The District's voters have also authorized the issuance of \$433,745,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds of the District, all of which remains authorized but unissued. The Bond Order imposes no limitation on the amount of additional parity bonds which may be subsequently authorized for issuance by the District's voters or the amount ultimately issued by the District. Any additional bonds issued by the District may be on a parity with the Bonds.

The District is authorized to issue bonds payable from an ad valorem tax to pay for the development and maintenance of recreational facilities if (i) the District duly adopts a plan for the facilities; (ii) the bonds are authorized at an election; (iii) the bonds payable from any source do not exceed 1% of the value of the taxable property in the District at the time of issuance of the bonds, unless the District meets certain financial feasibility requirements under the TCEQ rules, the outstanding principal amount of such bonds issued by the District may exceed an amount equal to one percent (1%) but not three percent (3%) of the value of the taxable property in the District; (iv) the District obtains any necessary governmental consents allowing the issuance of such bonds; and (v) the bonds are approved by the Attorney General of Texas. The District may issue bonds for such purposes payable solely from net operating revenues without an election. The issuance of such bonds is subject to rules and regulations adopted by the Commission. The District's voters have authorized \$125,000,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for recreational facilities, all of which remains authorized but unissued.

Pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Water Code, a municipal utility district may petition the Commission for the power to issue bonds supported by property taxes to finance roads. Before the District could issue such bonds, the District would be required to receive a grant of such power from the Commission, authorization from the District's voters to issue such bonds, and approval of the bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The District's voters have authorized \$130,275,000 in principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of constructing road facilities, all of which remains authorized but unissued.

Issuance of additional bonds or other subsequently authorized bonds could affect the investment quality or security of the Bonds. See "RISK FACTORS—Future Debt."

Defeasance

The District may defease the Bonds pursuant to provisions of the Bond Order and discharge its obligations to the Registered Owners of any or all of the Bonds to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds in any manner permitted by law. Under current Texas law, such discharge may be accomplished as follows: (1) by paying or causing to pay principal and interest due on the Bonds (whether at maturity, redemption or otherwise) in accordance with the terms of the Bonds; (2) 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 (3) by depositing with any place of payment (paying agent) of the Bonds or other obligations of the District payable with revenues from ad valorem taxes or both, or with a commercial bank or trust company designated in the proceedings authorizing the discharge, moneys or investments which, together with interest earned on or profits to be realized from such investments, will be sufficient to pay principal, interest or redemption price to maturity or to the date fixed for 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) non-callable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, and (c) non-callable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than AAA or its equivalent, 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 payment or deposit, the Bonds shall no longer be regarded as outstanding and unpaid. However, if the maturity date on the Bonds shall not have then arrived, provision shall be made by the District for payment to the Registered Owners of the Bonds at the date of maturity or at a date fixed for redemption in full amount to which the Registered Owners would be entitled by way of principal, interest and redemption price to the date of such maturity or redemption as provided in the Bond Order, and further provided written notice thereof shall have been given as provided in the Bond Order.

Dissolution by the City of Mont Belvieu

Under existing Texas law, because the District lies wholly within the corporate limits of the City, the District must conform to a City ordinance consenting to the creation of the District and its Utility Agreement with the City. In addition, the District may be dissolved by the City without the District's consent. If the District is dissolved, the City will assume the District's assets and obligations (including the Bonds). Dissolution of the District by the City is a policy matter within the discretion of the Mayor and City Council of the City, and therefore, the District makes no representation that dissolution will or will not occur and makes no representation of the City's financial capability to pay debt service on the Bonds if such dissolution were to occur. See "UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU" for a discussion of certain limitations on the City's right to dissolve the District.

Consolidation

A district (such as the District) has the legal authority to consolidate with other districts and, in connection therewith, to provide for the consolidation of its assets with the assets of districts with which it is consolidating as well as its liabilities (which would include the Bonds). No representation is made concerning the likelihood of consolidation, but the District currently has no plans to do so.

Legal Investment and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas

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

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

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

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

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

Amendments

The District has reserved the right to amend the Bond Order without the consent of the Registered Owners as may be required (a) by the provisions of the Bond Order, (b) for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, inconsistency, or formal defect or omission in the Bond Order, or (c) in connection with any other change not to the prejudice of the Registered Owners, but the District may not otherwise amend the terms of the Bonds or of the Bond Order without the consent of the Registered Owners.

No Arbitrage

The District will certify as of the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for that, based upon all facts and estimates then known or reasonably expected to be in existence on the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for, the District reasonably expects that the proceeds of the Bonds will not be used in a manner that would cause the Bonds, or any portion of the Bonds, to be “arbitrage bonds” under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and the regulations prescribed thereunder. Furthermore, all officers, employees, and agents of the District have been authorized and directed to provide certifications of facts and estimates that are material to the reasonable expectations of the District as of the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for. In particular, all or any officers of the District are authorized to certify to the facts and circumstances and reasonable expectations of the District on the date the Bonds are delivered and paid for regarding the amount and use of the proceeds of the Bonds. Moreover, the District covenants in the Bond Order 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 that the Bonds shall not become “arbitrage bonds” under the Code and the regulations prescribed from time to time thereunder.

Registered Owners' Remedies

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 Order, or defaults in the observance or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Bond Order, 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 Order. Except for mandamus, the Bond Order 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. Statutory language authorizing local governments such as the District to sue and be sued does not waive the local government’s sovereign immunity from suits for money damages, so that in the absence of other waivers of such immunity by the Texas Legislature, a default by the District in its covenants in the Bond Order may not be reduced to a judgment for money damages. 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. See “RISK FACTORS—Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations.”

RICELAND

The District is a part of an approximately 1,394-acre master planned community of Riceland. Riceland consists of three (3) municipal utility districts: the District, Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 2 (“Riceland 2”), and Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 3 (“Riceland 3”). The Riceland Management District (“Riceland MD”) also encompasses all of the acreage in Riceland, including all of the land within the boundaries of the District. The District, Riceland 2, and Riceland 3 are collectively referred to as the “Riceland MUDs.” Each of the Riceland MUDs has authority to provide water, wastewater, drainage and road facilities as provided by general law and Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution, and Article III, Section 52, Texas Constitution, that relate to the construction, acquisition, improvement, operation, or maintenance of roads.

THE DISTRICT

General

Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the “District”) is a municipal utility district created by Order of the Commission on August 11, 2022, under the provisions of Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution. The District operates under provisions of Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and other general statutes applicable to municipal utility districts. The District is subject to the continuing supervision of the Commission. The District is located wholly within the corporate limits of the City of Mont Belvieu and Barbers Hill Independent School District.

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. The District is also empowered to provide street lighting and to establish, operate, and maintain parks and recreational facilities, independently or with one or more conservation and reclamation districts. Additionally, the District may, subject to certain limitations, develop and finance roads.

Description and Location

The District contains approximately 455 acres of land and is located in Chambers County approximately 35 miles east of downtown Houston. The District is bounded on the northwest by Eagle Pointe Drive, on the south by Eagle Drive and on the east by Farm-to-Market 565.

Land Use

The District’s land plan currently includes approximately 85 acres of single-family residential development consisting of 417 single-family residential lots, approximately 86 acres where utility construction is underway for 311 single-family residential lots within the District, and approximately 119 acres of undeveloped but developable land also lies within the District. The table below represents a detailed breakdown of the current acreage and development in the District.

<u>Single-Family Residential</u>	Approximate <u>Acres</u>	<u>Lots</u>
Riceland		
Section One.....	22	44
Section Two.....	14	62
Section Three.....	11	75
Section Four.....	11	72
Section Five.....	11	71
Section Six.....	16	93
Section Seven (a).....	20	75
Section Eight (b).....	14	59
Section Nine (a).....	18	69
Section Ten (b).....	15	54
Section Eleven (a).....	19	54
Subtotal.....	171	728
Future Development.....	119	--
Non-Developable (c).....	165	--
Subtotal.....	284	--
Totals.....	455	728

(a) Construction is underway with completion anticipated in the first quarter of 2025.
 (b) Construction is underway with completion anticipated in the second quarter of 2025.
 (c) Includes drainage easements, detention ponds, pipelines, landscape and right of way.

Status of Development

Single-family residential development in the District currently consists of Riceland Sections One through Six (417 single-family residential lots on approximately 85 acres). As of October 31, 2024, 86 homes were completed (10 occupied), 84 homes were under construction or in a builder's name and 247 vacant developed lots were available for home construction. Of the unoccupied homes and homes under construction, 51 were under contract according to the Developer. In addition, 198 single-family residential lots on approximately 57 acres are under construction with an expected completion date in the first quarter of 2025 and 113 single-family residential lots on approximately 29 acres are under construction with an expected completion date in the second quarter of 2025. The estimated population in the District based upon 3.5 persons per occupied single-family residence is 35.

Homebuilders active in the District include Chesmar Homes, David Weekley Homes, Highland Homes and Perry Homes. New homes in the District are being offered for sale at prices ranging from approximately \$330,000 to \$785,000.

The District also contains approximately 119 acres of developable land which are not provided with underground water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. Additionally, approximately 165 acres of land are undevelopable and consist of drainage easements, detention ponds, pipelines, landscape and right of way.

THE DEVELOPER

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 streets and the installation of utilities; and selling or leasing improved tracts or commercial reserves to other Developer or third parties. While a developer is required by the TCEQ to pave streets in areas where utilities are to be financed by a district through a specified bond issue, 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.

Prospective Bond purchasers should note that the prior real estate experience of the Developer should not be construed as an indication that further development within the District will occur, or that construction of taxable improvements upon property within the District will occur, or that marketing or leasing of taxable improvements constructed upon property within the District will be successful. See "RISK FACTORS."

The Developer

RDC Partners, LP, a Texas limited partnership ("RDC") is an entity formed by McGrath Real Estate Partners ("McGrath") for the sole purpose of owning and developing land in Riceland, including the District. McGrath is a privately held real estate investment firm located in Houston, Texas. RDC has assigned its reimbursement agreement with the District to Riceland Development Company, Inc., a Texas corporation ("Riceland Development Company"). RDC and Riceland Development Company are affiliated companies through common ownership and are collectively referred to herein as the "Developer." The Developer has completed 417 single-family residential lots to date in Riceland, all of which are located in the District. Additionally, the Developer is developing 198 single-family residential lots on approximately 57 acres which are under construction in the District with an expected completion date in the first quarter of 2025 and 113 single-family residential lots on approximately 29 acres which are under construction in the District with an expected completion date in the second quarter of 2025. See "RISK FACTORS—Dependence on Principal Taxpayers and the Developer," "THE DISTRICT—Status of Development," "TAX DATA—Principal Taxpayers" and "APPENDIX B."

Certain financial information concerning the Developer is attached hereto as "APPENDIX B—Financial Information Concerning the Developer." Neither the Developer nor an affiliated company is responsible for, is liable for or has made any commitment for payment of the Bonds or other obligations of the District, and the inclusion of such financial statements and description of financial arrangements herein should not be construed as an implication to that effect. Neither the Developer nor any affiliated company has any legal commitment to the District or to owners of the Bonds to continue development of the land within the District and the Developer may sell or otherwise dispose of its property within the District, or any other assets, at any time. Further, the financial condition of the Developer is subject to change at any time. Because of the foregoing, financial information concerning the Developer will neither be updated nor provided following issuance of the Bonds, except as described herein under "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE INFORMATION." See "RISK FACTORS—Dependence on Principal Taxpayers and the Developer."

Development Financing

The Developer has a Phase 1 development loan with Trez Capital from which the Developer can draw up to a limit of \$36,126,754. The loan bears interest at the higher of 10%, or the Prime rate plus 6.25%. The effective interest rate at November 8, 2024 was 14%. Interest is payable monthly, and all outstanding principal and interest is due when the loan matures on November 27, 2024. The loan is being extended for an additional term of six months, maturing on May 27, 2025. Borrowings on the loan are secured by a first lien deed of trust on approximately 144 acres and guaranteed by shareholders of the Developer. As of November 8, 2024, the Phase 1 development loan had an outstanding balance of \$10,319,684.60.

The Developer has a Phase 2A development loan with Trez Capital from which the Developer can draw up to a limit of \$40,338,599. The loan bears interest at the higher of 11%, or the Prime rate plus 4.50%. The effective interest rate at November 8, 2024 was 12.75%. Interest is payable monthly, and all outstanding principal and interest is due when the loan matures on August 23, 2027. The loan may be extended for two extension terms of six months. Borrowings on the loan are secured by a first lien deed of trust on approximately 136 acres and guaranteed by shareholders of the Developer. As of November 8, 2024, the Phase 2A development loan had an outstanding balance of \$0.00.

MANAGEMENT

Board of Directors

The District is governed by the Board of Directors, consisting of five (5) directors, which has control over and management supervision of all affairs of the District. Directors are elected to four-year staggered terms, and elections are held in May in even numbered years only. None of the Directors resides within the District, however, each of the directors own a small parcel of land within the District, subject to a deed of trust in favor of the Developer. The Directors and Officers of the District are listed below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Will Richardson	President	May 2028
Debra Fulleylove	Vice President	May 2028
Warren Hitchcock	Secretary	May 2028
Jerrod King	Assistant Secretary	May 2026
JT Lane	Director	May 2026

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

Tax Appraisal

Land and improvements within the District are appraised for ad valorem taxation purposes by the Chambers County Appraisal District.

Tax Assessor/Collector

The District's tax assessor/collector is Utility Tax Service, LLC (the "Tax Assessor/Collector").

Bookkeeper

The District contracts with Myrtle Cruz, Inc. for bookkeeping services.

Engineer

The consulting engineer for the District in connection with the design and construction of certain District facilities is Jones Engineering Solutions, LLC (the "Engineer").

Attorney

The District has engaged Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P. as general counsel and as Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

Financial Advisor

Masterson Advisors LLC (the “Financial Advisor”) serves as financial advisor to the District. The fee to be paid the Financial Advisor is contingent upon sale and delivery of the Bonds.

Auditor

As required by the Texas Water Code, the District retains an independent auditor to audit the District’s financial statements annually, which audit is filed with the Commission. The District’s audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending November 30, 2023 have been prepared by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC. See “APPENDIX A” for a copy of the District’s November 30, 2023 audited financial statements.

THE SYSTEM

Regulation

Construction and operation of the District’s water, sanitary sewer and storm drainage systems (the “System”) as they now exist or as they may be expanded from time-to-time is subject to regulatory jurisdiction of federal, state and local authorities. The Commission exercises continuing, supervisory authority over the District. Discharge of treated sewage into Texas waters is also subject to the regulatory authority of the Commission and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”). Construction of all water, sanitary sewer and storm drainage facilities is subject to the regulatory authority of the City, Chambers County, Texas, the Commission and the EPA.

Water Supply and Wastewater Treatment

Water supply and wastewater treatment for the District is provided by the City pursuant to the “Water Supply and Wastewater Services Agreement.” See “UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU.” The City has allocated water supply and wastewater capacity in an amount adequate to serve existing and proposed development in the District based on current land plan projections. In the event that the City’s facilities do not have sufficient capacity to serve the District, the City has agreed to make any necessary improvements to provide such capacity at no cost to the District.

Water Distribution, Wastewater Collection and Storm Drainage

Water distribution, wastewater collection and storm drainage facilities (the “Facilities”) have been constructed to serve approximately 417 single-family residential lots within the District. Additionally, utility construction is underway for an additional 198 single-family residential lots with an expected completion by the first quarter of 2025 and an additional 113 single-family residential lots with an expected completion by the second quarter of 2025. See “THE DISTRICT—Land Use.”

Storm Drainage System and 100-Year Flood Plain

“Flood Insurance Rate Map” or “FIRM” means an official map of a community on which the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has delineated the appropriate areas of flood hazards. The 1% chance of probable inundation, also known as the 100-year flood plain, is depicted on these maps. The “100-year flood plain” (or 1% chance of probable inundation) as shown on the FIRM is the estimated geographical area that would be flooded by a rainstorm of such intensity to statistically have a one percent chance of occurring in any given year. Generally speaking, homes must be built above the 100-year flood plain in order to meet local regulatory requirements and to be eligible for federal flood insurance. An engineering or regulatory determination that an area is above the 100-year flood plain is no assurance that homes built in such area will not be flooded. The District’s drainage system has been designed and constructed to all current standards.

The stormwater drainage within the District is collected in a storm sewer system consisting of concrete curb and gutter, which conveys the stormwater runoff to the City of Mont Belvieu’s underground storm sewer system. The storm sewer systems will outfall into detention basins that will ultimately outfall into Hodges Gully, then into Cherry Point Gully and into Old River, located northeast of the District. According to the most recent Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”) Floodplain Maps, approximately 90 acres of developable land in the District lie within the 100-year floodplain, in addition to the area contained within the drainage facilities. The Engineer has submitted a Letter of Map Revision to Harris County Flood Control and FEMA to remove approximately 90 acres of developable land from the 100-year flood plain. To date, there has been no development on the developable land within the floodplain. See “RISK FACTORS—Extreme Weather Events.”

In 2018, the National Weather Service completed a rainfall study known as NOAA Atlas 14, Volume 11 Precipitation-Frequency Atlas of the United States. Floodplain boundaries within the District may be redrawn based on the Atlas 14 study based on a higher statistical rainfall amount, resulting in the application of more stringent floodplain regulations applying to a larger area and potentially leaving less developable property within the District. The application of such regulations could additionally result in higher insurance rates, increased development fees, and stricter building codes for any property located within the expanded boundaries of the floodplain.

General Operating Fund

The System is owned and operated by the City and no water and sewer revenue is received by the District nor is the District responsible for operation, repair or maintenance of the System.

The following statement sets forth in condensed form the General Operating Fund as shown in the District’s audited financial statements for the year ended November 30, 2023, and an unaudited summary, provided by the Bookkeeper, for the ten-month period ended September 30, 2024. Accounting principles customarily employed in the determination of net revenues have been observed and in all instances exclude depreciation. Reference is made to “APPENDIX A” for further and complete information.

	12/1/2023 to 9/30/2024 <u>(Unaudited)</u>	Fiscal Year Ended 11/30/2023 <u></u>
Revenues		
Property Taxes	\$ 5,000	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Expenditures		
Service Operations		
Professional Fees	\$ 132,741	\$ 82,158
Contracted Services	8,100	7,050
Other Expenditures	10,773	14,623
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 151,613</u>	<u>\$ 103,831</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (146,613)	\$ (103,831)
Other Sources (Uses)		
Developer Advances (a)	\$ 172,000	\$ 73,000
Fund Balance (Beginning of Year)	\$ (30,831)	\$ -
Fund Balance (End of Year)	\$ (5,444)	\$ (30,831)

(a) See “RISK FACTORS—Operating Funds.”

UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU

The City and the District have entered into the Water Supply and Wastewater Services Agreement by and between Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 and The City of Mont Belvieu, Texas, dated March 27, 2024 (“Utility Agreement”). Pursuant to the Utility Agreement, the District has agreed to acquire and construct, at its sole expense, a water distribution system, sewage collection system and drainage system to serve the District and to convey such water and sewer and drainage facilities to the City for ownership, operation and maintenance at the City’s expense. The City shall bill and collect for services, including connection charges, from the District’s customers and all revenues shall be the property of the City. The City has agreed to provide the District with its ultimate requirements for water supply and distribution and wastewater treatment and collection subject to the terms and conditions of the Utility Agreement. The City’s fees for services and connection charges may be amended by the City from time to time and at any time, subject to certain limitations imposed by state law. Furthermore, the City has agreed to make an annual payment from the City’s annual ad valorem tax revenue actually collected and received by the City from the taxpayers within the District (the “Annual Payment”). All Annual Payments received by the District from the City shall be deposited by the District into the Debt Service Fund, and used, along with any interest thereon, solely for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on the Bonds and the District’s outstanding bonds, if any, and additional bonds payable from ad valorem taxes as required by the Utility Agreement. See “THE BONDS—Source of Payment.” The Annual Payment for each year shall be payable each February 1, beginning February 2025, and equal to \$0.18 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation based upon the District’s certified taxable assessed valuation for the prior year. The obligation of the City to make the Annual Payment to the District shall terminate only after (1) all the District’s outstanding debt obligations have been paid in full or otherwise defeased, or (2) the City has dissolved the District and assumed all outstanding District debt obligations in accordance with applicable laws. Any reduction in the amount of the Annual Payment would have an effect on the District’s rate of taxation. See “RISK FACTORS—Utility Agreement with the City of Mont Belvieu,” and “THE BONDS—Dissolution by the City of Mont Belvieu.”

USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS

The construction costs below were approved by the TCEQ in its order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds. Non-construction costs are based upon either contract amounts or estimates of various costs by the Engineer and the Financial Advisor. The actual amounts to be reimbursed by the District and the non-construction costs will be finalized after the sale of the Bonds and agreed-upon procedures are completed by an independent accountant. The surplus funds, if any, may be expended for any lawful purpose for which surplus construction funds may be used, if approved by the TCEQ where required.

CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Riceland Section 1 - Water, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Drainage.....	\$	1,773,637
Riceland Section 2 - Water, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Drainage.....		548,317
Phase 1 Detention Pond A.....		1,356,018
Engineering.....		550,719

Total Construction Costs.....	\$	4,228,691
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NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Legal Fees.....	\$	170,100
Financial Advisory Fees.....		105,050
Developer Interest (Estimated).....		61,221
Capitalized Interest (24 Months) (a).....		507,550
Bond Discount (a).....		169,914
Market Study.....		10,000
Legal Creation Cost.....		110,000
Engineering Creation Cost.....		65,000
Bond Issuance Expenses.....		31,293
Bond Application Report Cost.....		75,000
TCEQ Fee (0.25%).....		14,175
Attorney General Fee.....		5,670
Contingency (a).....		116,336

Total Non-Construction Costs.....	\$	1,441,309
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TOTAL BOND ISSUE.....	\$	5,670,000
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(a) The TCEQ approved a maximum of \$623,700 of capitalized interest and a maximum Bond discount of 3.00%. Contingency represents the difference in the estimated and actual amounts of capitalized interest and Bond discount.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DISTRICT (UNAUDITED)

2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation as of.....	\$32,929,325	(a)
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024.....	\$59,759,825	(b)
Gross Direct Debt Outstanding (the Bonds)	\$ 5,670,000	
Estimated Overlapping Debt.....	<u>6,189,197</u>	(c)
Gross Direct Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt.....	\$11,859,197	
Ratio of Gross Direct Debt to:		
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024.....	9.49%	
Ratio of Gross Direct Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to:		
Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024.....	19.84%	
Funds Available for Debt Service:		
Capitalized Interest from Proceeds of the Bonds (Twenty-Four (24) Months)	\$507,550	(d)(e)
Operating Funds Available as of November 11, 2024.....	\$11,908	(f)

- (a) As certified by the Chambers County Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District"). See "TAX PROCEDURES."
- (b) Provided by the Appraisal District as of September 3, 2024, for informational purposes only. Such amounts reflect an estimate of the taxable assessed value within the District on September 3, 2024. No tax will be levied on such amount until it is certified. Increases in value occurring between January 1, 2024 and September 3, 2024, will be certified as of January 1, 2025. See "TAX PROCEDURES."
- (c) See "ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT AND TAX RATES STATEMENT."
- (d) The District will capitalize twenty-four (24) months of interest from Bond proceeds. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS."
- (e) The City has agreed to make an annual payment to the District from the City's annual ad valorem tax revenue actually collected and received by the City from the taxpayers within the District (the "Annual Payment"). All Annual Payments received by the District from the City shall be deposited by the District into the Debt Service Fund, and used, along with any interest thereon, solely for the purpose of paying a portion of the principal and interest on the District's outstanding indebtedness as required by the Utility Agreement. The Annual Payment for each year shall be payable to the District each February 1, beginning in February 2025, and equal to \$0.18 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation of the land located in the District, based upon the District's certified taxable assessed valuation for the prior year. See "RISK FACTORS—Utility Agreement with the City of Mont Belvieu," "THE BONDS—Source of Payment," and "UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU."
- (f) See "RISK FACTORS—Operating Funds."

District Investment Policy

The District's goal is to minimize credit and market risks while maintaining a competitive yield on its portfolio. Funds of the District are invested either in short term U.S. Treasury obligations or certificates of deposit insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or secured by collateral held by a third-party institution. The District does not own any long-term securities or derivative products in the District's investment portfolio.

Debt Service Requirements

The following sets forth the debt service on the Bonds. This schedule does not reflect the fact that an amount equal to twenty-four (24) months of interest will be capitalized from Bond proceeds. See “USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS.”

Year	Debt Service on the Bonds		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ -	\$ 177,642.50	\$ 177,642.50
2026	110,000	253,775.00	363,775.00
2027	115,000	249,100.00	364,100.00
2028	125,000	244,212.50	369,212.50
2029	130,000	238,900.00	368,900.00
2030	140,000	233,375.00	373,375.00
2031	145,000	227,425.00	372,425.00
2032	155,000	221,262.50	376,262.50
2033	160,000	214,675.00	374,675.00
2034	170,000	207,875.00	377,875.00
2035	180,000	200,650.00	380,650.00
2036	190,000	192,775.00	382,775.00
2037	200,000	184,462.50	384,462.50
2038	210,000	175,712.50	385,712.50
2039	220,000	166,525.00	386,525.00
2040	235,000	156,900.00	391,900.00
2041	250,000	146,325.00	396,325.00
2042	260,000	135,075.00	395,075.00
2043	275,000	123,375.00	398,375.00
2044	290,000	111,000.00	401,000.00
2045	305,000	97,587.50	402,587.50
2046	325,000	83,481.25	408,481.25
2047	340,000	68,450.00	408,450.00
2048	360,000	52,725.00	412,725.00
2049	380,000	36,075.00	416,075.00
2050	400,000	18,500.00	418,500.00
Total	\$ 5,670,000	\$ 4,217,861.25	\$ 9,887,861.25

Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2025-2050)..... \$380,302
 Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement (2050) \$418,500

ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT AND TAX RATES STATEMENT

Estimated Overlapping Debt

The following table indicates the outstanding debt payable from ad valorem taxes of governmental entities within which the District is located and the estimated percentages and amounts of such indebtedness attributable to property within the District. Debt figures equated herein to outstanding obligations payable from ad valorem taxes are based upon data obtained from individual jurisdictions or Texas Municipal Reports compiled and published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas. Furthermore, certain entities listed below may have issued additional obligations since the date listed and may have plans to incur significant amounts of additional debt. Political subdivisions overlapping the District are authorized by Texas law to levy and collect ad valorem taxes for the purposes of operation, maintenance and/or general revenue purposes in addition to taxes for the payment of debt service and the tax burden for operation, maintenance and/or general revenue purposes is not included in these figures. The District has no control over the issuance of debt or tax levies of any such entities.

Taxing Jurisdiction	Outstanding Bonds	As of	Overlapping	
			Percent	Amount
Chambers County.....	\$ 122,645,000	9/30/2024	0.21%	\$ 257,555
City of Mont Belvieu.....	124,095,000	9/30/2024	0.56%	694,932
Barbers Hill Independent School District.....	591,985,000	9/30/2024	0.18%	1,065,573
Riceland Management District.....	4,245,000 (a)	9/30/2024	98.26%	4,171,137
Total Estimated Overlapping Debt.....				\$ 6,189,197
The District.....	5,670,000 (b)	Current	100.00%	5,670,000
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt.....				\$ 11,859,197

Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt as a Percentage of:

Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024 of \$59,759,825 19.84%

- (a) Riceland Management District expects to issue its first series of bonds of approximately \$4,245,000 principal amount of unlimited tax road bonds in the fourth quarter of 2024. See "RISK FACTORS—Overlapping Debt and Taxes."
 (b) The Bonds.

Overlapping Taxes

Property within the District is subject to taxation by several taxing authorities in addition to the District. On January 1 of each year a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties and interest imposed on such property. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit, including the District, having the power to tax the property. The District's tax lien is on a parity with tax liens of taxing authorities shown below. In addition to ad valorem taxes required to pay debt service on bonded debt of the District and other taxing authorities (see "—Estimated Overlapping Debt" above), certain taxing jurisdictions, including the District, are also authorized by Texas law to assess, levy and collect ad valorem taxes for operation, maintenance, administrative and/or general revenue purposes.

Set forth below are all of the taxes levied for the 2024 tax year by all taxing jurisdictions overlapping the District and the District. No recognition is given to local assessments for civic association dues, fire department contributions, solid waste disposal charges or any other levy of entities other than political subdivisions.

	2024 Tax Rate per \$100 of Taxable <u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Chambers County (a).....	\$ 0.415457
Chambers County School Fund.....	0.024578
City of Mont Belvieu.....	0.471189
Barbers Hill Independent School District.....	1.052400
Riceland Management District.....	<u>0.500000</u>
Total Overlapping Tax Rate.....	\$ 2.463624
The District (b).....	<u>0.800000</u>
Total Tax Rate.....	\$ 3.263624

- (a) Includes 2024 tax rate for the Chambers County Special Road & Bridge Fund and Chambers County Farm-to-Market/Flood Control Fund.
 (b) See TAX DATA—Tax Rate Distribution."

TAX DATA

Debt Service Tax

The Board covenants in the Bond Order 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. The District expects to levy its initial debt service tax in 2025. See “—Tax Rate Distribution” below.

Maintenance and Operations Tax

The Board has the statutory authority to levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for the operation and maintenance of the District, if such a maintenance tax is authorized by the District’s voters. At an election held November 8, 2022, the Board was authorized to levy such a maintenance tax at a rate not to exceed \$1.50 per \$100 taxable assessed valuation for operations and maintenance costs. Such tax is in addition to taxes which the District is authorized to levy for paying principal of and interest on the Bonds and any additional tax bonds which may be issued in the future. The District levied a maintenance and operations tax for 2024 at the rate of \$0.80 per \$100 taxable assessed valuation. See “—Tax Rate Distribution” below.

Tax Exemptions

For the tax year 2024, the District has not adopted any tax exemptions for property located within the District. See “TAX PROCEDURES.”

Tax Rate Distribution

	2024	2023
Debt Service	\$ -	\$ -
Maintenance and Operations	0.80	0.80
Total	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.80

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 Year	Taxable Assessed Valuation (a)	Tax Rate	Total Tax Levy	Total Collections as of September 30, 2024 (b)	
				Amount	Percent
2023	\$ 2,931,390	\$ 0.80	\$ 23,451	\$ 23,285	99.29%
2024	32,929,325	0.80	263,435	(c)	(c)

- (a) As certified by the Appraisal District. See “—Tax Roll Information” below for gross appraised value and exemptions granted by the District.
 (b) Unaudited.
 (c) In process of collection. Taxes for 2024 are due by January 31, 2025.

Tax Roll Information

The following summary of the 2024 and 2023 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation is provided by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector based on information contained in the 2024 and 2023 tax rolls of the District. A breakdown of the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024, is not available from the Appraisal District.

	2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	2023 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation
Land	\$ 32,489,600	\$ 2,457,920
Improvements	-	78,260
Personal Property	443,055	395,210
Exemptions	(3,330)	-
Total	\$ 32,929,325	\$ 2,931,390

Additional Penalties

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

Principal Taxpayers

The following list of principal taxpayers was provided by the District’s Tax Assessor/Collector based upon the 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$32,929,325, which reflects ownership as of January 1, 2024. An accurate principal taxpayer list related to the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024, of \$59,759,825, is not available from the Appraisal District as of the date hereof.

<u>Taxpayer</u>	<u>2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>% of 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation</u>
Riceland Development Company Inc. (a)	\$ 19,739,660	59.95%
Perry Homes LLC (b)	4,111,000	12.48%
Weekley Homes LLC (b)	3,647,050	11.08%
Highland Homes - Houston LLC (b)	2,983,250	9.06%
Chesmar Homes LLC (b)	1,978,210	6.01%
Air Products LLC	258,856	0.79%
Mobil Pipeline Co	115,275	0.35%
Phoenix Park Energy Marketing	34,447	0.10%
RDC Partners LP (a)	18,350	0.06%
Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline	15,312	0.05%
Total	\$ 32,901,410	99.92%

(a) See “RISK FACTORS—Dependence on Principal Taxpayers and the Developer,” “THE DEVELOPER” and “APPENDIX B.”
 (b) Homebuilders.

Tax Adequacy for Debt Service

The tax rate calculations set forth below are presented to indicate the tax rates per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation which would be required to meet average annual and maximum annual debt service requirements on the Bonds if no growth in the District’s tax base occurred beyond the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024 of \$59,759,825. The calculations contained in the following table merely represent the tax rates required to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds when due, assuming no further increase or any decrease in the taxable value in the District, collection of ninety percent (90%) of taxes levied, the sale of no additional bonds, and no Annual Payments pursuant to the Utility Agreement for payment of debt service. See “RISK FACTORS—Utility Agreement with the City of Mont Belvieu” and “—Impact on District Tax Rates,” “UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU,” and “FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DISTRICT (UNAUDITED)—Debt Service Requirements.”

Average Annual Debt Service Requirement (2025-2050).....	\$380,302
\$0.71 Tax Rate on the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024	\$381,865
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement (2050).....	\$418,500
\$0.78 Tax Rate on the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024	\$419,514

No representations or suggestions are made that the Estimated Taxable Assessed Valuation as of September 3, 2024, provided by the Appraisal District for the District will be certified as taxable value by the Appraisal District, and no person should rely upon such amount or its inclusion herein as assurance of its attainment. See “TAX PROCEDURES.”

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 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 Order to levy such a tax from year to year as described more fully herein under “THE BONDS—Source of Payment.” Under Texas law, the Board may also levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for the operation and maintenance of the District. See “TAX DATA—Maintenance and Operations Tax.”

Tax Code and County-Wide Appraisal District

The Texas Tax Code (the “Tax Code”) specifies the taxing procedures of all political subdivisions of the State of Texas, including the District. Provisions of the Tax Code are complex and are not fully summarized here.

The 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 Chambers County Appraisal District has the responsibility for appraising property for all taxing units within Chambers County, including the District. Such appraisal values are subject to review and change by the Chambers 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; 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. For the 2024 tax year, the District has not granted any such exemptions. Additionally, 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. Subject to certain conditions, the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran who is entitled to an exemption for the full value of the veteran's residence homestead is also entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of the same property to which the disabled veteran's exemption applied. See “TAX DATA.”

Partially disabled veterans or certain surviving spouses of partially disabled veterans are entitled to an exemption from taxation of a percentage of the appraised value of their residence homestead in an amount equal to the partially disabled veteran's disability rating if the residence homestead was donated by a charitable organization. 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.

Residential Homestead Exemptions: The 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 District has never granted such a general homestead exemption and has no plans to do so. 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 includes tangible personal property acquired in or imported into Texas for storage purposes only if such property is stored under a contract of bailment by a public warehouse operator at one or more public warehouse facilities in Texas that are not in any way owned or controlled by the owner of such property for the account of the person who acquired or imported such property. A property owner who receives the Goods-in-Transit Exemption is not eligible to receive the Freeport Exemption for the same property. Local taxing units such as the District may, by official action and after public hearing, tax goods-in-transit personal property. A taxing unit must exercise its option to tax goods-in-transit property before January 1 of the first tax year in which it proposes to tax the property at the time and in the manner prescribed by applicable law. The District has not taken official action to allow taxation of all such goods-in-transit personal property for all prior and subsequent years.

Tax Abatement

Chambers County or the City of Mont Belvieu may designate all or part of the area within the District as a reinvestment zone. Thereafter, Chambers County, the District, and the City of Mont Belvieu, under certain circumstances, 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 Tax Code are to be based on one hundred percent (100%) of market value, as such is defined in the 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 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 Tax Code permits land designated for agricultural or timber land use to be appraised at its value based on the land's capacity to produce agricultural products or, with respect to timber land, the value based upon accepted income capitalization methods. The Tax Code permits under certain circumstances that residential real property inventory held by a person in the trade or business be valued at the price all of such property would bring if sold as a unit to a purchaser who would continue the business. Landowners wishing to avail themselves of the agricultural, timber land or residential real property appraisal must apply for such appraisal, and the Appraisal District is required to act on each claimant's application individually. If a claimant receives the agricultural or timber land appraisal on land and later changes the land use or sells the land to an unqualified owner, an additional tax is imposed on the land equal to the difference between the taxes imposed on the land for each of the three years preceding the year in which the change of use occurs that the land was appraised as agricultural or timber land and the tax that would have been imposed had the land been taxed on the basis on market value in each of those years, plus interest at an annual rate of five percent (5%) calculated from the dates on which the differences would have become due.

The 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% damaged by a disaster and located within an area declared to be a disaster area by the governor of the State of Texas. This temporary exemption is automatic if the disaster is declared prior to a taxing unit, such as the District, adopting its tax rate for the tax year. A taxing unit, such as the District, may authorize the exemption at its discretion if the disaster is declared after the taxing unit has adopted its tax rate for the tax year. The amount of the exemption is based on the percentage of damage and is prorated based on the date of the disaster. Upon receipt of an application submitted within the eligible timeframe by

a person who qualifies for a temporary exemption under the Property Tax Code, the Appraisal District is required to complete a damage assessment and assign a damage assessment rating to determine the amount of the exemption. The temporary exemption amounts established in the Property Tax Code range from 15% for property less than 30% damaged to 100% for property that is a total loss. Any such temporary exemption granted for disaster-damaged property expires on January 1 of the first year in which the property is reappraised.

District and Taxpayer Remedies

Under certain circumstances taxpayers and taxing units (such as the District) may appeal the orders of the Appraisal Review 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 Tax Code. The 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. However, a person who is 65 years of age or older or disabled is entitled by law to pay current taxes on his residential homestead in installments or to receive a deferral or abatement of delinquent taxes without penalty during the time he owns or occupies his property as his residential homestead. 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 in writing 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 equal monthly installments and must extend for a period of at least 12 months and no more than 36 months. Additionally, the owner of a residential homestead property who is (i) sixty-five (65) years of age or older, (ii) disabled, or (iii) a disabled veteran, is entitled by law to pay current taxes on a residential homestead in installments without penalty or to defer the payment of taxes during the time of ownership. In the instance of tax deferral, a tax lien remains on the property and interest continue to accrue during the period of deferral.

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

Rollback of Operation and Maintenance Tax Rate

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

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

Developed Districts: Developed Districts that adopt a total tax rate that would impose more than 1.035 times the amount of the total tax imposed by the district in the preceding tax year on a residence homestead appraised at the average appraised value of a residence homestead, subject to certain homestead exemptions for the preceding tax year, plus any unused increment rates, as calculated and described in Section 26.013 of the Tax Code, may be 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 the operations and maintenance tax rate that would impose 1.035 times more operation and maintenance taxes on the average residential homestead. In addition, if any part of a Developed District lies within an area declared for disaster by the Governor of Texas or President of the United States, alternative procedures and rate limitations may apply for a temporary period. If a district qualifies as both a Special Taxing Unit and a Developed District, the district will be subject to the operation and maintenance tax threshold applicable to Special Taxing Units.

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

The District: A determination as to a district's status as a Special Taxing Unit, Developed District or Developing District will be made by the Board of Directors on an annual basis, at the time a district sets its tax rate. The District cannot give any assurances as to what its classification will be at any point in time or whether the District's future tax rates will result in a total tax rate that will reclassify the District into a new classification and new election calculation. For tax year 2024, the Board designated the District as a "Developing District."

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 state and local taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of the State of Texas and each local 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 AND TAX RATES STATEMENT." 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, among other collection methods available, the District may file suit to foreclose the lien securing payment of the tax, to enforce personal liability for the tax, or both, subject to the restrictions on residential homesteads described above under "Levy and Collection of Taxes". 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 Corporation pursuant to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. 1825, as amended. See "RISK FACTORS."

LEGAL MATTERS

Legal Opinion

The District will furnish the Initial Purchaser a transcript of certain certified proceedings incident to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds. Such transcript will include a certified copy of the approving opinion of the Attorney General of Texas, as recorded in the Bond Register of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, to the effect that the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the District, payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax levied without limitation as to rate or amount upon all taxable property within the District. The District also will furnish the approving legal opinion of Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P., Houston, Texas, Bond Counsel to the District (“Bond Counsel”), to the effect that, based upon an examination of such transcript, the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the District under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws of general application affecting rights of creditors of political subdivisions such as the District. The legal opinion of Bond Counsel will further state that the Bonds, including principal of and interest thereon, are payable from ad valorem taxes, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property located within the District and that interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing laws subject to the matters described under the caption which follows entitled “TAX MATTERS.”

Legal Review

In its capacity as Bond Counsel, Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P. has reviewed the information appearing in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT under the captions “THE BONDS” (except for “Book-Entry-Only System”), “THE DISTRICT—General,” “MANAGEMENT—Attorney,” “UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU,” “TAX PROCEDURES,” “LEGAL MATTERS,” “TAX MATTERS,” and “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION” to determine whether such information fairly summarizes the procedures, law and documents referred to therein. Bond Counsel has not, however, independently verified any of the other 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 of the information contained herein. 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. Bond Counsel acts as general counsel for the District on matters other than the issuance of bonds.

No-Litigation Certificate

The District will furnish to the Initial Purchaser a certificate, dated as of the date of delivery of the Bonds, to the effect that no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending or threatened, either in state or federal courts, contesting or attacking the Bonds; restraining or enjoining the issuance, execution or delivery of the Bonds; affecting the provisions made for the payment of or security for 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.

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 condition (financial or otherwise) of the District from that set forth or contemplated in the PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT, as it may have been supplemented or amended, through the date of sale.

TAX MATTERS

Opinion

On the date of initial delivery of the Bonds, Bond Counsel will render its opinion that, in accordance with statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date thereof (“Existing Law”), (1) interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes 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 item under section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”). Interest on the Bonds may be excludable in certain corporations “adjusted financial statement income” determined under Section 56A of the Code to calculate the alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55 of the Code. Except as stated above, Bond 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, Bond Counsel will rely upon (a) certain information and representations of the District, including information and representations contained in the District's federal tax certificate, and (b) covenants of the District contained in the Bond documents relating to certain matters, including arbitrage and the use of the proceeds of the Bonds and the property financed or refinanced therewith. Failure by the District to observe the aforementioned representations or covenants could cause the interest on the Bonds to become taxable 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 Bond Counsel is conditioned on compliance by the District with such requirements, and Bond Counsel has not been retained to monitor compliance with these requirements subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds.

Bond Counsel's opinion represents its legal judgment based upon its review of Existing Law and the reliance on the aforementioned information, representations and covenants. Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a result. 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 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 property financed or refinanced with proceeds of the Bonds. 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 Bond Counsel. If an Internal Revenue Service 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 Discount Bonds

The initial public offering price to be paid for one or more maturities of the Bonds is 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 Bond, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such Original Issue Discount Bond would constitute original issue discount. The "stated redemption 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 are 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 the redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bond prior to stated maturity, however, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Original Issue Discount Bond in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the original issue discount allocable to the period for which such Original Issue Discount Bond was held by such initial owner) is includable in gross income.

Under existing law, the original issue discount on each Original Issue Discount Bond is accrued daily to the stated maturity thereof (in amounts calculated as described below for each six-month period ending on the date before the semiannual anniversary dates of the 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 of Original Issue Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal, state and local income tax purposes of 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, taxpayers qualifying for the health-insurance premium assistance credit, foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax 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 the “adjusted financial statement income” of certain corporations as 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 is 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.

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.

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.

Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations for Financial Institutions

Section 265(a) of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that interest paid or incurred by a taxpayer, including a “financial institution,” on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations is not deductible in determining the taxpayer's taxable income. Section 265(b) of the Code provides an exception to the disallowance of such deduction for any interest expense paid or incurred on indebtedness of a taxpayer that is a “financial institution” allocable to tax-exempt obligations, other than “private activity bonds,” that are designated by a “qualified small issuer” as “qualified tax-exempt obligations.” A “qualified small issuer” is any governmental issuer (together with any “on-behalf of” and “subordinate” issuers) who issues no more than \$10,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations during the calendar year. Section 265(b)(5) of the Code defines the term “financial institution” as any “bank” described in Section 585(a)(2) of the Code, or any person accepting deposits from the public in the ordinary course of such person's trade or business that is subject to federal or state supervision as a financial institution. Notwithstanding the exception to the disallowance of the deduction of interest on indebtedness related to “qualified tax-exempt obligations” provided by Section 265(b) of the Code, Section 291 of the Code provides that the allowable deduction to a “bank,” as defined in Section 585(a)(2) of the Code, for interest on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase “qualified tax-exempt obligations” shall be reduced by twenty-percent (20%) as a “financial institution preference item.”

The District has designated the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” within the meaning of Section 265(b) of the Code. In furtherance of that designation, the District will covenant to take such action that would assure, or to refrain from such action that would adversely affect the treatment of the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations.”

MUNICIPAL BOND RATING

The District has not applied for an underlying investment grade rating on the Bonds nor is it expected that the District would have been successful if such application had been made.

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, Inc. (the “Initial Purchaser”) bearing the interest rates shown on the cover page hereof, at a price 97.0033% of the principal amount thereof which resulted in a net effective interest rate of 4.719104% as calculated pursuant to Chapter 1204 of the Texas Government Code.

Prices and Marketability

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.

Securities Laws

No registration statement relating to the offer and sale of the Bonds has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission 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.

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 Developer, 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 such sources, and its inclusion herein is not to be construed as a representation on the part of the District except as described 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

Masterson Advisors LLC is engaged 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, Masterson Advisors LLC has compiled and edited this OFFICIAL STATEMENT. In addition to compiling and editing, the Financial Advisor has obtained the information set forth herein under the caption indicated from the following sources:

“THE DISTRICT” – Jones Engineering Solutions, LLC (“Engineer”) and Records of the District (“Records”); “THE DEVELOPER” – the Developer; “THE SYSTEM” – Engineer; “FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DISTRICT (UNAUDITED)” – Chambers County Appraisal District and Utility Tax Service, LLC, Tax Assessor/Collector; “ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT AND TAX RATES STATEMENT” – Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and Financial Advisor; “TAX DATA” – Utility Tax Service, LLC; “MANAGEMENT” – District Directors; “THE SYSTEM—General Operating Fund” – Records; “FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DISTRICT (UNAUDITED)—DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS” – Financial Advisor; “THE BONDS” (except for “Book-Entry-Only System”), “UTILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU,” “TAX PROCEDURES,” “LEGAL MATTERS,” “TAX MATTERS” and “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION” – Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P.

The Financial Advisor has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT in accordance with, 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.

Auditor: The District's audited financial statements for the year ended November 30, 2023, were prepared by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC, Certified Public Accountant. See “APPENDIX A” for a copy of the District's November 30, 2023, audited financial statements.

Engineer: 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 Jones Engineering Solutions, LLC, and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of said firm as experts in the field of civil engineering.

Appraisal District: The information contained in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT relating to the assessed valuations has been provided by the Chambers County Appraisal District and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of such entity to establish the taxable value of property in Chambers County, including the District.

Tax Assessor/Collector: The information contained in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT relating to the historical breakdown of the Certified Taxable Assessed Valuations, principal taxpayers, and certain other historical data concerning tax rates and tax collections has been provided by Utility Tax Service, LLC, and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such firm as an expert in assessing and collecting taxes.

Bookkeeper: The information related to the “unaudited” summary of the District's General Operating Fund as it appears in “THE SYSTEM—General Operating Fund” has been provided by Myrtle Cruz, Inc. 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 of Directors 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 other than that relating to the District, the District has no reason to believe that such 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.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

The offering of the Bonds qualifies for the Rule 15c2-12(d)(2) exemption from Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) regarding the District’s continuing disclosure obligations because the District does not have more than \$10,000,000 in aggregate amount of bonds outstanding and no person is committed by contract or other arrangement with respect to payment of the Bonds; as required, in the Bond Order, 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 subject to amendment to or repeal of same as set forth below. Under the agreement, the District will be obligated to provide certain financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of specified events, to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”). The MSRB has established the Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) system.

Annual Reports

The District will provide certain financial information and operating data, which is customarily prepared by the District and publicly available annually to the MSRB. The information to be updated includes the quantitative financial information and operating data of the general type included in the District’s audited financial statements and supplemental schedules as found in APPENDIX A. The District will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each of its fiscal years ending in or after 2024. Any information concerning the District so provided shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or other such principles as the District may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation, and audited if the audit report is completed within the period during which it must be provided. If the audit report of the District is not complete within such period, then the District shall provide unaudited financial information for the fiscal year to the MSRB within such six-month period, and audited financial statements when the audit report becomes available.

In addition, the District and the Developer have agreed to provide information with respect to the Developer, to any person or entity to whom the Developer voluntarily assigns (except as collateral) the right to receive a payment out of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds of the District, and each other person or entity, if any, to whom the District voluntarily makes or agrees or has agreed to make a payment out of such proceeds. The District and the Developer will be obligated to provide information concerning the Developer and any such other person or entity only if and so long as (1) such person owns more than 20% of the taxable property within the District by value, as reflected by the most recently certified tax rolls (and without effect to special valuation provisions), (2) such person has made tax or other payments to the District which were used or available to pay more than 20% of the District’s debt service requirements in the applicable fiscal year, or (3) at the end of such fiscal year such person is obligated to the District to provide or pay for District facilities or debt in an amount which exceeds 20% of the amount of the District’s bonds then outstanding. The information to be updated with respect to the Developer includes the information included in “APPENDIX B—Financial Information Concerning the Developer.”

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

Specified Event Notices

The District will provide timely notices of certain events to the MSRB, but in no event will such notices be provided to the MSRB in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of an event. The District will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701 TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax-exempt status of the Bonds, or other events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, if material; (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District or other obligated person 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 an definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material; (15) incurrence of a financial obligation of the District or other obligated person within the meaning of the Rule, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the District or other obligated person within the meaning of the Rule, any of which affect Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of the financial obligation of the District or other obligated person within the meaning of the Rule, 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 Order makes any provision for debt service reserves or liquidity enhancement. In addition, the District will provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide financial information, operating data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described under “—Annual Reports.”

Availability of Information from the MSRB

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

Limitations and Amendments

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

The District may amend its continuing disclosure agreement from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the District, if but only if (1) 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 (2) either (a) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds consent to the amendment or (b) 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 Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. 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 so provided.

Compliance With Prior Undertakings

The District has not previously entered into a continuing disclosure agreement in accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12.

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All estimates, statements and assumptions in this OFFICIAL STATEMENT and the APPENDICES 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 Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1, as of the date shown on the cover page.

/s/ Will Richardson
President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

/s/ Warren Hitchcock
Secretary, Board of Directors

**AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH
(As of October 2024)**



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**RICELAND MUNICIPAL
UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1**

**PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE DISTRICT
(As of October 2024)**













APPENDIX A

District Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2023

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1

CHAMBERS COUNTY, TEXAS

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

NOVEMBER 30, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors
Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1
Chambers County, Texas

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District") as of and for the year ended November 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 November 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 Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - 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.

Board of Directors
Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1

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 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 supplementary information, excluding that portion marked "Unaudited" on which we express no opinion or provide any assurance, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC
Certified Public Accountants
Houston, Texas

April 9, 2024

**RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023**

Management's discussion and analysis of the financial performance of Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District") provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the year ended November 30, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The basic financial statements include: (1) combined fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements and (2) notes to the financial statements. The combined fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements combine both: (1) the Statement of Net Position and Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and (2) the Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance. This report also includes required and other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The District's annual report includes two financial statements combining the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the District's overall status. Financial reporting at this level uses a perspective similar to that found in the private sector with its basis in full accrual accounting and elimination or reclassification of internal activities.

The Statement of Net Position presents information that includes all of the District's assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District as a whole is improving or deteriorating. Evaluation of the overall health of the District would extend to other non-financial factors.

The Statement of Activities reports how the District's net position changed during the current fiscal year. All current year revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash is received or paid.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The combined statements also include fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District has one governmental fund type. The General Fund accounts for maintenance taxes revenues, developer advances, professional fees, and administrative expenditures.

**RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023**

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Governmental funds are reported in each of the financial statements. The focus in the fund statements provides a distinctive view of the District's governmental funds. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of spendable resources and balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. They are useful in evaluating annual financing requirements of the District and the commitment of spendable resources for the near-term.

Since the government-wide focus includes the long-term view, comparisons between these two perspectives may provide insight into the long-term impact of short-term financing decisions. The adjustments columns, the Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position and the Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities explain the differences between the two presentations and assist in understanding the differences between these two perspectives.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying notes to the financial statements provide information essential to a full understanding of the government-wide and fund financial statements.

OTHER INFORMATION

In addition to the financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information ("RSI") and other supplementary information. A budgetary comparison schedule is included as RSI for the General Fund.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position. In the case of the District, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets by \$103,831 as of November 30, 2023. This is the District's first audit. In future years a comparative analysis of government-wide changes in net position will be presented.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (Continued)

The table on the following page is a comparative analysis of government-wide changes in the Statement of Net Position for the current and prior fiscal years.

	Summary of the Statement of Net Position
	2023
Current and Other Assets	\$ 26,975
Due to Developer	\$ 73,000
Other Liabilities	34,201
Total Liabilities	\$ 107,201
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 23,605
Net Position:	
Unrestricted	\$ (103,831)

The following table summarizes the District's operations for the year ended November 30, 2023, which is the initial audit period for the District.

	Summary of the Statement of Activities
	2023
Total Revenues	\$
Total Expenses	103,831
Change in Net Position	\$ (103,831)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	
Net Position, End of Year	\$ (103,831)

**RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023**

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S GOVERNMENTAL FUND

The District's General Fund fund balance as of November 30, 2023, was deficit of \$30,831, primarily due to professional fees and administrative costs exceeding developer advances in the current fiscal year.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Directors adopted an unappropriated budget for the current fiscal year. Actual expenditures were \$21,969 less than budgeted expenditures and actual developer advances were \$53,000 less than budgeted developer advances which resulted in a negative variance of \$31,031. See the budget to actual comparison for more detailed information.

CAPITAL ASSETS

The District has no capital assets as of November 30, 2023.

LONG-TERM DEBT ACTIVITY

The District recorded an amount due to Developer of \$73,000 which consists of payments made by the Developer for District operating advances.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1, c/o Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P., 2727 Allen Parkway, Suite 1100, Houston, Texas 77019.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
ASSETS			
Cash	\$ 865	\$	\$ 865
Receivables:			
Property Taxes	23,605		23,605
Prepaid Costs	<u>2,505</u>		<u>2,505</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 26,975</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 26,975</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	\$ 34,201	\$	\$ 34,201
Due to Developer		<u>73,000</u>	<u>73,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 34,201</u>	<u>\$ 73,000</u>	<u>\$ 107,201</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Property Taxes	<u>\$ 23,605</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 23,605</u>
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)			
Nonspendable: Prepaid Costs	\$ 2,505	\$ (2,505)	\$
Unassigned	<u>(33,336)</u>	<u>33,336</u>	<u></u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)	<u>\$ (30,831)</u>	<u>\$ 30,831</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 26,975</u>		
NET POSITION			
Unrestricted		<u>\$ (103,831)</u>	<u>\$ (103,831)</u>

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

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Fund \$ (30,831)

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

Certain liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. These liabilities at year end consist of:

Due to Developer	(73,000)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ (103,831)

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

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023

	General Fund	Adjustments	Statement of Activities
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES			
Service Operations:			
Professional Fees	\$ 82,158	\$	\$ 82,158
Contracted Services	7,050		7,050
Other	14,623		14,623
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$ 103,831	\$ -0-	\$ 103,831
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$ (103,831)	\$ -0-	\$ (103,831)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Developer Advances	\$ 73,000	\$ (73,000)	\$ -0-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(30,831)	30,831	0
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		(103,831)	(103,831)
FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION - DECEMBER 1, 2022	_____	_____	_____
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)/NET POSITION - NOVEMBER 30, 2023	\$ (30,831)	\$ (73,000)	\$ (103,831)

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

**RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023**

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Fund	\$	(30,831)
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report developer advances as other financing sources. However, in the Statement of Net Position, developer advances are recorded as a liability.

		<u>(73,000)</u>
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Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$	<u><u>(103,831)</u></u>
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The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this report.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 1. CREATION OF DISTRICT

The City of Mont Belvieu, Texas consented to the creation of Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the “District”) with the passage of Ordinance No. 2021-023 on November 9, 2021. On August 17, 2022, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the “Commission”) approved an Order Granting Petition for Creation of the District. The District was created under the terms and conditions of Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution and Chapters 49 and 54, Texas Water Code, as amended. The District held its organizational meeting on August 19, 2022. The District is empowered to purchase, operate and maintain all facilities, plants and improvements necessary to provide water, sanitary sewer service and storm sewer drainage for the residents of the District.

Riceland Management District (the “Management District”) overlaps the District as well as Riceland Municipal Utility District Nos. 2 and 3 (“MUDs”). The Management District will provide collector roads and recreation facilities for the three MUDs.

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”). In addition, the accounting records of the District are maintained generally in accordance with the *Water District Financial Management Guide* published by the Commission.

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas governed by an elected board. GASB has established the criteria for determining whether an entity is a primary government or a component unit of a primary government. The primary criteria are that it has a separately elected governing body, it is legally separate, and it is fiscally independent of other state and local governments. Under these criteria, the District is considered a primary government and is not a component unit of any other government. Additionally, no other entities meet the criteria for inclusion in the District’s financial statement as component units.

Financial Statement Presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards Part II, Financial Reporting (“GASB Codification”). The 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.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

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 assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation 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.

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the District as a whole. The District's Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities are combined with the governmental fund financial statements. The District is viewed as a special-purpose government and has the option of combining these financial statements.

The Statement of Net Position is reported by adjusting the governmental fund types to report on the full accrual basis, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. Any amounts recorded due to and due from other funds are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position.

The Statement of Activities is reported by adjusting the governmental fund types to report only items related to current year revenues and expenditures. Items such as capital outlay are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Internal activities between governmental funds, if any, are eliminated by adjustment to obtain net total revenue and expense of the government-wide Statement of Activities.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Financial Statements

The District's fund financial statements are combined with the government-wide financial statements. The fund financial statements include a Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance.

The District has one governmental fund and considers it to be major fund.

General Fund - To account for resources not required to be accounted for in another fund, maintenance tax revenues, developer advances, professional fees, and administrative costs.

Basis of Accounting

The District uses the modified accrual basis of accounting for governmental fund types. The modified accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues when both "measurable and available." Measurable means the amount can be determined. Available means collectable within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The District considers revenue reported in governmental funds to be available if they are collectable within 60 days after year-end. Also, under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, which are recognized as expenditures when payment is due.

Property taxes considered available by the District and included in revenue include taxes collected during the year and taxes collected after year-end, which were considered available to defray the expenditures of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources related to property tax revenues are those taxes which the District does not reasonably expect to be collected soon enough in the subsequent period to finance current expenditures. The 2023 tax levy has been fully deferred for fund and government-wide financial statement preparation purposes.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets, are reported in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated assets are valued at their fair market value on the date donated. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund incurred and as an expense in the government-wide Statement of Activities. Capital asset additions, improvements and preservation costs that extend the life of an asset are capitalized and depreciated over the estimated useful life of the asset. Engineering fees and certain other costs are capitalized as part of the asset. Assets are

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Capital Assets (Continued)

capitalized, including infrastructure assets, if they have an original cost greater than \$5,000 and a useful life over two years. Depreciation is calculated on each class of depreciable property using the straight-line method of depreciation over periods ranging from 10 to 45 years.

Budgeting

An annual unappropriated budget is adopted for the General Fund by the District's Board of Directors. The budget is prepared using the same method of accounting as for financial reporting. The original General Fund budget for the current year was not amended. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund presents the budgeted amounts compared to the actual amounts of revenues and expenditures for the current year.

Pensions

The District has not established a pension plan as the District does not have employees. The Internal Revenue Service has determined that fees of office received by Directors to be wages subject to federal income tax withholding for federal payroll tax purposes only.

Measurement Focus

Measurement focus is a term used to describe which transactions are recognized within the various financial statements. In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, the governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows. All assets and liabilities associated with the activities are reported. Fund equity is classified as net position.

Governmental fund types are accounted for on a spending or financial flow measurement focus. Accordingly, only current assets and current liabilities are included on the Balance Sheet, and the reported fund balances provide an indication of available spendable or appropriable resources. Operating statements of governmental fund types report increases and decreases in available spendable resources.

Fund balances in governmental funds are classified using the following hierarchy:

Nonspendable: amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Measurement Focus (Continued)

Restricted: amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation, or because of constraints that are imposed externally. The District does not have any restricted fund balances.

Committed: amounts that can be spent only for purposes determined by a formal action of the Board of Directors. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the District. This action must be made no later than the end of the fiscal year. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by the Board. The District does not have any committed fund balances.

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

Unassigned: all other spendable amounts in the General Fund.

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

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.

NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of Texas statutes.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Deposits (Continued)

Texas statutes require that any cash balance in any fund shall, to the extent not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor, be continuously secured by a valid pledge to the District of securities eligible under the laws of Texas to secure the funds of the District, having an aggregate market value, including accrued interest, at all times equal to the uninsured cash balance in the fund to which such securities are pledged. At fiscal year end, the carrying amount of the District’s deposits was \$865 and the bank balance was \$865. The District was not exposed to custodial credit risk at year-end.

The carrying value of the deposits are included in the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Statement of Net Position at November 30, 2023, as listed below:

	Cash
GENERAL FUND	\$ 865

Investments

Under Texas law, the District is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity and that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management, and all District funds must be invested in accordance with the following investment objectives: understanding the suitability of the investment to the District’s financial requirements, first; preservation and safety of principal, second; liquidity, third; marketability of the investments if the need arises to liquidate the investment before maturity, fourth; diversification of the investment portfolio, fifth; and yield, sixth. The District’s investments must be made “with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person’s own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived.” No person may invest District funds without express written authority from the Board of Directors. Texas statutes include specifications for and limitations applicable to the District and its authority to purchase investments as defined in the Public Funds Investment Act. The District adopted a written investment policy which establishes the guidelines by which it may invest. This policy is reviewed annually and may be more restrictive than the Public Funds Investment Act.

As of November 30, 2023, the District had no investments.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 4. MAINTENANCE TAX

On November 8, 2022, the voters of the District approved the levy and collection of a maintenance tax in an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the District. During the year ended November 30, 2023, the District levied an ad valorem maintenance tax rate of \$0.80 per \$100 of assessed valuation, which resulted in a tax levy of \$23,605 on the adjusted taxable valuation of \$2,950,640 for the 2023 tax year. Maintenance tax revenues may be used by the General Fund to pay operating and administrative costs as well as any other lawfully authorized expenditures of the District.

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

NOTE 5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, error and omission and natural disasters from which the District carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from the prior year and settlements have not exceeded coverage since inception.

NOTE 6. BOND AUTHORIZATION

At an election held November 7, 2023, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of bonds up to \$120,500,000 for the purposes of acquiring or constructing water, sewer and drainage facilities, \$325,000,000 for the purposes of refunding previously issued bonds, \$79,500,000 for road facilities, and \$125,000,000 for recreational facilities. To date, the District has not issued bonds.

NOTE 7. UNREIMBURSED COSTS

Developers within the District have made operating advances as needed during the startup period of the District. To date these advances total \$73,000 and are recorded as a liability of the District in the government-wide financial statements. Reimbursement of these advances will be made from proceeds of future bond issuances or other lawfully available funds of the District.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 8. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY AND DEFICIT FUND BALANCE

The Developer's ability to provide operating advances directly affects the District's ability to meet its financial obligations. The District has experienced a deficit General Fund fund balance during its early stages of development. It is anticipated that the future growth and development within the District will alleviate this deficit.

NOTE 9. WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES AGREEMENT

The District and the City of Mont Belvieu, Texas (the "City") have entered into a Water Supply and Wastewater Services Agreement ("Agreement"). Under the Agreement, the City will supply to the District all of its requirements of potable water from the City's existing water supply facilities and sewage treatment services from the City's existing wastewater treatment facilities. The parties anticipate that the City will, as development occurs within the District and other areas, make the necessary modifications and enlargements to the City's water supply and wastewater treatment facilities in order that it will have sufficient capacity to supply such development. As the acquisition and construction of infrastructure necessary to provide services to residents of the District are completed and operational, the District will convey the same to the City and the City will be responsible for operating and maintaining such facilities at its sole expense. The City will fix such rates and charges for customers as the City, in its sole discretion, determines is necessary; provided that the rates and charges for services afforded by the System will be equal and uniform to those charged other similar users within the City. The City may also impose an impact fee for connection to its system.

In consideration of the District's construction of infrastructure to serve land within the District and the conveyance of such infrastructure to the City and in order to expedite the retirement of District bonds and other financial obligations and to comply with the rules of the Commission, the City will make payments annually to the District. The Annual Payment will be a payment of a portion of the City's ad valorem tax revenues actually collected and received by the City from taxpayers within the District and deposited with the City, exclusive of any interest and penalties paid by the taxpayer to the City and exclusive of any collection costs incurred by the City. All Annual Payments received by the District from the City are to be deposited by the District into its Debt Service Fund, to be used along with any interest thereon, solely for the repayment of District bonds. The Annual Payment to the District for each year will be equal to \$0.18 per \$100 certified taxable valuation within the District.

The Annual Payment will begin on February 1 in the calendar year following the calendar year for which the District initially receives a tax roll from the Chambers County Appraisal District and will be payable each February 1 thereafter, with each such annual payment being applicable to the preceding calendar year. Each annual payment that is not made will incur interest at a rate of 1% of the amount of the annual payment per month until such annual payment is made.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 9. WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES AGREEMENT (Continued)

The City's obligation to make the annual payments to the District will terminate only after all of the District's bonds and other financial obligations have been paid in full or otherwise defeased, including obligations to the Developer and to the District's bondholders. The City agrees that in the event of a supplemental tax roll or change in taxable value within the District, that the amount of the annual payment will be recalculated and paid to the District or request a credit from the District within 45 days. The City will maintain proper books and records and accounts for all taxes levied by the City and shall make such information as the Districts deem necessary available to the District for purposes of verifying the City's calculation of each of the annual payments.

The City and the District acknowledge and agree that the portion of the City's tax rate that is attributable to water, sewer, drainage, roads, and parks and recreational facilities on the date of this Agreement is \$0.05. In the event that the portion of the City's tax rate that is attributable to water, sewer, drainage, roads, or park or recreational facilities as determined by the City or the Commission increases or decreases, then the tax rate used to calculate the Annual Payment will be increased or decreased by the same amount. By way of example, should the City's tax rate that is attributable to water, sewer, drainage, roads, and parks and recreational facilities increase to \$0.06, then the Annual Payment to the District for each year will equal to \$0.19 per \$100 certified taxable valuation within the District.

The Agreement is in force and effect from the date of execution for a term of 40 years unless otherwise previously terminated pursuant to some term or condition of the Agreement or dissolution of the District.

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RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

NOVEMBER 30, 2023

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023

	<u>Original and Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
EXPENDITURES			
Service Operations:			
Professional Fees	\$ 90,000	\$ 82,158	\$ 7,842
Contracted Services	10,000	7,050	2,950
Other	<u>25,800</u>	<u>14,623</u>	<u>11,177</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>125,800</u>	\$ <u>103,831</u>	\$ <u>21,969</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>(125,800)</u>	\$ <u>(103,831)</u>	\$ <u>21,969</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Developer Advances	\$ <u>126,000</u>	\$ <u>73,000</u>	\$ <u>(53,000)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ 200	\$ (30,831)	\$ (31,031)
FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 1, 2022	_____	_____	_____
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - NOVEMBER 30, 2023	<u>\$ 200</u>	<u>\$ (30,831)</u>	<u>\$ (31,031)</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – REQUIRED BY THE
WATER DISTRICT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT GUIDE
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
SERVICES AND RATES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023

1. SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR:

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

2. RETAIL SERVICE PROVIDERS: (NOT APPLICABLE)

3. TOTAL WATER CONSUMPTION: (NOT APPLICABLE)

4. STANDBY FEES: (NOT APPLICABLE)

5. LOCATION OF DISTRICT:

Is the District located entirely within one county?

Yes X No

County in which District is located - Chambers County, Texas

Is the District located within a city?

Entirely X Partly Not at all

City in which District is located – City of Mont Belvieu, Texas

Are Board Members appointed by an office outside the District?

Yes No X

See accompanying independent auditor’s report.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023

PROFESSIONAL FEES:	
Engineering	\$ 4,785
Legal	<u>77,373</u>
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL FEES	<u>\$ 82,158</u>
CONTRACTED SERVICES:	
Bookkeeping	<u>\$ 7,050</u>
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES:	
Director Fees, Including Payroll Taxes	\$ 5,525
Election Costs	5,090
Insurance	595
Office Supplies and Postage	576
Title Search, Website, and Meetings	<u>2,837</u>
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 14,623</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 103,831</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023

	Maintenance Taxes	
TAXES RECEIVABLE -		
DECEMBER 1, 2022	\$ -0-	
Adjustments to Beginning		
Balance	_____	\$ -0-
Original 2023 Tax Levy	\$ 23,605	
Adjustment to 2023 Tax Levy	_____	23,605
TOTAL TO BE		
ACCOUNTED FOR		\$ 23,605
 TAX COLLECTIONS:		
Prior Years	\$	
Current Year	_____	-0-
 TAXES RECEIVABLE -		
NOVEMBER 30, 2023		\$ 23,605
 TAXES RECEIVABLE BY		
YEAR:		
2023		\$ 23,605

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RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 2023

	2023
PROPERTY VALUATIONS:	
Land	\$ 2,457,920
Improvements	78,260
Personal Property	414,460
TOTAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	\$ 2,950,640
 TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION:	
Debt Service	\$ 0.00
Maintenance	0.80
TOTAL TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION	\$ 0.80
 ADJUSTED TAX LEVY*	 \$ 23,605
 PERCENTAGE OF TAXES COLLECTED TO TAXES LEVIED	
	0.00 %

* Based upon adjusted tax at time of audit for the fiscal year in which the tax was levied.

Maintenance Tax – Maximum tax rate of \$1.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation approved by voters on November 8, 2022.

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RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
GENERAL FUND - ONE YEAR

	Amounts	Percentage of Total Revenues
	2023	2023
REVENUES		
Developer Advances	\$ 73,000	100.0 %
EXPENDITURES		
Professional Fees	\$ 82,158	112.5 %
Contracted Services	7,050	9.7
Other	14,623	20.0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 103,831	142.2 %
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (30,831)	(42.2) %
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		
ENDING FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)	\$ (30,831)	

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
BOARD MEMBERS, KEY PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

District Mailing Address - Riceland Municipal Utility District No. 1
c/o Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P.
2727 Allan Parkway, Suite 1100
Houston, TX 77019

District Telephone Number - (713) 652-6500

Board Members	Term of Office (Elected or Appointed)	Fees of Office for the year ended <u>November 30, 2023</u>	Expense Reimbursements for the year ended <u>November 30, 2023</u>	<u>Title</u>
Will Richardson	08/22 - 05/24 (Appointed)	\$ 1,042	\$ 78	President
Debra Fulleylove	08/22 - 05/24 (Appointed)	\$ 1,113	\$ 83	Vice President
Warren Hitchcock	08/22 - 05/24 (Appointed)	\$ 300	\$ 79	Secretary
Jerrold King	08/22 - 05/26 (Appointed)	\$ 1,263	\$ 387	Assistant Secretary
Johann T. Lane	08/22 - 05/26 (Appointed)	\$ 1,263	\$ 290	Director

Notes: No Director has any business or family relationships (as defined by the Texas Water Code) with major landowners in the District, with the District’s developers or with any of the District’s consultants.

The submission date of the most recent District Registration Form: November 15, 2022

The limit on Fees of Office that a Director may receive during a fiscal year is \$7,200 as set by Board Resolution on November 15, 2022. Fees of Office are the amounts actually paid to a Director during the District’s current fiscal year.

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RICELAND MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
BOARD MEMBERS, KEY PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANTS
NOVEMBER 30, 2023

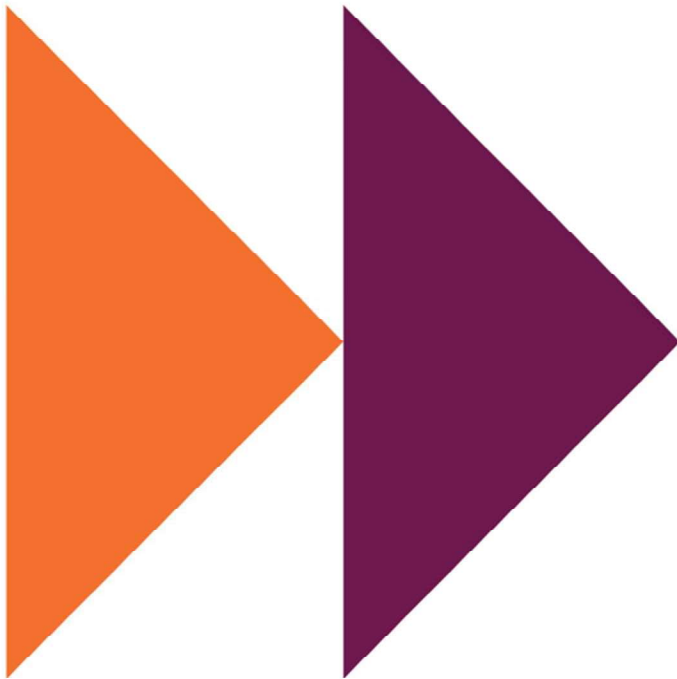
Consultants:	<u>Date Hired</u>	<u>Fees for the year ended November 30, 2023</u>	<u>Title</u>
Smith, Murdaugh, Little & Bonham, L.L.P.	08/19/22	\$ 77,373	General Counsel
McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC	01/09/24	\$ -0-	Auditor
Myrtle Cruz, Inc.	08/19/22	\$ 7,418	Bookkeeper
Jones Engineering Solutions, LLC	08/19/22	\$ 4,785	Engineer
Masterson Advisors LLC	08/19/22	\$ -0-	Financial Advisor
Utility Tax Services, LLC	02/14/23	\$ -0-	Tax Assessor/ Collector

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APPENDIX B

Financial Information Concerning the Developer

The Developer has delivered the consolidated financial statements included in this APPENDIX B (the “Financial Information”) to the District for publication in connection with the District’s offer and sale of the Bonds. Certain financial information concerning the Developer is included herein solely as additional information concerning the financial condition and capability of the Developer. Such Financial Information is relevant, among other reasons, to the Developer’s ability to continue developing its land within the District and to pay ad valorem taxes thereon. The Developer is not responsible for, liable for, or has made any commitment for payment of the Bonds or other obligations of the District, and the inclusion of the Financial Information herein should not be construed as an implication to that effect. The Developer has not made any 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 property within the District, or any other assets, at any time. Therefore, the District cautions that the attached Financial Information should not be construed or interpreted as an indication of the investment security of the Bonds. The Developer has represented to the District that the Financial Information relating to it has been prepared from its books and records, and fairly presents its financial condition. The Developer has also represented to the District that the Financial Information does not fail to disclose any material fact or omit to state any material facts necessary to make such Financial Information not misleading and that there has not been any material change in the financial condition of the Developer since the date on which the Financial Information is presented.



**RICELAND DEVELOPMENT
COMPANY, INC.**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2023

(With Independent Accountant's Review Report)

RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

To the Shareholders of
Riceland Development Company, Inc.

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Riceland Development Company, Inc. which comprise the balance sheet as of December 31, 2023, and the related statements of operations, changes in shareholders' deficit and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of company management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

We are required to be independent of Riceland Development Company, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Doeren Mayhew Assurance

Houston, Texas
November 1, 2024

RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2023

Assets

Cash	\$	63,033
Reimbursable development costs (note 2)		14,725,293
Real estate inventories (note 3)		23,538,375
Other assets		<u>17,693</u>
Total assets	\$	<u><u>38,344,394</u></u>

Liabilities and Shareholders' Deficit

Liabilities

Accounts payable (note 4)	\$	3,407,380
Interest payable		1,133,895
Builder deposits (note 2)		5,149,439
Related party note payable (note 6)		11,493,988
Development loan (note 5)		<u>17,457,640</u>
Total liabilities		38,642,342

Shareholders' deficit

Common stock, \$1.00 par value, 1,000 shares authorized, issued, and outstanding at December 31, 2023		1,000
Additional paid in capital		1,000
Retained earnings (deficit)		<u>(299,948)</u>
Total shareholders' deficit		<u>(297,948)</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' deficit	\$	<u><u>38,344,394</u></u>

See independent accountant's review report and accompanying notes to financial statements

RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Revenue - lot sales	\$ 2,881,422
Cost of lots sold	<u>2,830,972</u>
Gross profit	50,450
Operating expenses	<u>295,454</u>
Net loss	<u>\$ (245,004)</u>

See independent accountant's review report and accompanying notes to financial statements

RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>Additional Paid in Capital</u>	<u>Retained Earnings (Deficit)</u>	<u>Total Shareholders' Deficit</u>
Balance - January 1, 2023	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ (54,944)	\$ (52,944)
Net loss	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(245,004)</u>	<u>(245,004)</u>
Balance - December 31, 2023	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>	<u>\$ (299,948)</u>	<u>\$ (297,948)</u>

See independent accountant's review report and accompanying notes to financial statements

RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Cash flows from operating activities	
Net loss	\$ (245,004)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:	
(Increase) decrease in:	
Reimbursable costs	(11,955,174)
Real estate inventories	(9,598,777)
Other assets	1,335
Increase (decrease) in:	
Accounts payable	2,423,496
Interest payable	1,133,895
Builder deposits	<u>(353,495)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(18,593,724)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities	
Advances on development loan	19,788,265
Payments on development loan	<u>(2,330,625)</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>17,457,640</u>
Net decrease in cash	(1,136,084)
Cash - beginning	<u>1,199,117</u>
Cash - ending	<u>\$ 63,033</u>

See independent accountant's review report and accompanying notes to financial statements

RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 1 - Nature of Business

Riceland Development Company, Inc. (the Company) was formed on April 14, 2022 as a Texas Corporation. The Company's purpose is to develop approximately 1,407 acres of real property for the eventual sale of individual residential lots to be sold to homebuilders in the Houston, Texas metropolitan area. The board of directors and officers are responsible for managing the Company's daily affairs.

Substantially all land developed by the Company is purchased from RDC Partners, LP., an affiliated company through common ownership.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

This summary of significant accounting policies of the Company is presented to assist in understanding the financial statements. The financial statements and notes are the representations of management, who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. These accounting policies reflect industry practices which conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and have been consistently applied in the preparation of the financial statements.

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue from lot sales when a closing occurs. A closing is considered to occur when payment has been received or is receivable; title, possession and other attributes of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, and the Company is not obligated to perform significant activities after the sale. The Company's performance obligation, to deliver the agreed-upon lots, is satisfied at closing.

Cost of Lot Sales

Cost of sales includes applicable land and lot acquisition, land development, and related costs (both incurred and estimated to be incurred) allocated to each residential lot in the project. Any changes to the estimated total development costs subsequent to the initial lot sales are generally allocated to the remaining lots.

Cash

The Company maintains its cash in non-interest-bearing bank deposit accounts. All bank deposit accounts are guaranteed, by the FDIC, up to \$250,000 per depositor. The Company had \$-0- in excess of FDIC insured limits at December 31, 2023.

Reimbursable Development Costs

Reimbursable costs include the costs incurred to develop utility district assets (water, sewer and drainage facilities). It is anticipated that the respective Municipal Utility District (MUD) will reimburse a portion of the cost incurred as the districts sell bonds.

The amount and timing of municipal utility district properties reimbursement depends upon the respective municipal utility district having a sufficient tax base within its district to issue bonds and obtain the necessary state approval for the sale of the bonds. Because the timing of the issuance and approval of the bonds is subject to considerable uncertainty, coupled with the fact that interest rates on such bonds cannot be fixed until they are approved, the amounts associated with municipal utility district reimbursements are not known until approximately one month before the municipal utility district reimbursements are received. As of December 31, 2023, the Company had reimbursable development costs of \$14,725,293.

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RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2023

Real Estate Inventories

Real estate inventories include the costs of direct land and lot acquisition, land development, capitalized interest, and direct overhead costs incurred during land development. Land and development costs are typically allocated to individual residential lots based on the relative sales value of the lot.

Capitalized Interest

The Company capitalizes interest costs throughout the development period. Capitalized interest is charged to cost of lots sold as the related real estate is sold to the buyer. During periods in which the Company's active real estate in the development period is lower than its debt level, a portion of the interest incurred is reflected as interest expense in the period incurred.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company's active real estate in the development period exceeded its debt level; therefore, the total interest incurred of \$1,133,895 was capitalized to real estate inventories. As of December 31, 2023, the total amount of capitalized interest was \$1,166,348.

Builder Deposits

The Company receives earnest money deposits from homebuilders for purchases of developed lots. These earnest money deposits are recorded as a liability on the balance sheet and are typically released to the homebuilders as lots are sold. The builder deposits are reduced when the associated revenue from the contract is recognized, generally at the time of closing. At December 31, 2023, the Company had builder deposits of \$5,149,439.

Advertising

The Company's policy is to expense all advertising costs as incurred. Advertising costs totaled \$243,006 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Income Taxes

The Company has elected to be taxed as a Subchapter S Corporation under the provision of Section 1362(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, there is no provision for income taxes since the Company's shareholders pay the tax on earnings.

As required by law, legal entities conducting business in the State of Texas, must pay franchise taxes based on their Texas sourced adjusted gross profit. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded Texas franchise tax expense in the amount of \$-0-.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Adjustments made with respect to the use of estimates often relate to improved information not previously available. Uncertainties with respect to such estimates and assumptions are inherent in the preparation of financial statements.

See independent accountant's review report

RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 3 - Real Estate Inventories

The Company's real estate inventories consisted of the following as of December 31, 2023:

Land	\$ 11,054,065
Development costs	<u>12,484,310</u>
Total real estate inventories	<u>\$ 23,538,375</u>

Note 4 - Accounts Payable

Accounts payable consisted of the following as of December 31, 2023:

Accounts payable, trade	\$ 2,172,763
Accounts payable, retainage	<u>1,234,617</u>
Total accounts payable	<u>\$ 3,407,380</u>

Note 5 - Development Loan

The Company has a development loan with Trez Capital from which the Company can draw up to a limit of \$36,126,754. The loan bears interest at the higher of 10%, or the Prime rate plus 6.25%. The effective interest rate at December 31, 2023 was 14.75%. Interest is payable monthly, and all outstanding principal and interest is due when the loan matures on November 27, 2024. The loan may be extended for one extension term of six months. Borrowings on the loan are secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company and guaranteed by shareholders of the Company. At December 31, 2023, the development loan had an outstanding balance of \$17,457,640.

Note 6 - Related Party Transactions

On April 14, 2022, the Company entered into a purchase option agreement with an affiliated entity under common ownership, RDC Partners, LP. The agreement provides that the Company may exercise the option to purchase a Phase of undeveloped land from RDC Partners, LP. The Company shall make at least one exercise during each successive 4-year period, and the option terminates 20 years following the effective date. In 2022, the Company purchased the first Phase of 143.885 acres of undeveloped land in Chambers County, Texas.

The Company has a subordinated note payable to RDC Partners, LP for the purchase of the undeveloped land. The note is dated May 27, 2022 for a total amount of \$11,493,988. The note incurs interest at an annual rate of 3%, and all outstanding interest and principal shall be due at the earlier of (i) the date on which the last lot located on the land is sold, (ii) May 31, 2025, or (iii) the option termination date under the purchase option agreement between the Company and RDC Partners, LP. As of December 31, 2023 the outstanding balance on the note is \$11,493,988.

The Company pays Lindenwood Development LLC., an affiliated entity through common ownership, a development management fee of \$30,000 per month as compensation for development services rendered to the Company. During the year ended December 31, 2023, a total of \$360,000 in development fees were incurred and capitalized to real estate inventories.

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RICELAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 7 - Concentrations of Credit Risk

All of the real estate held by the Company is for the future development of residential properties located in the greater Houston, Texas area. The Company's financial condition and operating results will be subject to changes in economic conditions in the greater Houston, Texas area. A deterioration of the economies in this area may have an adverse effect on the Company.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company had three major customers representing 100% of its revenues. During the year ended December 31, 2023, three vendors represented 67% of purchases. As of December 31, 2023, three vendors represented 65% of the Company's account payables.

Note 8 - Subsequent Events

Effective August 23, 2024, the company exercised its option under the Purchase Option agreement with RDC Partners, LP to purchase an additional Phase of 134.83 acres of undeveloped land. In connection with the land purchase, the Company entered into a development loan with Trez Capital of up to \$40,338,599 with an annual interest rate of the higher of 11%, or Prime plus 4.5%, and a maturity date of August 23, 2027. In connection with the land purchase, the Company also incurred \$6,756,006 of builder deposits.

Management performed an evaluation of the Company's activity through November 1, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, noting no additional subsequent events that were required to be recognized or disclosed in the financial statements.