# **OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED DECEMBER 16, 2024**

In the opinion of McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date of such opinion, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS" herein, including the alternative minimum tax on certain corporations.

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Rating: S&P: "AA" (Stable Outlook)/Assured Guaranty Inc. Insured Moody's: "A1" (Stable Outlook)/Assured Guaranty Inc./Insured Moody's: "Baa3"/Underlying Insurance: AG

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

\$7,850,000

COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT (A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Williamson County) UNLIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2025

## Dated: January 23, 2025 Interest to Accrue from the Date of Initial Delivery (defined herein)

Due: August 15, as shown on the inside cover page

**GENERAL**... The bonds described above (the "Bonds") are obligations solely of Cool Water Municipal Utility District (the "District") and are not obligations of the State of Texas (the "State"), Williamson County, the City of Jarrell, Texas (the "City"), Jarrell Independent School District or any entity other than the District.

The Bonds, when issued, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the District and will be payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property within the District. THE BONDS ARE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONSS DESCRIBED HEREIN. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS."

**PAYMENT TERMS**... Principal of the Bonds is payable at maturity or earlier redemption at the principal payment office of the paying agent/registrar, initially BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas (the "Paying Agent/Registrar") upon surrender of the Bonds for payment. Interest on the Bonds is payable each August 15 and February 15, commencing August 15, 2025, until maturity or prior redemption. Interest on the Bonds accrues from the Date of Initial Delivery and will be payable on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 each or integral multiples thereof. The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to their maturity as shown below.

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. See "THE BONDS – Book-Entry-Only System."

ASSURED GUARANTY The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be guaranteed under an insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds by ASSURED GUARANTY INC.

> CUSIP PREFIX: 21640A MATURITY SCHEDULE See inside cover page

**REDEMPTION PROVISIONS**... The District reserves the right to redeem, prior to maturity, in integral multiples of \$5,000, those Bonds maturing on and after August 15, 2031 in whole or from time to time in part, on August 15, 2030, or on any date thereafter at a price of par plus accrued interest from the most recent interest payment date to the date fixed for redemption. See "THE BONDS – Redemption."

LEGAL... The Bonds are offered by the Purchaser subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued by the District and accepted by the 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 McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Austin, Texas, Bond Counsel. See "LEGAL MATTERS."

DELIVERY . . . Delivery of the Bonds through DTC is expected on January 23, 2025 (the "Date of Initial Delivery").

8/15	Principal	Interest	Initial		CUSIP
Maturity	Amount	Rate <sup>(a)</sup>	Yield <sup>(b)</sup>	_	Numbers <sup>(c)</sup>
2027	\$ 125,000	6.625%	3.200%		21640ACJ6
2028	130,000	6.625%	3.250%		21640ACK3
2029	140,000	6.625%	3.300%		21640ACL1
2030	145,000	6.625%	3.350%		21640ACM9
2031	155,000	6.625%	3.400%	(d)	21640ACN7
2032	160,000	6.625%	3.450%	(d)	21640ACP2
2033	170,000	6.375%	3.500%	(d)	21640ACQ0
2034	180,000	4.125%	3.650%	(d)	21640ACR8
2035	190,000	4.125%	3.750%	(d)	21640ACS6
2036	200,000	4.125%	3.850%	(d)	21640ACT4
2037	210,000	4.125%	3.950%	(d)	21640ACU1
2038	225,000	4.125%	4.000%	(d)	21640ACV9
2039	235,000	4.125%	4.050%	(d)	21640ACW7
2040	250,000	4.125%	4.125%		21640ACX5
2041	265,000	4.125%	4.150%		21640ACY3
2042	275,000	4.125%	4.180%		21640ACZ0
2043	295,000	4.125%	4.210%		21640ADA4
2044	310,000	4.125%	4.240%		21640ADB2
2045	325,000	4.125%	4.260%		21640ADC0
2046	345,000	4.125%	4.280%		21640ADD8
2047	360,000	4.125%	4.290%		21640ADE6
2048	380,000	4.125%	4.300%		21640ADF3
2049	405,000	4.125%	4.310%		21640ADG1
2050	425,000	4.125%	4.320%		21640ADH9
2051	450,000	4.125%	4.330%		21640ADJ5
2052	475,000	4.125%	4.340%		21640ADK2
2053	500,000	4.125%	4.350%		21640ADL0
2054	525,000	4.125%	4.360%		21640ADM8

# MATURITY SCHEDULE

# (Interest to Accrue from the Date of Initial Delivery)

(d) Yield calculated based on the assumption that the Bonds denoted and sold at a premium will be redeemed on August 15, 2030, the first optional redemption date for such Bonds, at a redemption price of par, plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

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

<sup>(</sup>a) After requesting competitive bids for purchase of the Bonds, the District has accepted the lowest bid to purchase the Bonds, bearing interest as shown, at a price of 97.009% of par, resulting in a net effective interest rate to the District of 4.3733542%.

<sup>(</sup>b) Initial yield represents the initial offering yield to the public, which has been established by the Purchaser (as herein defined) for offers to the public and which subsequently may be changed.

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

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

All of the summaries of the statutes, orders, contracts, records, and engineering and other related reports set forth in the Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such documents. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions, and reference is made to such documents, copies of which are available from the Financial Advisor, for further information.

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 the 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, to the extent that information actually comes to its attention, until delivery of the Bonds to the Purchaser and thereafter only as specified in "PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT – Updating the Official Statement During Underwriting Period" and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION."

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

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### 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 effective interest rate, which bid was tendered by SAMCO Capital Markets (the "Purchaser") bearing the interest rates shown on the inside cover page hereof, at a price of approximately 97.009% of the par value thereof to the date of delivery which resulted in a net effective interest rate of 4.3733542% as calculated pursuant to Chapter 1204 of the Texas Government Code, as amended (the "IBA" method).

**PRICES AND MARKETABILITY**... The delivery of the Bonds is conditioned upon the receipt by the District of a certificate executed and delivered by the Purchaser on or before the date of delivery of the Bonds stating the prices at which a substantial amount of the Bonds of each maturity has been sold to the public. For this purpose, the term "public" shall not include any person who is a bond house, broker or similar person acting in the capacity of underwriter or wholesaler. Otherwise, the District has no understanding with the Purchaser regarding the reoffering yields or prices of the Bonds. Information concerning reoffering yields or prices is the responsibility of the Purchaser. Additionally, there are no assurances that if a secondary market for the Bonds were to develop, that it will not be disrupted by events. Consequently, investors may not be able to resell the Bonds purchased should they need or wish to do so for emergency or other purposes.

The prices and other terms with respect to the offering and sale of the Bonds may be changed from time-to-time by the 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 Purchaser may over-allot or effect transactions which stabilize or maintain the market prices of the Bonds at levels above those which 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 may be more generally bought, sold or traded in the secondary market. Additionally, there are no assurances that if a secondary market for the Bonds were to develop, that it will not be disrupted by events. Consequently, investors may not be able to resell the Bonds purchased should they need or wish to do so for emergency or other purposes.

Subject to prevailing market conditions, the Purchaser intends, but is not obligated, to make a market in the Bonds. There is presently no secondary market for the Bonds and no assurance that a secondary market for the Bonds will develop or, if developed, will not be disrupted by events. Consequently, investors may not be able to resell the Bonds purchased should they need or wish to do so for emergency or other purposes. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Marketability of the Bonds."

**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 and the Bonds have not 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.

The statements contained in the Official Statement and in other information provided by the District that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements, including regarding the District's expectations, hopes, intentions or strategies regarding the future. All forward-looking statements included in the Official Statement are based on information available to the District on the date hereof, and the District assumes no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Forward-Looking Statements."

Any references to website 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 websites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not part of, this Official Statement.

# MUNICIPAL BOND RATING AND INSURANCE

The Bonds are expected to receive an insured rating of "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P") and "A1" (stable outlook) by Moody's Investors Service Inc. ("Moody's") by virtue of a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued and delivered by Assured Guaranty Inc. at the time of delivery of the Bonds. See "BOND INSURANCE" and "BOND INSURANCE RISKS." The Bonds have also been rated "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service Inc. ("Moody's") without regard to credit enhancement.

#### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY**

The following is a brief summary of certain information contained herein which is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information and financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Official Statement. The summary should not be detached and should be used in conjunction with more complete information contained herein. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement and of the documents summarized or described herein.

# THE DISTRICT

Description	The District was created by an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ") on November 26, 2018 and is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, and confirmed pursuant to an election held within the District on November 5, 2019. The District operates pursuant to Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. At the time of creation, the District contained 312.94 acres of land. By an order dated April 29, 2021, the District annexed 280.824 acres (the "Eastwood Tracts.") The District consists of approximately 593.764 <sup>(a)</sup> acres of land, a portion of which is located within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Jarrell, Texas (the "City"). See "THE DISTRICT."
Location	The District is comprised of several non-contiguous tracts located in Williamson County approximately 13.5 miles north of the City of Georgetown and 2.5 miles southeast of the City of Jarrell. The District is south of FM 487, west of CR 303, north of CR 315, and east of IH 35. A small portion of the Eastwood Tracts within the District is located within the ETJ of the City of Jarrell. See "AERIAL BOUNDARY MAP."
The Developers	There are multiple developers of land within the District. Pursuant to reimbursement agreements with the District, SonWest Co. (the "Original Developer"), KB Homes, Pulte, Century Communities and Starlight Homes (a subsidiary of Ashton Woods and in conjunction with landowning entity FR Eastwood LLC), are responsible for lot development and/or homebuilding within the District and (together with the Original Developer) may be collectively referred to herein as the "Developers." All of the Developers except SonWest Co. are national home builders. SonWest Co. is a Texas Corporation, which was responsible for financing and constructing all of the central infrastructure to serve the project, including off-site facilities and the internal water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Cool Water Phases 1, 2 and 5 and Rio Lobo. See "THE DISTRICT – History and Status of Development" and "THE DEVELOPERS."
Homebuilders	According to the Original Developer, there are five (5) homebuilders active within the District: KB Home Lone Star, Inc., Pulte Homes of Texas, LP, Century Land Holdings II, LLC, Starlight Homes of Texas, LLC, and Castlerock Communities, Inc. Homes range in price from \$250,000 to \$380,000, with square footage ranging from approximately 1,300 to 2,300 square feet. See "THE DISTRICT – Homebuilders."
Status of Development	Development of land within the District began in 2021. The District is presently being developed for single-family residential uses. The Original Developer has completed the design and construction of water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities to serve 1,605 living unit equivalents ("LUEs") in the District (out of a total of 3,225 LUEs expected to be developed within the District), including commercial and multi-family development. Construction of homes in the District began in 2021 and, as of June 12, 2024, there were 805 completed and occupied single-family homes in the District, 10 homes completed and not occupied, and 759 vacant lots available for construction. As of June 12, 2024, there were also an additional 41 lots under active development. The offering price of new homes in the District ranges from approximately \$250,000 to \$380,000. See "THE DISTRICT."
	The District contains approximately 111.333 acres of developable land that have not been provided with water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities as of June 12, 2024 (excluding acreage currently under active development). In the opinion of the District's engineers, the remaining authorized but unissued bonds are expected to be sufficient to fund water, sanitary sewer and drainage services to all areas now within the District. Approximately 58.910 acres of land in the District are located in drainage easements, rights-of-way and open space, and is considered undevelopable. See "THE DISTRICT – History and Status of Development."

<sup>(</sup>a) On October 18, 2021, the District substituted land as authorized by Sections 54.739 – 54.747 of the Texas Water Code by including one tract of 0.581 acre and excluding two separate tracts of 0.432 acre and 0.149 acre.

Payment Record	The Bonds constitute the third installment of bonds issued by the District. The District has not defaulted on the payment of its previously issued bonds (which included up to 24 months of capitalized interest).
	THE BONDS
Description	\$7,850,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds") are being issued as fully registered bonds pursuant to an order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds adopted by the District's Board of Directors (the "Board") on the date of the bid opening. The Bonds are scheduled to mature on August 15 in the years 2027 through 2054. The Bonds will be issued in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples of \$5,000.
	Interest on the Bonds accrues from the Date of Initial Delivery and is payable August 15, 2025 and each February 15 and August 15 thereafter, until the earlier of maturity or redemption. See "THE BONDS."
Book-Entry-Only	DTC 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 and will be deposited with DTC.
Redemption	Bonds maturing on and after August 15, 2031, are subject to redemption in whole, or from time to time in part, at the option of the District prior to their maturity dates on August 15, 2030, 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. See "THE BONDS – Redemption."
Use of Proceeds	Proceeds of the Bonds will be used to reimburse the Developers for costs incurred in connection with the construction of water, wastewater, and drainage improvements and for wastewater impact fees paid to the City and to pay certain other costs and engineering fees related to the issuance of the Bonds. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS" and "THE SYSTEM."
Authority for Issuance	The Bonds are issued by the District pursuant to an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ"); the terms and conditions of the order authorizing the Bonds adopted on the date of sale of the Bonds (the "Bond Order"); Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution; Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended; Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution; and general laws of the State of Texas relating to the issuance of bonds by political subdivisions of the State of Texas. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – General" and "THE BONDS – Authority for Issuance" and "THE BONDS – Issuance of Additional Debt."
Bonds Authorized But Unissued	At an election held within the District on November 5, 2019, the voters within the District approved the issuance of \$219,500,000 in unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing water, wastewater and drainage facilities. After the sale of the Bonds, the District will have \$185,150,000 remaining in authorized but unissued unlimited tax bonds for water, wastewater, and drainage purposes. The District voters, at the election held within the District on November 5, 2019, also authorized the issuance of \$11,750,000 in unlimited tax bonds for the acquisition and construction of parks and recreational facilities and \$346,875,000 in unlimited tax refunding bonds, all of which remain authorized but unissued. See "FINANCIAL STATEMENT – Unlimited Tax Bonds Authorized But Unissued" and "THE BONDS – Issuance of Additional Debt."
Source of Payment	Principal of and interest on the Bonds are payable from the proceeds of a continuing, direct, annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against taxable property within the District. The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not obligations of the City, Jarrell Independent School District, Williamson County, the State of Texas or any entity other than the District. See "THE BONDS – Source of Payment" and "FINANCIAL STATEMENT."
Municipal Bond Rating and Insurance	The Bonds are expected to receive an insured rating of "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P") and "A1" (stable outlook) by Moody's Investors Service Inc. ("Moody's") by virtue of a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued and delivered by Assured Guaranty Inc. at the time of

	delivery of the Bonds. See "BOND INSURANCE" and "BOND INSURANCE RISKS." The Bonds have also been rated "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service Inc. ("Moody's") without regard to credit enhancement.
Bond Counsel	McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Austin, Texas. See "MANAGEMENT OF THE DISTRICT," "TAX MATTERS" and "LEGAL MATTERS."
General Counsel	Armbrust & Brown, PLLC, Austin, Texas. See "MANAGEMENT OF THE DISTRICT."
Disclosure Counsel	McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Austin, Texas. See "MANAGEMENT OF THE DISTRICT," and "LEGAL MATTERS."
Financial Advisor	Specialized Public Finance Inc., Austin, Texas. See "MANAGEMENT OF THE DISTRICT."

## INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The purchase and ownership of the Bonds are subject to special investment considerations 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 "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS."

# SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

2021 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation\$2022 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation\$2023 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation\$2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation\$\$\$2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation\$	195,311,569 <sup>(a)</sup>
Gross Direct Debt Outstanding\$ Estimated Overlapping Debt Gross Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt\$	22,713,337 <sup>(c)</sup>
Ratios of Gross Direct Debt to: 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	13.71%
Ratios of Gross Direct Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to: 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	22.77%
Funds Available <sup>(d)</sup> : Debt Service Fund Balance as of October 21, 2024 General Operating Fund Balance as of October 21, 2024 Capital Projects Fund Balance as of October 21, 2024	\$ 895,196
2024 District Tax Rate 2024 Tax Rates of Overlapping Entities: Williamson County <sup>(e)</sup> Jarrell Independent School District Williamson County ESD #5 2024 Total Overlapping Tax Rate	\$ 0.4000 1.1669 0.0994
Average Annual Debt Service Requirement (2025-2054) Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement (2052)	
Tax Rates Required to Pay Average Annual Debt Service (2025-2054) at a 95% Collection Rate Based upon 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$ 0.9077
Tax Rates Required to Pay Maximum Annual Debt Service (2052) at a 95% Collection Rate Based upon 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$ 1.0186
Status of Development within the District as of June 12, 2024:         Total Completed Homes (occupied)         Homes Completed (unoccupied)         Developed Lots Available for Construction         Tots under Active Development         Undeveloped but Developable Acreage         Estimated Population	

(a) As provided by the Williamson Central Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District" or "WCAD").
(b) Includes the Bonds. See "FINANCIAL STATEMENT – Debt Service Requirements," "THE BONDS – Source of Payment"

(c) Includes the BOINDS - Source of Payment" and "THE SYSTEM - Water Supply and Distribution."
(c) See "FINANCIAL STATEMENT - Estimated Overlapping Debt."
(d) Does not include approximately \$343,308, representing approximately twelve (12) months' capitalized interest at an interest rate of 4.37%, will be deposited into the District's Debt Service Fund from proceeds of the Bonds.

(e) Includes Williamson County's road and bridge fund tax.

(f) Based upon 3.5 persons per occupied single-family residence.

### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

## \$7,850,000 COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT (A political subdivision of the State of Texas located within Williamson County) UNLIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2025

This Official Statement provides certain information in connection with the issuance by Cool Water Municipal Utility District (the "District") of its \$7,850,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are issued pursuant to the Texas Constitution, the general laws of the State of Texas (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") dated October 30, 2024 and an election held within the District on November 5, 2019.

This Official Statement includes descriptions, among others, of the Bonds and the Bond Order, and certain other information about the District, the Developers, and development activity in the District. All descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each document. Copies of documents may be obtained from Specialized Public Finance Inc., 248 Addie Roy Road, Suite B-103, Austin, Texas 78746.

### INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

**GENERAL** . . . The Bonds are obligations solely of the District and are not obligations of the City of Jarrell (the "City"), Jarrell Independent School District, Williamson 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 "– Bankruptcy Limitation to Registered Owners' Remedies" below.

**FACTORS AFFECTING TAXABLE VALUES AND TAX PAYMENTS**... <u>Economic Factors and Interest Rates</u>: A substantial percentage of the taxable value of the District results from the current market value of single-family residences and developed lots which are currently being marketed and developed by the Developers for sale to homebuilders or the construction of primary residences. The market value of such homes and lots is related to general economic conditions affecting the demand for residences. Demand for lots of this type and the construction of residential dwellings thereon can be significantly affected by factors such as interest rates, credit availability, construction costs, energy availability and the prosperity and demographic characteristics and prospects 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; and thus increase the tax rate in the District.

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 the 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, the District is unable to assess the future availability of such funds for continued construction within the District. In addition, although located approximately 13.5 miles north of the City of Georgetown, Texas, the success of development within the District and growth of District taxable property values are, to a great extent, a function of the Austin metropolitan and regional economies. See "– Regional Economics" below.

<u>Regional Economics</u>: The District is comprised of several non-contiguous tracts located in Williamson County approximately 13.5 miles north of the City of Georgetown and 2.5 miles southeast of the City of Jarrell. The District is south of FM 487, west of CR 303, north of CR 315, and east of IH 35. A small portion of the Eastwood Tracts within the District is located within the ETJ of the City of Jarrell. See "– Maximum Impact on District Tax Rates" below.

<u>Competition</u>: The demand for and construction of single-family homes in the District could be affected by competition from other residential developments in Williamson County, many of which have a more mature development status. In addition to competition for new home sales from other developments, there are numerous previously-owned homes in more established neighborhoods that are for sale. Such homes could represent additional competition for new homes proposed to be sold within the District.

The competitive position of the Developers in the sale of developed lots and the construction of single-family residential houses within the District is affected by most of the factors discussed in this section. Such a competitive position is directly related to 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 additional building and marketing programs in the District by the Developers will be implemented or, if implemented, will be successful.

<u>National Economy</u>: Nationally, there have been periods of volatility in new housing construction due to the lack of liquidity and other factors, resulting in a decline in housing market values. The ability of individuals to qualify for a mortgage as well as the general reduction in mortgage availability has also, at times, decreased housing sales. The Austin area, including the District, has experienced reduced levels of home construction and home sales activity in the past. The District cannot predict what impact, if any, another downturn in the national housing and financial markets may have on the Texas market and the District.

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<u>Developers under No Obligation to the District</u>: There is no commitment from, or obligation of, any Developer (or any subsequent developer) to proceed at any particular rate or according to any specified plan with the development of land or the construction of homes 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 and tracts and failure of landowners to develop their land would restrict the rate of growth of taxable value in the District. The District is also dependent upon the Developers and the other principal taxpayers for the timely payment of ad valorem taxes, and the District cannot predict what effect the future financial condition of either, if any, such financial conditions may have on their ability to pay taxes. See "THE DEVELOPERS" and "TAX DATA – Principal Taxpayers."

**MAXIMUM IMPACT ON DISTRICT TAX RATES**... Assuming no further development, the value of the land and improvements currently existing within the District will be the major determinant of the ability or willingness of owners of property within the District to pay their taxes. The 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation is \$250,585,748. After issuance of the Bonds, the estimated maximum debt service requirement will be \$2,424,656 (2052), and the estimated average annual debt service requirement will be \$2,160,693 (2025-2054, inclusive). Assuming no increase or decrease from the 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation, the issuance of no additional debt, and no other funds available for the payment of debt service, tax rates of \$1.0186 and \$0.9077 per \$100 appraised valuation at a ninety-five percent (95%) collection rate would be necessary to pay the maximum debt service requirement, respectively.

While the District anticipates future increases in taxable values, it makes no representations that the property within the District will maintain a value sufficient over the term of the Bonds to justify continued payment of taxes by property owners.

**DEPENDENCE ON MAJOR TAXPAYERS AND THE DEVELOPERS**... The ten principal taxpayers represent \$58,810,925 or 23.47% of the District's 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$250,585,748. If the Developers and other principal taxpayers were to default in the payment of taxes in an amount which exceeds the District's debt service fund surplus, the ability of the District to make timely payment of debt service on the Bonds will be dependent on its ability to enforce and liquidate its tax lien, which is a time-consuming process, or to sell tax anticipation notes. Failure to recover or borrow funds in a timely fashion could result in an excessive District tax rate, hindering growth and leading to further defaults in the payment of taxes. The District is not required by law or the Bond Order to maintain any specified amount of surplus in its debt service fund. See "Tax Collection Limitations and Foreclosure Remedies" in this section, "TAX DATA – Principal Taxpayers," and "TAXING PROCEDURES – Levy and Collection of Taxes."

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

**UNDEVELOPED ACREAGE**... All but approximately 111.333 acres of the developable land within the District has been provided with water, wastewater and storm drainage and detention facilities as of June 12, 2024 (excluding acreage currently under active development). In the opinion of the District's engineers, the remaining authorized but unissued bonds are expected to be sufficient to fund water, sanitary sewer and drainage services to all areas now within the District. See "THE DISTRICT – History and Status of Development."

**DEVELOPMENT AND HOME CONSTRUCTION IN THE DISTRICT**... As of June 12, 2024, approximately 759 developed lots within the District were available for home construction, with another 41 lots currently under active development. Failure of the Developers (or any subsequent developer) to develop lots and/or builders to construct taxable improvements on developed lots could result in substantial increases in the rate of taxation by the District during the term of the Bonds to pay debt service on the Bonds and any other tax-supported debt of the District previously issued or issued in the future. Future increases in value will

result primarily from the construction of homes by builders. See "- Maximum Impact on District Tax Rates" above.

TAX COLLECTIONS LIMITATIONS AND FORECLOSURE REMEDIES ... 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 local taxing authorities on the property against which taxes are levied, and such lien may be enforced by judicial foreclosure. The District's ability to collect ad valorem taxes through such foreclosure may be impaired by (a) cumbersome, time-consuming and expensive collection procedures; (b) a bankruptcy court's stay of tax collection procedures against a taxpayer; or (c) market conditions affecting the marketability of taxable property within the District and limiting the proceeds from a foreclosure sale of such property. Moreover, the proceeds of any sale of property within the District available to pay debt service on the Bonds may be limited by the existence of other tax liens on the property (see "FINANCIAL STATEMENT - Estimated Overlapping Debt" and "- Overlapping Taxes"), by the current aggregate tax rate being levied against the property, and by other factors (including the taxpayers' right to redeem property within two years of foreclosure for residential and agricultural use property and six months for other property). Finally, any 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 assessed 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.

**REGISTERED OWNERS' REMEDIES** . . . Remedies available to registered owners of Bonds in the event of a default by the District in one or more of its obligations under the Bond Order are limited. Although state law and the Bond Order provide that the registered owners may obtain a writ of mandamus requiring performance of such obligations, such remedy must be exercised upon each default and may prove time-consuming, costly and difficult to enforce. State law and the Bond Order do not provide for acceleration of maturity of the Bonds. Additionally, the Bond Order does not appoint a trustee to protect the interests of the registered owners or provide for any other additional remedy in the event of a default by the District and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year-to-year. Since there is no trust indenture or trustee, the registered owners would have to initiate and finance the legal process to enforce their remedies. The Bonds are not secured by an interest in the improvements financed with Bond proceeds or any other property of the District. No judgment against the District is enforceable by execution of a levy against the District's public purpose property. Further, the registered owners themselves cannot foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District in order to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The rights of the registered owners and the enforceability of the Bonds may also be delayed, reduced or otherwise affected by proceedings under the Federal Bankruptcy Code or other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by a State statute reasonably required to attain an important public purpose. See "Bankruptcy Limitation to registered owners' Remedies" below.

BANKRUPTCY LIMITATION TO REGISTERED OWNERS' REMEDIES ... The enforceability of the rights and remedies of registered owners may be limited by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions such as the District. Subject to the requirements of Texas law 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 USC sections 901-946. The filing of such petition would automatically stay the enforcement of registered owners' remedies, including mandamus and the foreclosure of tax liens upon property within the District as discussed above. The automatic stay would remain in effect until the federal bankruptcy judge hearing the case dismissed the petition, entered an order granting relief from the stay or otherwise allowed 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 (i) is specifically authorized to file for federal bankruptcy protection by applicable state law, (ii) is insolvent or unable to meet its debts as they mature, (iii) desires to effect a plan to adjust such debts, and (iv) has either obtained the agreement of or negotiated in good faith with its creditors or is unable to negotiate with its creditors because negotiations are impracticable. Under State law, a water, sewer, irrigation and drainage district, such as the District, must obtain the approval of the TCEQ as a condition to seeking relief under the Federal Bankruptcy Code. The TCEQ 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 State law and remains unable to meet its debts and other obligations as they mature.

Notwithstanding noncompliance by a district with State law requirements, a district could file a voluntary bankruptcy petition under Chapter 9, thereby involving 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 applicable, the concomitant delay and loss of remedies to the registered owners 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 a registered owner by reducing or eliminating the amount of indebtedness, deferring or rearranging the debt service schedule, reducing or eliminating the interest rate, modifying or abrogating collateral or security arrangements, substituting (in whole or in part) other securities, and otherwise compromising and modifying the rights and remedies of the registered owner's claim against a district.

## A district may not be forced into bankruptcy involuntarily.

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

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

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

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

In 1997, the EPA adopted the "8-hour" ozone standard of 80 parts per billion ("ppb") (the "1997 Ozone Standard") to protect public health and welfare. In 2008, the EPA lowered the ozone standard to 75 ppb (the "2008 Ozone Standard"). The Austin area, consisting of Williamson, Hays, Travis, Bastrop and Caldwell Counties (the "Austin Area") was not designated "nonattainment" under the 2008 Ozone Standard.

On October 1, 2015, the EPA lowered the ozone standard to 70 ppb (the "2015 Ozone Standard"). On May 1, 2018, the EPA designated the Austin Area as "attainment" under the 2015 Ozone Standards, which became effective on August 3, 2018.

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

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

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

Pursuant to the federal Safe Drinking Water Act ("SDWA") and Environmental Protection Agency's National Primary Drinking Water Regulations ("NPDWRs"), which are implemented by the TCEQ's Water Supply Division, a municipal utility district's provision of water for human consumption is subject to extensive regulation as a public water system.

Municipal utility districts must generally provide treated water that meets the primary and secondary drinking water quality standards adopted by the TCEQ, the applicable disinfectant residual and inactivation standards, and the other regulatory action levels established under the agency's rules. The EPA has established NPDWRs for more than ninety (90) contaminants and has identified and listed other contaminants which may require national drinking water regulation in the future.

Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") permits set limits on the type and quantity of discharge, in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. The TCEQ reissued the TPDES Construction General Permit (TXR150000), with an

effective date of March 5, 2018, which is a general permit authorizing the discharge of stormwater runoff associated with small and large construction sites and certain nonstormwater discharges into surface water in the state. It has a 5-year permit term, and is then subject to renewal. Moreover, the Clean Water Act ("CWA") and Texas Water Code require municipal wastewater treatment plants to meet secondary treatment effluent limitations and more stringent water quality-based limitations and requirements to comply with the Texas water quality standards. Any water quality-based limitations and requirements with which a municipal utility district must comply may have an impact on the municipal utility district's ability to obtain and maintain compliance with TPDES permits.

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

On May 25, 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.

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.

Operations of the District are also potentially subject to stormwater discharge permitting requirements as set forth under the Clean Water Act and regulations implementing the Clean Water Act. The TCEQ adopted by reference the vast majority of the EPA regulations relating to stormwater discharges and currently has issued a general permit for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activities and has issued two general permits for stormwater discharges associated with construction activities and municipal separate stormwater systems. The District may also be required to develop and implement stormwater pollution prevention plans and stormwater management plans. The District could incur substantial costs to develop and implement such plans as well as to install or implement best management practices to minimize or eliminate unauthorized pollutants that may otherwise be found in stormwater runoff. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in the imposition of administrative, civil, and criminal penalties as well as injunctive relief under the Clean Water Act or the Texas Water Code.

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*Atlas 14 Study.* In 2018, the National Weather Service completed a rainfall study known as Atlas 14 which shows that severe rainfall events are now occurring more frequently. Within Texas, the Atlas 14 study showed an increased number of rainfall events in a band extending from the upper Gulf Coast in the east and running west generally along the I-10 corridor to Central Texas. Based on this study, various governmental entities, including Williamson County, are contemplating amendments to their regulations that will potentially increase the size of the 100-year floodplain and will also increase the size of detention ponds and drainage facilities required for future construction in all areas (not just in the floodplain).

**DROUGHT CONDITIONS**... Central Texas, like other areas of the State, has experienced drought conditions from time to time. The District's retail water provider, Sonterra Municipal Utility District, has adopted a drought contingency plan and has implemented water use restrictions applicable to residents and property owners in the District as needed. The District currently has a water supply sufficient to service the residents of the District; however, water use restrictions have been imposed from time to time and, based on future drought conditions, additional water use restrictions may be reimposed. Water usage and rates could be impacted as a result of these restrictions. The District's engineer has indicated that the District's existing water production capacity and surface water supply from the Brazos River Authority is expected to be sufficient for full build out of the District. See "THE SYSTEM – Water Supply and Distribution."

**STORM WATER**... Operations of the District are also potentially subject to stormwater discharge permitting requirements as set forth under the Clean Water Act and regulations implementing the Act. The TCEQ adopted by reference the vast majority of the EPA regulations relating to stormwater discharges and currently has issued a general permit for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activities and recently proposed two general permits for stormwater discharges associated with construction activities and municipal separate stormsewer systems. The District may potentially be subject to stormwater discharge permitting requirements under each of these general permitting programs. Moreover, the District may be required to develop and implement stormwater pollution prevention plans and stormwater management plans. The District could incur substantial costs to develop

and implement such plans and in connection with the installation or performance of best management practices to minimize or eliminate unauthorized pollutants that may otherwise be found in stormwater runoff. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in the imposition of administrative, civil, and criminal penalties as well as injunctive relief under the Clean Water Act or the Texas Water Code.

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MARKETABILITY OF THE BONDS ... The District has no understanding with the 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 more generally bought, sold or traded in the secondary market.

**CONTINUING COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN COVENANTS** . . . Failure of the District to comply with certain covenants contained in the Bond Order on a continuing basis prior to the maturity of the Bonds could result in interest on the Bonds becoming taxable retroactive to the date of original issuance. See "TAX MATTERS."

**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**... The statements contained in this Official Statement and in any other information provided by the District that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements, including statements regarding the District's expectations, hopes, intentions, or strategies regarding the future. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement are based on information available to the District on the date hereof, and the District assumes no obligation to update any such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates, possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal and regulatory circumstances and conditions, and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners and competitors, and legislative, judicial and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forwardlooking statements included in this Official Statement will prove to be accurate.

**OVERLAPPING AND COMBINED TAX RATES**... The overlapping tax rate for the District reflects a composite overlapping tax rate, including the District's debt service and maintenance taxes, of \$2.7714 per \$100 of assessed valuation. A maximum District debt service tax rate of \$1.0186 per \$100 of assessed valuation (95% collection rate) would be required if no further growth were to occur within the District. See "FINANCIAL STATEMENT – Overlapping Taxes." However, the tax rate that may be required to service debt on any bonds issued by the District is subject to numerous uncertainties such as the growth of taxable values within the boundaries of the District, the amount of direct Unlimited Tax Bonds issued by the District, regulatory approvals, construction costs and interest rates. There can be no assurance that composite tax rates imposed by overlapping jurisdictions on property within the District will be competitive with the tax rates of competing projects in the Austin metropolitan area. To the extent that such composite tax rates are not competitive with competing developments, the growth of property tax values within the District and the investment quality or security of the Bonds could be adversely affected.

The current TCEQ rules regarding the feasibility of a bond issue for a utility district in Williamson County limit the projected combined total tax rate of entities levying a tax for water, wastewater and drainage to \$1.20. The projections for the District are consistent with the rules of the TCEQ. If the total combined tax rate of the District should ever exceed \$1.20, the District could be prohibited under rules of the TCEQ from selling additional bonds.

The District may issue additional debt which may change the projected and actual tax rates in the future, which changes may adversely affect future growth and which could affect the ability of the District to issue debt in the future.

**EFFECTS OF MASTER PLANNED COMMUNITY/REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS**... The Developers have represented that they intend to develop their property and sell developed lots or finished homes. See "THE DISTRICT" and "THE DEVELOPERS." However, the Developers have no legal obligation to the District to carry out their current plans or any other plans of development within the District. Furthermore, there is no restriction on the Developers or other landowners selling their land. The District can make no prediction as to the effects that inflation, interest rates, a depressed economy, falling energy prices, potential transportation problems, flooding, environmental or other government regulations, or other factors, whether economic, governmental or otherwise, may have on the plans of the Developers. See "– Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments" above.

Neither the Developers nor their subsidiaries or affiliates, if any, are obligated to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds. See "THE DEVELOPERS." Furthermore, the Developers have no binding commitment to the District to carry out any plan of development in the District, and the furnishing of information related to proposed development by a developer should not be

interpreted as such a commitment.

**DEMAND FOR AND FLUCTUATION OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF HOUSING PRODUCTS** . . . As reflected in "THE DISTRICT – Homebuilders" herein, the housing product completed and currently planned for portions of the District consists of single-family homes with anticipated prices ranging from \$250,000 to \$380,000.

**FUTURE DEBT**... *District Debt:* As of June 12, 2024, all but 111.333 acres of the developable 593.764 acres of land within the District have been developed with utility facilities by the Developers (excluding acreage currently under active development). Additional bond issuances are anticipated in the future in connection with development currently underway and planned prior to full build out.

Following the issuance of the Bonds, the District has reserved in the Bond Order the right to issue the remaining \$185,150,000 of authorized but unissued Unlimited Tax Bonds authorized for water, wastewater and drainage purposes and such additional bonds as may hereafter be approved by both the Board of Directors and voters of the District. All of the remaining Unlimited Tax Bonds which have heretofore been authorized by the voters of the District may be issued by the District from time to time for qualified purposes, as determined by the Board of Directors of the District, subject to the approval of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and the TCEQ. In the opinion of the District's engineer, the remaining authorization is expected to be sufficient to complete the development in the District. See "THE BONDS – Issuance of Additional Debt" and "THE SYSTEM." In addition, voters in the District could authorize additional Unlimited Tax Bonds in the future.

The District anticipates that it may issue the full principal amount of unissued bonds authorized for water, wastewater and drainage purposes in approximate annual installments over the next several years, subject to timely TCEQ approval. Each future issue of bonds is intended to be sold at the earliest practicable date consistent with the maintenance of a reasonable tax rate in the District (assuming projected increases in the value of taxable property made at the time of issuance of the bonds are accurate). The District does not employ any formula with respect to assessed valuations, tax collections or otherwise to limit the amount of parity bonds which it may issue. The issuance of additional bonds is subject to approval by the TCEQ pursuant to its rules regarding issuance and feasibility of bonds. 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."

**GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL**... As required by law, engineering plans, specifications and estimates of construction costs for the facilities and services to be purchased by the District with the proceeds of the Bonds have been approved, subject to certain conditions, by the TCEQ. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS." The TCEQ approved the issuance of the Bonds by an order issued on October 30, 2024. In addition, the Attorney General of Texas must approve the legality of the Bonds prior to their delivery.

Neither the TCEQ nor the Attorney General of Texas passes upon or guarantees the security of the Bonds as an investment, nor have the foregoing authorities passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of the information contained in this Official Statement.

**NO REQUIREMENT TO BUILD ON DEVELOPED LOTS**... There is currently no requirement that individuals or other purchasers of developed lots within the District commence or complete construction of improvements within any particular time period. Failure to construct taxable improvements on developed lots would restrict the rate of growth of taxable value in the District.

HOUSING MARKET VOLATILITY AND RECENT FORECLOSURES . . . Since the downturn in the housing market in 2008, many areas were negatively affected by a weakening national economy that led to foreclosures on single family homes, particularly related to subprime mortgages. Since this time, there has been significant volatility in the national housing market, both positive and negative. As of September 1, 2023, there were 0 properties in the District posted for sale due to foreclosure according to the Williamson County Clerk. No assurance can be given that foreclosures will not increase or that housing market conditions will remain stable.

THE EFFECT OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT OF 1989 ON TAX COLLECTIONS OF THE DISTRICT . . . The "Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989" ("FIRREA"), enacted on August 9, 1989, contains certain provisions which affect the time for protesting property valuations, the fixing of tax liens, and the collection of penalties and interest on delinquent taxes on real property owned by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") when the FDIC is acting as the conservator or receiver of an insolvent financial institution.

Under FIRREA real property held by the FDIC is still subject to ad valorem taxation, but such act states (i) that no real property of the FDIC shall be subject to foreclosure or sale without the consent of the FDIC and no involuntary liens shall attach to such property, (ii) the FDIC shall not be liable for any penalties or fines, including those arising from the failure to pay any real or personal property tax when due and (iii) notwithstanding failure of a person to challenge an appraisal in accordance with state law, such value shall be determined as of the period for which such tax is imposed.

There has been little judicial determination of the validity of the provisions of FIRREA or how they are to be construed and reconciled with respect to conflicting state laws. However, certain recent federal court decisions have held that the FDIC is not liable for statutory penalties and interest authorized by State property tax law, and that although a lien for taxes may exist against real property, such lien may not be foreclosed without the consent of the FDIC, and no liens for penalties, fines, interest, attorney's

fees, costs of abstract and research fees exist against the real property for the failure of the FDIC or a prior property owner to pay ad valorem taxes when due. It is also not known whether the FDIC will attempt to claim the FIRREA exemptions as to the time for contesting valuations and tax assessments made prior to and after the enactment of FIRREA. Accordingly, to the extent that the FIRREA provisions are valid and applicable to any property in the District, and to the extent that the FDIC attempts to enforce the same, these provisions may affect the timeliness of collection of taxes on property, if any, owned by the FDIC in the District, and may prevent the collection of penalties and interest on such taxes.

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

**FUTURE AND PROPOSED LEGISLATION**... The Texas Legislature convenes in regular session for 140 days in odd numbered years. The Governor may call one or more special sessions. During any regular or special session, the Texas Legislature may enact laws that materially change current law relating to districts including with respect to the levy of property taxes. The District makes no representation regarding any actions the Texas Legislature may take but intends to monitor proposed legislation for any developments applicable to the District.

### THE BONDS

**DESCRIPTION**... The Bonds will be dated January 23, 2025. Interest will accrue from the Date of Initial Delivery of the Bonds, be payable each August 15 and February 15 until maturity or prior redemption, beginning August 15, 2025 (each an "Interest Payment Date"), and will mature on the dates and in the amounts shown on the inside cover page hereof. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds are issued in fully registered form, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$5,000.

**BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM**... This section describes how ownership of the Bonds is to be transferred and how the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds are to be paid to and credited by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), New York, New York, New York, while the Bonds are registered in its nominee's name. The information in this section concerning DTC and the Book-Entry-Only System has been provided by DTC for use in disclosure documents such as this Official Statement. The District believes the source of such information to be reliable but takes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof.

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

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

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

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers. Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

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

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to 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 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).

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

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

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

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 neither the District nor the Purchasers take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

**RECORD DATE FOR INTEREST PAYMENT...** The record date ("Record Date") for the interest payable on the Bonds on any interest payment date means the close of business on the last day of the preceding month (whether or not a business day).

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

**SOURCE OF PAYMENT**... While the Bonds or any part of the principal thereof or interest thereon remain outstanding and unpaid, the District covenants to levy and annually assess and collect in due time, form and manner, and at the same time as other District taxes are appraised, levied and collected, in each year, beginning with the current year, a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, without legal limit as to rate, upon all taxable property in the District sufficient to pay the interest on the Bonds as the same becomes due and to pay each installment of the principal of the Bonds as the same matures, with full allowance being made for delinquencies and costs of collection. See "FINANCIAL STATEMENT." In the Bond Order, the District covenants that said debt service taxes are irrevocably pledged to the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds and to no other purpose. The Bond Order provides for the termination of the pledge of taxes when and if the City annexed and dissolves the District ane assumes all debts and liabilities of the District. See "THE BONDS – Annexation."

The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not the obligations of the State of Texas, Williamson County, the Jarrell

Independent School District, the City, or any entity other than the District.

**PAYMENT RECORD**... The Bonds constitute the third installment of bonds issued by the District. The District has not defaulted on the payment of its previously issued bonds (which included up to 24 months of capitalized interest).

**FUNDS**... The Bond Order creates or confirms the establishment and maintenance by the District of a Waterworks and Sanitary Sewer System Fund (or Operating Fund), Debt Service Fund and a Capital Projects Fund.

Each fund will be kept separate and apart from all other funds of the District. The Debt Service Fund will constitute a trust fund which will be held in trust for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds.

Any cash balance in any fund must be continuously secured by a valid pledge to the District of securities eligible under the laws of Texas to secure the funds of municipal utility districts having an aggregate market value, exclusive of accrued interest, at all times equal to the cash balance in the fund to which such securities are pledged.

**DEBT SERVICE FUND**... The Bond Order creates or confirms the establishment the Debt Service Fund to be used to pay principal and interest on and Paying Agent/Registrar fees in respect to the Bonds. The Bond Order requires that the District deposit to the credit of the Debt Service Fund (i) from the delivery of the Bonds to the Purchaser, accrued on the Bonds, if any, the amount received from proceeds of the Bonds representing capitalized interest on the Bonds, if any, (ii) District ad valorem taxes (and penalties and interest thereon) levied to pay debt service accrued interest or requirements on (or fees and expenses of the Paying Agent/Registrar with respect of) the Bonds, and (iii) such other funds as the Board shall, at its option, deem advisable. The Bond Order requires that the Debt Service Fund be applied solely to provide for the payment of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Bonds when due, and to pay fees to the Paying Agent/Registrar when due.

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**... The Capital Projects Fund is the capital improvements fund of the District. The Bond Order requires the District to deposit to the credit of the Capital Projects Fund the balance of the proceeds of the Bonds remaining after the deposits to the Debt Service Fund provided in the Bond Order. The Capital Projects Fund may be applied solely to (i) pay the costs necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes for which the Bonds are issued, (ii) pay the costs of issuing the Bonds and (iii) to the extent the proceeds of the Bonds and investment income attributable thereto are in excess of the amounts required to acquire and construct water, wastewater and drainage facilities as approved by TCEQ, then in the discretion of the District, to transfer such unexpended proceeds or income to the Debt Service Fund or as otherwise authorized by the TCEQ.

**REDEMPTION**... The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem the Bonds maturing on and after August 15, 2031, prior to their scheduled maturities, in whole or in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000 on August 15, 2030, or any date thereafter, at a price of par value plus accrued interest on the principal amounts called for redemption to the date fixed for redemption. If less than all of the Bonds are redeemed at any time, the maturities of the Bonds to be redeemed will be selected by the District. If less than all the Bonds of a certain maturity are to be redeemed, the particular Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot or other random method (or by DTC in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form).

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION . . . Not less than 30 days prior to a redemption date for the Bonds, the District shall cause a notice of redemption to be sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the address of the registered owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing such notice. ANY NOTICE SO MAILED SHALL BE CONCLUSIVELY PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN DULY GIVEN, WHETHER OR NOT THE REGISTERED OWNER RECEIVES SUCH NOTICE. NOTICE HAVING BEEN SO GIVEN, THE BONDS CALLED FOR REDEMPTION SHALL BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE ON THE SPECIFIED REDEMPTION DATE, AND NOTWITHSTANDING THAT ANY CURENT INTEREST BOND OR PORTION THEREOF HAS NOT BEEN SURRENDERED FOR PAYMENT, INTEREST ON SUCH PORTION THEREOF SHALL CEASE TO ACCRUE.

The Paying Agent/Registrar and the District, so long as a Book-Entry-Only System is used for the Bonds will send any notice of redemption, notice of proposed amendment to the Bond Order or other notices with respect to the Bonds only to DTC. Any failure by DTC to advise any DTC participant, or of any DTC participant or indirect participant to notify the beneficial owner, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of the Bond called for redemption or any other action premised or any such notice.

Redemption of portions of the Bonds by the District will reduce the outstanding principal amount of such Bonds held by DTC. In such event, DTC may implement, through its Book-Entry-Only System, a redemption of such Bond held for the account of DTC participants in accordance with its rules or other agreements with DTC participants and then DTC participants and indirect participants may implement a redemption of such Bond from the beneficial owners. Any such selection of Bonds to be redeemed will not be governed by the Bond Order and will not be conducted by the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar. Neither the District nor the Paying Agent/Registrar will have any responsibility to DTC participants, indirect participants or the persons for whom DTC participants act as nominees, with respect to the payments on the Bonds for redemption. See "Book-Entry-Only System" herein.

With respect to any optional redemption of the Bonds unless certain prerequisites to such redemption required by the Bond Order

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

**AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE**... At an election held within the District on November 5, 2019, voters within the District authorized the issuance of a total of \$219,500,000 in unlimited tax bonds for water, wastewater, and drainage facilities. The Bonds constitute the third installment of bonds issued by the District. After the issuance of the Bonds, \$185,150,000 principal amount of District bonds will remain authorized but unissued for water, wastewater, and drainage facilities. The District's voters, at the election held within the District on November 5, 2019, also authorized the issuance of \$11,750,000 in unlimited tax bonds for the acquisition and construction of parks and recreational facilities and \$346,875,000 in unlimited tax refunding bonds, all of which remain authorized but unissued. The Bonds are issued pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Bond Order; Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended; and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. The issuance of the Bonds has been approved by an order of the TCEQ.

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 or the sufficiency of the security for the Bonds as an investment or upon any information contained in this Official Statement.

**REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER**... So long as any Bonds remain outstanding, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep the Register at its principal payment office and, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the registration and transfer of Bonds in accordance with the terms of the Bond Order.

In the event the book-entry-only system should be discontinued, each Bond shall be transferable only upon the presentation and surrender of such Bond at the principal payment office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, duly endorsed for transfer, or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the registered owner or his authorized representative in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar. Upon due presentation of any Bond in proper form for transfer, the Paying Agent/Registrar has been directed by the District to authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor, within three (3) business days after such presentation, a new Bond or Bonds, registered in the name of the transferee or transferees, in authorized denominations and of the same maturity and aggregate principal amount and paying interest at the same rate as the Bond or Bonds so presented.

All Bonds shall be exchangeable upon presentation and surrender thereof at the principal payment office of the Paying Agent/Registrar for a Bond or Bonds of the same maturity and interest rate and in any authorized denomination in an aggregate amount equal to the unpaid principal amount of the Bond or Bonds presented for exchange. The Paying Agent/Registrar is authorized to authenticate and deliver exchange Bonds. Each Bond delivered 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 Bond is delivered.

Neither the District nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required to transfer or to exchange any Bond during the period beginning on a Record Date and ending the next succeeding Interest Payment Date or to transfer or exchange any Bond called for redemption during the thirty (30) day period prior to the date fixed for redemption of such Bond.

The District or the Paying Agent/Registrar may require the registered owner of any Bond to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with the transfer or exchange of such Bond. Any fee or charge of the Paying Agent/Registrar for such transfer or exchange shall be paid by the District.

LOST, STOLEN OR DESTROYED BONDS . . . In the event the book-entry-only system should be discontinued, upon the presentation and surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar of a mutilated Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a replacement Bond of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. If any Bond is lost, apparently destroyed, or wrongfully taken, the District, pursuant to the applicable laws of the State 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.

**ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL DEBT**... With the approval of the TCEQ, the District may issue additional ad valorem tax bonds and long-term revenue bonds and notes to finance improvements and facilities consistent with the purposes for which the District was created. See "THE DISTRICT – General." At an election held within the District on November 5, 2019, the voters within the District approved the issuance of \$219,500,000 in unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of acquiring or constructing water, wastewater and drainage facilities. After the sale of the Bonds, the District will have \$185,150,000 remaining in authorized but

unissued unlimited tax bonds for water, wastewater, and drainage purposes. The District voters, at the election held within the District on November 5, 2019, also authorized the issuance of \$11,750,000 in unlimited tax bonds for the acquisition and construction of parks and recreational facilities and \$346,875,000 in unlimited tax refunding bonds, all of which remain authorized but unissued.

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

Following the issuance of the Bonds, the Developers (or their assignees) will be owed approximately \$35,213,277 million for facilities eligible for reimbursement (including projects which have not yet been completed, but which have commenced). The District expects to submit bond applications to the TCEQ for the sale of additional bonds (excluding the Bonds) to satisfy its obligation to pay the Developers for such facilities. The District intends to issue such bonds in approximately annual installments, subject to timely TCEQ approval.

**FIRE-FIGHTING ACTIVITIES**... The District is also authorized by statute to engage in fire-fighting activities, including the issuance of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose. Before the District could issue fire-fighting bonds payable from taxes, the following actions would be required: (a) authorization of a detailed master plan and bonds for such purpose by the qualified voters in the District; (b) approval of the master plan and issuance of bonds by the TCEQ; and (c) approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. It is not anticipated at this time that bonds will be issued by the District for fire-fighting purposes. Issuance of bonds for firefighting purposes could dilute the investment security for the Bonds or any additional bonds issued by the District.

**PARKS**... The District is authorized by statute to develop parks and recreational facilities, including the issuance of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose.

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

**ANNEXATION**... The District is located partially within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City, and partially outside the extraterritorial jurisdiction and/or incorporated limits of any municipality. State law provides that a city may not annex land that is located in a district unless it annexes the entire part of the district that is located outside of the City's boundaries; however, there is an exception for a district that is located in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of more than one city.

Annexation by the City would also be subject to compliance by the City with various requirements of Chapter 43 of the Texas Local Government Code. Under Chapter 43, (a) a municipality may annex a district with a population of less than 200 residents only if: (i) the municipality obtains consent to annex the district through a petition signed by more than 50% of the registered voters of the district, and (ii) if the registered voters in the area to be annexed do not own more than 50% of the land in the area, a petition has been signed by more than 50% of the landowners consenting to the annexation; and (b) a municipality may annex a district with a population of 200 residents or more only if: (i) such annexation has been approved by a majority of those voting in an election held for that purpose within the area to be annexed, and (ii) if the registered voters in the area to be annexed, and (ii) and (ii) if the registered voters in the area to be annexed, and (ii) and the area to be annexed do not own more than 50% of the land in the area, a petition. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a municipality may annex an area if each owner of land in the area requests the annexation. As of June 12, 2024, the District had an estimated population of 2,818, thus triggering the voter approval and/or landowner consent requirements discussed in clause (b) above. (The described election and petition process would not apply during the term of any strategic partnership agreement between a municipality and a district specifying the procedures for annexation of all or a portion of the District.)

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

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

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

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

DEFEASANCE ... General ... The Bond Order provides for the defeasance of the Bonds and the termination of the pledge of taxes and all other general defeasance covenants in the Bond Order under certain circumstances. Any Bond and the interest thereon shall be deemed to be paid, retired and no longer outstanding (a "Defeased Obligation") within the meaning of the Bond Order, except to the extent provided below for the Paying Agent/Registrar to continue payments and for the District to retain the right to call Defeased Obligations to be paid at maturity, when the payment of all principal and interest payable with respect to such Bond to the due date or dates thereof (whether such due date or dates be by reason of maturity, upon redemption, or otherwise) either (i) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof (including the giving of any required notice of redemption or the establishment of irrevocable provisions for the giving of such notice) or (ii) shall have been provided for on or before such due date by irrevocably depositing with or making available to the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank for such payment (1) lawful money of the United States of America sufficient to make such payment, (2) Defeasance Securities (defined below) that mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will ensure the availability, without reinvestment, of sufficient money to provide for such payment and when proper arrangements have been made by the District with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank for the payment of its services until after all Defeased Obligations shall have become due and payable or (3) any combination of (1) and (2). At such time as a Bond shall be deemed to be a Defeased Obligation, such Bond and the interest thereon shall no longer be secured by, payable from, or entitled to the benefits of, the ad valorem taxes levied as provided in the Bond Order, and such principal and interest shall be payable solely from such money or Defeasance Securities.

The deposit under clause (ii) above shall be deemed a payment of a Bond when proper notice of redemption of such Bonds shall have been given or the establishment of irrevocable provisions for the giving of such notice, in accordance with the Bond Order. Any money so deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank may at the discretion of the Board of Directors also be invested in Defeasance Securities, maturing in the amounts and at the times as set forth in the Bond Order, and all income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank that is not required for the payment of the Bonds and interest thereon, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be turned over to the Board of Directors.

All money or Defeasance Securities set aside and held in trust pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Order for the payment of principal of the Bonds and premium, if any, and interest thereon, shall be applied to and used solely for the payment of the particular Bonds and premium, if any, and interest thereon, with respect to which such money or Defeasance Securities have been so set aside in trust. Until all Defeased Obligations shall have become due and payable, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall perform the services of Registrar for such Defeased Obligations the same as if they had not been defeased, and the District shall make proper arrangements to provide and pay for such services as required by the Bond Order.

If money or Defeasance Securities have been deposited or set aside with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank for the payment of Bonds and such Bonds shall not have in fact been actually paid in full, no amendment of the defeasance provisions of the Bond Order shall be made without the consent of the registered owner of each Bond affected thereby.

*Retention of Rights.* To the extent that, upon the defeasance of any Defeased Obligation to be paid at its maturity, the District retains the right under Texas law to later call that Defeased Obligation for redemption in accordance with the provisions of the Bond Order, the District may call such Defeased Obligation for redemption upon complying with the provisions of Texas law and upon the satisfaction of the provisions set forth above regarding such Defeased Obligation as though it was being defeased at the time of the exercise of the option to redeem the Defeased Obligation and the effect of the redemption is taken into account in determining the sufficiency of the provisions made for the payment of the Defeased Obligation.

*Investments.* Any escrow agreement or other instrument entered into between the District and the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank pursuant to which money and/or Defeasance Securities are held by the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank for the payment of Defeased Obligations may contain provisions permitting the investment or reinvestment of such moneys in Defeasance Securities or the substitution of other Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Securities upon the satisfaction of certain requirements. All income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying

Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank which is not required for the payment of the Bonds and interest thereon, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, will be remitted to the Board of Directors.

For the purposes of these provisions, "Defeasance Securities" means (i) Federal Securities, (ii) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the Board of Directors adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or otherwise provides for the funding of an escrow to effect the defeasance of the Bonds are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, and (iii) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the Board of Directors adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or otherwise provides for the defeasance of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm no less than "AAA" or its equivalent. For the purposes of these provisions, "Federal Securities" means direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America.

# BOND INSURANCE

**BOND INSURANCE POLICY**... Concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds, Assured Guaranty Inc. ("AG") will issue its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy (the "Policy") for the Bonds. The Policy guarantees the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due as set forth in the form of the Policy included as an appendix to this Official Statement.

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

ASSURED GUARANTY INC.... AG is a Maryland domiciled financial guaranty insurance company and an indirect subsidiary of Assured Guaranty Ltd. ("AGL" and together with its subsidiaries, "Assured Guaranty"), a Bermuda-based holding company whose shares are publicly traded and are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "AGO." AGL, through its subsidiaries, provides credit enhancement products to the U.S. and non-U.S. public finance (including infrastructure) and structured finance markets and participates in the asset management business through ownership interests in Sound Point Capital Management, LP and certain of its investment management affiliates. Only AG is obligated to pay claims under the insurance policies AG has issued, and not AGL or any of its shareholders or other affiliates.

AG's financial strength is rated "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P"), "AA+" (stable outlook) by Kroll Bond Rating Agency, Inc. ("KBRA") and "A1" (stable outlook) by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's"). Each rating of AG should be evaluated independently. An explanation of the significance of the above ratings may be obtained from the applicable rating agency. The above ratings are not recommendations to buy, sell or hold any security, and such ratings are subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the rating agencies, including withdrawal initiated at the request of AG in its sole discretion. In addition, the rating agencies may at any time change AG's long-term rating outlooks or place such ratings on a watch list for possible downgrade in the near term. Any downward revision or withdrawal of any of the above ratings, the assignment of a negative outlook to such ratings or the placement of such ratings on a negative watch list may have an adverse effect on the market price of any security guaranteed by AG. AG only guarantees scheduled principal and scheduled interest payments payable by the issuer of bonds insured by AG on the date(s) when such amounts were initially scheduled to become due and payable (subject to and in accordance with the terms of the relevant insurance policy), and does not guarantee the market price or liquidity of the securities it insures, nor does it guarantee that the ratings on such securities will not be revised or withdrawn.

*Merger of Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. Into Assured Guaranty Inc.:* On August 1, 2024, Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp., a New York domiciled financial guaranty insurance company and an affiliate of AG ("AGM"), merged with and into AG, with AG as the surviving company (such transaction, the "Merger"). Upon the Merger, all liabilities of AGM, including insurance policies issued or assumed by AGM, became obligations of AG.

*Current Financial Strength Ratings:* On October 18, 2024, KBRA announced it had affirmed AG's insurance financial strength rating of "AA+" (stable outlook).

On July 10, 2024, Moody's, following Assured Guaranty's announcement of the Merger, announced that it had affirmed AG's insurance financial strength rating of "A1" (stable outlook).

On May 28, 2024, S&P announced it had affirmed AG's financial strength rating of "AA" (stable outlook). On August 1, 2024, S&P stated that following the Merger, there is no change in AG's financial strength rating of "AA" (stable outlook).

AG can give no assurance as to any further ratings action that S&P, Moody's and/or KBRA may take. For more information regarding AG's financial strength ratings and the risks relating thereto, see AGL's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

## Capitalization of AG: At September 30, 2024:

- The policyholders' surplus of AG was approximately \$3,644 million.
- The contingency reserve of AG was approximately \$1,374 million.
- The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commission income of AG and its subsidiaries (as described below) were approximately \$2,438 million. Such amount includes (i) 100% of the net unearned premium reserve and net deferred ceding commission income of AG, and (ii) the net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commissions of AG's wholly owned subsidiary Assured Guaranty UK Limited ("AGUK"), and its 99.9999% owned subsidiary Assured Guaranty (Europe) SA ("AGE").

The policyholders' surplus, contingency reserve, and net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commission income of AG were determined in accordance with statutory accounting principles. The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commissions of AGUK and AGE were determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference:* Portions of the following documents filed by AGL with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") that relate to AG are incorporated by reference into this Official Statement and shall be deemed to be a part hereof:

- (i) the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 (filed by AGL with the SEC on February 28, 2024);
- (ii) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2024 (filed by AGL with the SEC on May 8, 2024);
- (iii) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2024 (filed by AGL with the SEC on August 8, 2024); and
- (iv) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2024 (filed by AGL with the SEC on November 12, 2024).

All information relating to AG included in, or as exhibits to, documents filed by AGL with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, excluding Current Reports or portions thereof "furnished" under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K, after the filing of the last document referred to above and before the termination of the offering of the Bonds shall be deemed incorporated by reference into this Official Statement and to be a part hereof from the respective dates of filing such documents. Copies of materials incorporated by reference are available over the internet at the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov, at AGL's website at http://www.assuredguaranty.com, or will be provided upon request to Assured Guaranty Inc.: 1633 Broadway, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Communications Department (telephone (212) 974-0100). Except for the information referred to above, no information available on or through AGL's website shall be deemed to be part of or incorporated in this Official Statement.

Any information regarding AG included herein under the caption "BOND INSURANCE – Assured Guaranty Inc." or included in a document incorporated by reference herein (collectively, the "AG Information") shall be modified or superseded to the extent that any subsequently included AG Information (either directly or through incorporation by reference) modifies or supersedes such previously included AG Information. Any AG Information so modified or superseded shall not constitute a part of this Official Statement, except as so modified or superseded.

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

## **BOND INSURANCE RISKS**

In the event of default of the payment of principal or interest with respect to the Bonds when all or some becomes due, any owner of the Bonds shall have a claim under the Policy for such payments. However, in the event of any acceleration of the due date of such principal by reason of mandatory or optional redemption the payments are to be made in such amounts and at such times as such payments would have been due had there not been any such acceleration. The Policy does not insure against redemption premium, if any. The payment of principal and interest in connection with mandatory or optional prepayment of the Bonds by the District which is recovered by the District from the Bond owner as a voidable preference under applicable bankruptcy law is covered by the insurance policy, however, such payments will be made by AG at such time and in such amounts as would have been due absence such repayment by the District unless AG chooses to pay such amounts at an earlier date. Under most circumstances, default of payment of principal and interest does not obligate acceleration of the obligations of AG without appropriate consent. AG may direct and must consent to any remedies and AG's consent may be required in connection with amendments to any applicable Bond documents.

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

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

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

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

#### USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS

Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used to reimburse the Developer for costs incurred to construct water, wastewater and drainage improvements in the District (collectively, the "Improvements"), to reimburse the Developer for wastewater impact fees paid to the City, and to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds. The construction costs below are actual costs incurred by the Developer in the construction of the Improvements, and related expenses. Non-construction costs are based upon either contract amounts or estimates of various costs by 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 review by the District's auditor.

# I. CONSTRUCTION COSTS

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Amount A. Developer Contribution Items - None 1. Eastwood Sections 4 & 6 – Water, Wastewater and Drainage ......\$ 879.814 2. CW Phase 3 Sections 1 & 2 – Water, Wastewater and Drainage ..... 354,000 153,505 Engineering (11% of Item 1)..... 3. Total Developer Contribution Items \$ 1,387,319 B. District Items Water Capacity Fees .....\$ 1,316,480 1. 2. Land Costs – CW Phase 3 Sections 1 & 2 Drainage Areas...... 1,822,875 3. Total District Items ......\$ 4,846,295 Total Construction Costs (79.41% of BIR).....\$ 6.233.614 NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS A. Legal Fees (3.00%) ......\$ 235,500 B. Financial Advisor Fees (2.00%)..... 157,000 C. Interest Costs: 1. Capitalized Interest (12 months at an interest rate of 4.37%)..... 343.308 Developer Interest 2 419.682 D. Bond Discount (3.00%)..... 234.773 Bond Issuance Expenses ..... 52,354 E. F. Bond Application Report Costs..... 57,125 G. Attorney General Fee 7,850 H. TCEQ Bond Issuance Fee (0.25%) 19,625 I. Contingency ..... 89,169 Total Non-Construction Costs ......\$ 1.616.386

TOTAL BOND ISSUE REQUIREMENT ("BIR") ......\$ 7,850,000

## THE DISTRICT

**GENERAL**... The District was created by an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ") on November 26, 2018 and is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, and confirmed pursuant to an election held within the District on November 5, 2019. The District operates pursuant to Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. At the time of creation, the District contained 312.94 acres of land. By an order dated April 29, 2021, the District annexed 280.824 acres in the Eastwood Tracts. On October 18, 2021, the District substituted land as authorized by Sections 54.739 – 54.747 of the Texas Water Code by including one tract of 0.581 acre and excluding two separate tracts of 0.432 acre and 0.149 acre. The District consists of approximately 593.764 acres of land.

The District is located in Williamson County approximately 13.5 miles north of the City of Georgetown and 2.5 miles southeast of the City of Jarrell. The District is south of FM 487, west of CR 303, north of CR 315, and east of IH 35. A small portion of the Eastwood Tracts within the District is located within the ETJ of the City of Jarrell (the "City"). See "AERIAL BOUNDARY MAP." The District consists of approximately 593.764 acres of land, a portion of which is located within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City.

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 establish, operate, and maintain fire-fighting facilities, independently or with one or more conservation and reclamation districts, if approved by the City, the TCEQ and the voters of the District.

The TCEQ exercises continuing supervisory jurisdiction over the District. The District is required to observe certain requirements of the City which, among other things, limit the purposes for which the District may sell bonds to the acquisition, construction, and improvement of waterworks, wastewater, and drainage facilities; the payment of organization and operation expenses and interest during construction; the provision of parks and recreational facilities; and the provision of other facilities and improvements benefiting the land within the District; limit the interest rate on such bonds to rates that do not exceed 2% above the weekly tax exempt Bond Buyer Index for 25 year bonds; limit the term of the bonds to 25 years and provide other terms for such bonds; require TCEQ approval of construction plans; and permit connections only to lots described in plats which have been approved by Williamson County and recorded in the real property records. Construction and operation of the District's system is also subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of additional governmental agencies. See "THE SYSTEM – Regulation."

**HOMEBUILDERS**... According to the Original Developer, there are five (5) homebuilders active within the District: KB Home Lone Star, Inc., Pulte Homes of Texas, LP, Century Land Holdings II, LLC, Starlight Homes of Texas, LLC, and Castlerock Communities, Inc. Homes range in price from \$250,000 to \$380,000, with square footage ranging from approximately 1,300 to 2,300 square feet.

In addition to single-family development, the District includes a community center with a swimming pool that is owned by the District.

LITIGATION ... The District is not a party to any lawsuits as of the date of this Official Statement.

**HISTORY AND STATUS OF DEVELOPMENT**... Development of land within the District began in 2021. The District is presently being developed for single-family residential uses. The Original Developer has financed the design and construction of the central water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities to serve approximately 1,605 living unit equivalents ("LUEs") in the District (out of a total of 3,225 LUEs expected to be developed within the District) and construction of underground utilities and street paving is complete in these portions of the District. Construction of homes in the District began in 2021, and, as of June 12, 2024, there were 805 completed and occupied single-family homes in the District, 10 homes completed and not occupied, and 759 vacant lots available for construction. As of June 12, 2024, there were also an additional 41 lots under active development. New homes in the District range in offering prices from approximately \$250,000 to \$380,000.

The District contains approximately 111.333 acres of developable land that have not been provided with water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities as of June 12, 2024 (excluding acreage currently under active development). In the opinion of the District's engineers, the remaining authorized but unissued bonds are expected to be sufficient to fund water, sanitary sewer and drainage improvements to serve all areas now within the District. Approximately 58.910 of land in the District is located in drainage easements, rights-of-way and open space, and is considered undevelopable.

The chart below reflects the status of development as of June 12, 2024:

			<b>Equivalent Connections</b>			
	Net	Platted		Under	Vacant/	
	Acreage <sup>(a)</sup>	Lots	Completed	Construction	Projected	
A. Single-Family Acreage Developed or Being						
Developed with Utility Facilities:						
Completed Sections:	345.437	1,605	805	41	759	
Sections Under Construction:	66.950	392	-	-	392	
Subtotal Developed with Utilities or Under Construction:	412.387	1,997	805	41	1,151	
B. Other Acreage Developed with Utility Facilities:						
Commercial and Multi-Family:	6.151	2	-	-	43	
Parks and Recreation	4.983	1	-	-	5	
Subtotal Other Acreage Developed with Utility Facilities:	11.134	3	-	-	48	
Total Developed or Being Developed:	423.521	2,000	805	41	1,199	
C. Total Remaining Undeveloped but Developable Acreage:	111.333					
D. Total Developable Acreage:	534.854					
E. Undevelopable Acreage:	58.910					
Total	593.764					

(a) On October 18, 2021, the District substituted land as authorized by Sections 54.739 – 54.747 of the Texas Water Code by including one tract of 0.581 acre and excluding two separate tracts of 0.432 acre and 0.149 acre.

**STATUS OF DEVELOPMENT**... As of June 12, 2024, water, wastewater, and drainage improvements have been completed to sections expected to serve approximately 1,605 of an ultimate 3,225 equivalent single-family connections. The District area also contains a community center (including a swimming pool), and several small parks internal to each subdivision. Development status as of June 12, 2024 is further outlined below:

Total Completed Homes (occupied)	805
Homes Completed (unoccupied)	10
Developed Lots Available for Construction	759
Undeveloped but Developable Acreage	111

**FUTURE DEVELOPMENT**... The District is being developed primarily as a single-family residential community, although approximately 6 acres are being developed for commercial use. While the Original Developer anticipates future development of the remaining undeveloped acreage in the District as business conditions permit, there can be no assurances if and when such development will occur or when any previously developed lots will be used for home construction.

Currently anticipated development within the District could exceed the City's wastewater treatment capacity. If the City's wastewater treatment capacity is unable to accommodate currently anticipated development within the District, future development within the District could be delayed.

The District anticipates issuing additional bonds to reimburse the Developers for costs associated with the development and construction of District facilities to accomplish full build-out of the District. The District Engineer has stated that, under current development plans, the remaining unissued new money bonds authorized for water, wastewater and drainage facilities (\$185,150,000) will be sufficient to finance the construction of water, wastewater and storm drainage facilities for full development of the District. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Factors Affecting Taxable Values and Tax Payments," "THE BONDS – Issuance of Additional Debt" and "THE SYSTEM."

### THE DEVELOPERS

**GENERAL**... There are multiple developers of land within the District. Pursuant to reimbursement agreements with the District, SonWest Co., KB Homes, Pulte, Century Communities and Starlight Homes (a subsidiary of Ashton Woods and in conjunction with landowning entity FR Eastwood), are responsible for lot development and/or homebuilding within the District. All of the Developers except SonWest Co. are national home builders. SonWest Co., a Texas Corporation, was responsible for financing and constructing all of the central infrastructure to serve the project, including off-site facilities and the internal water, wastewater and drainage facilities to serve Cool Water Phases 1, 2 and 5 and Rio Lobo. See "TAX DATA – Principal Taxpayers."

ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT FINANCING ... According to the Developers, development financing will come from corporate advances by each of the developers responsible for lot development and home construction within the District.

LITIGATION ... See "THE DISTRICT – Litigation." The District is not involved in any litigation at the present time.

# MANAGEMENT OF THE DISTRICT

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**... The District is governed by the Board, consisting of five directors, which has control over and management supervision of all affairs of the District. Directors are elected to four-year terms and elections are held on the first Saturday of May in even numbered years only. All of the Board members either reside within the District or own a small parcel of land within the District. The current members and officers of the Board, along with their titles and terms, are listed as follows:

Name	<u>Title</u>	Term Expires
Kieran Singh	President	May 2026
Rafael A. Mazza	Vice President	May 2028
Leslie Goldman	Secretary	May 2028
John Kim	Assistant Secretary	May 2026
Marty Lyman	Assistant Secretary	May 2026

**DISTRICT CONSULTANTS** . . . The District does not have any full-time employees, but contracts for certain necessary services as described below.

<u>Tax Appraisal</u>: The Williamson Central Appraisal District has the responsibility of appraising all property within the District. See "TAXING PROCEDURES."

<u>Tax Assessor/Collector</u>: The District has contracted with the Williamson County Tax Assessor/Collector (the "Tax Assessor/Collector") to serve in this capacity.

Management: The District has contracted with Vecindario Management, LLC, to serve as its General Manager.

Engineers: The District's engineer is Jones-Heroy & Associates, Inc.

Bookkeeper: The District has contracted with Bott & Douthitt, PLLC to serve as bookkeeper to the District.

<u>Auditor</u>: The District's financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2023 were audited by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC, Certified Public Accountants.

*Financial Advisor:* Specialized Public Finance Inc. serves as the District's Financial Advisor. The Financial Advisor's fee for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

<u>General Counsel</u>: The District has engaged Armbrust & Brown, PLLC as general counsel to the District. Compensation to the firm for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. Compensation for general legal services to the District is based on time charges actually incurred.

<u>Bond Counsel</u>: McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. has been engaged as Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The firm's fees for services in these capacities are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

## THE SYSTEM

WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION . . . Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services, dated October 1, 2019, and the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services, dated November 17, 2021, Sonterra Municipal Utility District ("Sonterra MUD") is the retail provider of water service in the District and will provide continuous and adequate water service in quantities sufficient to meet the needs of the original 312.94 acres in the District (1,560 living unit equivalents ("LUEs")). Additionally, pursuant to the Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services, dated September 1, 2020, and the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services, dated September 1, 2020, and the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services (Eastwood), dated November 17, 2021, Sonterra Municipal Utility District ("Sonterra MUD") is the retail provider of water service to the additional 280.824 acres annexed into the District and will provide continuous and adequate water service to serve such acreage (1,665 living unit equivalents ("LUEs")) (collectively, the "Utility Agreements"). Combined, Sonterra MUD will, pursuant to the Utility Agreements, provide water service to 3,225 LUEs in the District and will charge District residents water rates and fees as set forth in the Sonterra MUD Rate Order.

Water Supply for the District is treated surface water provided wholesale by the Lone Star Regional Water Authority ("LSRWA") and delivered to Sonterra MUD from the Brazos River Authority's Granger Lake Water Treatment Facility, which is blended with local groundwater supply wells and two water treatment plant facilities owned and operated by Sonterra MUD. Sonterra MUD has an existing peak day water supply capacity of 7.9 MGD to serve its retail customers. Subject to the terms of Agreement and upon payment of all fees and charges required, the District will have a guaranteed reservation of capacity in the Sonterra MUD water system for the number of LUEs of capacity for which such fees and charges have been paid.

Per the Utility Agreements, the Original Developer, or its successor and permitted assigns, must pay Water Connection Fees and Water Impact Fees to Sonterra MUD. Water Connection Fees are payable in the amount approved by the Sonterra MUD Board of Directors and set forth in the Sonterra MUD Rules in effect at the time of payment and are collected as each new connection within the District is made. A Water Impact Fee of \$3,500 will be due and payable as each new connection within the District is made. No water service will be provided to any new connection within a project phase until the required Water Connection Fee and Water Impact Fee is paid.

Additionally, the Developers have funded, on behalf of the District, Water Capacity Fees paid to Sonterra MUD. Future years' capacity payments will be reduced by water impact fees paid and by a per-connection retail rate credit. However, these reductions are applied to the last payments that will be required under the Utility Agreements.

The District's engineer has indicated that Sonterra MUD's existing water production capacity is sufficient to serve up to 3,225 ESFCs, which is sufficient to serve the project at full build out.

**WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES** . . . Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services, dated October 1, 2019, and the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services, dated November 17, 2021, Sonterra MUD is the retail provider of wastewater service in the District and will provide continuous and adequate wastewater service in quantities sufficient to meet the needs of the original 312.94 acres in the District (1,560 living unit equivalents ("LUEs")). Additionally, pursuant to the Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services, dated September 1, 2020, and the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services (Eastwood), dated November 17, 2021, Sonterra Municipal Utility District ("Sonterra MUD") is the retail provider of waste service to the additional 280.824 acres annexed into the District and will provide continuous and adequate wastewater service to serve such acreage (1,665 living unit equivalents ("LUEs")) (collectively, the "Utility Agreements"). Combined, Sonterra MUD will, pursuant to the Utility Agreements, provide wastewater service to 3,225 LUEs in the District.

Sonterra MUD and the City of Jarrell (the "City") have existing agreements whereas the City is a wholesale provider of wastewater treatment service to Sonterra MUD. The City owns and operates the Donahoe Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant ("WWTP") which has an ultimate permitted capacity of 4.0 MGD. The WWTP is being expanded in phases to meet the growing needs of Sonterra MUD and the City. As of June 2022, the City's engineer indicated the City's recent 2.0 MGD wastewater treatment plant project was complete. Sonterra MUD's contractual wastewater capacity is currently 3.0 MGD which will be sufficient to provide retail wastewater treatment service to meet the build-out demands of the District. The District's internal wastewater collection system will utilize multiple connection points into an existing City wastewater interceptor located along Donahoe Creek at the District's northern boundary.

The wastewater will be conveyed to the City's WWTP. All wastewater facilities will be designed in accordance with applicable requirements and design standards of Sonterra MUD, as well as applicable regulations of all other governmental entities with jurisdiction, including the City, and the TCEQ. The plans and specifications for facilities will be subject to review and approval by Sonterra MUD prior to commencement of construction.

Sonterra MUD will charge District residents wastewater rates and fees as set forth in Sonterra MUD's fee schedule. The City requires the payment of wastewater treatment access fees in the amount of \$1,720 per connection for capacity in the City's WWTP.

As of June 2022, the City's engineer indicated the City's recent 2.0 MGD wastewater treatment plant project was complete.

**STORM DRAINAGE FACILITIES**... Storm water runoff from the central and northern portions of the District eventually flows into Donahoe Creek to the Little River and eventually to the Brazos River. The far southern portion of the District eventually flows into Willis Creek to the San Gabriel River to the Little River and ultimately into the Brazos River.

Storm water runoff is collected through curb and gutter streets into inlets which convey the flows via an underground storm sewer pipe system, which will outfall into detention ponds located throughout the District. Storm water from the detention ponds will generally outfall into drainage channels and eventually enter Donahoe or Willis Creek.

**100-YEAR FLOOD PLAIN**... "Flood Insurance Rate Map" or "FIRM" means an official map of a community on which the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") has delineated the appropriate areas of flood hazards. The 1% chance of probable inundation, also known as the 100-year flood plain, is depicted on these maps. The "100-year flood plain (or 1% chance of probable inundation) as shown on the FIRM is the estimated geographical area that would be flooded by a rain storm of such intensity to statistically have a one percent chance of occurring in any given year. Generally speaking, homes must be built above the 100-year flood plain in order to meet local regulatory requirements and to be eligible for federal flood insurance. An engineering or regulatory determination that an area is above the 100-year flood plain is not an assurance that homes built in such area will not be flooded. However, the National Weather service recently completed a rainfall study known as Atlas 14 which shows that severe rainfall events are now occurring more frequently. Based on this study, various governmental agencies, including Williamson County, are contemplating potentially increasing the size of the 100-year floodplain. No assurances can be given whether such action may be taken or what impact, if any, it will have on development within the District. All of the land in the District to be developed is outside the current 100-year flood plain. According to the Engineer, the District contains approximately 36.39 acres within the 100-year flood plain. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Storm Water."

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

# **DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

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Year							Total
Ending		Existing Debt		The Bonds <sup>(a)</sup>			Debt
9/30	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal Interest Total		Service	
2025	\$ 105,000	\$ 1,325,300	\$ 1,430,300	\$ -	\$ 195,835	\$ 195,835	\$ 1,626,135
2026	415,000	1,318,475	1,733,475	-	349,013	349,013	2,082,488
2027	435,000	1,289,425	1,724,425	125,000	349,013	474,013	2,198,438
2028	460,000	1,258,975	1,718,975	130,000	340,731	470,731	2,189,706
2029	490,000	1,226,775	1,716,775	140,000	332,119	472,119	2,188,894
2030	515,000	1,192,475	1,707,475	145,000	322,844	467,844	2,175,319
2031	540,000	1,156,425	1,696,425	155,000	313,238	468,238	2,164,663
2032	575,000	1,128,625	1,703,625	160,000	302,969	462,969	2,166,594
2033	610,000	1,099,000	1,709,000	170,000	292,369	462,369	2,171,369
2034	640,000	1,067,550	1,707,550	180,000	281,531	461,531	2,169,081
2035	675,000	1,034,625	1,709,625	190,000	274,106	464,106	2,173,731
2036	715,000	1,001,188	1,716,188	200,000	266,269	466,269	2,182,456
2037	755,000	965,775	1,720,775	210,000	258,019	468,019	2,188,794
2038	800,000	932,075	1,732,075	225,000	249,356	474,356	2,206,431
2039	850,000	896,356	1,746,356	235,000	240,075	475,075	2,221,431
2040	895,000	857,631	1,752,631	250,000	230,381	480,381	2,233,013
2041	945,000	816,556	1,761,556	265,000	220,069	485,069	2,246,625
2042	1,000,000	773,169	1,773,169	275,000	209,138	484,138	2,257,306
2043	1,055,000	727,262	1,782,262	295,000	197,794	492,794	2,275,056
2044	1,115,000	678,837	1,793,837	310,000	185,625	495,625	2,289,462
2045	1,180,000	625,225	1,805,225	325,000	172,838	497,838	2,303,062
2046	1,245,000	568,475	1,813,475	345,000	159,431	504,431	2,317,906
2047	1,320,000	508,587	1,828,587	360,000	145,200	505,200	2,333,787
2048	1,390,000	445,100	1,835,100	380,000	130,350	510,350	2,345,450
2049	1,470,000	378,225	1,848,225	405,000	114,675	519,675	2,367,900
2050	1,550,000	307,500	1,857,500	425,000	97,969	522,969	2,380,469
2051	1,645,000	232,437	1,877,437	450,000	80,438	530,438	2,407,875
2052	1,735,000	152,781	1,887,781	475,000	61,875	536,875	2,424,656
2053	1,375,000	68,750	1,443,750	500,000	42,281	542,281	1,986,031
2054	-	-	-	525,000	21,656	546,656	546,656
	\$ 26,500,000	\$ 24,033,581	\$ 50,533,581	\$ 7,850,000	\$ 6,437,204	\$ 14,287,204	\$ 64,820,785

(a) Interest on the Bonds calculated at the rates shown on the inside cover page hereof.

### UNLIMITED TAX BONDS AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED

			Amount	Amount	
	Date	Amount	Previously	Being	Unissued
Purpose	Authorized	Authorized	Issued	Issued	Balance
Water, Wastewater, & Drainage	11/5/2019	\$ 219,500,000	\$ 26,500,000	\$ 7,850,000	\$185,150,000
Refunding Bonds	11/5/2019	346,875,000	-	-	346,875,000
Park and Recreational Bonds	11/5/2019	11,750,000	-	-	11,750,000
Total		\$ 578,125,000	\$ 26,500,000	\$ 7,850,000	\$543,775,000

**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. The District has no control over the issuance of debt or tax levies of any such entities.

Taxing	Outstanding		Ov	verlapping
Jurisdiction	Bonds	As of	Percent	Amount
Williamson County	\$ 1,308,835,000	9/30/2024	0.16%	\$ 2,094,136
Williamson County ESD #5	0	9/30/2024	2.59%	0
Jarrell Independent School District		9/30/2024	7.30%	20,619,201
Total Estimated Overlapping Debt The District's Total Direct Debt <sup>(a)</sup>				34,350,000
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt				\$ 57,063,337
Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt as a Percentage of 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation				22.77%

(a) Includes the Bonds. Does not include payments to be made pursuant to the Lone Star Contract. Such contract payments are treated as an operation and maintenance expense of the District. See "THE BONDS – Source of Payment" and "THE SYSTEM – Water Supply and Distribution."

**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 the 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 "FINANCIAL STATEMENT – Estimated Overlapping Debt"), 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 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	
		ssed Valuation
Williamson County <sup>(a)</sup>	\$	0.4000
Jarrell Independent School District		1.1669
Williamson County ESD #5	····· <u> </u>	0.0994
Total Overlapping Tax Rate	\$	1.6663
The District	······ <u> </u>	0.9500
Total Tax Rate	\$	2.6163

(a) Includes Williamson County's road and bridge fund tax.

## TAX DATA

**GENERAL**... All taxable property within the District is subject to the assessment, levy and collection by the District of a continuing, direct annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds.

**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, without limit as to rate or amount, to provide funds to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

**MAINTENANCE 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. A maintenance tax election was conducted and voters of the District authorized, among other things, the Board to levy a maintenance tax, without limit as to rate or amount. A maintenance tax is in addition to taxes which the District is authorized to levy for paying principal of and interest on any ad valorem tax-secured indebtedness, including the Bonds. See "– Debt Service Tax" above.

TAX EXEMPTIONS ... The District has not adopted any local option tax exemptions for property located within the District.

ADDITIONAL PENALTIES . . . The District has contracted with Williamson County to collect certain delinquent taxes. Under that contract, the Williamson County Tax Assessor-Collector is authorized to contract with private legal counsel to collect delinquent taxes and the fees of such legal counsel will be paid out of delinquent taxes, penalty and interest collected for the District by such legal counsel.

## HISTORICAL TAX RATE

	 2021	 2022	 2023	 2024
Debt Service	\$ 0.0000	\$ 0.2500	\$ 0.5000	\$ 0.6000
Maintenance	 0.9500	 0.7000	 0.4500	 0.3500
Total	\$ 0.9500	\$ 0.9500	\$ 0.9500	\$ 0.9500

**HISTORICAL TAX COLLECTIONS**... The following statement of tax collections sets forth in condensed form a portion of the historical tax experience of the District. Such table has been prepared for inclusion herein based upon information obtained from the District's tax assessor/collector. Reference is made to such statements and records for further and complete information. See "Tax Roll Information" below.

Tax	Net Certified Taxable Assessed	Tax	Total <sup>(b)</sup>	Total Colle	ctions	
Year	Valuation <sup>(a)</sup>	Rate	Tax Levy	Amount	Percent	<u>As of</u>
2020	\$ 52,064	\$0.9500	\$ 495	\$ 495	100.00%	09/30/21
2021	1,520,152	0.9500	14,442	14,442	100.00%	09/30/22
2022	67,632,171	0.9500	642,296	638,314	99.38%	09/30/23
2023	195,311,569	0.9500	1,894,668	1,889,363	99.72%	08/31/24
2024	250,585,748	0.9500	2,380,565	N/A	N/A	N/A

(a) Net valuation represents final gross appraised value as certified by the Appraisal District less any exemptions granted. See "Tax Roll Information" below for gross appraised value and exemptions granted by the District.

(b) Represents actual tax levy, including any adjustments by the Appraisal District, as of the date hereof.

**TAX ROLL INFORMATION**... The District's appraised value as of January 1 of each year is used by the District in establishing its tax rate (see "TAXING PROCEDURES – Valuation of Property for Taxation"). The following represents the composition of property comprising the 2022, 2023 and 2024 Certified Taxable Appraised Valuations.

	2022 Certified TAV	2023 Certified TAV	2024 Certified TAV
Land and Improvements	\$ 74,067,671	\$ 201,724,025	\$ 256,826,784
Personal Property	619,671	1,074,669	1,005,229
Total Assessed Valuation	\$ 74,687,342	\$ 202,798,694	\$ 257,832,013
Exemptions	7,055,171	7,487,125	7,246,265
Total Taxable Appraised	\$ 67,632,171	\$ 195,311,569	\$ 250,585,748
Valuation			

**PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS**... The following table represents the District's principal taxpayers, the taxable assessed value of each principal taxpayers' property in the District, and such property's assessed value as a percentage of the District's 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation.

	Taxable		% of 2024
	Assessed		Certified Taxable
Taxpayer		Value	Assessed Valuation
KB Home Lone Star Inc.	\$	15,686,793	6.26%
Pulte Homes of Texas LP		12,121,589	4.84%
Sonwest Co. <sup>(a)</sup>		11,520,515	4.60%
Century Land Holdings II LLC		4,614,258	1.84%
LGI Homes Texas LLC		4,186,102	1.67%
FR Eastwood LLC		3,971,460	1.58%
Pacesetter Homes LLC		3,044,592	1.21%
Starlight Homes Texas LLC		1,806,029	0.72%
Castlerock Communities LLC		1,238,945	0.49%
NIRU Investments LLC		620,642	0.25%
	\$	58,810,925	23.47%

(a) The Original Developer or its affiliate.

**TAX ADEQUACY FOR DEBT SERVICE**... The tax rate calculations set forth below indicate the tax rates per \$100 appraised valuation that would be required to meet average annual and maximum debt service requirements if no growth in the District's tax base occurred beyond the 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$250,585,748. The calculations contained in the following table merely represent the tax rates required to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds and outstanding debt of the District payable from taxes when due, assuming no further increase nor any decrease in taxable values in the District, collection of ninety five percent (95%) of taxes levied, the sale of no additional bonds, and no other funds available for the payment of debt service. See "FINANCIAL STATEMENT – Debt Service Requirements."

Average Annual Debt Service Requirement (2025-2054)	\$2,160,693 <sup>(a)</sup>
\$0.9077 Tax Rate on 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation at 95% collection	\$2,160,838 <sup>(a)</sup>
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirement (2052) \$1.0186 Tax Rate on 2024 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation at 95% collection	

<sup>(</sup>a) Does not include payments to be made pursuant to the Lone Star Contract or capital leases. Such contract payments are treated as an operation and maintenance expense of the District. See "THE BONDS – Source of Payment" and "THE SYSTEM – Water Supply and Distribution."

## INVESTMENT AUTHORITY AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES OF THE DISTRICT

Under Texas law, the District is authorized to invest in (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including letters of credit; (2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; (4) other obligations, the principal and interest of which is guaranteed or insured by or backed by the full faith and credit of, the State of Texas or the United States or their respective agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC); (5) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A or its equivalent; (6) bonds issued, assumed or guaranteed by the State of Israel; (7) interest-bearing banking deposits that are guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or their respective successors; (8) certificates of deposit and share certificates meeting the requirements of the Texas Public Funds Investment Act (Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, as amended) (the "PFIA") (i) that are issued by or through an institution that has its main office or a branch office in Texas and are guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, or are secured as to principal by obligations described in clauses (1) through (6) or in any other manner and amount provided by law for District deposits; or (ii) that are invested by the District through a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State of Texas and otherwise meets the requirements of the PFIA; (9) fully collateralized repurchase agreements that have a defined termination date, are fully secured by obligations described in clause (1), and are placed through a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State of Texas; (10) certain bankers' acceptances with the remaining term of 270 days or less, if the short-term obligations of the accepting bank or its parent are rated at least "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency; (11) commercial paper with a stated maturity of 270 days or less that is rated at least "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by either (a) two nationally recognized credit rating agencies or (b) one nationally recognized credit rating agency if the paper is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a U.S. or state bank; (12) no-load money market mutual funds registered with and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission that complies with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a-7; and (13) no-load mutual funds registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission that have an average weighted maturity of less than two years, and either has a duration of one year or more or is invested exclusively in obligations described in the this paragraph or has a duration of less than one year and the investment portfolio is limited to investment grade securities; excluding asset-backed securities; and (14) local government investment pools organized in accordance with the Interlocal Cooperation Act (Chapter 791, Texas Government Code) as amended, whose assets consist exclusively of the obligations that are described above. A public funds investment pool must be continuously ranked no lower than "AAA," "AAA-m" or at an equivalent rating by at least one nationally recognized rating service. In addition, bond proceeds may be invested in guaranteed investment contracts that have a defined termination date and are secured by obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under such contract, other than the prohibited obligations described below.

A political subdivision such as the District may enter into securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time and a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations that are described in clauses (1) through (6) above, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than "A" or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (6) above, clauses (11) through (13) above, or an authorized investment pool; (ii) securities held as collateral under a loan are pledged to the District, held in the District's name and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District or a third party designated by the District; (iii) a loan made under the program is placed through either a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in the State of Texas; and (iv) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less.

The District may invest in such obligations directly or through government investment pools that invest solely in such obligations provided that the pools are rated no lower than "AAA" or "AAAm" or an equivalent by at least one nationally recognized rating service. The District may also contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of its public funds or other funds under its control for a term up to two years, but the District retains ultimate responsibility as fiduciary of its assets. In order to renew or extend such a contract, the District must do so by order, ordinance, or resolution.

The District is specifically prohibited from investing in: (1) obligations whose payment represents the coupon payments on the outstanding principal balance of the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and pays no principal; (2) obligations whose payment represents the principal stream of cash flow from the underlying mortgage-backed security and bears no interest; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations that have a stated final maturity of greater than 10 years; and (4) collateralized mortgage obligations the interest rate of which is determined by an index that adjusts opposite to the changes in a market index.

Under Texas law, the District is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity; that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management; and that include a list of authorized investments for District funds, the maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual investment, the maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed for pooled fund, groups methods to monitor the market price of investments acquired with public funds, a requirement for settlement of all transactions, except investment pool funds and mutual funds, on a delivery versus payment basis, and procedures to monitor rating changes in investments acquired with public funds consistent with the PFIA. All District funds must be invested consistent

with a formally adopted "Investment Strategy Statement" that specifically addresses each fund's investment. Each Investment Strategy Statement will describe its objectives concerning: (1) suitability of investment type, (2) preservation and safety of principal, (3) liquidity, (4) marketability of each investment, (5) diversification of the portfolio, and (6) yield.

Under Texas law, the 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." At least quarterly the District's investment officers must submit an investment report to the Board of Directors detailing: (1) the investment position of the District, (2) that all investment officers jointly prepared and signed the report, (3) the beginning market value, and any additions and changes to market value and the ending value of each pooled fund group, (4) the book value and market value of each separately listed asset at the beginning and end of the reporting period, (5) the maturity date of each separately invested asset, (6) the account or fund or pooled fund group for which each individual investment was acquired, and (7) the compliance of the investment portfolio as it relates to: (a) adopted investment strategies and (b) Texas law. No person may invest District funds without express written authority from the Board of Directors.

Under Texas law, the District is additionally required to: (1) annually review its adopted policies and strategies, (2) require any investment officers with personal business relationships or family relationships with firms seeking to sell securities to the District to disclose the relationship and file a statement with the Texas Ethics Commission and the District, (3) require the registered principal of firms seeking to sell securities to the District to: (a) receive and review the District's investment policy, (b) acknowledge that reasonable controls and procedures have been implemented to preclude imprudent investment activities, and (c) deliver a written statement attesting to these requirements; (4) in conjunction with its annual financial audit, perform a compliance audit of the management controls on investments and adherence to the District's investment policy, (5) restrict reverse repurchase agreements to not more than 90 days and restrict the investment of reverse repurchase agreement funds to no greater than the term of the reverse repurchase agreement, (6) restrict the investment in non-money market mutual funds in the aggregate to no more than 15% of the District's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service and (7) require local government investment pools to conform to the new disclosure, rating, net asset value, yield calculation, and advisory board requirements.

CURRENT INVESTMENTS ... As of October 21, 2024, \$3,895,255 of the District's investable funds were held by First Citizens Bank and TexPool.
#### TAXING PROCEDURES

AUTHORITY TO LEVY TAXES . . . The Board is authorized to levy an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property within the District in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds, and any additional bonds payable from taxes which the District has previously or may hereafter issue (see "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Future Debt") and to pay the expenses of assessing and collecting such taxes. The District agrees in the Bond Order to levy such a tax from year-to-year as described more fully herein under "THE BONDS – Source of Payment." Under State law, the Board may also levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for the operation and maintenance of the District and its water and wastewater system. See "TAX DATA – Maintenance Tax."

**PROPERTY TAX CODE AND COUNTY-WIDE APPRAISAL DISTRICT**... The Texas Tax Code (the "Property Tax Code") specifies the taxing procedures of all political subdivisions of the State, including the District. Provisions of the Property Tax Code are complex and are not fully summarized here.

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

**PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION BY THE DISTRICT ...** Except for certain exemptions provided by State 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; however, no effort is expected to be made by WCAD to include on a tax roll tangible or intangible personal property not devoted to commercial or industrial use. Principal categories of exempt property include: property owned by the State or its political subdivisions if the property is used for public purposes; property exempt from ad valorem taxation by federal law; income producing tangible personal property or mineral interest with a taxable value of less than \$500; certain property used for the control of air, water or land pollution; solar and wind powered energy devices; certain non-profit cemeteries, farm products owned by the producer; and certain property owned by qualified charitable, religious, veterans, youth, or fraternal organizations. Article VIII, Section 1-a of the Texas Constitution grants a \$3,000 homestead exemption for all homesteads taxed by counties for farm-to-market roads and flood control purposes. Property owned by a disabled veteran or by the surviving spouse (so long as the surviving spouse remains unmarried) or children (under 18 years of age) of a deceased veteran is partially exempt to between \$5,000 and \$12,000 of assessed value depending on the disability rating of the veteran. Additionally, if an individual dies while on active duty as a member of the armed services of the United States, the surviving spouse and surviving children (under 18 years of age) are entitled to an exemption from taxation of \$5,000 of the assessed value of certain designated property owned by the spouse or children. A disabled veteran who receives 100% disability compensation from the United States Department of Veteran Affairs or its successor due to a service-connected disability and a rating of 100% disabled or of individual un-employability is entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of the veteran's residence homestead. Additionally, subject to certain conditions, the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran who was entitled to an exemption for the full value of the veteran's residence homestead when the disabled veteran died, or the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran who would have qualified for such exemption if such exemption had been in effect on the date the disabled veteran died, is entitled to receive a residential homestead exemption equal to the exemption received by the deceased spouse until such surviving spouse remarries.

Furthermore, a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran, if such spouse has not remarried since the death of the disabled veteran and the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the disabled veteran died and remains the residence homestead of the surviving spouse, is entitled to an exemption equal to the percentage of the veteran's disability, if the residence was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization at no cost to the disabled veteran, or at some cost to the disabled veteran in the form of a cash payment, a mortgage, or both in an aggregate amount that is not more than 50% of the good faith estimate of the market value of the residence homestead made by the charitable organization as of the date the donation is made. Such exemption is transferable to a different property of the surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse has not remarried, in an amount equal to the exemption received on the prior residence in the last year in which such exemption was received.

The surviving spouse of a member of the armed forces who is killed in action is entitled to a property tax exemption for all or part of the market value of such surviving spouse's residences homestead, if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the service member's death and said property was the service member's residence homestead at the time of death. Such exemption is transferable to a different property of the surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse has not remarried, in an amount equal to the exemption received on the prior residence in the last year in which such exemption was received.

The surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty is entitled to a property tax exemption for all or part of the market value of such surviving spouse's residence homestead, if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the first responder's death and said property was the first responder's residence homestead at the time of death. Such exemption is transferable to a different property of the surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse has not remarried, in an amount equal to the exemption received on the prior residence in the last year in which such exemption was received. <u>Residential Homestead Exemptions</u>: Under Article VIII, Section 1-b of the Texas Constitution and State law, the governing body of a political subdivision, at its option, may grant an exemption of not less than \$3,000 of the market value of the residence homestead of persons 65 years of age or older or the disabled from all ad valorem taxes thereafter levied by the political subdivision.

Once authorized, such exemption may be repealed or decreased or increased in amount (i) by the governing body of the political subdivision or (ii) by a favorable vote of a majority of the qualified voters at an election called by the governing body of the political subdivision, which election must be called upon receipt of a petition signed by at least 20% of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election of the political subdivision. In the case of a decrease, the amount of the exemption may not be reduced to less than \$3,000 of the market value.

The surviving spouse of an individual who qualifies for the foregoing exemption for the residence homestead of a person 65 or older (but not the disabled) is entitled to an exemption for the same property in an amount equal to that of the exemption for which the deceased spouse qualified if (i) the deceased spouse died in a year in which the deceased spouse qualified for the exemption, (ii) the surviving spouse was at least 55 years of age at the time of the death of the individual's spouse and (iii) the property was the residence homestead of the surviving spouse when the deceased spouse died and remains the residence homestead of the surviving spouse.

In addition to any other exemptions provided by the Tax Code, under Article VIII, Section 1-b of the Texas Constitution, the governing body of a political subdivision, at its option, may grant an exemption of up to 20% of the market value of residence homesteads, with a minimum exemption of \$5,000. Effective until December 31, 2019, the governing body of a political subdivision that adopted such exemption for the 2014 tax year (fiscal year 2015) is prohibited from repealing or reducing the amount of such exemption.

In the case of residence homestead exemptions granted under Article VIII, Section 1-b, ad valorem taxes may continue to be levied against the value of homesteads exempted where ad valorem taxes have previously been pledged for the payment of debt if cessation of the levy would impair the obligation of the contract by which the debt was created.

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

**Temporary Exemption for Qualified Property Damaged by a Disaster:** The Property Tax Code provides for 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.

**TAX ABATEMENT**... Williamson County may designate all or part of the area within the District as a reinvestment zone. Thereafter, Williamson County, the Jarrell Independent School District and the District, at the option and discretion of each entity, may enter into tax abatement agreements with owners of property within the zone. Prior to entering into a tax abatement agreement, each entity must adopt guidelines and criteria for establishing tax abatement, which each entity will follow in granting tax abatement to owners of property. The tax abatement agreements may exempt from ad valorem taxation by each of the applicable taxing jurisdictions, including the District, for a period of up to ten years, all or any part of any increase in the appraised valuation of property covered by the agreement over its appraised 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 agreement. Each taxing jurisdiction has discretion to determine terms for its tax abatement agreements without regard to the terms approved by the other taxing jurisdictions.

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

In determining the market value of property, different methods of appraisal may be used, including the cost method of appraisal, the income method of appraisal and market data comparison method of appraisal. State law requires the appraised value of a residence homestead to be based solely on the property's value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether residential use is s considered to be the highest and best use of the property.

Oil and gas reserves are assessed on the basis of pricing information contained in either the standard edition of the Annual Energy Outlook or, if the most recently published edition of the Annual Energy Outlook was published before December 1 of the preceding calendar year, the Short-Term Energy Outlook report published in January of the current calendar year.

State law further limits the appraised value of a residence homestead for a tax year to an amount not to exceed the less of (1) the property's market value in the most recent tax year in which the market value was determined by the appraisal district or (2) the sum of (a) 10% of the property's appraised value in the preceding tax year, plus (b) the property's appraised value the preceding tax year, plus (c) the market value of all new improvements to the property. Nevertheless, certain land may be appraised at less than market value under the Property Tax Code. The Property Tax Code permits land designated for agricultural use, open space or timberland to be appraised at its value based on the land's capacity to produce agricultural or timber products rather than at its fair market value. The Property Tax Code permits under certain circumstances that residential real property inventory held by a person in the trade or business being valued at the price all 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 use, open space or timberland designation or residential real property inventory designation must apply for the designation and the appraiser is required by the Property Tax Code to act on each claimant's right to the designation individually. A claimant may waive the special valuation as to taxation by some political subdivisions while claiming it as to another. If a claimant receives the agricultural use designation and later loses it by changing the use of the property or selling it to an unqualified owner, the District can collect taxes based on the new use, including taxes for the previous three (3) years for agricultural use and taxes for the previous five (5) years for open space land and timberland.

The Property Tax Code requires the Appraisal District to implement a plan for periodic reappraisal of property to update appraisal values. The plan must provide for appraisal of all real property in the Appraisal District at least once every three 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.

**DISTRICT AND TAXPAYER REMEDIES**... Under certain circumstances taxpayers and taxing units (such as the District) may appeal the orders of the Appraisal Review Board by filing a timely petition for review in State district court. In such event, the value of the property in question will be determined by the court or by a jury if requested by any party. Additionally, taxing units may bring suit against the Appraisal District to compel compliance with the Property Tax Code.

The Property Tax Code sets forth notice and hearing procedures for certain tax rate increases by the District and provides for taxpayer referenda which could result in the repeal of certain tax increases. The Property Tax Code also establishes a procedure for notice to property owners of reappraisals reflecting increased property value, appraisals which are higher than renditions, and appraisals of property not previously on an appraisal roll.

LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES . . . The District is responsible for the levy and collection of its taxes unless it elects to transfer such functions to another governmental entity. The rate of taxation is set by the Board, 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 15 of the year following the year in which imposed. A delinquent tax incurs a penalty of six percent (6%) of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent, plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. If the tax is not paid by July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. If the tax is not paid by 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. If the tax is not paid by July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent (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. For those taxes billed at a later date and that become delinquent on or after June 1, they will also incur an additional penalty for collection costs of an amount established by the District and a 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, may be rejected. Additionally, certain taxpayers, including the disabled, persons 65 years or older and disabled veterans, who qualified for certain tax exemptions are entitled by law to pay current taxes on a residential homestead in four installments with the first due before February 1 of each year and the final installment due before August 1 or to defer the payment of taxes without penalty during the time of ownership.

**ROLLBACK OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE TAX RATE**... Under current law, the qualified voters of the District have the right to petition for a rollback of the District's operation and maintenance tax rate only if the total tax bill on the average residence homestead increases by more than eight percent (8%). If a rollback election is called and passes, the rollback tax rate is the current year's debt service and contract tax rate plus 1.08 times the previous year's operation and maintenance tax rate. Thus, debt service and contract tax rates cannot be changed by a rollback election.

During the 86th Regular Legislative Session, Senate Bill 2 ("SB 2") was passed and signed by the Governor, with an effective date of January 1, 2020, which effectively restricts increases in the District's operation and maintenance tax rates by requiring rollback elections to reduce the operation and maintenance tax component of the District's total tax rate (collectively, the debt service tax rate, operation and maintenance tax rate, and contract tax rate are the "total tax rate"). See "SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION" for a description of the District's total tax rate. SB 2 requires a reduction in the operation and maintenance tax rate if the District's total tax rate surpasses the thresholds for specific classes of districts in SB 2. Debt service and contract tax rates cannot be reduced by a rollback election held within any of the districts described below.

SB 2 classifies districts differently based on the current operation and maintenance tax rate or on the percentage of build-out that the District has completed. Districts that have adopted an operation and maintenance tax rate for the current year that is 2.5 cents or less per \$100 of taxable value are classified as "Low Tax Rate Districts." Districts that have finished, completed and issued bonds to pay for all improvements and facilities necessary to serve at least ninety-five percent (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 are classified herein as "Developing Districts." The impact each classification has on the ability of a district to increase its operation and maintenance tax rate pursuant to SB 2 is described for each classification below.

#### Special Taxing Units

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

#### **Developed** Districts

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

#### Developing Districts

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

#### The District

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

**DISTRICT'S RIGHTS IN THE EVENT OF TAX DELINQUENCIES**... Taxes levied by the District are a personal obligation of the owner of the property as of January 1 of the year for which the tax is imposed. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all state and local taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of the State 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 "TAX DATA – Estimated Overlapping Taxes"). A tax lien on real property takes priority over the claim of most creditors and other holders of liens on the property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before the attachment of the tax lien; however, whether a lien of the United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the District is determined by applicable federal law. Personal property under certain circumstances is subject to seizure and sale for the payment of delinquent taxes, penalty, and interest.

At any time after taxes on property become delinquent, the District may file suit to foreclose the lien securing payment of the tax, to enforce personal liability for the tax, or both. In filing a suit to foreclose a tax lien on real property, the District must join other taxing units that have claims for delinquent taxes against all or part of the same property. Collection of delinquent taxes may be adversely affected by the amount of taxes owed to other taxing units, by the effects of market conditions on the foreclosure sale price, by taxpayer redemption rights or by bankruptcy proceedings which restrict the collection of taxpayer debts. 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. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Tax Collection Limitations and Foreclosure Remedies."

**CERTAIN APPRAISAL CAPS**... On July 13, 2023, during the Second Special Session, the 88<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill 2, which, among other things, includes provisions that prohibit an appraisal district from increasing the appraised value of real property during the 2024 tax year on non-homestead properties (the "subjected property") whose appraised values are not more than \$5 million dollars (the "maximum property value") to an amount not to exceed the lesser of: (1) the market value of the subjected property for the most recent tax year that the market value was determined by the appraisal office or (2) the sum of: (a) 20 percent (20%) of the appraised value of the subjected property for the preceding tax year; and (c) the market value of all new improvements to the subjected property (collectively, the "appraisal cap"). After the 2024 tax year, though December 31, 2026, the maximum property value may be increased or decreased by the product of the preceding state fiscal year's increase or decrease in the consumer price index, as applicable, to the maximum property value. The appraisal cap took effect on January 1, 2024.

**THE EFFECT OF FIRREA ON TAX COLLECTIONS OF THE DISTRICT**... The "Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989" ("FIRREA"), enacted on August 9, 1989, contains certain provisions which affect the time for protesting property valuations, the fixing of tax liens, and the collection of penalties and interest on delinquent taxes on real property owned by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") when the FDIC is acting as the conservator or receiver of an insolvent financial institution.

Under FIRREA real property held by the FDIC is still subject to ad valorem taxation, but such act states (i) that no real property of the FDIC shall be subject to foreclosure or sale without the consent of the FDIC and no involuntary liens shall attach to such property, (ii) the FDIC shall not be liable for any penalties or fines, including those arising from the failure to pay any real or personal property tax when due and (iii) notwithstanding failure of a person to challenge an appraisal in accordance with state law, such value shall be determined as of the period for which such tax is imposed.

There has been little judicial determination of the validity of the provisions of FIRREA or how they are to be construed and reconciled with respect to conflicting state laws. However, certain recent federal court decisions have held that the FDIC is not liable for statutory penalties and interest authorized by State property tax law, and that although a lien for taxes may exist against real property, such lien may not be foreclosed without the consent of the FDIC, and no liens for penalties, fines, interest, attorney's fees, costs of abstract and research fees exist against the real property for the failure of the FDIC or a prior property owner to pay ad valorem taxes when due. It is also not known whether the FDIC will attempt to claim the FIRREA exemptions as to the time for contesting valuations and tax assessments made prior to and after the enactment of FIRREA. Accordingly, to the extent that the FIRREA provisions are valid and applicable to any property in the District, and to the extent that the FDIC attempts to enforce the same, these provisions may affect the timeliness of collection of taxes on property, if any, owned by the FDIC in the District, and may prevent the collection of penalties and interest on such taxes.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

LEGAL OPINIONS . . . Issuance of the Bonds is subject to the approving legal opinion of the Attorney General 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 legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property within the District. Issuance of the Bonds is also subject to the legal opinion of McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. ("Bond Counsel"), based upon examination of a transcript of the proceedings incident to authorization and issuance of the Bonds, to the effect that the Bonds are valid and binding obligations of the District payable from the sources and enforceable in accordance with the terms and conditions described therein, except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar laws affecting creditors' rights or the exercise of judicial discretion in accordance with general principles of equity. Bond Counsel's legal opinion will also address the matters described below under "TAX MATTERS." Such opinion will express no opinion with respect to the sufficiency of the security for or the marketability of the Bonds. In connection with the issuance of the Bonds, Bond Counsel has been engaged by, and only represents, the District. The legal fees to be paid Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based upon a percentage of Bonds actually issued, sold and delivered, and therefore, such fees are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

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

LITIGATION ... The District is not a party to any lawsuits as of the date of this Official Statement.

**NO-LITIGATION CERTIFICATE**... The District will furnish to the Purchaser a certificate, dated as of the Date of Initial Delivery of the Bonds, executed by both the President and Secretary of the Board, 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 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 Official Statement.

#### TAX MATTERS

**OPINION**... On the Date of Initial Delivery of the Bonds, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel, will render its opinion that, in accordance with statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions existing on the date thereof ("Existing Law") for Federal income tax purposes interest on the Bonds (1) will be excludable from the "gross income" of the holders thereof and (2) the Bonds will not be treated as "specified private activity bonds" the interest on which would be included as an alternative minimum tax preference under Section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). Except as stated above, 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. See "APPENDIX B – Form of Bond Counsel's Opinion."

In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel will rely upon (a) the District's federal tax certificate, and (b) covenants of the District with respect to arbitrage, the application of proceeds to be received from the issuance and sale of the Bonds, and certain other matters. Failure by the District to comply with these representations or covenants could cause the interest on the Bonds to become includable in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance.

The Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder contain a number of requirements that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order for interest on the Bonds to be, and to remain, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The opinion of Bond Counsel is conditioned on compliance by the District with the covenants and 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 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. Bond Counsel's opinion represents its legal judgment based upon its review of Existing Law and the representations of the District that it deems relevant to render such an opinion and is not a guarantee of result. No assurances can be given as to whether the Internal Revenue Service will commence an audit of the Bonds, or as to whether the Internal Revenue Service would agree with the opinion of 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 ISSUE DISCOUNT**... The initial public offering price to be paid for one or more maturities of the Bonds may be less than the principal amount thereof or one or more periods for the payment of interest on the bonds may not be equal to the accrual period or be in excess of one year (the "Original Issue Discount Bonds"). In such event, the difference between (i) the "stated redemption price at maturity" of each Original Issue Discount Bonds, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such Original Issue Discount 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 redemption, sale or other taxable disposition of such Original issue Discount Bonds prior to stated maturity, however, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such Original issue Discount Bond in the hands of such owner (adjusted upward by the portion of the Original Issue Discount allocable to the period for which such Original issue Discount Bond was held by such initial owner) is includable in gross income.

Under Existing Law, the original 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 or Original Issue Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of federal, state and local income tax purposes of the treatment of interest accrued upon redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bonds and with respect to the federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, redemption, sale or other disposition of such Original Issue Discount Bonds.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT

**SOURCES AND COMPILATION OF INFORMATION**... The financial data and other information contained in this Official Statement has been obtained primarily from the District's records, the Developers, the Engineer, the Tax Assessor/Collector, the Appraisal District and from 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 below under "Certification of Official Statement." Furthermore, there is no guarantee that any of the assumptions or estimates contained herein will be realized. The summaries of the agreements, reports, statutes, resolutions, engineering and other related information set forth in this Official Statement are included herein subject to all of the provisions of such documents. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions, and reference is made to such documents for further information.

**FINANCIAL ADVISOR**... Specialized Public Finance Inc. is employed as the Financial Advisor to the District to render certain professional services, including advising the District on a plan of financing and preparing the Official Statement. In its capacity as Financial Advisor, Specialized Public Finance Inc. has compiled and edited this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as a part of, its responsibilities to the issuer and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

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

<u>Tax Assessor/Collector</u>: The information contained in this Official Statement relating to the breakdown of the District's historical assessed value and principal taxpayers, including particularly such information contained in the section entitled "TAX DATA" has been provided by the Williamson County Tax Assessor/Collector's office and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such office as an expert in assessing property values and collecting taxes.

<u>Engineer</u>: The information contained in this Official Statement relating to engineering 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-Heroy & Associates, Inc. and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority of said firm as experts in the field of civil engineering.

<u>Developers</u>: The information contained in this Official Statement relating to development and the status of development within the District generally and, in particular, the information in the section captioned "THE DEVELOPERS" (except for the subsection captioned "General"), has been provided by the Developers and has been included herein in reliance upon the authority and knowledge of such party concerning the matters described therein.

**CERTIFICATION AS TO OFFICIAL STATEMENT**... The District, acting by and through its Board in its official capacity hereby certifies, as of the date hereof, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, the information, statements and descriptions pertaining to the District and its affairs herein contain no untrue statements of a material fact and do not omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements herein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The information, description and statements concerning entities other than the District, including particularly other governmental entities, have been obtained from sources believed to be reliable, but the District has made no independent investigation or verification of such matters and makes no representation as to the accuracy or completeness thereof. Except as set forth in "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" herein, the District has no obligation to disclose any changes in the affairs of the District and other matters described in this Official Statement subsequent to the "end of the underwriting period" which shall end when the District delivers the Bonds to the Purchaser at closing, unless extended by the Purchaser. All information with respect to the resale of the Bonds subsequent to the "end of the underwriting period" is the responsibility of the Purchaser.

UPDATING THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT DURING UNDERWRITING PERIOD ... If, subsequent to the date of the Official Statement to and including the date the Purchaser is no longer required to provide and Official Statement to potential customers who request the same pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the federal Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule") (the earlier of (i) 90 days from the "end of the underwriting period" (as defined in the Rule) and (ii) the time when the Official Statement is available to any person from a nationally recognized repository but in no case less than 25 days after the "end of the underwriting period"), the District learns or is notified by the Purchaser of any adverse event which causes any of the key representations in the Official Statement to be materially misleading, the District will promptly prepare and supply to the Purchaser a supplement to the Official Statement which corrects such representation to the reasonable satisfaction of the Purchaser, unless the Purchaser elects to terminate its obligation to purchase the Bonds as described in the notice of sale accompanying this Official Statement. The obligation of the District to update or change the Official Statement will terminate when the District delivers the Bonds to the Purchaser (the "end of the underwriting period" within the meaning of the Rule), unless the Purchaser provides written notice the District that less than all of the Bonds have been sold to ultimate customers on or before such date, in which case the obligation to update or change the Official Statement will extend for an additional period of time of 25 days after all of the Bonds have been sold to ultimate customers. In the event the Purchaser provides written notice to the District that less than all of the Bonds have been sold to ultimate customers, the Purchaser agrees to notify the District in writing following the occurrence of the "end of the underwriting period" as defined in the Rule.

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

In the Bond Order, the District has made the following agreement for the benefit of the registered and beneficial owners. The District is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Bonds. Under the agreement, the District will be obligated to provide certain updated financial information and operating data annually, and timely notice of specified events, to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") through its electronic municipal market access system. Information will be available free of charge by the MSRB via the Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system at www.emma.msrb.org.

**ANNUAL REPORTS**... The District will provide certain updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB annually through EMMA. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the District of the general type included in this Official Statement in the table titled "FINANCIAL STATEMENT," under the heading "TAX DATA" (except for information related to tax adequacy for debt service) and in APPENDIX A. The District will update and provide this information within six months after the end of each fiscal year.

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

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

**NOTICE OF CERTAIN EVENTS**... The District will provide notice to the MSRB of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws: (1) non-payment related defaults; (2) modifications to rights of bondholders; (3) Bond calls; (4) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds; (5) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to such actions, other than pursuant to its terms; (6) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee and (7) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the District, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material.

The District will also provide notice to the MSRB of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds without regard to whether such event is considered material within the meaning of the federal securities laws; (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (3) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (4) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (5) adverse tax opinions or 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; (6) tender offers; (7) defeasances; (8) rating changes; (9) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District (which is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District) and (10) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

"Financial Obligation" means a (a) debt obligation; (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) guarantee of a debt obligation or any such derivative instrument; provided that "financial obligation" shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement (as defined in the Rule) has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

The District will provide notice of the aforementioned events to the MSRB in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event). The District will also provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide annual financial information in accordance with their agreement described above under "– Annual Reports."

**AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION FROM MSRB**... The District has agreed to provide the foregoing information only to the MSRB as described above. Investors will be able to access continuing disclosure information filed with the MSRB free of charge at www.emma.msrb.org.

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

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**RATING**... The Bonds are expected to receive an insured rating of "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P") and "A1" (stable outlook) by Moody's Investors Service Inc. ("Moody's") by virtue of a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued and delivered by Assured Guaranty Inc. at the time of delivery of the Bonds. See "BOND INSURANCE" and "BOND INSURANCE RISKS." The Bonds have also been rated "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service Inc. ("Moody's") without regard to credit enhancement. An explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from the company furnishing the rating. The rating reflects only the respective view of such organization and the District makes no representation as to the appropriateness of the rating. There is no assurance that such rating will continue for any given period of time or that they will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by such rating company, if in the judgment of the company, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

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.

/s/ Kieran Singh President, Board of Directors Cool Water Municipal Utility District

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/s/ Leslie Goldman Secretary, Board of Directors Cool Water Municipal Utility District THIS PAGE LEFT BLANK INTENTIONALLY

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## APPENDIX A

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE DISTRICT

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Cool Water Municipal Utility District Williamson County, Texas

#### **Opinions**

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

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

#### **Basis for Opinions**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Supplementary Information**

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

#### **Other Information**

Management is responsible for the Other Supplementary Information included in the annual report. The Other Supplementary Information does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the Other Supplementary Information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

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February 5, 2024

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- *General Fund*: At the end of the current fiscal year, the nonspendable and unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$375,034, an increase of \$166,310 from the previous fiscal year. General Fund revenues were \$670,403 and expenditures were \$504,093 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.
- *Debt Service Fund*: Fund balance restricted for debt service increased to \$529,019 in the current fiscal year. Debt Service Fund revenues were \$192,842, expenditures were \$183,823 and other financing sources (capitalized interest from the sale of the Series 2023 Unlimited Tax Bonds) were \$520,000 during the current fiscal year.
- *Capital Projects Fund*: Fund balance restricted for capital projects increased to \$892 in the current fiscal year. The Capital Projects Fund issued \$6,500,000 of Series 2023 Unlimited Tax Bonds and expended \$4,654,101 for the purchase of infrastructure, \$692,208 to fund developer interest and reimburse creation costs and \$798,630 for the costs of bond issuance.
- *Governmental Activities*: On a government-wide basis for governmental activities, the District had expenditures net of revenues of \$1,337,614 in the current fiscal year. Net position decreased from a deficit balance of \$157,276 at September 30, 2022 to a deficit balance of \$1,494,890 at September 30, 2023.

## **OVERVIEW OF THE DISTRICT**

Cool Water Municipal Utility District, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, was created by order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ" or the "Commission"), effective November 26, 2018, and confirmed pursuant to an election held within the District on November 5, 2019. The District was created for the purpose of providing facilities to control storm water drainage, distribute potable water, and to collect and treat wastewater and operates pursuant to Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. The District contains approximately 593.764 acres and is located in northwestern Williamson County east of the City of Jarrell, Texas and approximately forty miles north of downtown Austin, Texas, and is partially within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Jarrell.

## **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

This annual report consists of five parts:

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

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

## **OVERVIEW OF THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

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

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

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

## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

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

The following table reflects the condensed Statement of Net Position:

## Summary Statement of Net Position

	Governme Activiti	Change Increase				
	 2023	2022		(Decrease)		
Current and other assets	\$ 1,555,853	\$ 938,062	\$	617,791		
Non-current assets	4,584,289	-		4,584,289		
Total Assets	\$ 6,140,142 \$	\$ 938,062	\$	5,202,080		
Current liabilities	\$ 657,460	\$ 729,338	\$	(71,878)		
Long-term liabilities	6,977,572	366,000		6,611,572		
Total Liabilities	\$ 7,635,032	\$ 1,095,338	\$	6,539,694		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ (2,076,391) \$	\$ -	\$	(2,076,391)		
Restricted	493,753	-		493,753		
Unrestricted	87,748	(157,276)		245,024		
Total Net Position	\$ (1,494,890) \$	\$ (157,276)	\$	(1,337,614)		

The District's net position decreased by \$1,337,614 during the 2023 fiscal year to a deficit balance of \$1,494,890 at September 30, 2023 from the previous year's deficit balance of \$157,276.

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

## **Revenues and Expenses:**

#### Summary Statement of Activities

	Govern	nmei	ntal	Change
	Activ	vitie	S	Increase
	 2023		2022	 (Decrease)
Property taxes	\$ 671,239	\$	18,344	\$ 652,895
Park development and recreation fees	178,654		155,323	23,331
Interest and other	 46,641		673	 45,968
Total Revenues	\$ 896,534	\$	174,340	\$ 722,194
Professional fees	\$ 231,070	\$	208,707	\$ 22,363
District operations	258,121		-	258,121
Other	16,612		18,819	(2,207)
Creation costs	216,581		-	216,581
Developer interest	425,627		-	425,627
Debt service	1,016,325		-	1,016,325
Depreciation	69,812		-	 69,812
Total Expenses	\$ 2,234,148	\$	227,526	\$ 2,006,622
Change in Net Position	\$ (1,337,614)	\$	(53,186)	\$ (1,284,428)
Beginning Net Position	 (157,276)		(104,090)	 (53,186)
Ending Net Position	\$ (1,494,890)	\$	(157,276)	\$ (1,337,614)

Revenues were \$896,534 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023 while expenses were \$2,234,148. Net position decreased \$1,337,614 during the 2023 fiscal year.

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, property tax revenues totaled \$671,239. Property tax revenue is derived from taxes being levied based upon the assessed value of real and personal property within the District. Property taxes levied for the 2022 tax year (September 30, 2023 fiscal year) were based upon a current assessed value of \$67,258,780 and a tax rate of \$0.95 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Property taxes levied for the 2021 tax year (September 30, 2022 fiscal year) were based upon a current assessed value of \$1,520,152 and a tax rate of \$0.95 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

The tax rate levied is determined after the District's Board of Directors reviews the General Fund budget requirements and the debt service obligations of the District. The District's primary revenue source is property taxes and park development and recreation fees.

## ANALYSIS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Governmental Funds	s by	Year		
	-	2023	2022	2021
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,008,394	\$ 169,526	\$ 35,262
Receivables		551,508	766,379	246,118
Prepaid expenditures		318	2,157	884
Total Assets	\$	1,560,220	\$ 938,062	\$ 282,264
Accounts payable	\$	35,231	\$ 64,215	\$ 35,657
Other		586,814	665,123	240,697
Total Liabilities	\$	622,045	\$ 729,338	\$ 276,354
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	33,230	\$ -	\$ -
Nonspendable	\$	318	\$ 2,157	\$ 884
Restricted		529,911	-	-
Unassigned		374,716	206,567	5,026
Total Fund Balances	\$	904,945	\$ 208,724	\$ 5,910
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of				
Resources and Fund Balances	\$	1,560,220	\$ 938,062	\$ 282,264

For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, the District's governmental funds reflected combined fund balances of \$904,945, an increase of \$696,221 from last year. Of this increase, the General Fund fund balance increased by \$166,310 due to property tax and other revenues exceeding operating expenditures.

The Debt Service Fund reflects an increase of \$529,019 in fund balance during fiscal year 2023. The Debt Service Fund remitted bond interest of \$182,113 and received \$520,000 of capitalized interest from the sale of Series 2023 Unlimited Tax Bonds during fiscal year 2023. More detailed information about the District's debt is presented in the *Notes to the Financial Statements*.

The Capital Projects Fund purchases the District's infrastructure. The Capital Projects Fund had a \$892 increase in fund balance for fiscal year 2023. The District issued \$6,500,000 of Series 2023 Unlimited Tax Bonds and expended \$4,654,101 for the purchase of infrastructure, \$425,627 to fund developer interest, \$266,581 to reimburse the developers for operating advances and creation costs and \$798,630 for the costs of bond issuance.

## CAPITAL ASSETS

As of September 30, 2023, the District's governmental activities had invested \$4,584,289 in infrastructure. The detail is reflected in the following schedule:

#### Summary of Capital Assets, net

	9/30/2023	9/30/2022
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation:		
Water and Wastewater System	4,584,289	
Total Net Capital Assets	\$ 4,584,289	\$ -

More detailed information about the District's capital assets is presented in the *Notes to the Financial Statements*.

## LONG TERM DEBT

As of September 30, 2023, the District has the following unlimited tax bonds outstanding:

Series 2023 Bonds	\$ 6,500,000
Bonds payable, September 30, 2023	\$ 6,500,000

The ratio of the District's long-term debt to the 2022 total taxable assessed valuation (\$67,258,780) is 9.7%. The District's estimated population as provided by the District was 2,044 at July 19, 2023. More detailed information about the District's long-term debt is presented in the *Notes to the Financial Statements*.

### **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

The General Fund pays for daily operating expenditures. The Board of Directors adopted the 2023 budget on September 12, 2022. The budget included revenues of \$662,095 as compared to expenditures of \$293,630 for the 2023 fiscal year. When comparing actual figures to budgeted amounts, the District had a negative net variance of \$202,155. More detailed information about the District's budgetary comparison is presented in the *Required Supplementary Information*.

## **CURRENTLY KNOWN FACTS, DECISIONS, OR CONDITIONS**

The property tax assessed value for the 2023 tax year (2024 fiscal year) is approximately \$199 million. The fiscal year 2024 tax rate is \$0.95 on each \$100 of taxable value, of which approximately 47% will fund general operating expenditures and 53% will fund debt service obligations.

The adopted budget for fiscal year 2024 projects an operating fund balance increase of \$408,768.

## **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the funds it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the District in care of Armbrust & Brown, PLLC, 100 Congress Ave., Suite 1300, Austin, TX 78701.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	General Fund		Debt Service Fund			Capital Projects Fund		vernmental Funds Total	Adjustments Note 2		Government Wide Statement o Net Position	
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents:												
Cash	\$	17,155	\$	_	\$	_	\$	17,155	\$	_	\$	17,155
Cash equivalents	Ψ	456,961	Ψ	532,535	Ψ	1,743	Ψ	991,239	Ψ	-	Ψ	991,239
Receivables:		,		<i>.</i>		<i>,</i>		,				,
Property taxes		28,714		4,516		-		33,230		-		33,230
Due from developers		513,911		-		-		513,911		-		513,911
Interfund		4,367		-		-		4,367		(4,367)		-
Prepaid expenditures		318		-		-		318		-		318
Capital assets, net of												
accumulated depreciation -												
Water/wasterwater/drainage system				-		-		-		584,289		4,584,289
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,021,426	\$	537,051		1,743	\$	1,560,220	4,	579,922		6,140,142
<u>LIABILITIES</u>												
Accounts payable	\$	35,231		-		-		35,231		-		35,231
Accrued bond interest payable		-		-		-		-		39,782		39,782
Intergovernmental payables		582,447		-		-		582,447		-		582,447
Interfund payables		-		3,516		851		4,367		(4,367)		-
Long-term liabilities -												
Due to developers		-		-		-		-	-	316,000		316,000
Bonds payable - Due after one year									6.1	61 572		6 661 572
•				-		-		-		561,572		6,661,572
TOTAL LIABILITIES		617,678		3,516		851		622,045	7,0	012,987		7,635,032
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		20 51 /								(22.22)		
Deferred revenue - property taxes		28,714		4,516		-		33,230		(33,230)		-
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS		29.714		4510				22.220		(22.220)		
OF RESOURCES		28,714		4,516		-		33,230		(33,230)		-
FUND BALANCES / NET POSITION												
Fund balances:										(210)		
Nonspendable Restricted for debt service		318		-		-		318	(	(318)		-
Restricted for authorized construction		-		529,019		- 892		529,019 892	(:	529,019) (892)		-
Unassigned		- 374,716		-		- 092		374,716	C	(892)		-
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TOTAL FUND BALANCES		375,034		529,019		892		904,945	(	904,945)		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED												
INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	1,021,426	\$	537,051	\$	1,743	\$	1,560,220				
Net position:												
Net investment in capital assets									(2.0	076,391)		(2,076,391)
Restricted for debt service										493,753		493,753
Unrestricted										87,748	_	87,748
TOTAL NET POSITION									\$ (1,4	494,890)	\$	(1,494,890)

#### COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	General Fund		Debt Service Fund		 Capital Projects Fund		Governmental Funds Total		Adjustments Note 2		Government - Wide Statement of Activities	
<u>REVENUES:</u>												
Property taxes, including penalties	\$	470,112	\$	167,897	\$ -	\$	638,009	\$	33,230	\$	671,239	
Park development fees		61,500		-	-		61,500		-		61,500	
Park and recreation fees		117,154		-	-		117,154		-		117,154	
Interest and other		21,637		24,945	 59		46,641		-		46,641	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	670,403	\$	192,842	\$ 59	\$	863,304	\$	33,230	\$	896,534	
EXPENDITURES / EXPENSES:												
Current:												
Erosion control inspections	\$	9,150	\$	-	\$ -	\$	9,150	\$	-	\$	9,150	
Landscape maintenance		106,390		-	-		106,390		-		106,390	
Park expenditures		104,942		-	-		104,942		-		104,942	
Water purchases		10,721		-	-		10,721		-		10,721	
Street lights		26,918		-	-		26,918		-		26,918	
Management fees		60,000		-	_		60,000		-		60,000	
Legal fees		94,177		-	_		94,177		-		94,177	
Engineering fees		43,931		_	_		43,931		_		43,931	
Accounting fees		21,212		_	-		21,212		_		21,212	
Audit fees		8,750		-	-		8,750		-		8,750	
Financial advisor fees		2,211		- 789	-		3,000		-		3,000	
		,			-		,		-		,	
Tax appraisal/collection fees		2,581		921	-		3,502		-		3,502	
Director fees, including payroll taxes		6,688		-	-		6,688		-		6,688	
Insurance		4,569		-	-		4,569		-		4,569	
Administrative fees		462		-	-		462		-		462	
Other		1,391		-	-		1,391		-		1,391	
Developer interest		-		-	425,627		425,627		-		425,627	
Creation costs and operating advances		-		-	266,581		266,581		(50,000)		216,581	
Debt service:												
Interest		-		182,113	-		182,113		35,582		217,695	
Bond issuance costs		-		-	798,630		798,630		-		798,630	
Capital outlay		-		-	4,654,101		4,654,101		(4,654,101)		-	
Depreciation		-		-	-		-		69,812		69,812	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES / EXPENSES	\$	504,093	\$	183,823	\$ 6,144,939	\$	6,832,855	\$	(4,598,707)	\$	2,234,148	
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under)												
expenditures/expenses	\$	166,310	\$	9,019	\$ (6,144,880)	\$	(5,969,551)	\$	4,631,937	\$	(1,337,614)	
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:</b>												
Proceeds from sale of bonds	\$	-	\$	520,000	\$ 5,980,000	\$	6,500,000	\$	(6,500,000)	\$	-	
Bond discount		-		-	(107,617)		(107,617)		107,617		-	
Bond premium		-		-	273,389		273,389		(273,389)		-	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING					 							
SOURCES, NET	\$	-	\$	520,000	\$ 6,145,772	\$	6,665,772	\$	(6,665,772)	\$	-	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		166,310		529,019	892		696,221		(696,221)		-	
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		-							(1,337,614)		(1,337,614)	
FUND BALANCES / NET POSITION:												
Beginning of the year		208,724		-	-		208,724		(366,000)		(157,276)	
	\$	375,034	\$	529,019	\$ 892	\$	904,945	\$	(2,399,835)	\$	(1,494,890)	
End of the year	\$	373,034	Э	329,019	\$ 692	\$	904,943	3	(2,399,033)	\$	(1,494,690)	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

## 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

**Reporting Entity** - The District, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, was created under the terms and conditions of Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution and Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code for, among other purposes, financing the construction of the water, wastewater, drainage, and recreational facilities within its boundaries. The reporting entity of the District encompasses those activities and functions over which the District's officials exercise significant oversight or control. The District is governed by a five member Board of Directors (the "Board"), all of which have been elected or deemed elected by District residents or appointed by the Board. The District is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined by GASB standards since the majority of Board members are elected by the public and have decision making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to significantly influence operations and primary accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, there are no component units as defined by GASB standards which are included in the District's reporting entity.

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

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

- Net Investment in Capital Assets This component of net position consists of capital 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.

# COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

## 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

## Basis of Presentation - Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements (continued) -

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

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

## • Government-wide Statements:

The District's Statement of Net Position includes both non-current assets and noncurrent liabilities of the District. In addition, the government-wide Statement of Activities column reflects depreciation expense on the District's capital assets, including infrastructure.

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

## • Fund Financial Statements:

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

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

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

# COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

## 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

## Governmental Fund Types (continued) -

- **Debt Service Fund** The Debt Service Fund is used to account for resources restricted, committed or assigned for the payment of debt principal, interest and related costs.
- **Capital Projects Fund** The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources restricted, committed or assigned for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

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

## **Basis of Accounting**

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

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

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

Expenditures, if measurable, are generally recognized on the accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include the unmatured principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt which is recognized when due. This exception is in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.
## 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

## Basis of Accounting (continued) -

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

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

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting -** An unappropriated budget was adopted on September 12, 2022, for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. The District's Board of Directors utilizes the budget as a management tool for planning and cost control purposes. The budget was not amended during the current fiscal year. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund presents the original and amended budget amounts, if amended, 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 Directors are considered to be "employees" for federal payroll tax purposes.

**Cash and Cash Equivalent Investments -** Cash and cash equivalents include cash on deposit as well as investments with original maturities of three months or less. The investments, consisting of obligations in the State Comptroller's investment pool, are recorded at amortized cost.

**Prepaid Expenditures -** Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid expenditures in both the government-wide and fund financial statements. Prepaid expenditures shall be charged to expenditures when consumed.

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

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

## 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

**Capital Assets -** Capital assets, which include water, wastewater and drainage facilities, 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 estimated acquisition 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. Interest costs, including developer interest, are not capitalized as part of the asset.

Assets are 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. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

	Years
Water, wastewater and drainage facilities	40-50

**Long-Term Debt** - In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities Statement of Net Position. Bond premiums and original issue discounts are deferred over the life of the bonds. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premiums or discounts.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses.

Bond issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures in both the government-wide and the fund financial statements.

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.

**Fund Equity** - The District complies with GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, which establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds.

## 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) -

#### Fund Equity (continued) -

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

- *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.
- *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.
- *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 no 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

## 2. RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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

Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$ 904,945
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial		
resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds -		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		4,584,289
Revenue is recognized when earned in the government-wide statements,		
regardless of availability. Governmental funds report deferred inflows		
of resources for revenues earned but not available.		33,230
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and,		
therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:		
Bonds payable \$	(6,500,000)	
Issuance premiums/discounts, net	(161,572)	
Due to developer	(316,000)	
Accrued bond interest payable	(39,782)	 (7,017,354)
Net Position - Governmental Activities		\$ (1,494,890)

## 2. RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (continued) -

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

Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because: Governmental funds report:		\$ 696,221
Capital outlay in year paid	\$ 4,654,101	
Interest expenditures in year paid	(39,782)	
Tax revenue when collected	33,230	
Bond sales and related bond premium/discount as other financing sources/uses Developer advances in year repaid	(6,665,772) 50,000	(1,968,223)
Governmental funds do not report:		
Depreciation		(69,812)
Amortization of premiums/discounts		4,200
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities		\$ (1,337,614)

## 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The investment policies of the District are governed by Section 2256 of the Texas Government Code (the "Public Funds Investment Act") and an adopted District investment policy that includes depository contract provisions and custodial contract provisions. Major provisions of the District's investment policy, which complies with the Public Funds Investment Act, include: depositories must be Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insured Texas banking institutions; depositories must fully insure or collateralize all demand and time deposits; and securities collateralizing time deposits must be held by independent third party trustees.

**Cash and Deposits** - At September 30, 2023, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$17,155 and the bank balance was \$24,957. The bank balance was fully covered by FDIC insurance.

## Investments -

<u>Interest rate risk</u> - In accordance with its investment policy, the District manages its exposure to declines in fair values through investment diversification and limiting investments as follows:

- Money market mutual funds are required to have weighted average maturities of 90 days or fewer; and
- Other mutual fund investments are required to have weighted average maturities of less than two years.

## 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (continued) -

<u>Credit risk</u> - The District's investment policy requires the application of the prudent-person rule: investments are made as a prudent person would be expected to act, with discretion and intelligence, and considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived. The District's investment policy requires that District funds be invested in:

- Obligations of the United States Government and/or its agencies and instrumentalities;
- Money market mutual funds with investment objectives of maintaining a stable net asset value of \$1 per share;
- Mutual funds rated in one of the three highest categories by a nationally recognized rating agency;
- Securities issued by a State or local government or any instrumentality or agency thereof, in the United States, and rated in one of the three highest categories by a nationally recognized rating agency; or
- Public funds investment pools rated AAA or AAAm by a nationally recognized rating agency.

At September 30, 2023, the District held the following cash equivalent investments:

Governmental Funds										
				General	De	bt Service	Capit	al Projects	Inve	estment Rating
	Fa	air Value								
Investment	nvestment at 9/30/20		30/2023 Unres		Restricted (1)		(1) Restricted		Rating	Rating Agency
Texpool	\$	991,239	\$	456,961	\$	532,535	\$	1,743	AAAm	Standard & Poors
	\$	991,239	\$	456,961	\$	532,535	\$	1,743		

(1) Restricted for payment of debt service and cost of assessing and collecting taxes.

(2) Restricted for purchase of capital assets.

The District invests in the Texas Local Government Investment Pool ("Texpool"), an external investment pool that is not SEC-registered. The State Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas has oversight of the pool. Federated Hermes, Inc. manages the daily operations of the pool under a contract with the Comptroller. Texpool measures all of its portfolio assets at amortized cost. As a result, the District also measures its investments in Texpool at amortized cost for financial reporting purposes. There are no limitations or restrictions on withdrawals from Texpool.

## 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (continued) -

*Concentration of credit risk.* In accordance with the District's investment policy, investments in individual securities are to be limited to ensure that potential losses on individual securities do not exceed the income generated from the remainder of the portfolio. As of September 30, 2023, the District did not own any investments in individual securities.

*Custodial credit risk-deposits*. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The government's investment policy requires that the District's deposits be fully insured by FDIC insurance or collateralized with obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities. As of September 30, 2023, the District's bank deposits were fully covered by FDIC insurance or pledged collateral.

## 4. PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on January 1. Taxes are levied on or about October 1, are due on November 1, and are past due the following February 1. The Williamson Central Appraisal District establishes appraised values in accordance with requirements of the Texas Legislature. The District levies taxes based upon the appraised values. The Williamson County Tax Assessor Collector bills and collects the District's property taxes. The Board set the tax rates for the 2023 fiscal year (2022 tax year) on September 12, 2022.

The property tax rates, established in accordance with state law, were based on 100% of the net assessed valuation of real property within the District on the 2022 tax roll. The 2022 tax rate, based on total taxable assessed valuation of \$67,258,780, was \$0.95 on each \$100 valuation and was allocated to the General Fund and Debt Service Fund at \$0.70 and \$0.25, respectively. The maximum allowable maintenance tax of \$1.00 was established by the voters at an election held on November 5, 2019.

Property taxes receivable at September 30, 2023, consisted of the following:

	Debt					
	General Service			ervice		
	Fund		Fund		Total	
Current year levy	\$	1,427	\$	510	\$	1,937
Prior years' levies		27,287		4,006		31,293
	\$	28,714	\$	4,516	\$	33,230

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

## 5. INTERFUND ACCOUNTS

A summary of interfund accounts, which resulted from the time lag between dates that payments are made between funds, is as follows at September 30, 2023:

		Interfund			
	Rec	ceivables	Pa	yables	
General Fund:					
Debt Service Fund	\$	3,516	\$	-	
Capital Projects Fund		851		-	
Debt Service Fund -					
General Fund		-		3,516	
Capital Projects Fund -					
General Fund		-		851	
	\$	4,367	\$	4,367	

## 6. CHANGES IN CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets follows:

	Balar	nce					Balance
	10/1/2	.022	Additions	Del	etions	ç	9/30/2023
Capital assets being depreciated -							
Water, wastewater and drainage facilities	\$	-	\$ 4,654,101	\$	-	\$	4,654,101
Total capital assets being depreciated		-	4,654,101		-		4,654,101
Less accumulated depreciation for -							
Water, wastewater and drainage facilities		-	(69,812)	_	-		(69,812)
Total accumulated depreciation		-	(69,812)		-		(69,812)
Total capital assets,							
net of accumulated depreciation	\$	-	\$ 4,584,289	\$	-	\$	4,584,289

## 7. LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of bond transactions of the District as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023:

	Un	limited Tax
		Bonds
Bonds payable at October 1, 2022	\$	-
Bonds issued		6,500,000
Bonds retired		-
Bond premium/discount, net of accumulated amortization		161,572
Bonds payable at September 30, 2023	\$	6,661,572

Bonds payable at September 30, 2023, were comprised of the following issue:

## **Unlimited Tax Bonds:**

\$6,500,000 - 2023 Unlimited Tax Bonds payable serially through the year 2052 at interest rates which range from 4.00% to 7.00%. Bonds maturing on or after August 15, 2029 are callable prior to maturity beginning on August 15, 2028. Bonds maturing August 15, 2032, 2034, 2036, 2043, 2046, 2049 and 2052 are term bonds and are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

On January 19, 2023, the District issued \$6,500,000 of Series 2023 Unlimited Tax Bonds with interest rates ranging from 4.00% to 7.00%. The net proceeds of \$5,867,993 (after payment of underwriter's fees, the bond discount, and bond issuance costs) were used to finance developer funded capacity and water and wastewater impact fees, construction of water, wastewater and drainage facilities that serve the District and creation and prior year operating costs and to finance future interest payments due on the bonds and fund subsequent bond issuance costs.

## 7. LONG-TERM DEBT (continued) -

The annual requirements to amortize all bonded debt at September 30, 2023, including interest, are as follows:

	Annual Requirements for All Series						
Year Ended							
September 30,	P	rincipal		Interest		Total	
2024	\$	-	\$	318,256	\$	318,256	
2025		105,000		318,256		423,256	
2026		110,000		311,432		421,432	
2027		115,000		303,731		418,731	
2028		120,000		295,681		415,681	
2029 - 2033		715,000		1,341,556		2,056,556	
2034 - 2038		925,000		1,076,219		2,001,219	
2039 - 2043		1,215,000		841,925		2,056,925	
2044 - 2048		1,585,000		558,976		2,143,976	
2049 - 2052		1,610,000		180,444		1,790,444	
	\$	6,500,000	\$	5,546,476	\$	12,046,476	

Bonds authorized but not issued as of September 30, 2023, are as follows:

Туре	 Amount
Unlimited Tax Bonds	\$ 213,000,000
Refunding Bonds	\$ 346,875,000
Park and Recreational Bonds	\$ 11,750,000

\$529,019 is available in the Debt Service Fund to service the bonded debt as of September 30, 2023.

## 8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The developers of the land within the District have incurred costs for the construction of facilities, as well as costs pertaining to the creation and operation of the District. Claims for reimbursement of construction costs and operational advances will be evaluated upon receipt of adequate supporting documentation and proof of contractual obligation. Such costs may be reimbursable to the developers by the District from proceeds of future bond issues or from District operations, subject to approval by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. On November 5, 2019, a bond election held within the District approved authorization to issue \$219,500,000 of bonds to fund costs of proposed water, wastewater and drainage system facilities and the costs of creation. Additionally, \$11,750,000 of bonds to fund costs for parks and recreational facilities and \$346,875,000 of bonds to refund existing outstanding bonds were approved by voters of the District. As of September 30, 2023, the District has issued \$6,500,000 of unlimited tax bonds to repay the developers. As of September 30, 2023, the District has bonds to fund operating activities.

## 9. PROVISION OF RETAIL WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services for the original approximately 312 acres of land entered into by the District, the developer and Sonterra Municipal Utility District ("Sonterra"), effective October 1, 2019, as amended effective November 17, 2021, and the Agreement for the Provision of Retail Water and Wastewater Services for an additional approximately 281 acres of land entered into by the District, the Developers, and Sonterra, effective September 1, 2020, as amended effective November 17, 2021, the District and the developers will design, finance, and construct all water and wastewater facilities required to serve the District in accordance with applicable requirements and design standards. Upon completion of the construction of water and wastewater facilities constructed by or on behalf of the District, and in addition to the District reserving, financing and purchasing capacity in Sonterra's water and wastewater system, and following Sonterra's acceptance of such facilities, the facilities will be operated and maintained by Sonterra, and Sonterra agrees to provide retail water and wastewater services to customers within the District. The term of the agreement is twenty years from the effective date.

## **10. RISK MANAGEMENT**

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

## 10. RISK MANAGEMENT (continued) -

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

## **11. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

On November 15, 2023, the District issued \$20,000,000 of Series 2023A Unlimited Tax Bonds with interest rates ranging from 4.50% to 7.00% and principal maturities through August 2053. Proceeds of the bonds were used to reimburse the developers within the District for certain water, wastewater and drainage facilities, along with capacity and impact fees and prior developer advances and operating costs, and to finance future bond interest and pay bond issue costs.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

		Actual		iginal and Final Budget	Variance Positive (Negative)		
<b>REVENUES:</b>				Zaagoo			
Property taxes, including penalties	\$	470,112	\$	473,425	\$	(3,313)	
Park development fees	•	61,500	Ť	90,000	Ť	(28,500)	
Park and recreation fees		117,154		98,670		18,484	
Other		21,637		-		21,637	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	670,403	\$	662,095	\$	8,308	
EXPENDITURES:							
Erosion control inspections	\$	9,150	\$	-	\$	(9,150)	
Landscape maintenance		106,390		-		(106,390)	
Park expenditures		104,942		-		(104,942)	
Water purchases		10,721		-		(10,721)	
Street lights		26,918		14,400		(12,518)	
Management fees		60,000		60,000		-	
Legal fees		94,177		84,000		(10,177)	
Engineering fees		43,931		54,000		10,069	
Accounting fees		21,212		19,000		(2,212)	
Audit fees		8,750		-		(8,750)	
Financial advisor fees		2,211		3,000		789	
Tax appraisal/collection fees		2,581		40		(2,541)	
Restrictive covenant enforcement		-		44,550		44,550	
Director fees, including payroll taxes		6,688		9,720		3,032	
Insurance		4,569		2,000		(2,569)	
Administrative fees		462		120		(342)	
Other		1,391		2,800		1,409	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	504,093	\$	293,630	\$	(210,463)	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		166,310	\$	368,465	\$	(202,155)	
FUND BALANCE:							
Beginning of the year		208,724					
End of the year	\$	375,034					

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#### APPENDIX B

FORM OF BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION

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[An opinion in substantially the following form will be delivered by McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Bond Counsel, upon the delivery of the Bonds, assuming no material changes in facts or law.]

#### COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT UNLIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2025 IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$7,850,000

AS BOND COUNSEL FOR COOL WATER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT (the "District") of the bonds described above (the "Bonds"), we have examined into the legality and validity of the Bonds, which bear interest from the dates specified in the text of the Bonds, until maturity or redemption, at the rates and payable on the dates specified in the text of the Bonds all in accordance with the order of the Board of Directors of the District adopted on December 16, 2024, authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Order").

WE HAVE EXAMINED the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, certified copies of the proceedings of the District, including the Order and other documents authorizing and relating to the issuance of the Bonds; and we have examined various certificates and documents executed by officers and officials of the District upon which certificates and documents we rely as to certain matters stated below. We have also examined one of the executed Bonds (Bond Numbered T-1) and specimens of Bonds to be authenticated and delivered in exchange for the Bonds.

**BASED ON SAID EXAMINATION, IT IS OUR OPINION** that said Bonds have been duly authorized, issued and delivered in accordance with law; and that said Bonds, except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by laws relating to governmental immunity, bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, liquidation and other similar laws now or hereafter enacted related to creditors' rights generally or by general principle of equity which permit the exercise of judicial discretion, constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the District, payable from ad valorem taxes without legal limit as to rate or amount to be levied and collected by the District upon taxable property within the District, which taxes the District has covenanted to levy in an amount sufficient (together with revenues and receipts from other sources which are legally available for such purposes) to pay the interest on and the principal of the Bonds. Such covenant to levy taxes is subject to the right of a city, under existing Texas law, to annex all of the territory within the District; to take over all properties and assets of the District; to assume all debts, liabilities, and obligations of the District, including the Bonds; and to abolish the District.

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**THE DISTRICT** reserves the right to issue additional bonds which will be payable from taxes; bonds, notes, and other obligations payable from revenues; and bonds payable from contracts with other persons, including private corporations, municipalities, and political subdivisions.

**IT IS FURTHER OUR OPINION** that, except as discussed below, under the statutes, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions existing on the date of this opinion, the interest on the Bonds is excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes. We are further of the opinion that the Bonds are not "specified private activity bonds" and that, accordingly, interest on the Bonds will not be included as an individual alternative minimum tax preference item under section 57(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"). In expressing the aforementioned opinions, we have relied on certain representations, the accuracy of which we have not independently verified, and assume compliance with certain covenants regarding the use and investment of the proceeds of the Bonds and the use of the property financed therewith. We call your attention to the fact that if such representations are determined to be inaccurate or if the District fails to comply with such covenants, interest on the Bonds may become includable in gross income retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds.

**EXCEPT AS STATED ABOVE**, we express no opinion as to any other federal, state, or local tax consequences of acquiring, carrying, owning, or disposing of the Bonds, including the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds. Owners of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors regarding the applicability of any collateral tax consequences of owning the Bonds.

WE CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT that the interest on tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, may be includable in a corporation's adjusted financial statement income for purposes of determining the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations by section 55 of the Code.

**OUR OPINIONS ARE BASED** on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement our opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to our attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, our opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service"); rather, such opinions represent our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that we deem relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures the Service is likely to treat the District as the taxpayer. We observe that the District has covenanted not to take any action, or omit to take any action within its control,



that if taken or omitted, respectively, may result in the treatment of interest on the Bonds as includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

WE EXPRESS NO OPINION as to any insurance policies issued with respect to the payments due for the principal of and interest on the Bonds, nor as to any such insurance policies issued in the future.

**OUR SOLE ENGAGEMENT** in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is as Bond Counsel for the District, and, in that capacity, we have been engaged by the District for the sole purpose of rendering an opinion with respect to the legality and validity of the Bonds under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and with respect to the exclusion from gross income of the interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes, and for no other reason or purpose. The foregoing opinions represent our legal judgment based upon a review of existing legal authorities that we deem relevant to render such opinions and are not a guarantee of a result. We have not been requested to investigate or verify, and have not independently investigated or verified any records, data, or other material relating to the financial condition or capabilities of the District, or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Bonds, and have not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto. We express no opinion and make no comment with respect to the marketability of the Bonds and have relied solely on certificates executed by officials of the District as to the current outstanding indebtedness of and the assessed valuation of taxable property within the District. Our role in connection with the District's Official Statement prepared for use in connection with the sale of the Bonds has been limited as described therein.

**THE FOREGOING OPINIONS** represent our legal judgment based upon a review of existing legal authorities that we deem relevant to render such opinions and are not a guarantee of a result.

Respectfully,

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#### APPENDIX C

SPECIMEN MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

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## MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

**ISSUER:** 

BONDS: \$ in aggregate principal amount of

Policy No.: -N

Effective Date:

Premium: \$

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

On the later of the day on which such principal and interest becomes Due for Payment or the Business Day next following the Business Day on which AG shall have received Notice of Nonpayment, AG will disburse to or for the benefit of each Owner of a Bond the face amount of principal of and interest on the Bond that is then Due for Payment but is then unpaid by reason of Nonpayment by the Issuer, but only upon receipt by AG, in a form reasonably satisfactory to it, of (a) evidence of the Owner's right to receive payment of the principal or interest then Due for Payment and (b) evidence, including any appropriate instruments of assignment, that all of the Owner's rights with respect to payment of such principal or interest that is Due for Payment shall thereupon vest in AG. A Notice of Nonpayment will be deemed received on a given Business Day if it is received prior to 1:00 p.m. (New York time) on such Business Day; otherwise, it will be deemed received on the next Business Day. If any Notice of Nonpayment received by AG is incomplete, it shall be deemed not to have been received by AG for purposes of the preceding sentence and AG shall promptly so advise the Trustee, Paying Agent or Owner, as appropriate, who may submit an amended Notice of Nonpayment. Upon disbursement in respect of a Bond, AG shall become the owner of the Bond, any appurtenant coupon to the Bond or right to receipt of payment of principal of or interest on the Bond and shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Owner, including the Owner's right to receive payments under the Bond, to the extent of any payment by AG hereunder. Payment by AG to the Trustee or Paying Agent for the benefit of the Owners shall, to the extent thereof, discharge the obligation of AG under this Policy.

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

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

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

This Policy sets forth in full the undertaking of AG, and shall not be modified, altered or affected by any other agreement or instrument, including any modification or amendment thereto. Except to the extent expressly modified by an endorsement hereto, (a) any premium paid in respect of this Policy is nonrefundable for any reason whatsoever, including payment, or provision being made for payment, of the Bonds prior to maturity and (b) this Policy may not be canceled or revoked. THIS POLICY IS NOT COVERED BY THE PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE SECURITY FUND SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE 76 OF THE NEW YORK INSURANCE LAW.

In witness whereof, ASSURED GUARANTY INC. has caused this Policy to be executed on its behalf by its Authorized Officer.

By

ASSURED GUARANTY INC.

Authorized Officer

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