OFFICIAL STATEMENT Dated August 12, 2025

NEW ISSUE – Book-Entry-Only

Rating: S&P: "AA" AG Insured
"BBB+" Underlying
(See "OTHER INFORMATION – Rating", "BOND
INSURANCE" and "BOND INSURANCE RISKS" herein)

Due: February 15 as shown on page 2

In the opinion of Escamilla & Poneck, LLP, Bond Counsel, based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions, and assuming, among other matters, the accuracy of certain representations and compliance with certain covenants, interest on the Bonds (defined below) is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Bonds is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any other tax consequences related to the ownership or disposition of, or the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds. See "TAX MATTERS" herein.

\$10,000,000 BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (A Political Subdivision of the State of Texas Located in Duval County, Texas) UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2025 (NON-PSF)

Dated Date: August 26, 2025 Interest Accrues from the Date of Delivery (defined below)

PAYMENT TERMS... The Benavides Independent School District (the "District or Issuer") is issuing its \$10,000,000 Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025 (Non-PSF) (the "Bonds"). Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the Date of Delivery to the Underwriters (defined below) and will be initially payable on August 28, 2025, and each February 15 and August 15 thereafter until stated maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds will be issued in denominations of \$5,000 of principal amount or any integral multiple thereof within a maturity. Interest on the Bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), pursuant to the book-entry-only system described herein. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the owners thereof (see "THE BONDS – Book-Entry-Only System"). The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas (see "THE BONDS – Paying Agent/Registrar").

AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE... The Bonds are being issued by the District pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including Chapter 45, Texas Education Code, as amended ("Chapter 45"), an election held in the District on May 3, 2025 (the "Election") and an order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Bond Order" or the "Order") adopted by the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the District on August 12, 2025. **The payment of debt service on the Bonds is not guaranteed by the Texas Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program.**

The Bonds constitute direct obligations of the District, payable from a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, on all taxable property located within the District, as provided in the Order.

PURPOSE . . . Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used for (i) the construction, renovation, acquisition, and equipment of school buildings (ii) the purchase of new buses and other new vehicles to be used for student transportation, and (iii) the costs of issuance on the Bonds (see "THE BONDS – Purpose").



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: 081527 MATURITY SCHEDULE Shown on page 2

LEGALITY . . . The Bonds are offered for delivery when, as and if issued and received by the underwriters thereof named below (collectively, the "Underwriters") and subject to the approving opinion of the Attorney General of Texas and the opinion of Escamilla & Poneck, LLP, San Antonio, Texas, Bond Counsel (see "APPENDIX C – Form of Bond Counsel's Opinion"). Certain Legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their legal counsel, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., San Antonio, Texas.

DELIVERY... It is expected that the Bonds will be available for delivery through DTC on August 26, 2025 (the "Date of Delivery").

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\$10,000,000

BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

(A Political Subdivision of the State of Texas Located in Duval County, Texas) UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2025 (NON-PSF)

CUSIP PREFIX (1): 081527

MATURITY SCHEDULE

\$2,180,000 Term Bonds

| Maturity | P | rincipal | Interest | Initial | | CUSIP |
|---------------|----|----------|----------|----------------------|-----|-----------------------|
| (February 15) | | Amount | Rate | Yield ⁽²⁾ | _ | Suffix ⁽¹⁾ |
| 2026 | \$ | 215,000 | 5.750% | 2.750% | | DE0 |
| *** | | *** | *** | *** | | *** |
| 2032 | | 200,000 | 5.750% | 3.400% | | DL4 |
| 2033 | | 210,000 | 5.750% | 3.560% | | DM2 |
| 2034 | | 225,000 | 5.750% | 3.670% | | DN0 |
| 2035 | | 240,000 | 5.750% | 3.840% | | DP5 |
| 2036 | | 250,000 | 5.750% | 4.050% | (3) | DQ3 |
| 2037 | | 265,000 | 5.750% | 4.200% | (3) | DR1 |
| 2038 | | 280,000 | 5.750% | 4.330% | (3) | DS9 |
| 2039 | | 295,000 | 5.750% | 4.460% | (3) | DT7 |

\$7,820,000 Term Bonds

\$645,000 5.750% Term Bonds due February 15, 2041 Priced to Yield $4.690\%^{(3)}$ – DV2 \$1,115,000 5.750% Term Bonds due February 15, 2044 Priced to Yield $4.950\%^{(3)}$ – DY6 \$1,320,000 5.750% Term Bonds due February 15, 2047 Priced to Yield $5.050\%^{(3)}$ – EB5 \$1,010,000 5.750% Term Bonds due February 15, 2049 Priced to Yield $5.100\%^{(3)}$ – ED1 \$3,730,000 5.000% Term Bonds due February 15, 2055 Priced to Yield 5.200% – EK5

(Interest Accrues from the Date of Delivery)

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- (2) The initial yields at which Bonds are priced are established by and are the sole responsibility of the Underwriters and, subject to certain hold-the-offering-price restrictions of limited duration in the purchase agreement for the Bonds, may be changed by the Underwriters.
- (3) Yield calculated based on the assumption that the Bonds denoted and sold at premium will be redeemed on February 15, 2035, the earliest date of redemption for the Bonds, at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

REDEMPTION PROVISIONS . . . The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem Bonds having stated maturities on and after February 15, 2036, in whole or from time to time in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on February 15, 2035, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption (see "THE BONDS – Optional Redemption"). Additionally, the Bonds maturing on February 15 in the years 2041, 2044, 2047, 2049, and 2055 (the "Term Bonds") are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (see "THE BONDS – Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption").

DISTRICT OFFICIALS, STAFF AND CONSULTANTS

ELECTED OFFICIALS

| Name | Term Expires (November) | Title |
|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Eduardo Hernandez | 2028 | Board President |
| Jose Rolando Salinas | 2028 | Board Vice President |
| Ninfa Garcia | 2026 | Board Secretary |
| Melissa C. Hernandez | 2026 | Board Trustee |
| Priscilla A. Garza | 2026 | Board Trustee |
| Joe Dan Leal | 2028 | Board Trustee |

SELECTED ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

| Name | Position | Years of Service with the District |
|------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Dr. Samuel Bueno | Superintendent | 3 years |
| Javier Ramirez | Director of Finance | 4 years |
| Emma Lou Salinas | Administrative Assistant | 35 years |

CONSULTANTS AND ADVISORS

| Auditors | |
|-------------------|--|
| Bond Counsel | Escamilla & Poneck San Antonio, Texas |
| Financial Advisor | Specialized Public Finance Inc. San Antonio, Texas |

or

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USE OF INFORMATION IN THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT

No dealer, broker, salesman or other person has been authorized by the District, the Financial Advisor, or the Underwriters 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, the Financial Advisor, or the Underwriters. This Official Statement, which includes the cover page, maturity schedule, and the Appendices hereto, does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy Bonds in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer, solicitation, or sale in such jurisdiction.

Certain information set forth herein has been obtained from the District and other sources which are believed to be reliable but is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness and is not to be construed as a representation by the Financial Advisor or the Underwriters. Any information and expressions of opinion herein contained are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District, or other matters described herein since the date hereof. This Official Statement contains, in part, estimates and matters of opinion which are not intended as statements of fact, and no representation is made as to the correctness of such estimates and opinions, or that they will be realized.

See "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" for a description of the District's undertaking to provide certain information on a continuing basis.

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement: The Underwriters have reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, their respective responsibilities to investors under federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

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

NONE OF THE DISTRICT, ITS FINANCIAL ADVISOR, OR THE UNDERWRITERS MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC") OR ITS BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM OR THE BOND INSURER, AND ITS MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY. AS SUCH INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED BY DTC AND THE BOND INSURER, RESPECTIVELY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS, THE UNDERWRITERS MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICES OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT CONTAINS "FORWARD-LOOKING" STATEMENTS. SUCH STATEMENTS MAY INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY CAUSE THE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS TO BE DIFFERENT FROM THE FUTURE RESULTS, PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. INVESTORS ARE CAUTIONED THAT THE ACTUAL RESULTS COULD DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE SET FORTH IN THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. See "OTHER INFORMATION — Forward Looking Statements" herein.

The agreements of the District and others related to the Bonds are contained solely in the contracts described herein. Neither this Official Statement nor any other statement made in connection with the offer or sale of the Bonds is to be construed as constituting an agreement with the Underwriters of the Bonds. INVESTORS SHOULD READ THIS ENTIRE OFFICIAL STATEMENT, INCLUDING ALL APPENDICES ATTACHED HERETO, TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ESSENTIAL TO MAKING AN INFORMED INVESTMENT DECISION

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 E – Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy."

Neither the United States Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the Bonds or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this document. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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 offering document.

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

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

| THE DISTRICT | The Benavides Independent School District (the "District") is a political subdivision located in Duval County, covers approximately 1.8 square miles in Duval County and encompasses the City of Benavides. The City's 2024 census population was 1,137 (see "INTRODUCTION – Description of the District"). |
|------------------------|---|
| THE BONDS | The Bonds are being issued as \$10,000,000 Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025 (Non-PSF) and will be dated August 26, 2025. The Bonds will be issued as serial bonds maturing February 15 in the years 2026 through 2039, and as Term Bonds maturing in the years 2041, 2044, 2047, 2049, and 2055. |
| PAYMENT OF INTEREST | Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the date of the delivery of the Bonds to the Underwriters (the "Date of Delivery") and will be initially payable on August 28, 2025, and each February 15 and August 15 thereafter until maturity or prior redemption (see "THE BONDS – Description of the Bonds"). |
| AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE | The Bonds are being issued by the District pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State of Texas (the "State"), including Chapter 45, Texas Education Code, as amended ("Chapter 45"), an election held in the District on May 3, 2025 (the "Election") and an order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Bond Order" or the "Order") adopted by the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the District on August 12, 2025 (see "THE BONDS – Authority for Issuance"). |
| PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR | The initial Paying Agent/Registrar is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas. |
| SECURITY FOR THE BONDS | The Bonds constitute direct obligations of the District, payable from a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax levied by the District, without legal limit as to rate or amount, on all taxable property located within the District (see "THE BONDS – Security and Source of Payment"). |
| NO PSF GUARANTEE | The payment of debt service on the Bonds is not guaranteed by the Texas Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program. |
| REDEMPTION PROVISIONS | The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem Bonds having stated maturities on and after February 15, 2036, in whole or from time to time in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on February 15, 2035, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. Additionally, the Bonds maturing on February 15 in the years 2041, 2044, 2047, 2049, and 2055 (the "Term Bonds") are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (see "THE BONDS – Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption"). |
| TAX EXEMPTION | In the opinion of Escamilla & Poneck, LLP, Bond Counsel for the District, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under statues, regulations, published rulings, and court decisions existing on the date thereof, subject to the matters described under "TAX MATTERS" herein, including the alternative minimum tax for certain corporations (see "TAX MATTERS" and "APPENDIX C – Form of Bond Counsel's Opinion"). |
| USE OF PROCEEDS | Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used for (i) the construction, renovation, acquisition, and equipment of school buildings, (ii) the purchase of new buses and other new vehicles to be used for student transportation, and (iii) the costs of issuance on the Bonds (see "THE BONDS – Purpose"). |

MUNICIPAL BOND RATING business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P") by virtue of the municipal bond insurance policy to be issued and delivered by Assured Guaranty Inc. at the time of delivery of the Bonds. The Bonds have been rated "BBB+" (stable outlook) by S&P without regard to credit enhancement (see "BOND INSURANCE," "BOND INSURANCE RISKS" and "OTHER INFORMATION – Ratings"). The definitive Bonds will be initially registered and delivered only to Cede & Co., the BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM nominee of the Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), pursuant to the Book-Entry-Only System described herein. Beneficial ownership of the Bonds may be acquired in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof in principal amount. No physical delivery of the Bonds will be made to the beneficial owners thereof. Debt service on the Bonds will be payable by BOKF, NA, the initial Paying Agent/Registrar, to Cede & Co., which will make distribution of the amounts so paid to the participating members of DTC for subsequent payment to the beneficial owners of the Bonds (see "THE BONDS – Book-Entry-Only System"). PAYMENT RECORD...... The District has never defaulted in payment of its tax supported debt. FUTURE BOND ISSUES The District does not anticipate the issuance of additional ad valorem tax supported debt in 2025. LEGALITY...... Delivery of the Bonds is subject to the approval by the Attorney General of the State of

Antonio, Texas, Bond Counsel.

Texas and the rendering of an opinion as to legality by Escamilla & Poneck, LLP, San

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT RELATING TO

\$10,000,000

BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

(A Political Subdivision of the State of Texas Located in Duval County, Texas) UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2025 (NON-PSF)

INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement, which includes the Appendices hereto, provides certain information regarding the issuance of the \$10,000,000 Benavides Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2025 (Non-PSF) (the "Bonds"). Capitalized terms used in this Official Statement have the same meanings assigned to such terms in the hereinafter defined Order, except as otherwise indicated herein.

There follows in this Official Statement descriptions of the Bonds and certain information regarding the Benavides Independent School District (the "District") and its finances. All descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each such document. Copies of such documents may be obtained upon request from the District's Financial Advisor, Specialized Public Finance Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas by electronic mail or upon payment of reasonable copying, handling, and delivery charges.

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

DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT... The District is a political subdivision located in Duval County, covers approximately 1.8 square miles in Duval County and encompasses the City of Benavides. The City's 2024 census population was 1,137.

DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL EXIGENCY... On March 27, 2025, the Board unanimously declared a state of financial exigency. This action was primarily driven by financial decisions under a previous administration which had entered into charter school partnerships that placed operational control and fiscal oversight outside the District's direct authority. The charter partners significantly overstated Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") figures at their campuses, resulting in Foundation School Program ("FSP") overpayments from the Texas Education Agency ("TEA") to the District in the amount of \$2.8 million. In February 2025, the TEA recaptured \$1.4 million of this amount. The remaining amount owed is \$1.4 million.

In response, the District took corrective action. As of July 2024, the District terminated its charter partnership agreements and regained full operational control. To further stabilize finances, the District consolidated operations into a single PreK-12 campus eliminated maintenance and certain transportation contracts and implemented a reduction in force, decreasing staffing from approximately 70 to 40 employees. To date, the District's programming has not suffered from these austerity measures, and the District believes the efficiencies achieved by the foregoing will result in increased enrollment.

The District has since adopted a balanced budget for the 2024-2025 and the 2025-2026 fiscal year, and is actively negotiating a repayment plan with TEA to address the FSP overpayments. The District's Board President and Superintendent scheduled to meet with TEA representatives and the TEA Commissioner to finalize the repayment of the remaining \$1.4 million. The District expects this meeting will occur on August 22, 2025 and will likely result in a five year repayment plan (with an initial payment due of \$450,000).

To the extent TEA demands full payment of the amount owed, the District's maintenance and operations budget would be strained. The District's contingency plan in such circumstance is to utilize negotiated litigation settlement payments (one realized to cover approximately 75% of the amount owed one expected to cover an additional 20%) for the liability. Additionally, the District has received certain grant proceeds, such as the Stronger Connections Grant and Cycle 3 Learning Acceleration Support Opportunities ("LASO") funding. An application is currently pending for Cycle 4 LASO. These steps reflect the District's commitment to long-term financial sustainability and accountability.

As a result of the Board's declaration of financial exigency, the District's application for a guarantee for the Bonds pursuant to the bond guarantee program administered by TEA (the "Texas PSF Guarantee Program") was denied by TEA on June 23, 2025. Per Texas Administrative Code, Section 33.6(h)(1), the Commissioner of TEA will deny approval of an application for a guarantee of a new money issue under the Texas PSF Guarantee Program if the applicant school district has declared a state of financial exigency for the school district's current fiscal year. The denial of approval will be in effect for the duration of the applicable fiscal year unless the district can demonstrate financial stability. Accordingly, the payment of debt service on the Bonds is not guaranteed by the Texas PSF Guarantee Program, nor will it be so available for the life of the Bonds.

The District has entered into a partnership with United Migrant Opportunity Services, a non-profit, and expects to enroll 285-300 three to four-year-old students in the District for half-day enrollment. Pursuant to an agreement, the District will receive 60% of the ADA revenues, the non-profit will receive 30% of such revenues and 10% would be retained by the District to cover the cost of administration and program oversight, including data services, staff development and a district liaison stipend. The District maintains operational control and fiscal oversight in this arrangement. The District expects that the cashflow from this partnership to be received throughout the 2025-2026 school year will place the District in a more favorable financial position. The cashflow generated from this partnership, however, is dependent upon the successful enrollment of students.

THE BONDS

DESCRIPTION OF THE BONDS . . . The Bonds are dated August 26, 2025, and mature on February 15 in each of the years and in the amounts shown on page 2 hereof. Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the date of delivery of the Bonds (the "Date of Delivery") to the Underwriters thereof and will be initially payable on August 28, 2025, and each February 15 and August 15 thereafter until stated maturity or prior redemption. Interest on the Bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds will be issued in denominations of \$5,000 of principal amount or any integral multiple thereof within a maturity.

AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE . . . The Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Constitution and general laws of the State, including, particularly, Chapter 45, Texas Government Code, as amended ("Chapter 45"), an election held in the District on May 3, 2025 (the "Election"), and an order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Order") adopted by the Board on August 12, 2025.

SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT . . . The Bonds are secured by and payable from a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax levied by the District, without legal limit as to rate or amount, in an amount sufficient to provide for the payment of debt service on the Bonds.

TAX RATE LIMITATION . . . There is not a tax rate limitation on unlimited tax debt; however, the District must demonstrate to the Attorney General of Texas at the time of issuance that it has the ability to pay all debt service on its outstanding unlimited tax debt with a debt service tax not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 assessed valuation. After the Bonds are issued, the District is required to establish a tax rate, without limitation, sufficient to pay debt service on all of its outstanding unlimited tax debt (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS" herein).

OPTIONAL REDEMPTION... The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem Bonds having stated maturities on and after February 15, 2036, in whole or from time to time in part in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, on February 15, 2035, or any date thereafter, at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

If less than all of the Bonds are to be redeemed, the District may select the maturities of Bonds to be redeemed. If less than all the Bonds of any maturity are to be redeemed, the Paying Agent/Registrar (defined below) (or DTC while the Bonds are in Book-Entry-Only form) shall determine by lot the Bonds, or portions thereof, within such maturity to be redeemed. If a Bond (or any portion of the principal amount thereof) shall have been called for redemption and notice of such redemption shall have been given, such Bond (or the principal amount thereof to be redeemed) shall become due and payable on such redemption date and interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after the redemption date, provided funds for the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest thereon are held by the Paying Agent/Registrar on the redemption date.

MANDATORY SINKING FUND REDEMPTION... The Bonds maturing on February 15 in the years 2041, 2044, 2047, 2049 and 2055 (the "Term Bonds") are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in part prior to maturity on the dates and in the amounts as follows:

| Term Bonds Due February 15, 2041 | | Term Bonds Due February 15, 2044 | | Term Bonds Due February 15, 2047 | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|
| Redemption | Principal | Redemption | Principal | Redemption | Principal | |
| Date | Amount | Date | Amount | Date | Amount | |
| 2/15/2040 | \$ 315,000 | 2/15/2042 | \$ 350,000 | 2/15/2045 | \$ 415,000 | |
| 2/15/2041 * | 330,000 | 2/15/2043 | 370,000 | 2/15/2046 | 440,000 | |
| | | 2/15/2044 * | 395,000 | 2/15/2047 * | 465,000 | |
| Term Bonds Due Fe | ebruary 15, 2049 | Term Bonds Due F | ebruary 15, 2055 | | | |
| Redemption | Principal | Redemption | Principal | | | |
| Date | Amount | Date | Amount | | | |
| 2/15/2048 | \$ 490,000 | 2/15/2050 | \$ 550,000 | | | |
| 2/15/2049 * | 520,000 | 2/15/2051 | 575,000 | | | |
| | | 2/15/2052 | 605,000 | | | |
| | | 2/15/2053 | 635,000 | | | |
| | | 2/15/2054 | 665,000 | | | |
| | | 2/15/2055 * | 700,000 | | | |
| | | | | | | |

^{*}Maturity Date.

Approximately forty-five (45) days prior to each mandatory redemption date for any Term Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall randomly select by lot or other customary method the numbers of the Term Bonds within the applicable Stated Maturity to be redeemed on the next following February 15 from moneys set aside for that purpose in the Interest and Sinking Fund (as defined in the Bond Order). Any Term Bonds not selected for prior redemption shall be paid on the date of their Stated Maturity.

The principal amount of the Term Bonds required to be redeemed pursuant to the operation of the mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the District, by the principal amount of any Term Bonds of the stated maturity which, at least 50 days prior to a mandatory redemption date, (1) shall have been acquired by the District, at a price not exceeding the principal amount of such Term Bonds plus accrued interest to the date of purchase thereof, and delivered to the Paying Agent for cancellation, (2) shall have been purchased and cancelled by the Paying Agent at the request of the District with monies in the Debt Service Fund at a price not exceeding the principal amount of the Term Bonds plus accrued interest to the date of purchase thereof, or (3) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions and not theretofore credited against a mandatory sinking fund redemption requirement.

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 BOND OR PORTION THEREOF HAS NOT BEEN SURRENDERED FOR PAYMENT, INTEREST ON SUCH BOND OR PORTION THEREOF SHALL CEASE TO ACCRUE.

DTC REDEMPTION PROVISIONS . . . 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 Order or other notices with respect to the Bonds only to DTC. Any failure by DTC to advise any DTC Participant, or of any Direct Participant (defined below) or Indirect Participant (defined below) to notify the beneficial owner, shall not affect the validity of the redemption of the Bonds called for redemption or any other action premised on 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 Bonds held for the account of DTC Participants in accordance with its rules or other agreements with DTC Participants and then Direct Participants and Indirect Participants may implement a redemption of such Bonds and such redemption 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 or the providing of notice to Direct Participants, Indirect Participants, or beneficial owners of the selection of portions of the Bonds for redemption. See "THE BONDS – Book-Entry-Only System" herein.

AMENDMENTS . . . In the Order, the District has reserved the right to amend the Order without the consent of any holder for the purpose of amending or supplementing the Order to (i) cure any ambiguity, defect or omission therein that does not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders, (ii) grant additional rights or security for the benefit of the holders, (iii) add events of default as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the Order that do not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders, (iv) qualify the Order under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or corresponding provisions of federal laws from time to time in effect or (v) make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under the Order that are not inconsistent with the provisions thereof and which, in the opinion of Bond Counsel for the District, do not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders.

The Order further provides that the majority of owners of the Bonds shall have the right from time to time to approve any amendment not described above to the Order if it is deemed necessary or desirable by the District; provided, however, that without the consent of 100% of the holders in principal amount of the then outstanding Bonds so affected, no amendment may be made for the purpose of: (i) making any change in the maturity of any of the outstanding Bonds; (ii) reducing the rate of interest borne by any of the outstanding Bonds; (iii) reducing the amount of the principal payable on any outstanding Bonds; (iv) modifying the terms of payment of principal or interest on outstanding Bonds or imposing any condition with respect to such payment; or (v) changing the minimum percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds necessary for consent to such amendment. Reference is made to the Order for further provisions relating to the amendment thereof.

DEFEASANCE OF OUTSTANDING BONDS ... Any Bond will be deemed paid and shall no longer be considered to be outstanding within the meaning of the Order when payment of the principal of and interest on such Bond to its stated maturity or redemption date will have been made or will have been provided by depositing with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an authorized escrow agent, (1) cash in an amount sufficient to make such payment, (2) Government Obligations (defined below) of such maturities and interest payment dates and bearing such interest as will, without further investment or reinvestment of either the principal amount thereof or the interest earnings therefrom, be sufficient to make such payment, or (3) a combination of cash and Government Obligations. The foregoing deposits shall be certified as to sufficiency by an independent accounting firm, the District's Financial Advisor, the Paying Agent/Registrar, or such other qualified financial institution (as provided in the Order).

The Order provides that "Government Obligations" means (a) direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, (b) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the governing body of the District authorizes the defeasance, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, (c) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that on the date the governing body of the District adopts or approves the proceedings authorizing the financial arrangements have been refunded and are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, or (d) any additional securities and obligations hereafter authorized by Texas law as eligible for use to accomplish the discharge of obligations such as the Bonds. There is no assurance that the ratings for U.S. Treasury securities acquired to defease any Bonds, or those for any other Government Obligations, will be maintained at any particular rating category. Further, there is no assurance that current Texas law will not be amended in a manner that expands or contracts the list of permissible defeasance securities (such list consisting of those securities identified in clauses (a) through (c) above), or any rating requirement thereon, that may be purchased with defeasance proceeds relating to the Bonds ("Defeasance Proceeds"), though the District has reserved the right to utilize any additional securities for such purpose in the event the aforementioned list is expanded. Because the Order does not contractually limit such permissible defeasance securities and expressly recognizes the ability of the District to use lawfully available Defeasance Proceeds to defease all or any portion of the Bonds, registered owners of Bonds are deemed to have consented to the use of Defeasance Proceeds to purchase such other defeasance securities, notwithstanding the fact that such defeasance securities may not be of the same investment quality as those currently identified under Texas law as permissible defeasance securities.

Upon such deposit as described above, such Bonds shall no longer be regarded to be outstanding or unpaid. After firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment of the Bonds have been made as described above, all rights of the District to initiate proceedings to call the Bonds for redemption or take any other action amending the terms of the Bonds are extinguished; provided, however, the District has the option, to be exercised at the time of the defeasance of the Bonds, to call for redemption at an earlier date those Bonds which have been defeased to their maturity date, if the District (i) in the proceedings providing for the firm banking and financial arrangements, expressly reserves the right to call the Bonds for redemption, (ii) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Bonds immediately following the making of the firm banking and financial arrangements, and (iii) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes.

BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM . . . This section describes how ownership of the Bonds is to be transferred and how the principal of, premium, if any, interest and redemption payments on the Bonds are to be paid to and credited by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), while the Bonds are registered in its nominee'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 and the Underwriters believe the source of such information to be reliable but take no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness thereof.

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

DTC will act as securities depository for the 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 stated maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount, of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC.

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

a S&P Global Ratings' rating of "AA+." The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual Underwriters 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 the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

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

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

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

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the District 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 detailed 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. All payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) are 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 (hereinafter defined). Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered in accordance with the Bond Order.

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 in accordance with the Bond Order.

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 none of the District, the Financial Advisor, or the Underwriters take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

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

Effect of Termination of Book-Entry-Only System . . . In the event that the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by DTC or the use of the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued by the District, printed bond certificates will be issued to the holders and the Bonds will be subject to transfer, exchange and registration provisions as set forth in the Bond Order and summarized under "THE BONDS - Transfer, Exchange and Registration" below.

PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR... The initial paying agent/registrar is BOKF, NA, Dallas, Texas (the "Paying Agent/Registrar"). In the Bond Order, the District retains the right to replace the Paying Agent/Registrar. The District covenants to maintain and provide a paying agent/registrar at all times until the Bonds are duly paid and any successor Paying Agent/Registrar shall be a commercial bank or trust company organized under the laws of the State or other entity duly qualified and legally authorized to serve as and perform the duties and services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds, the District agrees to promptly cause a written notice thereof to be sent to each registered owner of the Bonds by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, which notice shall also give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar.

TRANSFER, EXCHANGE AND REGISTRATION . . . In the event the Book-Entry-Only System should be discontinued, the Bonds will be printed and delivered to the beneficial owners thereof, and thereafter may be transferred and exchanged on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar only upon presentation and surrender thereof to the Paying Agent/Registrar and such transfer or exchange shall be without expense or service charge to the registered owner, except for any tax or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect to such registration, exchange and transfer. A Bond may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Bond or by other instrument of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar. A new Bond or Bonds will be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar, in lieu of the Bond being transferred or exchanged, at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, or sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the new registered owner or its designee. To the extent possible, new Bonds issued in an exchange or transfer of Bonds will be delivered to the registered owner or assignee of the registered owner in not more than three business days after the receipt of the Bonds to be canceled, and the written instrument of transfer or request for exchange duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized agent, in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar. New Bonds registered and delivered in an exchange or transfer shall be in any integral multiple of \$5,000 for any one maturity and for a like aggregate principal amount, as the Bonds surrendered for exchange or transfer. See "THE BONDS – Book-Entry-Only System" herein for a description of the system to be utilized initially in regard to ownership and transferability of the Bonds.

RECORD DATE FOR INTEREST PAYMENT . . . The term "Record Date," as used in connection with any Bond, shall mean the last business day of the month next preceding each Interest Payment Date; provided, however, that the Record Date for the August 28, 2025 interest payment date is the Date of Delivery.

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.

BONDHOLDERS' REMEDIES . . . If the District defaults in the payment of the principal of, redemption price, or interest due on the Bonds, when due, or the District defaults in the performance or observance of any other covenant, agreement or obligation of the District, which default materially and adversely affects the rights of the registered owners, including, but not limited to, their prospect or ability to be repaid in accordance with the Bond Order, in such event, any owner may proceed against the District for the purpose of protecting and enforcing the rights of the owners under the Bond Order, by mandamus or other suit, action or special proceeding in equity or at law, in any court of competent jurisdiction. Such a right is in addition to any other rights the registered owners of the Bonds may be provided by the laws of the State. The issuance of a writ of mandamus is controlled by equitable principles, so rests with the discretion of the court, but may not be arbitrarily refused. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. The Bond Order does not provide for the appointment of a trustee to represent the interest of the Bondholders upon any failure of the District to perform in accordance with the terms of the Bond Order, or upon any other condition and accordingly all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the registered owners. The Texas Supreme Court ruled in Tooke v. City of Mexia, 197 S.W.3d 325 (Tex. 2006), that a waiver of sovereign immunity in a contractual dispute must be provided for by statute in "clear and unambiguous" language. As a result, bondholders may not be able to bring such a suit against the District for breach of the Bonds or Bond Order covenants in the absence of District action. Even if a judgment against the District could be obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the registered owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. Furthermore, the District is eligible to seek relief from its creditors under Chapter 9 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code ("Chapter 9"). Although Chapter 9 provides for the recognition of a security interest represented by a specifically pledged source of revenues, the pledge of ad valorem taxes in support of a general obligation of a bankrupt entity is not specifically recognized as a security interest under Chapter 9. Chapter 9 also includes an automatic stay provision that would prohibit, without Bankruptcy Court approval, the prosecution of any other legal action by creditors or Bondholders of an entity which has

sought protection under Chapter 9. Therefore, should the District avail itself of Chapter 9 protection from creditors, the ability to enforce would be subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court (which could require that the action be heard in Bankruptcy Court instead of other federal or state court); and the Bankruptcy Code provides for broad discretionary powers of a Bankruptcy Court in administering any proceeding brought before it. The opinion of Bond Counsel will note that all opinions relative to the enforceability of the Bonds are qualified with respect to the customary rights of debtors relative to their creditors and by general principles of equity which permit the exercise of judicial discretion.

PURPOSE . . . Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be used for (i) the construction, renovation, acquisition, and equipment of school buildings, (ii) the purchase of new buses and other new vehicles to be used for student transportation, and (iii) the costs of issuance on the Bonds (see "THE BONDS – Purpose").

SOURCES AND USES OF PROCEEDS

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

| SOURCES OF FUNDS: | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Par Amount | \$10,000,000.00 |
| Reoffering Premium | 490,765.50 |
| Original Issue Discount (OID) | (111,937.30) |
| Total Sources of Funds | \$10,378,828.20 |
| USES OF FUNDS: | |
| Construction Fund Deposit | \$10,000,000.00 |
| Underwriters' Discount | 93,525.23 |
| Rounding Amount | 526.05 |
| Cost of Issuance | 143,400.00 |
| Gross Bond Insurance Premium | 141,376.92 |
| Total Uses of Funds | \$10,378,828.20 |

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 August 4, 2025, KBRA announced that it had affirmed AG's insurance financial strength rating of "AA+" (stable outlook).

On June 30, 2025, S&P announced that it had affirmed AG's 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).

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, 2024.

CAPITALIZATION OF AG

At June 30, 2025:

- The policyholders' surplus of AG was approximately \$3,514 million.
- The contingency reserve of AG was approximately \$1,453 million.
- · The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commission income of AG and its subsidiaries (as described below) were approximately \$2,437 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, 2024 (filed by AGL with the SEC on February 28, 2025);
- (ii) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2025 (filed by AGL with the SEC on May 9, 2025); and
- (iii) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2025 (filed by AGL with the SEC on August 8, 2025).

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

The following risk factors generally apply to the Policy:

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

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

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

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

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

CLAIMS-PAYING ABILITY AND FINANCIAL STRENGTH OF MUNICIPAL BOND INSURERS . . . S&P Global Ratings, Moody's Investor Services, Inc., and Fitch Ratings Inc. (the "Rating Agencies") have downgraded the claims-paying ability and financial strength of most providers of municipal bond insurance. Additional downgrades or negative changes in the rating outlook for all bond insurers are possible. In addition, certain events in the credit markets have had substantial negative effects on the bond insurance business. These developments could be viewed as having a material adverse effect on the claims-paying ability of such bond insurers, including the Bond Insurer of the Bonds.

TAX RATE LIMITATIONS

M&O TAX RATE LIMITATIONS... The District is authorized to levy an M&O tax rate pursuant to the approval of the voters of the District at an election held on February 12,1966, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 20, Texas education Code (now codified at Section 45.003, Texas Education Code, as amended).

The maximum M&O tax rate per \$100 of taxable value that may be adopted by a school district is the sum of \$0.17 (subject to compression of the nine available copper pennies in a year in which the State increases the guaranteed yield on those pennies) and the school district's MCR (as defined herein). A school district's MCR is, generally, inversely proportional to the change in taxable property values both within the school district and the State and is subject to recalculation annually. For any year, the highest possible MCR for a school district is \$0.93 (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate" and "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – Local Funding for School Districts" herein).

Furthermore, a school district cannot annually increase its tax rate in excess of the school district's Voter-Approval Tax Rate without submitting such tax rate to an election and a majority of the voters voting at such election approving the adopted rate (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate" herein).

I&S TAX RATE LIMITATIONS... A school district is also authorized to issue bonds and levy taxes for payment of bonds subject to voter approval of one or more propositions submitted to the voters under Section 45.003(b)(1), Texas Education Code, as amended, which provides a tax unlimited as to rate or amount for the support school district bonded indebtedness (see "THE BONDS – Security and Source of Payment").

Section 45.0031 of the Texas Education Code, as amended, requires a school district to demonstrate to the Texas Attorney General that it has the prospective ability to pay its maximum annual debt service on a proposed issue of bonds and all previously issued bonds, other than bonds approved by voters of a school district at an election held on or before April 1, 1991 and issued before September 1, 1992 (or debt issued to refund such bonds, collectively, "exempt bonds"), from a tax levied at a rate of \$0.50 per \$100 of assessed valuation before bonds may be issued (the "50-cent Test"). In demonstrating the ability to pay debt service at a rate of \$0.50, a school district may take into account EDA and IFA allotments to the school district, which effectively reduces the school district's local share of debt service and may also take into account Tier One funds allotted to the school district. If a school district exercises this option, it may not adopt an I&S tax until it has credited to the school district's I&S fund an amount equal to all State allotments provided solely for payment of debt service and any Tier One funds needed to demonstrate compliance with the threshold tax rate test and which is received or to be received in that year. Additionally, a school district may demonstrate its ability to comply with the 50-cent Test by applying the \$0.50 tax rate to an amount equal to 90% of projected future taxable value of property in the school district, as certified by a registered professional appraiser, anticipated for the earlier of the tax year five (5) years after the current tax year or the tax year in which the final payment for the bonds is due. However, if a school district uses projected future taxable values to meet the 50-cent Test and subsequently imposes a tax at a rate greater than \$0.50 per \$100 of valuation to pay for bonds subject to the test, then for subsequent bond issues, the Texas Attorney General must find that the school district has the projected ability to pay principal and interest on the proposed bonds and all previously issued bonds subject to the 50-cent Test from a tax rate of \$0.45 per \$100 of valuation. Once the prospective ability to pay such tax has been shown and the bonds are issued, a school district may levy an unlimited tax to pay debt service. Refunding bonds are not subject to the 50-cent Test; however, taxes levied to pay debt service on such bonds (other than bonds issued to refund exempt bonds) are included in maximum annual debt service for calculation of school building bonds under Chapter 45, Texas Education Code the 50-cent Test when applied to subsequent bond issues that are subject to the 50-cent Test. The Bonds are issued as "new money" school building bonds under Chapter 45, Texas Education Code and are subject to the 50-cent test. The District has not used projected property values or State assistance (other than EDA or IFA allotment funding) to satisfy this threshold test.

PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE . . . A school district's total tax rate is the combination of the M&O tax rate and the I&S tax rate. Generally, the highest rate at which a school district may levy taxes for any given year without holding an election to approve the tax rate is the "Voter-Approval Tax Rate," as described below.

A school district is required to adopt its annual tax rate before the later of September 30 or the sixtieth (60th) day after the date the certified appraisal roll is received by the taxing unit, except that a tax rate that exceeds the Voter-Approval Tax Rate must be adopted not later than the seventy-first (71st) day before the next occurring November uniform election date. A school district's failure to adopt a tax rate equal to or less than the Voter-Approval Tax Rate by September 30 or the sixtieth (60th) day after receipt of the certified appraisal roll, will result in the tax rate for such school district for the tax year to be the lower of the "no-new-revenue tax rate" calculated for that tax year or the tax rate adopted by the school district for the preceding tax year. A school district's failure to adopt a tax rate in excess of the Voter-Approval Tax Rate on or prior to the seventy-first (71st) day before the next occurring November uniform election date, will result in the school district adopting a tax rate equal to or less than its Voter-Approval Tax Rate by the later of September 30 or the sixtieth (60th) day after receipt of the certified appraisal roll. "No-new-revenue tax rate" means the rate that will produce the prior year's total tax levy from the current year's total taxable values, adjusted such that lost values are not included in the current year's taxable values.

The Voter-Approval Tax Rate for a school district is the sum of (i) the school district's MCR; (ii) the greater of (a) the school district's Enrichment Tax Rate for the preceding year, less any amount by which the school district is required to reduce its current year Enrichment Tax Rate pursuant to Section 48.202(f), Education Code, as amended, or (b) the rate of \$0.05 per \$100 of taxable value; and (iii) the school district's current I&S tax rate. A school district's M&O tax rate may not exceed the rate equal to the sum of (i) \$0.17 (subject to compression of the nine available copper pennies in a year in which the State increases the guaranteed yield on those pennies) and (ii) the school district's MCR (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" herein for more information regarding the State Compression Percentage, MCR, and the Enrichment Tax Rate).

The governing body of a school district generally cannot adopt a tax rate exceeding the school district's Voter-Approval Tax Rate without approval by a majority of the voters approving the higher rate at an election to be held on the next uniform election date. Further, subject to certain exceptions for areas declared disaster areas, State law requires the board of trustees of a school district to conduct an efficiency audit before seeking voter approval to adopt a tax rate exceeding the Voter-Approval Tax Rate and sets certain parameters for conducting and disclosing the results of such efficiency audit. An election is not required for a tax increase to address increased expenditures resulting from certain natural disasters in the year following the year in which such disaster occurs; however, the amount by which the increased tax rate exceeds the school district's Voter-Approval Tax Rate for such year may not be considered by the school district in the calculation of its subsequent Voter-Approval Tax Rate.

The calculation of the Voter-Approval Tax Rate does not limit or impact the District's ability to set an I&S tax rate in each year sufficient to pay debt service on all of the District's tax-supported debt obligations, including the Bonds.

Before adopting its annual tax rate, a public meeting must be held for the purpose of adopting a budget for the succeeding year. A notice of public meeting to discuss the school district's budget and proposed tax rate must be published in the time, format and manner prescribed in Section 44.004 of the Texas Education Code. Section 44.004(e) of the Texas Education Code provides that a person who owns taxable property in a school district is entitled to an injunction restraining the collection of taxes by the school district if the school district has not complied with such notice requirements or the language and format requirements of such notice as set forth in Section 44.004(b), (c), (c-1), (c-2), and (d), and, if applicable, subsection (i), and if such failure to comply was not in good faith. Section 44.004(e) further provides the action to enjoin the collection of taxes must be filed before the date the school district delivers substantially all of its tax bills. A school district that elects to adopt a tax rate before the adoption of a budget for the fiscal year that begins in the current tax year may adopt a tax rate for the current tax year before receipt of the certified appraisal roll, so long as the chief appraiser of the appraisal district in which the school district participates has certified to the assessor for the school district an estimate of the taxable value of property in the school district. If a school district adopts its tax rate prior to the adoption of its budget, both the no-new-revenue tax rate and the Voter-Approval Tax Rate of the school district shall be calculated based on the school district's certified estimate of taxable value. A school district that adopts a tax rate before adopting its budget must hold a public hearing on the proposed tax rate followed by another public hearing on the proposed budget rather than holding a single hearing on the two items.

A school district must annually calculate and prominently post on its internet website and submit to the county tax assessor-collector for each county in which all or part of the school district is located, its Voter-Approval Tax Rate in accordance with forms prescribed by the State Comptroller.

AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES

The following is a summary of certain provisions of State law as it relates to ad valorem taxation and is not intended to be complete. Prospective investors are encouraged to review Title I of the Texas Tax Code, as amended (the "Property Tax Code"), for identification of property subject to ad valorem taxation, property exempt or which may be exempted from ad valorem taxation if claimed, the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes, and the procedures and limitations applicable to the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes. The 89th Texas Legislature adjourned as of June 2, 2025 and the period for the Governor veto any legislation extended to June 22, 2025. The District is currently evaluating legislation approved during the 89th Legislative Session which may impact ad valorem taxation of property within the District. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – 2025 Legislative Session" for information on legislation affecting ad valorem taxation exemptions.

VALUATION OF TAXABLE PROPERTY . . . The Property Tax Code provides for countywide appraisal and equalization of taxable property values and establishes in each county of the State an appraisal district and an appraisal review board (the "Appraisal Review Board") responsible for appraising property for all taxing units within the county. The appraisal of property within the District is the responsibility of the Duval County Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District"). Except as generally described below, the Appraisal District is required to appraise all property within the Appraisal District as of January 1 of each year and on the basis of 100% of its market value and is prohibited from applying any assessment ratios. In determining market value of property, the Appraisal District is required to consider the cost method of appraisal, the income method of appraisal and the market data comparison method of appraisal and use the method the chief appraiser of the Appraisal District considers most appropriate. The Property Tax Code requires appraisal districts to reappraise all property in its jurisdiction at least once every three (3) years. A taxing unit may require annual review at its own expense and is entitled to challenge the determination of appraised value of property within the taxing unit by petition filed with the Appraisal Review Board.

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

Effective January 1, 2024, an appraisal district is prohibited from increasing the appraised value of real property during the 2024 tax year on certain non-homestead properties (the "Subjected Property") whose appraised values are not more than \$5,000,000 (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 of the appraised value of the Subjected Property for the preceding tax year; (b) the appraised value of the Subjected Property for the preceding tax year; and (c) the market value of all new improvements to the Subjected Property (collectively, the "Appraisal Cap"). After the 2024 tax year, through December 31, 2026, unless extended by the Legislature, 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. After such time, the value limitation provisions for the Subjected Properties will expire unless extended by the State legislature. For the 2025 tax year, the maximum property value was increased to \$5,160,000.

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

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

STATE MANDATED HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS . . . State law grants, with respect to taxes levied by each school district in the State for general elementary and secondary public school purposes, (1) a \$100,000 exemption of the appraised value of all homesteads, (2) a \$10,000 exemption of the appraised value of the homesteads of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled, and (3) various exemptions for disabled veterans and their families, surviving spouses of members of the armed services killed in action and surviving spouses of first responders killed or fatally wounded in the line of duty. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – 2025 Legislative Session" herein for a discussion of a potential increase in the general State mandated homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 and a potential increase in the State mandated homestead exemption of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000. Additionally, see "APPENDIX A – Financial Information of the District – Assessed Valuation" for the reduction in taxable valuation attributable to state-mandated homestead exemptions.

LOCAL OPTION HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS . . . The governing body of a taxing unit, including a city, county, school district, or special district, at its option may grant: (1) an exemption of up to 20% of the appraised value of all homesteads (but not less than \$5,000) and (2) an additional exemption of at least \$3,000 of the appraised value of the homesteads of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older and the disabled. Each taxing unit decides if it will offer the local option homestead exemptions and at what percentage or dollar amount, as applicable. Cities, counties and school districts are prohibited from repealing or reducing an optional homestead exemption that was granted in tax year 2022 through December 31, 2027. The exemption described in (2), above, may also be created, increased, decreased or repealed at an election called by the governing body of a taxing unit upon presentment of a petition for such creation, increase, decrease, or repeal of at least 20% of the number of qualified voters who voted in the preceding election of the taxing unit. See "APPENDIX A – Financial Information of the District – Assessed Valuation" for the reduction in taxable valuation, if any, attributable to local option homestead exemptions.

STATE MANDATED FREEZE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES... Except for increases attributable to certain improvements, a school district is prohibited from increasing the total ad valorem tax on the homestead of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older or of disabled persons above the amount of tax imposed in the year such homestead qualified for such exemption. This freeze is transferable to a different homestead if a qualifying taxpayer moves and, under certain circumstances, is also transferable to the surviving spouse of persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, but not the disabled. The total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes on the residence homestead of a person who is 65 years old or older or disabled may be adjusted to reflect any statutory reduction from the preceding tax year in the MCR of the M&O taxes imposed for those purposes on the homestead. See "APPENDIX A – Financial Information of the District – Assessed Valuation" for the reduction in taxable valuation attributable to the freeze on taxes for the elderly and disabled.

PERSONAL PROPERTY . . . Tangible personal property (furniture, machinery, supplies, inventories, etc.) used in the "production of income" is taxed based on the property's market value. Taxable personal property includes income-producing equipment and inventory. Intangibles such as goodwill, accounts receivable, and proprietary processes are not taxable under current law, and effective January 1, 2026, no intangibles will be taxed.. Tangible personal property not held or used for production of income, such as household goods, automobiles or light trucks, and boats, is exempt from ad valorem taxation unless the governing body of a taxing unit elects to tax such property. House Bill 9 approved by the 89th Texas Legislature, increases exemption for tangible personal property used in the "production of income" from the current \$2,500 to \$125,000. This legislation is effective September 1, 2025 but is contingent on the passage of a Constitutional amendment at the November 2025 State-wide Constitutional election.

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

Certain goods, that are acquired in or imported into the State to be forwarded to another location within or outside the State, stored in a location that is not owned by the owner of the goods and are transported to another location within or outside the State within 175 days ("Goods-in-Transit"), are generally exempt from ad valorem taxation; however, the Property Tax Code permits a taxing unit, on a local option basis, to tax Goods-in-Transit if the taxing unit takes official action, after conducting a public hearing, before January 1 of the first tax year in which the taxing unit proposes to tax Goods-in-Transit. Goods-in-Transit and Freeport Property do not include oil, natural gas or petroleum products, and Goods-in-Transit does not include aircraft or special inventories such as manufactured housing inventory, or a dealer's motor vehicle, boat, or heavy equipment inventory.

A taxpayer may receive only one of the Goods-in-Transit or Freeport Property exemptions for items of personal property. See "APPENDIX A – Financial Information of the District – Assessed Valuation" for the reduction in taxable valuation, if any, attributable to Goods-in-Transit or Freeport Property exemptions.

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

TEMPORARY EXEMPTION FOR QUALIFIED PROPERTY DAMAGED BY A DISASTER . . . The Property Tax Code entitles the owner of certain qualified (i) tangible personal property used for the production of income, (ii) improvements to real property, and (iii) manufactured homes located in an area declared by the Governor to be a disaster area following a disaster and is at least 15 percent physically damaged by the disaster, as determined by the chief appraiser, to an exemption from taxation of a portion of the appraised value of the property. The amount of the exemption ranges from 15 percent to 100 percent based upon the damage assessment rating assigned by the chief appraiser. Except in situations where the territory is declared a disaster on or after the date the taxing unit adopts a tax rate for the year in which the disaster declaration is issued, the governing body of the taxing unit is not required to take any action in order for the taxpayer to be eligible for the exemption. If a taxpayer qualifies for the exemption after the beginning of the tax year, the amount of the exemption is prorated based on the number of days left in the tax year following the day on which the Governor declares the area to be a disaster area. The Texas Legislature amended Section 11.35, Tax Code further provides that "damage" for purposes of such statute is limited to "physical damages." For more information on the exemption, reference is made to Section 11.35 of the Tax Code, as amended.

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

Until September 1, 1999, school districts were able to reduce the value of taxable property reported to the State to reflect any taxable value lost due to TIRZ participation by the school district. The ability of the school district to deduct the taxable value of the tax increment that it contributed prevented the school district from being negatively affected in terms of state school funding. However, due to a change in law, local M&O tax rate revenue contributed to a TIRZ created on or after May 31, 1999 will count toward a school district's Tier One entitlement (reducing Tier One State funds for eligible school districts) and will not be considered in calculating any school district's Tier Two entitlement (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – State Funding for School Districts").

TAX LIMITATION AGREEMENTS... The Texas Economic Development Act (Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code, as amended) allowed school districts to grant limitations on appraised property values to certain corporations and limited liability companies to encourage economic development within the school district. Generally, during the last eight (8) years of the ten-year term of a tax limitation agreement, a school district could only levy and collect M&O taxes on the agreed-to limited appraised property value. For the purposes of calculating its Tier One and Tier Two entitlements, the portion of a school district's property that is not fully taxable is excluded from the school district's taxable property values. Therefore, a school district was not subject to a reduction in Tier One or Tier Two State funds as a result of lost M&O tax revenues due to entering into a tax limitation agreement. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – State Funding for School Districts." The 87th Texas Legislature did not take action to extend this program, which expired by its terms effective December 31, 2022.

During the Regular Session of the 88th Texas Legislature, House Bill 5 (codified as Chapter 403, Texas Government Code, Subchapter T. Texas Jobs, Energy, Technology and Innovation Act ("Chapter 403") was enacted into law. Chapter 403 is intended as a replacement of former Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code, but it contains significantly different provisions than the prior program under

Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code. The effective date of Chapter 403 was January 1, 2024. Under Chapter 403, a school district may offer a 50% abatement on taxable value for maintenance and operations property taxes for certain eligible projects, except that projects in a federally designated economic opportunity zone receive a 75% abatement. Chapter 403 also provides a 100% abatement of maintenance and operations taxes for eligible property during a project's construction period. Taxable valuation for purposes of the debt services taxes securing the Bonds cannot be abated under Chapter 403. Eligible projects must relate to manufacturing, provision of utility services, dispatchable electric generation (such as nonrenewable energy), development of natural resources, critical infrastructure, or research and development for high-tech equipment or technology, and projects must create and maintain jobs and meet certain minimum investment requirements. The District is currently monitoring the State's implementation of this economic development program and cannot make any representations as to what impact, if any, Chapter 403 will have on its finances or operations.

For a discussion of how the various exemptions described above are applied by the District, see "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES – District Application of Tax Code" herein.

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

Owners of certain property with a taxable value in excess of the current year "minimum eligibility amount," as determined by the State Comptroller, and situated in a county with a population of one million or more, may protest the determinations of an appraisal district directly to a three-member special panel of the appraisal review board, appointed by the chairman of the appraisal review board, consisting of highly qualified professionals in the field of property tax appraisal. The minimum eligibility amount was set at \$61,349,201 for the 2025 tax year and is adjusted annually by the State Comptroller to reflect the inflation rate.

The Property Tax Code sets forth notice and hearing procedures for certain tax rate increases by the District and provides for taxpayer referenda that could result in the repeal of certain tax increases (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate"). The Property Tax Code also establishes a procedure for providing notice to property owners of reappraisals reflecting increased property value, appraisals which are higher than renditions, and appraisals of property not previously on an appraisal roll.

LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES... The District is responsible for the collection of its taxes, unless it elects to transfer such functions to another governmental entity. Taxes are due October 1, or when billed, whichever comes later, and generally become delinquent after January 31 of the following year. A delinquent tax incurs a penalty of six percent (6%) of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent, plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent. If the tax is not paid by July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent, the tax incurs a total penalty of twelve percent (12%) regardless of the number of months the tax has been delinquent and incurs an additional penalty of up to twenty percent (20%) if imposed by the District. The delinquent tax also accrues interest at a rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month it remains unpaid. The Property Tax Code also makes provision for the split payment of taxes, discounts for early payment and the postponement of the delinquency date of taxes for certain taxpayers. Furthermore, the District may provide, on a local option basis, for the split payment, partial payment, and discounts for early payment of taxes under certain circumstances. The Property Tax Code permits taxpayers owning homes or certain businesses located in a disaster area and damaged as a direct result of the declared disaster to pay taxes imposed in the year following the disaster in four equal installments without penalty or interest, commencing on February 1 and ending on August 1. See "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES – Temporary Exemption for Qualified Property Damaged by a Disaster" for further information related to a discussion of the applicability of this section of the Property Tax Code.

DISTRICT'S RIGHTS IN THE EVENT OF TAX DELINQUENCIES... Taxes levied by the District are a personal obligation of the owner of the property. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all state and local taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit, including the District, having power to tax the property. The District's tax lien is on a parity with tax liens of such other taxing units. A tax lien on real property takes priority over the claim of most creditors and other holders of liens on the property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before the attachment of the tax lien; however, whether a lien of the United States is on a parity with or takes priority over a tax lien of the District is determined by applicable federal law. Personal property, under certain circumstances, is subject to seizure and sale for the payment of delinquent taxes, penalties, 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, adverse market conditions, taxpayer redemption rights, or bankruptcy proceedings which restrain the collection of a taxpayer's debt.

Federal bankruptcy law provides that an automatic stay of action by creditors and other entities, including governmental units, goes into effect with the filing of any petition in bankruptcy. The automatic stay prevents governmental units from foreclosing on property and prevents liens for post-petition taxes from attaching to property and obtaining secured creditor status unless, in either case, an order lifting

the stay is obtained from the bankruptcy court. In many cases, post-petition taxes are paid as an administrative expense of the estate in bankruptcy or by order of the bankruptcy court.

DISTRICT APPLICATION OF TAX CODE . . . The Duval County Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") has the responsibility for appraising property in the District as well as other taxing units in Duval County.

The Appraisal District is governed by a board of five directors appointed by members of the governing bodies of various political subdivisions within Duval County.

Property within the District is assessed as of January 1 of each year, taxes become due October 1 of the same year and become delinquent on February 1 of the following year.

The District does not collect its own taxes; the District's taxes are collected by the Duval County Tax Assessor/Collector (the "Tax Assessor/Collector") only.

The District does not tax personal property not used in the production of income, such as personal automobiles.

The Tax Assessor/Collector does not allow split payments of taxes

The Tax Assessor/Collector does not give discounts for early payment of taxes.

The District does not participate in a tax increment-financing zone.

The District does not grant tax abatements.

The District does not grant an exemption for freeport property from taxation.

The District does not authorize the taxation of goods-in-transit.

The District does not grant the additional local option exemption of up to 20% of the market value of residence homesteads.

The District does not grant a local homestead exemption of \$15,000 for taxpayers, and an additional exemption of \$10,000 for taxpayers who are at least 65 years of age or disabled.

A previously-submitted application resulted in an agreement (the "Chapter 313 Agreement") among the District and Torrecillas Wind Energy LLC (collectively, "Torrecillas"), which Chapter 313 proposed to construct a new wind powered electric generating facility in the District. The project was recommended by the Texas Comptroller and approved by the Board on December 18, 2018. The Chapter 313 Agreement provided such limit in the amount of \$20,000,000 for a period of eight years, beginning with the 2019 tax year. All local maintenance and operations tax revenues from M&G that the District would forego during the period of the Chapter 313 Agreement would instead be provided to the District by the State or through the hold-harmless provision of the Chapter 313 Agreement.

STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS

LITIGATION RELATING TO THE TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM . . . On seven occasions in the last thirty years, the Texas Supreme Court (the "Court") has issued decisions assessing the constitutionality of the Texas public school finance system (the "Finance System"). The litigation has primarily focused on whether the Finance System, as amended by the Texas Legislature (or "State Legislature") from time to time (i) met the requirements of article VII, section 1 of the Texas Constitution, which requires the State Legislature to "establish and make suitable provision for the support and maintenance of an efficient system of public free schools," or (ii) imposed a statewide ad valorem tax in violation of article VIII, section 1-e of the Texas Constitution because the statutory limit on property taxes levied by school districts for maintenance and operation purposes had allegedly denied school districts meaningful discretion in setting their tax rates. In response to the Court's previous decisions, the State Legislature enacted multiple laws that made substantive changes in the way the Finance System is funded in efforts to address the prior decisions declaring the Finance System unconstitutional.

On May 13, 2016, the Court issued its opinion in the most recent school finance litigation, *Morath v. The Texas Taxpayer & Student Fairness Coal.*, et al, 490 S.W.3d 826 (Tex. 2016) ("Morath"). The plaintiffs and intervenors in the case had alleged that the Finance System, as modified by the Legislature in part in response to prior decisions of the Court, violated article VII, section 1 and article VIII, section 1-e of the Texas Constitution. In its opinion, the Court held that "[d]espite the imperfections of the current school funding regime, it meets minimum constitutional requirements." The Court also noted that:

Lawmakers decide if laws pass, and judges decide if those laws pass muster. But our lenient standard of review in this policy-laden area counsels' modesty. The judicial role is not to second-guess whether our system is optimal, but whether it is constitutional. Our Byzantine school funding "system" is undeniably imperfect, with immense room for improvement. But it satisfies minimum constitutional requirements.

Possible Effects of Changes in Law on District Bonds... The Court's decision in Morath upheld the constitutionality of the Finance System but noted that the Finance System was "undeniably imperfect." While not compelled by the Morath decision to reform the Finance System, the State Legislature could enact future changes to the Finance System. Any such changes could benefit or be a detriment to the District. If the State Legislature enacts future changes to, or fails adequately to fund the Finance System, or if changes in circumstances otherwise provide grounds for a challenge, the Finance System could be challenged again in the future. In its 1995 opinion in Edgewood Independent School District v. Meno, 917 S.W.2d 717 (Tex. 1995), the Court stated that any future determination of unconstitutionality "would not, however, affect the district's authority to levy the taxes necessary to retire previously issued bonds, but would instead require the State Legislature to cure the system's unconstitutionality in a way that is consistent with the Contract Clauses of the U.S. and Texas Constitutions" (collectively, the "Contract Clauses"), which prohibit the enactment of laws that impair prior obligations of contracts.

Although, as a matter of law, the Bonds, upon issuance and delivery, will be entitled to the protections afforded previously existing contractual obligations under the Contract Clauses, the District can make no representations or predictions concerning the effect of future legislation, or any litigation that may be associated with such legislation, on the District's financial condition, revenues or operations. While the enactment of future legislation to address school funding in Texas could adversely affect the financial condition, revenues or operations of the District, the District does not anticipate that the security for payment of the Bonds, specifically, the District's obligation to levy an unlimited debt service tax would be adversely affected by any such legislation. See "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM"

CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM

OVERVIEW... The following language constitutes only a summary of the Finance System as it is currently structured. The information contained under the captions "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM" and "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS" is subject to change and only reflects the District's understanding based on information available to the District as of the date of this Official Statement. For a more complete description of school finance and fiscal management in the State, reference is made to Chapters 43 through 49 of the Texas Education Code, as amended. Additionally, prospective investors are encouraged to review the Property Tax Code (as defined herein) for definitive requirements for the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes and the calculation of the defined tax rates.

Local funding for school districts is derived from collections of ad valorem taxes levied on property located within each school district's boundaries. School districts are authorized to levy two types of property taxes: (i) a maintenance and operations ("M&O") tax to pay current expenses and (ii) an interest and sinking fund ("I&S") tax to pay debt service on bonds. School districts are prohibited from levying an M&O tax rate for the purpose of creating a surplus in M&O tax revenues for the purpose of paying the school district's debt service. Current law also requires school district to demonstrate their ability to pay debt service on outstanding bonded indebtedness through the levy of an I&S tax at a rate not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 of taxable value at the time bonds are issued. Once bonds are issued, however, school districts generally may levy an I&S tax sufficient to pay debt service on such bonds unlimited as to rate or amount. See "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – I&S Tax Rate Limitations" herein. Because property values vary widely among school districts, the amount of local funding generated by school districts with the same I&S tax rate and M&O tax rate is also subject to wide variation; however, the public school finance funding formulas are designed to generally equalize local funding generated by a school district's M&O tax rate.

2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS... The regular session of the 89th Texas Legislature convened on January 14, 2025 and concluded on June 2, 2025 (the "89th Regular Session"). The Texas Legislature (the "Legislature") meets in regular session in odd numbered years for 140 days. When the Legislature is not in session, the Governor may call one or more special sessions, at the Governor's discretion, each lasting no more than 30 days, and for which the Governor sets the agenda.

During the 89th Regular Session, the Legislature considered a general appropriations act and legislation affecting the Finance System (as defined herein) and ad valorem taxation procedures and exemptions, and investments, among other legislation affecting school districts and the administrative agencies that oversee school districts. Contingent on voter approval at a Statewide election to be held on November 4, 2025, legislation passed by both houses of the Legislature would increase: (1) the State mandated general homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000, (2) the additional exemption on the residence homesteads of those at least sixty-five (65) years of age or disabled from \$10,000 to \$60,000, and (3) the exemption for tangible personal property used in the "production of income" from the current \$2,500 to \$125,000. Both houses of the Legislature passed legislation that would authorize roughly \$8.5 billion in funding for public schools and would provide districts with a \$55 per-student increase to their base funding, as well as provide districts with additional funding for teacher and staff salaries, educator preparation, special education, safety requirements and early childhood learning. Finally, legislation passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor will create an education savings account program (commonly referred to as vouchers) for students that attend private schools or are home schooled. Such program could

impact attendance in the District by incentivizing students to homeschool or attend private schools, which could negatively affect the District's attendance based funding.

The Governor called the first special session, which began on July 21,2025 and the second special session, which began on August 15,2025. On July 9, 2025, the Governor released a proclamation stating the special session is to include legislation for the following items: (i) improving early warning systems and other preparedness infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas, (ii) strengthening emergency communications and other response infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas, (iii) providing relief funding for response to and recovery from the storms which began in early July 2025, including local match funding for jurisdictions eligible for FEMA public assistance, (iv) evaluating and streamlining rules and regulations to speed preparedness for and recovery from natural disasters, (v) eliminating the STAAR test and replace it with effective tools to assess student progress and ensure school district accountability, (vi) reducing the property tax burden on Texans and legislation imposing spending limits on entities authorized to impose property taxes, (vii) making it a crime to provide hemp-derived products to children under 21 years of age, (viii) comprehensively regulating hemp-derived products, including limiting potency, restricting synthetically modified compounds, and establishing enforcement mechanisms, all without banning a lawful agricultural commodity, (ix) further protecting unborn children and their mothers from the harm of abortion, (x) prohibiting taxpayer-funded lobbying, including the use of tax dollars to hire lobbyists and payment of tax dollars to associations that lobby the Legislature, (xi) protecting victims of human trafficking from criminal liability for non-violent acts closely tied to their own victimization, (xii) protecting law enforcement officers from public disclosure of unsubstantiated complaints in personnel files, (xiii) protecting women's privacy in sex-segregated spaces, (xvi) proposing a constitutional amendment allowing the Attorney General to prosecute state election crimes, (xvii) providing a revised congressional redistricting plan in light of constitutional concerns raised by the U.S. Department of Justice, (xviii) providing strengthened protections against title theft and deed fraud, (xix) authorizing political subdivisions to reduce impact fees for builders who include water conservation and efficiency measures, and (xx) relating to the operation and administration of the Judicial Department of state government. The Governor may add additional items at any time. During this time, the Texas Legislature may enact laws that materially change current law as it relates to funding public schools, including the District and its finances.

The District is still in the process of reviewing legislation passed during the 89th Regular Session. At this time, the District cannot make any representations as to the full impact of such legislation. Further, the District can make no representations or predictions regarding the scope of legislation that may be considered in any special session or the potential impact of such legislation at this time, but it intends to monitor applicable legislation related thereto.

2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS . . . The regular session of the 88th Texas Legislature began on January 10, 2023, and adjourned on May 29, 2023 the "88th Regular Session". The Governor called and the State Legislature concluded four special sessions during the 88th Texas Legislature (such special sessions, together with the 88th Regular Sessions, the "2023 Legislative Sessions").

During the 88th Regular Session, legislation enacted by the Legislature fully-funded the Foundation School Program for the 2023-2024 State fiscal biennium and increased the state guaranteed yield on the first \$0.08 cents of tax effort beyond a school district's Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (as defined herein) to \$126.21 per penny of tax effort per student in WADA (as defined herein) in 2024 (from \$98.56 in 2023) and \$129.52 per penny of tax effort per student in WADA in 2025. See "– State Funding for School Districts – Tier Two." The Legislature also provided for an increase in funding for the school safety allotment to \$10.00 (from \$9.72 in the prior year) per ADA (as defined herein) and \$15,000 per campus.

During the second called special session, legislation was passed, and at an election held in the State on November 7, 2023, voters approved a State constitutional amendment that (i) reduced the Maximum Compressed Tax Rate for school districts by approximately \$0.107 for the 2023-2024 school year; (ii) increased the amount of the mandatory school district general residential homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation from \$40,000 to \$100,000 and held districts harmless from certain M&O and I&S tax revenue losses associated with the increase in the mandatory homestead exemption; (iii) adjusted the amount of the limitation on school district ad valorem taxes imposed on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect increases in exemption amounts; (iv) prohibited school districts, cities and counties from repealing or reducing a general optional homestead exemption that was granted in tax year 2022 (the prohibition expires on December 31, 2027); (v) established a three-year pilot program limiting growth in the taxable assessed value of non-residence homestead property valued at \$5,000,000 or less to 20 percent (school districts are not held harmless for any negative revenue impacts associated with such limits); (vi) excepted certain appropriations to pay for ad valorem tax relief from the constitutional limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations; and (vii) expanded the size of the governing body of an appraisal district in a county with a population of more than 75,000 by adding elected directors and authorizing the Legislature to provide for a four-year term of office for a member of the board of directors of certain appraisal districts. At an election held on November 7, 2023, voters approved a State constitutional amendment effectuating the legislative changes. The legislation adopted during the second called special session reduces the amount of property taxes paid by homeowners and businesses and increases the State's share of the cost of funding public education.

LOCAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS . . . A school district's M&O tax rate is composed of two distinct parts: the "Tier One Tax Rate," which is the local M&O tax rate required for a school district to receive any part of the basic level of State funding (referred to herein as "Tier One") under the Foundation School Program, as further described below, and the "Enrichment Tax Rate," which is any local M&O tax effort in excess of its Tier One Tax Rate. The formulas for the State Compression Percentage and Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (each as described below) are designed to compress M&O tax rates in response to year-over-year increases in

property values across the State and within a school district, respectively. The discussion in this subcaption "Local Funding For School Districts" is generally intended to describe funding provisions applicable to all school districts; however, there are distinctions in the funding formulas for school districts that generate local M&O tax revenues in excess of the school districts' funding entitlements, as further discussed under the subcaption "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – Local Revenue Level In Excess of Entitlement" herein.

STATE COMPRESSION PERCENTAGE . . . The "State Compression Percentage" is a statutorily-defined percentage of the rate of \$1.00 per \$100 that is used to determine a school district's Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (described below). The State Compression Percentage is the lesser of three alternative calculations: (i) 93% or a lower percentage set by appropriation for a school year; (ii) a percentage determined by formula if the estimated total taxable property value of the State (as submitted annually to the State Legislature by the State Comptroller) has increased by at least 2.5% over the prior year; and (iii) the prior year State Compression Percentage. For any year, the maximum State Compression Percentage is 93%. For the State fiscal year ending in 2026, the State Compression Percentage is set at 63.22%.

MAXIMUM COMPRESSED TAX RATE . . . The "Maximum Compressed Tax Rate" or the "MCR" is the tax rate per \$100 of valuation of taxable property at which a school district must levy its Tier One Tax Rate (described below) to receive the full amount of the Tier One funding to which the school district is entitled. The MCR is equal to the lesser of two alternative calculations: (1) the "State Compression Percentage" (as discussed above) multiplied by \$1.00; or (2) a percentage determined by formula if the school district experienced a year-over-year increase in property value of at least 2.5% (if the increase in property value is less than 2.5%, then MCR is equal to the prior year MCR). However, each year the TEA shall evaluate the MCR for each school district in the State, and for any given year, if a school district's MCR is calculated to be less than 90% of any other school district's MCR for the current year, then the school district's MCR is instead equal to the school district's prior year MCR, until TEA determines that the difference between the school district's MCR and any other school district's MCR is not more than 10%. These compression formulas are intended to more closely equalize local generation of Tier One funding among districts with disparate tax bases and generally reduce the Tier One Tax Rates of school districts as property values increase. For the 2025-2026 school year, the Legislature reduced the maximum MCR, establishing \$0.6322 as the maximum rate and \$0.5689 as the floor.

TIER ONE TAX RATE . . . A school district's Tier One Tax Rate is defined as a school district's M&O tax rate levied that does not exceed the school district's MCR.

ENRICHMENT TAX RATE... The Enrichment Tax Rate is the number of cents a school district levies for M&O in excess of the Tier One Tax Rate, up to an additional \$0.17. The Enrichment Tax Rate is divided into two components: (i) "Golden Pennies" which are the first \$0.08 of tax effort in excess of a school district's Tier One Tax Rate; and (ii) "Copper Pennies" which are the next \$0.09 in excess of a school district's Tier One Tax Rate plus Golden Pennies.

School districts may levy an Enrichment Tax Rate at a level of their choice, subject to the limitations described under "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – Public Hearing and Voter-Approval Tax Rate"; however, to levy any of the Enrichment Tax Rate in a given year, a school district must levy a Tier One Tax Rate equal to the school district's MCR for the given year. Additionally, a school district's levy of Copper Pennies is subject to compression if the guaranteed yield (i.e., the guaranteed level of local tax revenue and State aid generated for each cent of tax effort) of Copper Pennies is increased from one year to the next (see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM – State Funding for School Districts – Tier Two").

STATE FUNDING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS... State funding for school districts is provided through the two-tiered Foundation School Program, which guarantees certain levels of funding for school districts in the State. School districts are entitled to a legislatively appropriated guaranteed yield on their Tier One Tax Rate and Enrichment Tax Rate. When a school district's Tier One Tax Rate and Enrichment Tax Rate generate tax revenues at a level below the respective entitlement, the State will provide "Tier One" funding or "Tier Two" funding, respectively, to fund the difference between the school district's entitlements and the actual M&O revenues generated by the school district's respective M&O tax rates.

The first level of funding, Tier One, is the basic level of funding guaranteed to all school districts based on a school district's Tier One Tax Rate. Tier One funding may then be "enriched" with Tier Two funding. Tier Two provides a guaranteed entitlement for each cent of a school district's Enrichment Tax Rate, allowing a school district to increase or decrease its Enrichment Tax Rate to supplement Tier One funding at a level of the school district's own choice. While Tier One funding may be used for the payment of debt service (except for school districts subject to the recapture provisions of Chapter 49 of the Texas Education Code, as discussed herein), and in some instances is required to be used for that purpose (see "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS – I&S Tax Rate Limitations"), Tier Two funding may not be used for the payment of debt service or capital outlay.

The Finance System also provides an Existing Debt Allotment ("EDA") to subsidize debt service on eligible outstanding school district bonds, an Instructional Facilities Allotment ("IFA") to subsidize debt service on newly issued bonds, and a New Instructional Facilities Allotment ("NIFA") to subsidize operational expenses associated with the opening of a new instructional facility. IFA primarily addresses the debt service needs of property-poor school districts. For the 2024-2025 State fiscal biennium the State Legislature appropriated funds in the amount of \$1,072,511,740 for the EDA, IFA, and NIFA.

Tier One and Tier Two allotments represent the State's share of the cost of M&O expenses of school districts, with local M&O taxes representing the school district's local share. EDA and IFA allotments supplement a school district's local I&S taxes levied for debt service on eligible bonds issued to construct, acquire, and improve facilities, provided that a school district qualifies for such funding and that the State Legislature makes sufficient appropriations to fund the allotments for a State fiscal biennium. Tier One and Tier Two allotments and existing EDA and IFA allotments are generally required to be funded each year by the State Legislature.

TIER ONE . . . Tier One funding is the basic level of funding guaranteed to a school district, consisting of a State-appropriated baseline level of funding (the "Basic Allotment") for each student in "Average Daily Attendance" (being generally calculated as the sum of student attendance for each State-mandated day of instruction divided by the number of State-mandated days of instruction, defined herein as "ADA"). The Basic Allotment is revised downward if a school district's Tier One Tax Rate is less than the State-determined threshold. The Basic Allotment is supplemented by additional State funds, allotted based upon the unique school district characteristics and demographics of students in ADA, and the educational programs the students are being served in, to make up most of a school district's Tier One entitlement under the Foundation School Program.

The Basic Allotment for a school district with a Tier One Tax Rate equal to the school district's MCR, is \$6,160 (or a greater amount as may be provided by appropriation) for each student in ADA and is revised downward for a school district with a Tier One Tax Rate lower than the school district's MCR. The Basic Allotment is then supplemented for all school districts by various weights to account for differences among school districts and their student populations. Such additional allotments include, but are not limited to, increased funds for students in ADA who: (i) attend a qualified special education program, (ii) are diagnosed with dyslexia or a related disorder, (iii) are economically disadvantaged, or (iv) have limited English language proficiency. Additional allotments to mitigate differences among school districts include, but are not limited to: (i) a transportation allotment for mileage associated with transporting students who reside two miles or more from their home campus, (ii) a fast growth allotment (for school districts in the top 25% of enrollment growth relative to other school districts), (iii) a college, career and military readiness allotment to further Texas' goal of increasing the number of students who attain a post-secondary education or workforce credential, and (iv) a teacher incentive allotment to increase teacher compensation retention in disadvantaged or rural school districts. A school district's total Tier One funding, less the allotments that are not derived by a weighted formula divided by \$6,160, is a school district's measure of students in "Weighted Average Daily Attendance" ("WADA"), which serves to calculate Tier Two funding.

For the 2024-2025 school year, the fast growth allotment weight is 0.48 for districts in the top 40% of school districts for growth, 0.33 for districts in the middle 30% of school districts for growth and 0.18 for districts in the bottom 30% of school districts for growth. The fast growth allotment is limited to \$320 million for the 2026-2027 school year.

TIER TWO... Tier Two supplements Tier One funding and provides two levels of enrichment with different guaranteed yields (i.e., Golden Pennies and Copper Pennies) depending on the school district's Enrichment Tax Rate. Golden Pennies generate a guaranteed yield equal to the greater of (i) the local revenue per student in WADA per cent of tax effort available to a school district at the ninety-sixth (96th) percentile of wealth per student in WADA, or (ii) the Basic Allotment (or a greater amount as may be provided by appropriation) multiplied by 0.016. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, school districts are guaranteed a yield of \$129.52 per student in WADA in 2026 and \$140.02 per student in WADA in 2027 for each Golden Penny levied. Copper Pennies generate a guaranteed yield per student in WADA equal to the school district's Basic Allotment (or a greater amount as may be provided by appropriation) multiplied by 0.008. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, school districts are guaranteed a yield of \$49.72 per student in WADA for each Copper Penny levied. For any school year in which the guaranteed yield of Copper Pennies per student in WADA exceeds the guaranteed yield of Copper Pennies per student in WADA for the preceding school year, a school district is required to reduce its Copper Pennies levied so as to generate no more revenue per student in WADA than was available to the school district for the preceding year.

EXISTING DEBT ALLOTMENT, INSTRUCTION FACILITIES ALLOTMENT, AND NEW INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITIES ALLOTMENT . . . The Foundation School Program also includes facilities funding components consisting of the IFA and the EDA, subject to legislative appropriation each State fiscal biennium. To the extent funded for a biennium, these programs assist school districts in funding facilities by, generally, equalizing a school district's I&S tax effort. The IFA guarantees each awarded school district a specified amount per student (the "IFA Yield") in State and local funds for each cent of I&S tax levied to pay the principal of and interest on eligible bonds issued to construct, acquire, renovate or improve instructional facilities. The IFA Yield has been \$35 since this program first began in 1997. New awards of IFA are only available if appropriated funds are allocated for such purpose by the State Legislature. To receive an IFA award, in years where new IFA awards are available, a school district must apply to the Commissioner in accordance with rules adopted by the TEA before issuing the bonds to be paid with IFA State assistance. The total amount of debt service assistance over a biennium for which a school district may be awarded is limited to the lesser of (1) the actual debt service payments made by the school district in the biennium in which the bonds are issued; or (2) the greater of (a) \$100,000 or (b) \$250 multiplied by the number of students in ADA. The IFA is also available for lease-purchase agreements and refunding bonds meeting certain prescribed conditions. Once a school district receives an IFA award for bonds, it is entitled to continue receiving State assistance for such bonds without reapplying to the Commissioner. The guaranteed level of State and local funds per student per cent of local tax effort applicable to the bonds may not be reduced below the level provided for the year in which the bonds were issued. For the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium, the State Legislature did not appropriate any funds for new IFA awards; however, awards previously granted in years the State Legislature did appropriate funds for new IFA awards will continue to be funded.

State financial assistance is provided for certain existing eligible debt issued by school districts through the EDA program. The EDA guaranteed yield (the "EDA Yield") is the lesser of (i) \$40 per student in ADA or a greater amount for any year provided by appropriation; or (ii) the amount that would result in a total additional EDA of \$60 million more than the EDA to which school districts would have been entitled to if the EDA Yield were \$35. The portion of a school district's local debt service rate that qualifies for EDA assistance is limited to the first \$0.29 of its I&S tax rate (or a greater amount for any year provided by appropriation by the State Legislature). In general, a school district's bonds are eligible for EDA assistance if (i) the school district made payments on the bonds during the final fiscal year of the preceding State fiscal biennium, or (ii) the school district levied taxes to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds for that fiscal year. Each biennium, access to EDA funding is determined by the debt service taxes collected in the final year of the preceding biennium. A school district may not receive EDA funding for the principal and interest on a series of otherwise eligible bonds for which the school district receives IFA funding.

Since future-year IFA awards were not funded by the State Legislature for the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium and debt service assistance on school district bonds that are not yet eligible for EDA is not available, debt service payments during the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium on new bonds issued by school districts in the 2026-2027 State fiscal biennium to construct, acquire and improve facilities must be funded solely from local I&S taxes, except to the extent that the bonds of a school district are eligible for hold-harmless funding from the State for local tax revenue lost as a result of an increase in the mandatory homestead exemption from \$40,000 to \$100,000. Hold-harmless applies only to bonds authorized by voters prior to September 1, 2023.

A school district may also qualify for a NIFA allotment, which provides assistance to school districts for operational expenses associated with opening new instructional facilities. During the 2025 Legislative Sessions, the Legislature appropriated funds in the amount of \$150,000,000 for each fiscal year of the 2026-2027 state fiscal biennium for NIFA allotments.

TAX RATE AND FUNDING EQUITY . . . The Commissioner may proportionally reduce the amount of funding a school district receives under the Foundation School Program and the ADA calculation if the school district operates on a calendar that provides less than the State-mandated minimum instruction time in a school year. The Commissioner may also adjust a school district's ADA as it relates to State funding where disaster, flood, extreme weather or other calamity has a significant effect on a school district's attendance.

Furthermore, "property-wealthy" school districts that received additional State funds under the Finance System prior to the enactment of the 2019 Legislation were entitled to an equalized wealth transition grant on an annual basis through the 2023-2024 school year in an amount equal to the amount of additional revenue such school district would have received under former Texas Education Code Sections 41.002(e) through (g), as those sections existed on January 1, 2019. This grant was phased out through the 2023-2024 school year as follows. Additionally, school districts (through the fiscal year ending in 2025) and open-enrollment charter schools (through the fiscal year ending in 2024) may be entitled to receive an allotment in the form of a formula transition grant meant to ensure a smooth transition into the funding formulas enacted by the 86th State Legislature. Furthermore, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, if the total amount of allotments to which school districts and open enrollment charter schools are entitled for a school year under the formula transition grant exceeds \$400 million, the Commissioner shall proportionately reduce each district's or school's allotment. The reduction in the amount to which a district or school is entitled may not result in an amount that is less than zero.

LOCAL REVENUE LEVEL IN EXCESS OF ENTITLEMENT . . . A school district that has sufficient property wealth per student in ADA to generate local revenues on the school district's Tier One Tax Rate and Copper Pennies in excess of the school district's respective funding entitlements (a "Chapter 49 school district"), is subject to the local revenue reduction provisions contained in Chapter 49 of Texas Education Code, as amended ("Chapter 49"). Additionally, in years in which the amount of State funds appropriated specifically excludes the amount necessary to provide the guaranteed yield for Golden Pennies, local revenues generated on a school district's Golden Pennies in excess of the school district's respective funding entitlement are subject to the local revenue reduction provisions of Chapter 49. To reduce local revenue in excess of entitlement, Chapter 49 school districts are generally subject to a process known as "recapture," which requires a Chapter 49 school district to exercise certain options to remit local M&O tax revenues collected in excess of the Chapter 49 school district's funding entitlements to the State (for redistribution to other school districts) or otherwise expending the respective M&O tax revenues for the benefit of students in school districts that are not Chapter 49 school districts, as described in the subcaption "Options for Local Revenue Levels in Excess of Entitlement." Chapter 49 school districts receive their allocable share of funds distributed from the constitutionally prescribed Available School Fund but are generally not eligible to receive State aid under the Foundation School Program, although they may continue to receive State funds for certain competitive grants and certain programs that remain outside the Foundation School Program.

Recapture is measured by the "local revenue level" (being the M&O tax revenues generated in a school district) in excess of the entitlements appropriated by the State Legislature each fiscal biennium. Therefore, school districts are now guaranteed that recapture will not reduce revenue below their statutory entitlement.

OPTIONS FOR LOCAL REVENUE LEVELS IN EXCESS OF ENTITLEMENT . . . Under Chapter 49, a school district has six options to reduce local revenues to a level that does not exceed the school district's respective entitlements: (1) a school district may consolidate by agreement with one or more school districts to form a consolidated school district; all property and debt of the consolidating school districts vest in the consolidated school district may detach property from its territory for annexation by a property-poor school district; (3) a school district may purchase attendance credits from the State; (4) a school district may contract to educate nonresident students from a property-poor school district by sending money directly to one or more property-poor school districts;

(5) a school district may execute an agreement to provide students of one or more other school districts with career and technology education through a program designated as an area program for career and technology education; or (6) a school district may consolidate by agreement with one or more school districts to form a consolidated taxing school district solely to levy and distribute either M&O taxes or both M&O taxes and I&S taxes. A Chapter 49 school district may also exercise any combination of these remedies. Options (3), (4) and (6) require prior approval by the Chapter 49 school district's voters.

Furthermore, a school district may not adopt a tax rate until its effective local revenue level is at or below the level that would produce its guaranteed entitlement under the Foundation School Program. If a school district fails to exercise a permitted option, the Commissioner must reduce the school district's local revenue level to the level that would produce the school district's guaranteed entitlement, by detaching certain types of property from the school district and annexing the property to a property-poor school district or, if necessary, consolidate the school district with a property-poor school district. The provisions governing detachment and annexation of taxable property by the Commissioner do not provide for assumption of any of the transferring school district's existing debt.

CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM AS APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT

For the 2025-2026 school year, the District was designated as an "excess local revenue" Chapter 49 school district by TEA. Accordingly, the District has not been required to exercise one of the wealth equalization options permitted under applicable State law. As a district with local revenue less than the maximum permitted level, the District may benefit in the future by agreeing to accept taxable property or funding assistance from or agreeing to consolidate with, a property-rich district to enable such district to reduce its wealth per student to the permitted level.

A district's "excess local revenues" must be tested for each future school year and, if it exceeds the maximum permitted level, the District must reduce its wealth per student by the exercise of one of the permitted wealth equalization options. Accordingly, if the District's wealth per student should exceed the maximum permitted value in future school years, it will be required to exercise one or more of the permitted wealth equalization options. If the District were to consolidate (or consolidate its tax base for all purposes) with a property-poor district, the outstanding debt of each district could become payable from the consolidated district's combined property tax base, and the District's ration of taxable property to debt could become diluted. If the District were to detach property voluntarily, a portion of its outstanding debt (including the Bonds) could be assumed by the district to which the property is annexed, in which case timely payment of the Bonds could become dependent in part on the financial performance of an annexing district.

For a detailed discussion of State funding for school district see "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM - State Funding for School Districts."

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN AND OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The District's employees participate in a retirement plan (the "Plan") with the State of Texas. The Plan is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas ("TRS"). State contributions are made to cover costs of the TRS retirement plan up to certain statutory limits. The District is obligated for a portion of TRS costs relating to employee salaries that exceed the statutory limit. For the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024, the District made a contribution to TRS on a portion of their employee's salaries that exceeded the statutory minimum. For a discussion of the TRS retirement plan, see "Note H" in the audited financial statements of the District that are attached hereto as APPENDIX D (the "Financial Statements").

In addition to its participation in TRS, the District contributes to the Texas Public School Retired Employees Group Insurance Program (the "TRS-Care Retired Plan"), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment health care plan. The TRS-Care Retired Plan provides health care coverage for certain persons (and their dependents) who retired under the Teacher Retirement System of Texas. Contribution requirements are not actuarially determined but are legally established each biennium by the Texas Legislature. For more detailed information concerning the District's funding policy and contributions in connection with the TRS-Care Retired Plan, see "Note I" in the Financial Statements.

During the year ended August 31, 2024, employees of the District were covered by a fully insured health insurance plan (the "Health Care Plan"). The District contributed \$535 per month per employee to the Health Care Plan. Employees, at their option, authorize payroll withholdings to pay premiums for dependents.

Formal collective bargaining agreements relating directly to wages and other conditions of employment are prohibited by State law, as are strikes by teachers. There are various local, state and national organized employee groups who engage in efforts to better terms and conditions of employment of school employees. Some districts have adopted a policy to consult with employer groups with respect to certain terms and conditions of employment. Some examples of these groups are the Texas State Teachers Association, the Texas Classroom Teachers Association, the Association of Texas Professional Educators and the National Education Association.

INVESTMENTS

The District invests its funds in investments authorized by Texas law in accordance with investment policies approved by the Board of Trustees of the District. Both State law and the District's investment policies are subject to change.

LEGAL INVESTMENTS . . . Under State law, the District is authorized to invest in obligations meeting the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 2256, as amended (the "PFIA"), which may include: (1) obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, including the Federal Home Loan Banks; (2) direct obligations of the State or its agencies and instrumentalities; (3) collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; (4) other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by, or backed by the full faith and credit of, the State or the United States or their respective agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States; (5) obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "A" or its equivalent; (6) bonds issued, assumed or guaranteed by the State of Israel; (7) interest-bearing banking deposits that are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor, or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or its successor; (8) interest-bearing banking deposits other than those described by clause (7) if (A) the funds invested in the banking deposits are invested through: (i) a broker with a main office or branch office in this State that the District selects from a list the governing body of the District or designated investment committee of the District adopts as required by Section 2256.025, Texas Government Code; or (ii) a depository institution with a main office or branch office in the State that the District selects; (B) the broker or depository institution selected as described by (A) above arranges for the deposit of the funds in the banking deposits in one or more federally insured depository institutions, regardless of where located, for the District's account; (C) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of the banking deposits is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and (D) the District appoints as the District's custodian of the banking deposits issued for the District's account: (i) the depository institution selected as described by (A) above; (ii) an entity described by Section 2257.041(d), Texas Government Code; or (iii) a clearing broker dealer registered with the SEC and operating under SEC Rule 15c3-3; (9) (i) certificates of deposit or share certificates meeting the requirements of Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code (the "Public Funds Investment Act"), that are issued by an institution that has its main office or a branch office in the State and are guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, or their respective successors, and are secured as to principal by obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) or in any other manner and provided for by law for District deposits, or (ii) certificates of deposits where (a) the funds are invested by the District through (A) a broker that has its main office or a branch office in the State and is selected from a list adopted by the District as required by law, or (B) a depository institution that has its main office or branch office in the State that is selected by the District, (b) the broker or the depository institution selected by the District arranges for the deposit of the funds in certificates of deposit in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the District, (c) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States, and (d) the District appoints the depository institution selected under (a) above, a custodian as described by Section 2257.041(d), Texas Government Code, or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the SEC and operating pursuant to SEC Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3) as custodian for the District with respect to the certificates of deposit; (10) fully collateralized repurchase agreements as defined in the Public Funds Investment Act, that have a defined termination date, are secured by a combination of cash and obligations described in clauses (1) or (13) in this paragraph, require the securities being purchased by the District or cash held by the District to be pledged to the District, held in the District's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the District or with a third party selected and approved by the District, and are placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve, or a financial institution doing business in the State; (11) securities lending programs if (i) the securities loaned under the program are 100% collateralized, a loan made under the program allows for termination at any time and a loan made under the program is either secured by (a) obligations that are described in clauses (1) through (8) above, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than "A" or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) above, clauses (13) through (15) below, or an authorized investment pool; (ii) securities held as collateral under a loan are pledged to the 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; and (iv) the agreement to lend securities has a term of one year or less; (12) certain bankers' acceptances with stated maturity of 270 days or less, if the short-term obligations of the accepting bank or its parent are rated not less than "A-1" or "P-1" or the equivalent by at least one nationally recognized credit rating agency; (13) commercial paper with a stated maturity of 365 days or less that is rated not less than "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 United States or state bank; (14) no-load money market mutual funds registered with and regulated by the SEC that provide the District with a prospectus and other information required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Investment Company Act of 1940 and that comply with federal SEC Rule 2a-7 (17 C.F.R. Section 270.2a-7), promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80a-1 et seq.); and (15) no-load mutual funds registered with the SEC that have an average weighted maturity of less than two years, and have either (a) a duration of one year or more and invest exclusively in obligations described in under this heading, or (b) a duration of less than one year and the investment portfolio is limited to investment grade securities, excluding asset-backed securities. In addition, bond proceeds may be invested in guaranteed investment contracts that have a defined termination date and are secured by obligations, including letters of credit, of the United

States or its agencies and instrumentalities, other than the prohibited obligations described below, in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under such contract.

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 (8) above, other than the prohibited obligations described below, (b) irrevocable letters of credit issued by a state or national bank that is continuously rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than A or its equivalent or (c) cash invested in obligations described in clauses (1) through (8) above, clauses (13) through (15) 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; 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 "AAA-m" or an equivalent by at least one nationally recognized rating service, if the governing body of the District authorizes such investment in the particular pool by order, ordinance, or resolution and the investment pool complies with the requirements of Section 2256.016, Texas Government Code. 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.

INVESTMENT POLICIES . . . Under State 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 includes a list of authorized investments for District funds, maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual investment and the maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed for pooled fund groups. 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 State law, District 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 investment officers of the District shall submit an investment report detailing: (1) the investment position of the District, (2) that all investment officers jointly prepared and signed the report, (3) the beginning market value, 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 strategy statements and (b) State law. No person may invest District funds without express written authority from the governing body of the District.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS . . . Under State 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 relatives with firms seeking to sell securities to the District to disclose the relationship and file a statement with the Texas Ethics Commission; (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) perform an annual audit of the management controls on investments and adherence to the District's investment policy; (5) provide specific investment training for the treasurer, chief financial officer and investment officers; (6) 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; (7) restrict the investment in mutual funds in the aggregate to no more than 80% of the District's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service and to no more than 15% of the entity's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds, reserves and funds held for debt service and to no more than 15% of the entity's monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds and reserves and other funds held for debt service; and (8) require local government investment pools to conform to the new disclosure, rating, net asset value, yield calculation, and advisory board requirements.

As of May 31, 2025, the District's investable funds were invested in the following:

Type of Investment Amount
Lone Star Pool \$1,293,870

Unaudited.

WEATHER EVENTS

The District is located near the Texas Gulf Coast. Land located in this area is susceptible to high winds, heavy rain and flooding caused by hurricanes, tropical storms, and other tropical disturbances. The District's area previously experienced multiple storms and future adverse weather events could result in damages to District facilities or damages to residential and commercial properties in the District that comprise the District's ad valorem tax base. If a weather event significantly damaged all or part of the properties comprising the tax base within the District, the assessed value of property within the District could be substantially reduced, which could result in a decrease in tax revenues and/or necessitate an increase the District's tax rate. There can be no assurance that a casualty loss to taxable property within the District will be covered by insurance (or that property owners will even carry flood or other casualty insurance), that any insurance company will fulfill its obligation to provide insurance proceeds, or that insurance proceeds will be used to rebuild or repair any damaged improvements within the District's boundaries or be sufficient for such purposes. Even if insurance proceeds are available and improvements are rebuilt, there could be a lengthy period in which assessed values within the District could be adversely affected.

TAX MATTERS

The following discussion of certain federal income tax considerations is for general information only and is not tax advice. Each prospective purchaser of the Bonds should consult its own tax advisor as to the tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of the Bonds.

TAX EXEMPTION... The delivery of the Bonds is subject to the opinion of Escamilla & Poneck, LLP, San Antonio, Texas ("Bond Counsel") to the effect that interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes (1) is excludable from the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date hereof (the "Code"), of the owners thereof pursuant to section 103 of the Code and existing regulations, published rulings, and court decisions, and (2) will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of individuals. The statute, regulations, rulings, and court decisions on which such opinion is based are subject to change. A form of Bond Counsel's opinion appears in APPENDIX C hereto.

In rendering the foregoing opinions, Bond Counsel will rely upon the certifications of the District pertaining to the use, expenditure and investment of the proceeds of the Bonds and will assume continuing compliance with the provisions of the Order by the District subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds. The Order contains covenants by the District with respect to, among other matters, the use of the proceeds of the Bonds and the facilities financed or refinanced therewith by persons other than state or local governmental units, the manner in which the proceeds of the Bonds are to be invested and the reporting of certain information to the United States Treasury. Failure to comply with any of these covenants may cause interest on the Bonds to be includable in the gross income of the owner thereof for federal income taxes from the date of the issuance of the Bonds. Bond Counsel has not been retained by the District to monitor such post-issuance compliance.

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

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

ANCILLARY TAX CONSEQUENCES . . . Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations such as the Bonds may result in collateral federal tax consequences to, among others, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, life insurance companies, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, S corporations with subchapter C earnings and profits, owners of an interest in a FASIT, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax-exempt obligations. Pursuant to Public Law No. 115-97 (i.e., the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act), for tax years beginning after December 31, 2017, the corporate alternative minimum tax is repealed. However, interest on the Bonds is taken into account in determining "adjusted financial statement income" (as defined in section 56A of the Code) of "applicable corporations" (as defined in section 59(k) of the Code) for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on corporations for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022. Prospective purchasers should consult their own tax advisors as to the applicability of these consequences to their particular circumstances.

TAX ACCOUNTING TREATMENT OF DISCOUNT BONDS... The initial public offering price to be paid for certain Bonds may be less than the amount payable on such Bonds at maturity (the "Discount Bonds"). An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of a Discount Bond (assuming that a substantial amount of the Discount Bonds of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and the amount payable at maturity constitutes original issue discount to the initial purchaser of such Discount Bonds. A portion of such original issue discount, allocable to the holding period of a Discount Bond by the initial purchaser, will be treated as interest for federal income tax purposes, excludable from gross income on the same terms and conditions as those for other interest on the Bonds. Such interest is considered to be accrued actuarially in accordance with the constant interest method over the life of a Discount Bond, taking into account the semiannual compounding of accrued interest, at the yield to maturity on such Discount Bond and generally will be allocated to an initial purchaser in a different amount from the amount of the payment denominated as interest actually received by the initial purchaser during his taxable year.

However, such accrued interest may be required to be taken into account in determining the alternative minimum tax on corporations for tax years that began before January 1, 2018, and the amount of the branch profits tax applicable to certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States, even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment. In addition, the accrual of such interest may result in certain other collateral federal income tax, consequences to, among others, financial institutions, property and casualty insurance companies, life insurance companies, S corporations with subchapter C earnings and profits, owners of an interest in a FASIT, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit, and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry, or who have paid or incurred certain expenses allocable to, tax- exempt obligations.

In the event of the sale or other taxable disposition of a Discount Bond prior to maturity, the amount realized by such owner in excess of the basis of such 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 Discount Bond was held) is includable in gross income.

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

TAX ACCOUNTING TREATMENT OF PREMIUM BONDS... The initial public offering price to be paid for certain Bonds may be greater than the stated redemption price on such Bonds at maturity (the "Premium Bonds"). An amount equal to the difference between the initial public offering price of a Premium Bond (assuming that a substantial amount of the Premium Bonds of that maturity are sold to the public at such price) and its stated redemption price at maturity constitutes premium to the initial purchaser of such Premium Bonds. The basis for federal income tax purposes of a Premium Bond in the hands of such initial purchaser must be reduced each year by the amortizable bond premium, although no federal income tax deduction is allowed as a result of such reduction in basis for amortizable bond premium with respect to the Premium Bonds. Such reduction in basis will increase the amount of any gain (or decrease the amount of any loss) to be recognized for federal income tax purposes upon a sale or other taxable disposition of a Premium Bond. The amount of premium which is amortizable each year by an initial purchaser is determined by using such purchaser's yield to maturity.

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

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

In the Bond Order, the District has made the following agreement for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds. The District is required to observe the agreement for so long as it remains obligated to advance funds to pay the Bonds. 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").

ANNUAL REPORTS . . . The District will provide this updated financial information and operating data to the MSRB annually in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB. The information to be updated includes all quantitative financial information and operating data with respect to the District of the general type included in Tables 1 through 8 in APPENDIX A. The District will update and provide this information within twelve months after the end of each fiscal year, commencing in 2025. The financial information and operating data to be provided may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document available to the public on the MSRB's Internet web site or filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as permitted by SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"). The District will provide audited financial statements within twelve months after the end of each fiscal year, commencing in 2025, if the District commissions an audit and it is completed by the required time. If audited financial statements are not available by the required time, the District will provide unaudited financial statements of the type described above by the required time and will provide audited financial statements when and if such audited financial statements become available. Any financial statements will be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in APPENDIX D 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 current fiscal year end is June 30. Accordingly, it must make available updated financial and operating data and financial statements by the end of June each year, unless the District changes its fiscal year. If the District changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change. Effective September 1, 2024, the District changed its fiscal year from August 31 to June 30. The District's 2024-2025 fiscal year consisted of a 10-month period that began September 1, 2024 and ended June 30, 2025. A notice of this change was filed to EMMA on July 21, 2025. The District will provide the updated information to the MSRB in an electronic format, which will be available to the general public without charge via the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system at www.emma.msrb.org.

NOTICE OF CERTAIN EVENTS . . . The District also will provide timely notices of certain events to the MSRB. The District will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds to the MSRB in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten (10) business days after the occurrence of the event): (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions 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 status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material; (8) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the District; (13) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such action, or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) the appointment of a successor or additional paying agent/registrar or change of name of the paying agent/registrar, if material; (15) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the District (as defined by the Rule, which includes certain debt, debt-like, and debt-related obligations), if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of any such financial obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of any such Financial Obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties. Neither the Bonds nor the Bond Order make any provision for a debt service reserve fund, credit enhancement, or a trustee. In the Bond Order, the District adopted policies and procedures to ensure timely compliance of its continuing disclosure undertakings. In addition, the District will provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide annual financial information in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports."

For these purposes, (a) any event described in clause (12) of the immediately preceding paragraph is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the United States Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under the 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 (b) the District intends the words used in the immediately preceding clauses (15) and (16) and in the definition of Financial Obligation above to have the meanings ascribed to them in SEC Release No. 34-83885 dated August 20, 2018.

AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION . . . All information and documentation filing required to be made by the District in accordance with its undertaking made for the Bonds will be made with the MSRB in electronic format in accordance with MSRB guidelines. Access to such filings will be provided, without charge to the general public, by the MSRB.

LIMITATIONS AND AMENDMENTS... The District has agreed to update information and to provide notices of 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 has been 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 of Bonds may seek a writ of mandamus to compel the District to comply with its agreement.

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

COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR UNDERTAKINGS. . . During the past five years, the District has complied in all material respects with all continuing disclosure agreements made by it in accordance with the Rule.

OTHER INFORMATION

RATING... The Bonds are expected to be rated "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P") by virtue of the municipal bond insurance policy to be issued and delivered by Assured Guaranty Inc. at the time of delivery of the Bonds. The Bonds have been rated "BBB+" (stable outlook) by S&P without regard to credit enhancement. The payment of debt service on the Bonds is not guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program. The rating reflects only the view of such an organization at the time the ratings are given, and the District makes no representation as to the appropriateness of the rating. There is no assurance that such ratings will continue for any given period of time or that they will not be revised downward or withdrawn entirely by S&P, if in the judgment of S&P, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds. A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.

On April 11, 2025, S&P downgraded the District's outstanding debt from "A" to "BBB+". A notice was timely filed to EMMA.

Periodically, rating agencies will evaluate and, on occasion as a result of these evaluations revise, their rating methodologies and criteria for municipal issuers such as the District. A revision in a rating agency's rating methodology could result in a positive or negative change in a rating assigned by that agency, even if the rated entity has experienced no material change in financial condition or operation. Any of the rating agencies at any time while the Bonds remain outstanding could undertake such an evaluation process.

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

At the time of the initial delivery of the Bonds, the District will provide the Underwriters with a certificate to the effect that no litigation of any nature has been filed or is then pending challenging the issuance of the Bonds they are purchasing or that affects the payment and security of said Bonds or in any other manner questioning the issuance, sale or delivery of the Bonds.

REGISTRATION AND QUALIFICATION OF BONDS FOR SALE . . . The sale of the Bonds has not been registered under the Federal Securities Act of 1933, as amended, in reliance upon the exemption provided thereunder by Section 3(a)(2); and the Bonds have not been qualified under the Securities Act of Texas in reliance upon various exemptions contained therein; nor have the Bonds been qualified under the securities acts of any other jurisdiction. The District assumes no responsibility for qualification of the Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction in which the Bonds may be sold, assigned, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise transferred. This disclaimer of responsibility for 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 provisions.

It is the obligation of the Underwriters to register or qualify the sale of the Bonds under the securities laws of any jurisdiction which so requires. The District agrees to cooperate, at the Underwriter's written request and sole expense, in registering or qualifying the Bonds or in obtaining an exemption from registration or qualification in any state where such action is necessary; provided, however, that the District shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or to execute a general or special consent to service of process in any jurisdiction.

LEGAL INVESTMENTS AND ELIGIBILITY TO SECURE PUBLIC FUNDS IN TEXAS . . . Section 1201.041 of the Public Security Procedures Act (Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code, as amended) provides that the Bonds are negotiable instruments, investment securities governed by Chapter 8, Texas Business and Commerce Code, and are legal and authorized investments for insurance companies, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for the sinking funds of municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State. With respect to investment in the Bonds by municipalities or other political subdivisions or public agencies of the State, the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code, requires that the Bonds be assigned a rating of at least "A" or its equivalent as to investment quality by a national rating agency. See "OTHER INFORMATION – Rating" herein. In addition, various provisions of the Texas Finance Code provide that, subject to a prudent investor standard, the Bonds are legal investments for state banks, savings banks, trust companies with capital of one million dollars or more, and savings and loan associations. The Bonds are eligible to secure deposits of any public funds of the State, its agencies, and its political subdivisions, and are legal security for those deposits to the extent of their market value. No review by the District has been made of the laws in other states to determine whether the Bonds are legal investments for various institutions in those states.

LEGAL MATTERS . . . The District will furnish the Underwriters with a complete transcript of proceedings incident to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds being purchased, including the unqualified approving legal opinion of the Attorney General of Texas to the effect that such Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the District payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax levied, without limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District, and the legal opinion of Escamilla & Poneck, LLP, San Antonio, Texas, Bond Counsel, a copy of the proposed form of which is attached as APPENDIX C. The customary closing papers, including a certificate of the District as described under "OTHER INFORMATION" will also be furnished to such Underwriters. Though it represents investment banking firms such as the Underwriters from time to time in matters unrelated to the issuance of the Bonds, Bond Counsel has been engaged by and only represents the District in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Bond Counsel was not requested to participate, and did not take part, in the preparation of the Official Statement, and such firm has not assumed any responsibility with respect thereto or undertaken independently to verify any of the information contained therein, except that, in its capacity as Bond Counsel, such firm has reviewed the information (other than any financial, technical, or statistical data therein) in this Official Statement appearing under the captions and subcaptions "THE BONDS" (excluding the information under the subcaptions "Book-Entry-Only-System" and "Bondholders' Remedies" as to which no opinion is expressed), "STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN TEXAS," "CURRENT PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM," "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS - M&O Tax Rate Limitations" (first paragraph only), "TAX MATTERS," "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" (except under the subcaption "Compliance with Prior Undertakings," as to which no opinion is expressed), "OTHER INFORMATION - Registration and Qualification of Bonds for Sale," "OTHER INFORMATION - Legal Investments and Eligibility to Secure Public Funds in Texas," and "OTHER INFORMATION - Legal Matters" (except the last two sentences of the first paragraph) and such firm is of the opinion that the information contained under such captions and subcaptions is an accurate and fair description of the laws and legal issues addressed therein and, with respect to the Bonds, such information conforms to the Bond Order. The legal fee to be paid Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds is contingent on the sale and delivery of the Bonds. The legal opinion will accompany the Bonds deposited with DTC or will be printed on the Bonds in the event of the discontinuance of the Book-Entry-Only System. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by its counsel, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P. also advises the TEA in connection with its disclosure obligations under federal securities laws, but such firm has not passed upon any TEA disclosures in this Official Statement.

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.

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

FINANCIAL ADVISOR . . . Specialized Public Finance Inc. is employed as Financial Advisor to the District in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery of the Bonds. Specialized Public Finance Inc., in its capacity as Financial Advisor, has not verified and does not assume any responsibility for the information, covenants and representations contained in any of the legal documents with respect

to the federal income tax status of the Bonds, or the possible impact of any present, pending or future actions taken by any legislative or judicial bodies.

The Financial Advisor to the District has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to the District and, as applicable, to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Financial Advisor does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

UNDERWRITING... The Underwriters agreed, subject to certain conditions, to purchase the Bonds from the District, at a price equal to the initial offering prices to the public, as shown on page 2 of this Official Statement, less an underwriting discount of \$93,525.23, and no accrued interest. The Underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the Bonds if any Bonds are purchased. The Bonds to be offered to the public may be offered and sold to certain dealers (including the Underwriters and other dealers depositing Bonds into investment trusts) at prices lower than the public offering prices of such Bonds, and such public offering prices may be changed, from time to time, by the Underwriters.

The Underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, principal investment, hedging, financing, and brokerage activities. Certain of the Underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various investment banking services for the District for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the Underwriters and their respective affiliates, officers, directors and employees may purchase, sell or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade securities, derivatives, loans, commodities, currencies, credit default swaps and other financial instruments for their own account and for the accounts of their customers, and such investment and trading activities may involve or relate to assets, securities and/or instruments of the District (directly, as collateral securing other obligations or otherwise) and/or persons and entities with relationships with the District.

The Underwriters and their respective affiliates may also communicate independent investment recommendations, market color or trading ideas and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such assets, securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they should acquire, long and/or short positions in such assets, securities, and instruments.

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information in this Official Statement pursuant to their respective responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

SAMCO Capital Markets Inc., an Underwriter of the Bonds, has entered into a retail distribution agreement with Fidelity Capital Markets, a division of National Financial Services LLC (together with its affiliates, "Fidelity"). Under this distribution agreement, SAMCO Capital Markets Inc. may distribute municipal securities to retail investors at the original issue price through Fidelity. As part of this arrangement, SAMCO Capital Markets Inc. will compensate Fidelity for its selling efforts.

Effective August 2, 2024, Texas State Bankshares, Inc., the registered bank holding company for Texas Regional Bank (collectively, "TRB"), completed its acquisition of Dallas-based group Estrada Hinojosa & Company, Inc. ("Estrada Hinojosa"). Estrada Hinojosa operates under TRB Capital Markets, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of TRB, using the assumed name of "Estrada Hinojosa".

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 District's actual results could differ materially from those discussed in such forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements herein are necessarily based on various assumptions and estimates and are inherently subject to various risks and uncertainties, including risks and uncertainties relating to the possible invalidity of the underlying assumptions and estimates and possible changes or developments in social, economic, business, industry, market, legal and regulatory circumstances and conditions and actions taken or omitted to be taken by third parties, including customers, suppliers, business partners and competitors, and legislative, judicial and other governmental authorities and officials. Assumptions related to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive, and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and, therefore, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements included in this Official Statement would prove to be accurate.

MISCELLANEOUS... The Bond Order approved the form and content of this Official Statement, and any addenda, supplement or amendment thereto, and authorized its further use in the reoffering of the Bonds by the Underwriters. This Official Statement has been approved by the District for distribution in accordance with the provisions of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission's rule codified at 17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c2-12.

/s/ Eduardo Hernandez

President, Board of Trustees Benavides Independent School District

APPENDIX A

FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF THE DISTRICT

| ASS ESS ED VALUATION | TABLE 1 |
|---|---------------------|
| 2025 Total Appraised Value | \$ 1,747,356,451 |
| Less: | |
| Homestead Exemption Loss | \$ 28,653,948 |
| Over-65/Homestead Exemption Loss | 534,040 |
| Disability/Disabled Surviving Spouse | 48,470 |
| Disabled Veteran/Surviving Spouse Exemption | 197,424 |
| Disabled Veteran/Surviving Spouse Homestead Exemption | 30,810 |
| Economic Development | 61,022,550 |
| Member Armed Services Surviving Spouse | - |
| Miscellaneous | 11,818,709 |
| Productivity Loss | 1,363,372,832 |
| 10% Cap Loss | 1,086,627 |
| M&O Net Taxable Assessed Valuation ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 280,591,041 |
| Value Lost to Texas Economic Development | 61,022,550 |
| I&S Net Taxable Assessed Valuation | \$ 341,613,591 |

Note: The above figures were taken from the Duval County Appraisal District which is compiled during the initial phase of the tax year.

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDED DEBT

(As of June 1, 2025)

General Obligation Debt Outstanding:

| Unlimited Tax Debt ⁽¹⁾ : | |
|---|------------------|
| Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 | \$ 3,420,000 |
| The Bonds | 10,000,000 |
| Total Unlimited Tax Debt ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 13,420,000 |
| | |
| General Obligation Interest and Sinking Fund Balance as of June 1, 2025 | \$ 741,830 |

Ratio of Total General Obligation Debt to 2025 Net Taxable Assessed Valuation⁽¹⁾ 3.93%

Area of District: 736 Square Miles
Estimated Population: 735 in Year 2025

Per Capita 2025 Net Taxable Assessed Valuation: \$ 464,780 Per Capita General Obligation Debt: \$ 18,259

(1) See "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES" in the body of this Official Statement for a description of the Issuer's taxation procedures.

⁽¹⁾ The District's M&O taxable value is decreased by the Value Limitation Agreements. The tax roll levy reflects the District's taxable value which is decreased by the Value Limitation Agreements. This limitation applies only to the Maintenance and Operations taxable property value.

GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

| Fiscal Year | Current | The Bonds | | | Combined |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Ending | Total | | | | Debt |
| 6/30 | Debt Service | Principal | Interest | Total | Service |
| 2025 | \$ 530,008 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 530,008 |
| 2026 | 523,695 | 215,000 | 256,798 | 471,798 | 995,493 |
| 2027 | 528,308 | - | 534,663 | 534,663 | 1,062,970 |
| 2028 | 528,808 | - | 534,663 | 534,663 | 1,063,470 |
| 2029 | 529,108 | - | 534,663 | 534,663 | 1,063,770 |
| 2030 | 528,895 | - | 534,663 | 534,663 | 1,063,558 |
| 2031 | 522,901 | - | 534,663 | 534,663 | 1,057,564 |
| 2032 | 526,110 | 200,000 | 534,663 | 734,663 | 1,260,773 |
| 2033 | - | 210,000 | 523,163 | 733,163 | 733,163 |
| 2034 | - | 225,000 | 511,088 | 736,088 | 736,088 |
| 2035 | - | 240,000 | 498,150 | 738,150 | 738,150 |
| 2036 | - | 250,000 | 484,350 | 734,350 | 734,350 |
| 2037 | - | 265,000 | 469,975 | 734,975 | 734,975 |
| 2038 | - | 280,000 | 454,738 | 734,738 | 734,738 |
| 2039 | - | 295,000 | 438,638 | 733,638 | 733,638 |
| 2040 | - | 315,000 | 421,675 | 736,675 | 736,675 |
| 2041 | - | 330,000 | 403,563 | 733,563 | 733,563 |
| 2042 | - | 350,000 | 384,588 | 734,588 | 734,588 |
| 2043 | - | 370,000 | 364,463 | 734,463 | 734,463 |
| 2044 | - | 395,000 | 343,188 | 738,188 | 738,188 |
| 2045 | - | 415,000 | 320,475 | 735,475 | 735,475 |
| 2046 | - | 440,000 | 296,613 | 736,613 | 736,613 |
| 2047 | - | 465,000 | 271,313 | 736,313 | 736,313 |
| 2048 | - | 490,000 | 244,575 | 734,575 | 734,575 |
| 2049 | - | 520,000 | 216,400 | 736,400 | 736,400 |
| 2050 | - | 550,000 | 186,500 | 736,500 | 736,500 |
| 2051 | | 575,000 | 159,000 | 734,000 | 734,000 |
| 2052 | - | 605,000 | 130,250 | 735,250 | 735,250 |
| 2053 | - | 635,000 | 100,000 | 735,000 | 735,000 |
| 2054 | - | 665,000 | 68,250 | 733,250 | 733,250 |
| 2055 | | 700,000 | 35,000 | 735,000 | 735,000 |
| | \$ 4,217,832 | \$10,000,000 | \$10,790,723 | \$ 20,790,723 | \$ 25,008,555 |

TAX ADEQUACY

| I&S Net Taxable Assessed Valuation ⁽¹⁾ | \$ | 341,613,591 |
|---|-----|-------------|
| Estimated Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements for Fiscal Year Ending: 8/31/2032 Less: Existing Debt Allotment | \$ | 1,260,773 |
| Less: Instructional Facilities Allotment Net Debt Service Requirement | -\$ | 1,260,773 |
| • | | , , |
| Indicated Interest and Sinking Fund Tax Rate | \$ | 0.3766 |
| Indicated Interest and Sinking Fund Tax Levy at the following Collections: 98% | \$ | 1,260,786 |

⁽¹⁾ See "Tax Data" herein.

INTEREST AND SINKING FUND MANAGEMENT INDEX

| Audited General Obligation Interest and Sinking Fund Balance as of August 31, 2024 | \$ 357,937 |
|--|---------------|
| 2024 Interest and Sinking Fund Tax Levy at 98% Collections Produce | 552,178 |
| Plus: Existing Debt Allotment | - |
| Plus: Instructional Facilities Allotment | - |
| Plus: Additional State Aid for Homestead Exemption | 27,214 |
| Total Available for Debt Service | \$ 937,329 |
| Less: General Obligation Debt Service Requirements, Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025 | 530,008 |
| Effective July 1, 2025, the District changed its fiscal year end to June 30. | \$ 407,321 |

CAPITAL LEASE AND NOTES PAYABLE

TABLE 2

$\underline{\textit{Capital Leases}}:$

Commitments under capitalized lease agreements for facilities and equipment provide for minimum future lease payments as of 2024, Benavides Independent School District, as follows:

Year Ending August 31:

| 2025 | \$ 5,020 |
|---|-------------|
| 2026 | 0 |
| Total Minimum Lease Payments | 0 |
| Less Amounts Representing Interest | 0 |
| Present value of net minimum lease payments | \$ 5,020 |

The effective interest rate on capital leases is 2.72% to 3.25%.

Note: The above information was taken from the Issuer's 2024 Annual Financial Report.

| Tax | Tax Net Taxable | | Change From Preceding Year | | |
|------|--------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|---------|--|
| Year | Assessed Valuation | | Amount (\$) | Percent | |
| 2020 | \$367,966,748 | | \$ (8,633,133) | -2.29% | |
| 2021 | 341,148,316 | (1) | (26,818,432) | -7.29% | |
| 2022 | 364,132,625 | (1) | 22,984,309 | 6.74% | |
| 2023 | 363,627,789 | (1) | (504,836) | -0.14% | |
| 2024 | 365,874,619 | (1) | 2,246,830 | 0.62% | |
| 2025 | 341,613,591 | (1) | (24,261,028) | -6.63% | |

Note: The above figures were taken from the Duval County Appraisal District.

(1) See "Chapter 313, Texas Tax Code Value Limitation Agreement" and "Tax Value Concentration" in Table 4.

PRINCIPAL TAXPAYERS (1)

TABLE 4

| Name | 2024 Net Taxable Assessed Valuation | % of Total 2024 Assessed Valuation |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| AEP Texas Inc. | \$ 20,687,910 | 7.58% |
| Torrecillas Wind Energy LLC | 20,000,000 | 7.32% |
| Kansas City Southern Railway | 19,598,020 | 7.18% |
| ETC Lobo Pipeline | 9,489,230 | 3.47% |
| ETC Texas Pipeline LTD | 8,970,050 | 3.28% |
| Hilcorp Energy Company | 7,996,650 | 2.93% |
| Aurora Resources Corp | 6,928,366 | 2.54% |
| Sweden Ranch LP | 6,740,770 | 2.47% |
| Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline | 6,678,410 | 2.45% |
| Enterprise Texas Pipeline LP | 5,862,910 | 2.15% |
| Total (41.36% of 2024 Net Taxable Assessed Valuation) | \$ 112,952,316 | 41.36% |

Note: The above information was taken from the Duval County Appraisal District.

(1) Percentage is based on M&O Value. As shown in the table above, the total combined Principal Taxpayers in the District currently account for over 41.36% of the District's tax base. In addition, the top taxpayer in the District currently accounts for 7.58% of the District's tax base, thereby creating a concentration risk for the District. Accordingly, the District makes no representation regarding the continued valuation of any of the property listed in the above table or the generation of future tax revenues therefrom. If any major taxpayer (or a combination of taxpayers) were to default in the payment of taxes due to economic conditions resulting difficulty, the ability of the District to timely pay debt service on the Bonds will be dependent on its ability to enforce and liquidate its tax lien (which, in the event of bankruptcy, certain laws may preclude until the automatic stay is lifted). Such process is time-consuming and can only occur annually; in the alternative, the District may sell tax anticipation notes until such amounts could be collected, if ever. See "AD VALOREM TAX PROCEDURES - District Application of Tax Code". "THE BONDS – Bondholders' Remedies" and "TAX RATE LIMITATIONS" herein.

| | | % OF | | % OF | | % OF |
|---|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| | 2025 | TOTAL | 2024 | TOTAL | 2023 | TOTAL |
| Real, Residential, Single-Family | \$44,992,369 | 2.57% | \$44,730,574 | 3.84% | \$44,778,156 | 3.54% |
| Real, Residential, Multi-Family | 100,150 | 0.01% | 97,750 | 0.01% | 97,750 | 0.01% |
| Real, Vacant Lots/Tracts & Colonia Lots/Tracts | 707,004 | 0.04% | 714,013 | 0.06% | 714,343 | 0.07% |
| Real, Acreage (Land Only) | 1,402,717,056 | 80.28% | 788,541,876 | 67.69% | 787,467,105 | 71.16% |
| Real, Farm and Ranch Improvements | 87,480 | 0.01% | 75,320 | 0.01% | 36,360 | 0.00% |
| Real, Rural Land (NQ)/Residential Improvements | 53,566,492 | 3.07% | 44,965,112 | 3.86% | 44,103,052 | 3.38% |
| Real, Commercial | 3,624,100 | 0.21% | 3,601,180 | 0.31% | 3,545,960 | 0.29% |
| Real, Industrial and Manufacturing | 81,274,350 | 4.65% | 113,070,070 | 9.71% | 113,071,690 | 10.94% |
| Real, Minerals, Oil & Gas | 39,635,280 | 2.27% | 52,910,062 | 4.54% | 29,754,070 | 1.56% |
| Real, Other subsurface interest in land | 0 | 0.00% | 35,000 | 0.00% | 35,000 | 0.00% |
| Real & Tangible, Personal Utilities | 81,813,500 | 4.68% | 85,654,210 | 7.35% | 81,544,240 | 6.57% |
| Tangible Personal, Commercial | 1,413,740 | 0.08% | 1,298,100 | 0.11% | 1,316,670 | 0.12% |
| Tangible Personal, Industrial and Manufacturing | 35,134,460 | 2.01% | 26,824,780 | 2.30% | 27,315,960 | 2.17% |
| Tangible Personal, Mobile Homes | 2,290,470 | 0.13% | 2,365,180 | 0.20% | 2,324,960 | 0.19% |
| Total Appraised Value | \$1,747,356,451 | 100.00% | \$1,164,883,227 | 100.00% | \$1,136,105,316 | 100.00% |
| Less: | | | | | | |
| Homestead Exemption Loss | \$28,653,948 | | \$31,409,204 | | \$19,262,705 | |
| Over-65/Homestead Exemption Loss | 534,040 | | 509,727 | | 1,654,388 | |
| Disability/Disabled Surviving Spouse | 48,470 | | 38,470 | | 173,373 | |
| Disabled Veteran/Surviving Spouse Exemption | 197,424 | | 156,680 | | 210,369 | |
| Disabled Veteran/Surviving Spouse Homestead Exemption | 30,810 | | 36,587 | | 284,327 | |
| Economic Development | 61,022,550 | | 92,800,000 | | 92,800,000 | |
| Member Armed Services Surviving Spouse | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| Miscellaneous | 11,818,709 | | 15,902,250 | | 0 | |
| Productivity Loss | 1,363,372,832 | | 749,180,514 | | 748,159,235 | |
| 10% Cap Loss | 1,086,627 | | 1,775,176 | | 2,733,130 | |
| M&O Net Taxable Assessed Valuation | \$280,591,041 | | \$273,074,619 | | \$270,827,789 | |
| Economic Development | 61,022,550 | | 92,800,000 | | 92,800,000 | |
| I&S Net Taxable Assessed Valuation | \$341,613,591 | | \$365,874,619 | | \$363,627,789 | |

 $Source: \textit{The above figures were taken from the Duval County Appraisal District which is compiled during the initial phase of the \textit{tax year}.}$

TAX DATA TABLE 6

Taxes are due October 1 and become delinquent after January 31. Split payments are allowed. Discounts are not allowed. Penalties and Interest: (a) a delinquent tax incurs a penalty of six percent of the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent plus one percent 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. However, a tax delinquent on July 1 incurs a total penalty of twelve percent of the amount of the delinquent tax without regard to the number of months the tax has been delinquent; (b) a delinquent tax accrues interest at a rate of one percent for each month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid; and an additional penalty up to a maximum of up to 20% of taxes, penalty and interest may be imposed to defray costs of collection for taxes delinquent after July 1. All percentage of collections set forth below exclude penalties and interest.

| | Net Taxable | | | | | |
|------|----------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Tax | Assessed | Tax | Tax | Collect | ions | Year |
| Year | Valuation | Rate | Levy | Current | Total | Ended |
| 2020 | \$ 341,148,316 | \$ 1.1341 | \$ 2,941,492 | 94.75% | 97.88% | 8/31/2021 |
| 2021 | 364,132,625 | 1.0710 | 3,868,963 | 94.68% | 99.97% | 8/31/2022 |
| 2022 | 364,132,625 | 1.0710 | 2,913,316 | 94.63% | 97.65% | 8/31/2023 |
| 2023 | 363,627,789 | 0.8993 | 2,449,514 | 95.35% | 99.02% | 8/31/2024 |
| 2024 | 365,874,619 | 1.0074 | 3,685,766 | In Process of | of Collection | 8/31/2025 |

Note: The above figures were taken from the Issuer's 2024 Annual Financial Report, Duval County Tax Assessor-Collector's office, and the Duval County Appraisal District.

| TAX RATE DISTRIBUTION | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Tax Year | 2024 | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 |
| General Fund | \$ 0.8534 | \$ 0.7380 | \$ 0.9003 | \$ 0.9634 | \$ 0.9664 |
| I & S Fund | 0.1540 | 0.1613 | 0.1707 | 0.1707 | 0.1570 |
| Total Tax Rate | \$ 1.0074 | \$ 0.8993 | \$ 1.0710 | \$ 1.1341 | \$ 1.1234 |

Note: The above information was taken from the Issuer's 2024 Annual Financial Report and the Duval County Appraisal District.

GENERAL FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AND ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

| | | F | iscal Year Ende | ed | |
|--|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| | 8/31/2024 | 8/31/2023 | 8/31/2022 | 8/31/2021 | 8/31/2020 |
| Revenues: | | | | | |
| Local and Intermediate Sources | \$ 2,071,749 | \$ 2,444,890 | \$ 2,523,817 | \$ 2,780,721 | \$ 5,041,012 |
| State Program Revenues | 1,428,944 | 2,062,507 | 560,522 | 674,234 | 1,500,358 |
| Federal Program Revenues | 404,051 | 571,519 | 413,091 | 213,280 | 349,747 |
| Total Revenues | \$ 3,904,744 | \$ 5,078,916 | \$ 3,497,430 | \$ 3,668,235 | \$ 6,891,117 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | |
| Instruction | \$ 1,843,259 | \$ 1,446,228 | \$ 1,269,162 | \$ 1,695,475 | \$ 1,640,256 |
| Instruction Resources & Media Services | 10,584 | 5,038 | 74 | 943 | 10,360 |
| Curriculum & Staff Development | 15,784 | 6,645 | 1,572 | 3,798 | 6,861 |
| Instructional Leadership | 585,404 | 1,316,727 | 224,329 | 36,731 | 14,727 |
| School Leadership | 249,126 | 110,856 | 78,976 | 68,656 | 235,430 |
| Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services | 128,803 | 85,696 | 86,868 | 83,257 | 136,412 |
| Health Services | 3,719 | 61,166 | 11,345 | 21,048 | 21,354 |
| Student (Pupil) Transportation | 276,592 | 329,441 | 222,133 | 184,584 | 193,246 |
| Food Services | 307,997 | 350,437 | 285,508 | 270,028 | 351,328 |
| Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities | 252,863 | 215,361 | 247,600 | 200,347 | 231,159 |
| General Administration | 647,708 | 699,663 | 411,952 | 481,552 | 450,552 |
| Plant Maintenance and Operations | 1,077,738 | 797,887 | 821,936 | 790,130 | 744,549 |
| Security and Monitoring Services | 114,339 | 32,355 | 1,450 | 925 | 15,619 |
| Data Processing Services | 166,148 | 273,087 | 210,604 | 144,532 | 156,006 |
| Community Services | - | - | - | - | - |
| Principal on Long-Term Debt | 14,316 | 13,824 | 13,350 | 12,855 | 12,309 |
| Interest on Long-Term Debt | 402 | 894 | 1,190 | 1,863 | 2,935 |
| Bond Issuance Costs and Fees | - | | - | - | - |
| Capital Outlay | 70,503 | 70,503 | 5,963 | 533,833 | - |
| Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member DistSSA | 76,861 | 84,887 | 85,697 | 89,536 | 98,162 |
| Other Intergovernmental Charges | 91,952 | 88,172 | 88,819 | 87,698 | 108,920 |
| Total Expenditures | \$ 5,934,098 | \$ 5,988,867 | \$ 4,068,528 | \$ 4,707,791 | \$ 4,430,185 |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues | | | | | |
| Over (Under) Expenditures | \$(2,029,354) | \$ (909,951) | \$ (571,098) | \$ (1,039,556) | \$ 2,460,932 |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses): | | | | | |
| Issuance of Capital Leases | - | - | - | - | 67,423 |
| Transfers In | 107,944 | 64,315 | 33,000 | 94,000 | 26,000 |
| Other Resources | - | - | - | - | (26,000) |
| Transfers Out (Use) | (107,944) | (64,315) | (33,000) | (94,000) | |
| Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses): | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 67,423 |
| Special Item: | | | | | |
| Special Item (Use) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Net Change in Fund Balance ⁽¹⁾ | (2,029,354) (1) | (909,951) | (571,098) | (1,039,556) | 2,528,355 |
| Fund Balance Beginning | 2,358,927 | 3,458,808 | 4,058,104 | 5,097,661 | 2,569,306 |
| Prior Period Adjustment | · · · | (189,930) | (28,199) | - | - |
| Fund Balance - Ending ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ | \$ 329,573 | \$ 2,358,927 | \$ 3,458,807 | \$ 4,058,105 | \$ 5,097,661 |

 $Note: \ The \ above \ information \ was \ taken \ from \ the \ Issuer's \ Annual \ Financial \ Reports \ dated \ August \ 31, \ 2020-2024.$

⁽¹⁾ Reduction attributable to overpayment by the Texas Education Agency and subsequent recapture of State funding.

⁽²⁾ The District adopted a balanced budget.

⁽³⁾ Effective September 1, 2024, the District changed its fiscal year from August 31 to June 30. The District's 2024-2025 fiscal year consisted of a 10-month period that began September 1, 2024 and ended June 30, 2025. The District expects Its unaudited General Fund Balance to be approximately \$600,000 (approximately \$180,000 below its target of \$780,000).

OVERLAPPING DEBT DATA AND INFORMATION

(As of June 30, 2025)

The following table indicates the indebtedness, defined as outstanding bonds payable from ad valorem taxes, of governmental entities overlapping the District and the estimated percentages and amounts of such indebtedness attributable to property within the District. Expenditures of the various taxing bodies overlapping the territory of the Issuer are paid out of ad valorem taxes levied by these taxing bodies on properties overlapping the Issuer. These political taxing bodies are independent of the Issuer and may incur borrowings to finance their expenditures.

The following statements of direct and estimated overlapping ad valorem bonds were developed from information contained in the "Texas Municipal Reports" published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas. Except for the amounts relating to the Issuer, the Issuer has not independently verified the accuracy or completeness of such information, and no person should rely upon such information as being accurate or complete.

Furthermore, certain of the entities below may have authorized or issued additional bonds since the date stated below, and such entities may have programs requiring the authorization and/or issuance of substantial amounts of additional bonds, the amount of which cannot be determined.

| Taxing Body | | Gross Debt | % Overlapping | Am | ount Overlapping |
|---|----------|------------|---------------|----|------------------|
| Duval County | \$ | 2,475,000 | 24.83% | \$ | 614,543 |
| Total Gross Overlapping Debt | | | | \$ | 614,543 |
| Benavides Independent School District | \$ | 13,420,000 | 100.00% | | 13,420,000 (1) |
| Total Direct and Overlapping Debt | | | | \$ | 14,034,543 |
| Ratio of Direct and Overlapping Debt to the 2025 Assessed V Per Capita Direct and Overlapping Debt | aluation | ı | | \$ | 4.11% 19,095 |

Source: Texas Municipal Reports published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

AUTHORIZED BUT UNIS SUED GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISIONS

| | | | Amount | | |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|----------|
| | Date of | Amount | Previously | Amount | Amount |
| Purpose | Authorization | Authorized | Authorized Issued | | Unissued |
| School Building & Buses | 5/3/2025 | \$ 10,000,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000,000 | \$ - |

Source: Texas Municipal Reports published by the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

⁽¹⁾ Includes the Bonds.

^{*}Includes the Bonds and certain net premium allocations.



APPENDIX B

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE DISTRICT



GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE DISTRICT, AND DUVAL COUNTY, TEXAS

The District:

The Benavides Independent School District (the "District") is a political subdivision located in Duval County, covers approximately 93.56 square miles in Duval County and encompasses the City of Benavides. The District's 2024 census population was 4,431.

Historical Enrollment for the District:

| School Year | Enrollment |
|-------------|------------|
| 2020-21 | 255 |
| 2021-22 | 233 |
| 2022-23 | 353 |
| 2023-24 | 445 |
| 2024-25 | 85 |

Number of School Facilities:

| Type of School | Grades | 2024-2025 enrollment |
|------------------|--------|----------------------|
| High School | 9 - 12 | 45 |
| Junior High | 5 - 8 | 35 |
| Petty Elementary | PK - 4 | 5 |
| | Total: | 85 |

Educational status of the teachers is as follows:

| Educational Status of the Teachers | Count |
|---|-------|
| Masters' degree | - |
| Bachelor's degree | 17 |

Personnel distribution is as follows:

| Personnel Distribution | | Count |
|--|--------|-----------|
| District Level Administrators | | 3 |
| Building Level Administrators | | - |
| Instructional Staff | | 26 |
| Professional Support Staff (Counselors, Librarians, Nurses, Social Workers, etc.) | | 4 |
| General Personnel (Secretaries, Aides, Clerks, Bus Drivers, Food Service, Maintenance, etc.) | | <u>15</u> |
| | Total: | 48 |

Teacher salaries are competitive with surrounding districts. Teacher salaries range from \$50,250 for beginning teachers to a maximum of \$63,895.

DUVAL COUNTY, TEXAS

Duval County, Texas: Duval County, Texas ("Duval County") is in Texas, was founded in 1858 and later organized in 1876. The County's 2023 population is 9,604.

County seat: San Diego

Economic Base: Mineral: Oil, gravel, gas, and caliche.

Industry: Tourism, petrochemicals, oil, manufacturing and agribusiness.

Agricultural: grain sorghum, fisheries, cotton, corn and beef cattle.

Labor Force Statistics for Duval County

| | Duval County | | |
|----------------------|--------------|------------|--|
| | May | May | |
| | 2025 | 2024 | |
| Civilian Labor Force | 15,839,406 | 15,568,512 | |
| Employment | 15,192,258 | 14,936,099 | |
| Unemployment | 647,148 | 632,413 | |
| Unemployment Rate % | 4.1 | 4.1 | |

Source: Texas Labor Market Review.

APPENDIX C

FORM OF BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION



[Date of Delivery]

\$10,000,000.00 BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (A political subdivision of the State of Texas located in Duval County) UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2025

WE HAVE ACTED as Bond Counsel for the Benavides Independent School District (the "District") in connection with issuance of the captioned bonds (the "Bonds") for the 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 of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. In rendering the opinion herein, we have relied upon a transcript of certain certified proceedings pertaining to the issuance of the Bonds as described in the District's order authorizing the Bonds (the "Order"). The transcript contains certified copies of certain proceedings of the District and certain certifications and representations, other material facts within the knowledge and control of the District, an opinion of the Attorney General of Texas to the effect that the initial Bond is a valid and binding obligation of the District, upon which we rely; and certain other customary documents and instruments authorizing and relating to the issuance of the Bonds.

THE BONDS are being issued to provide funds to be used for the (1) construction, renovation, acquisition, and equipment of school buildings, (2) purchase of new buses and other new vehicles to be used for student transportation, and (3) payment of the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

BASED ON SUCH EXAMINATION, our opinion is as follows:

The transcript of certified proceedings evidences complete legal authority for the issuance of the Bonds in full compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas presently in effect; and constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the District in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof, except to the extent that the rights and remedies of the owners of the Bonds may be limited by laws heretofore or hereafter enacted relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions and the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

The Bonds are payable, both as to principal and interest, from the receipts of an annual ad valorem tax levied, without legal limits as to rate or amount, upon taxable property located within the District, except to the extent 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, which taxes have been pledged irrevocably to pay the principal of and the interest on the Bonds.

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| San Antonio | Austin | Dallas | Ft. Worth | Houston |
|-------------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|
| | | | | |

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Pursuant to section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended to the date hereof (the "Code"), and existing regulations, published rulings, and court decisions thereunder, in assuming continuing compliance after the date hereof by the District with the provisions of the Order relating to sections 141 through 150 of the Code, interest on the Bonds will be excludable from the gross income, as defined in section 61 of the Code, of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, and such interest will not be included in computing the alternative minimum taxable income of the owners thereof who are individuals for federal income tax purposes; however such interest is taken into account in determining the "adjusted financial statement income" (as defined in Section 56A of the Code) of "applicable corporations" (as defined in section 59(k) of the Code) for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on corporations for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022.

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

WE HAVE NOT BEEN REQUESTED to examine, and have not investigated or verified, any original proceedings, records, data or other material, but have relied upon the transcript of certified proceedings. We have not assumed any responsibility with respect to the financial condition or capabilities of the District or the disclosure thereof in connection with the sale of the Bonds. 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.

OUR OPINION IS BASED on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinion is further based on our knowledge of facts as of the date hereof. We assume no duty to update or supplement our opinion 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 opinion is not a guarantee of result and is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service; rather, such opinion represents our legal judgment based upon our review of existing law that we deem relevant to such opinion and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE HAS AN ONGOING AUDIT PROGRAM to determine compliance with rules relating to whether interest on state or local obligations is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given regarding whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If such an audit is commenced, under current procedures, the Service would treat the District as the taxpayer, and

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Owners of the Bonds would have no right to participate in the audit process. 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.

THIS LEGAL OPINION expresses the professional judgment of this firm as to the legal issues explicitly addressed therein. In rendering a legal opinion, we do not become an insurer or guarantor of that expression of professional judgment, of the transaction opined upon, or of the future performance of the parties to the transaction. Nor does the rendering of our opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise out of the transaction.

Respectfully,



APPENDIX D

EXCERPTS FROM THE BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT For the Year Ended August 31, 2024

The information contained in this APPENDIX consists of excerpts from the Benavides Independent School District Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended August 31, 2024, and is not intended to be a complete statement of the District's financial condition. Reference is made to the complete Report for further information.



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees Benavides Independent School District P.O. Drawer P Benavides, Texas 78341-0916

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Benavides Independent School District ("the District"), as of and for the year ended August 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Benavides Independent School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Benavides Independent School District, as of August 31, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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 Benavides Independent School 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.

Emphasis of Matter

Change in Accounting Principle

As described in Note A to the financial statements, in 2024, Benavides Independent School District adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

As described in Note A to the financial statements, in 2024, Benavides Independent School District early adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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 Benavides Independent School 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 GAAS and *Government 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 GAAS and Government 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 budgetary comparison information and schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability and schedule of District pension contributions, and schedule of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability and schedule of District OPEB contributions 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 Benavides Independent School District's basic financial statements. The introductory section and combining financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirem Regulations Part 200, Uniform Requirements for Federal Awards, is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining financial statements and other supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining financial statements and other supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information Included in the Annual Report

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information as identified in the table of contents comprises the information included in the annual report but 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 information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the 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.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 17, 2025 on our consideration of Benavides Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Benavides Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

And Humany, Company, P.C.

Corpus Christi, Texas February 17, 2025



Management's Discussion and Analysis

This section of Benavides Independent School District's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The District's total combined net position was \$4,520,324 at August 31, 2024.
- During the year, the District's expenses were \$8,404,137, or \$1,862,780 more than the \$6,541,357 generated in taxes and other revenues for governmental activities, not including special items.
- The total cost of the District's programs was \$8,404,137, or \$80,327 less than last year, with no new programs added.
- The general fund reported a fund balance this year of \$329,573, which is \$2,029,354 less than the 2023 balance of \$2,358,927.

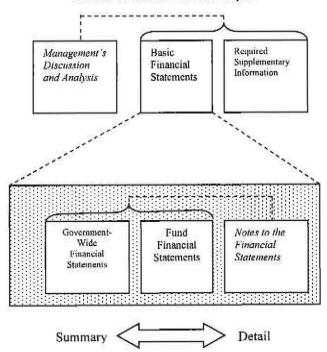
OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts—management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both longterm and short-term information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the government, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
- The governmental funds statements tell how general government services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.
- Proprietary fund statements offer short-term and long-term financial information about the activities the government operates like businesses, such as food service.
- Fiduciary fund statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the

benefit of others, to whom the resources in question belong.

Figure A-1. Required Components of the District's Annual Financial Report



The financial statements also include *notes* that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of *required supplementary information* that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements. Figure A-1 shows how the required parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.

Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District government they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management's discussion and analysis explains the structure and contents of each of the statements.

| | | | Fund Statements | - |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| Type of Statements | Government-Wide | Governmental Funds | Proprietary Funds | Fiduciary Funds |
| Scope | Entire District's government (except fiduciary funds) and the District's component units | The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary | Activities the District operates similar to private businesses: self insurance | Instances in which the district is the trustee or agent for someone else's resources |
| | *Statement of net position | *Balance Sheet | *Statement of net position | *Statement of Fiduciary net position |
| Required financial statement | *Statement of activities | *Statement of revenues, expenditures & changes in fund balances | *Statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net position | *Statement of changes in fiduciary net position |
| | | | *Statement of cash flows | |
| Accounting basis and measurement focus | Accrual accounting and economic resources focus | Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus | Accrual accounting and economic resources focus | Accrual accounting and economic resources focus |
| Type of asset/liability information | All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long- term | Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets included | All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term | All assets and liabilities, both short- term and long-term, the District's funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can |
| Type of inflow/outflow information | All revenue and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid | Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter | All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when eash is received or paid | All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid |

Government-Wide Statements

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the government's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position – the difference between the District's assets and liabilities – are one way to measure the District's financial health or *position*.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the District, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's tax base.

The government-wide financial statements of the District include the Governmental Activities. Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as instruction, extracurricular activities, curriculum and staff development, health services, and general administration. Property taxes and grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's most significant funds—not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- Some funds are required by State law and by bond covenants.
- The Board of Trustees establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is properly using certain taxes and grants.

The District has three kinds of funds:

- Governmental funds Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statement, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statement, or on the subsequent page, that explains the relationship (or differences) between them.
- Internal Service Funds These funds are used to report activities that provide supplies and services for the District's other programs and activities - such as the District's Self Insurance
- Fiduciary funds—The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for certain funds. It is also responsible for other assets that—because of a trust arrangement—can be used only for the trust beneficiaries. The District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. The District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net position and a statement of changes in fiduciary net position. We exclude these activities from the District's government-wide financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Net Position

The District's combined net position was approximately \$4,520,324 at August 31, 2024. Investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, furniture and equipment, less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding) is \$6,361,201. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

A portion of the District's net position, \$1,167,395, represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of net position of \$(3,008,272) may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations. (See Table A-1).

Table A-1
The District's Net Position

| | | Governmental Activities | | | | Total Change |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|------|--|------|--|
| | - | 2024 | | 2023 | | 2024-2023 |
| Current Assets: | ð. | 200 | 1 | VIII I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I | | |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$ | 223,678 | \$ | 263,107 | \$ | (39,429) |
| Current Investments | | 1,249,540 | | 1,185,620 | | 63,920 |
| Property Taxes Receivable (net) | | 771,045 | | 810,225 | | (39,180) |
| Due from Other Governments | | 1,719,686 | | 2,495,021 | | (775,335) |
| Internal Balances | | R Ng | | | | |
| Due from Fiduciary | | 2,087 | | 2.087 | | - |
| Other Receivables (Net) | | 1,620 | | 1,619 | | |
| Total Current Assets | = | 3,967,656 | | 4,757,679 | | (790,023) |
| Noncurrent Assets: | | | | | | |
| Capital Assets | | 9,709,733 | | 10,086,632 | | (376,899) |
| Total Assets | | 13,677,389 | | 14,844,311 | | (1,166,922) |
| Deferred Outflows of Resources | | | | | | |
| Deferred Outflow Related | | | | | | |
| to Pensions | | 1,185,763 | | 1,355,173 | | (169,410) |
| Deferred Outflow Related | | | | | | 54 (0.0)(0.0000000000000000000000000000000 |
| to OPEB | | 1,291,340 | | 1,580,658 | | (289,318) |
| Total Deferred Outflows | - | 2,477,103 | | 2,935,831 | | (458,728) |
| Current Liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Accounts Payable | | 285,580 | | 635,620 | | (350,040) |
| Short-Term Debt Payable | | 0 | | 450,000 | | (450,000) |
| Interest Payable | | 3,270 | | 3,764 | | (494) |
| Accrued Liabilities | | 194,787 | | 200,853 | | (6,066) |
| Due to Fiduciary | | 1,000 | | 1,000 | | |
| Due to Other Governments | | 1,513,628 | | 17,333 | | 1,496,295 |
| Unearned Revenue | | 64,860 | | ^ ; = ; | | 64,860 |
| Total Current Liabilities | - | 2,063,125 | | 1,308,570 | | 754,555 |
| Long-Term Liabilities | | | | | | |
| Due Within One Year | | 459,750 | | 14,316 | | 445,434 |
| Due in More Than One Year | | 2,888,782 | | 3,311,160 | | (422,378) |
| Net Pension Liability | | 2,117,931 | | 2,150,260 | | (32,329) |
| Net OPEB Liability | 72 | 936,880 | | 1,402,257 | | (465,377) |
| Total Liabilities | - | 8,466,468 | | 8,186,563 | | 279,905 |
| Deferred Inflows of Resources | | | | | | |
| Deferred Inflow Related | | | | | | |
| to Pensions | | 343,122 | | 258,442 | | 84,680 |
| Deferred Inflow Related | | | | | | |
| to OPEB | 7_ | 2,824,578 | | 2,952,033 | 9 | (127,455) |
| Total Deferred Inflows | _ | 3,167,700 | | 3,210,475 | 8 | (42,775) |
| Net Position | | | | | | <u></u> |
| Net Investment in Capital Assets | | 6,361,201 | | 6,311,156 | | 50,045 |
| Restricted | | 1,167,395 | | 1,101,483 | | 65,912 |
| Unrestricted | 12 | (3,008,272) | | (1,029,535) | | (1,978,737) |
| Total Net Position | \$ _ | 4,520,324 | . \$ | 6,383,104 | . \$ | (1,862,780) |

Changes in Net Position

The District's total revenues were \$6,541,357. A significant portion, 40%, of the District's revenues come from operating grants, 38% from property taxes, while 20% comes from state-aid formula (see Figure A-3).

State Aid-Formula 20%

Charges for Services 40%

Figure A-3 District Sources of Revenue for Fiscal Year

The total cost of all programs and services was \$8,404,137; 62% of these costs are for instructional and student services.

Governmental Activities

Property tax rates decreased from \$1.071/\$100 to \$.8993/\$100 valuation, with the District experiencing a decrease of \$314,991 in tax revenues to \$2,652,422.

Current and other assets decreased by \$790,023 from the previous year, primarily due to a decrease in due from other governments of \$775,335.

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Table A-2 Changes in Benavides Independent School District Statement of Activities

| | | Governmental Activities | | | | Total Change | |
|---|----|-------------------------|----|-------------|----|----------------------|--|
| | | 2024 | _ | 2023 | - | 2024-2023 | |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | |
| Program revenues: | | | | | | | |
| Charges for service | \$ | 7,680 | \$ | 8,856 | \$ | (1,176) | |
| Operating grants and contributions | | 2,644,475 | | 2,701,112 | | (56,637) | |
| General Revenues: | | | | | | | |
| Maintenance and operations taxes | | 1,902,642 | | 2,350,090 | | (447,448) | |
| Debt service taxes | | 562,388 | | 617,323 | | (54,935) | |
| State-Aid Formula Grants | | 1,283,642 | | 1,917,695 | | (634,053) | |
| Investment earnings | | 94,655 | | 57,662 | | 36,993 | |
| Miscellaneous | | 45,875 | | 71,910 | - | (26,035) | |
| Total Revenue | = | 6,541,357 | 9 | 7,724,648 | - | (1,183,291) | |
| Expenses: | | | | | | | |
| Instruction, curriculum and media | | | | | | 0.023 0 - 41,453,453 | |
| services | | 3,259,385 | | 3,157,550 | | 101,835 | |
| Instructional and school leadership | | 1,506,258 | | 2,061,944 | | (555,686 | |
| Student support services | | 431,508 | | 485,751 | | (54,243) | |
| Child nutrition | | 326,735 | | 370,712 | | (43,977 | |
| Cocurricular activities | | 255,716 | | 220,299 | | 35,417 | |
| General administration | | 662,304 | | 709,159 | | (46,855 | |
| Facilities maintenance, security & data | | | | | | | |
| processing | | 1,670,015 | | 1,178,486 | | 491,529 | |
| Community services | | 89 | | 799 | | (710 | |
| Debt services | | 123,313 | | 126,704 | | (3,391 | |
| Capital Outlay | | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | |
| Contracted instructional service | - | 168,813 | | 173,059 | 4 | (4,246) | |
| Total Expenses | _ | 8,404,137 | _ | 8,484,464 | , | (80,327) | |
| Increase (decrease) in net position | | | | 000 5 20 66 | | No National St | |
| before special item | | (1,862,780) | | (759,816) | | (1,102,964 | |
| Special Item: | | | | | | | |
| Special Item Outflow | | | | ·# | | ₹. | |
| Special Item Inflow | 2 | | - | | , | AND THE CONTROL OF | |
| Increase (decrease) in net position | | (1,862,780) | | (759,816) | | (1,102,964 | |
| Net Position, Beginning | | 6,383,104 | | 7,332,850 | | (949,746 | |
| Prior Period Adjustment | | | | (189,930) | | 189,930 | |
| Net Position - Beginning, as Restated | | 6,383,104 | | 7,142,920 | 5 | (759,816 | |
| Net Position, Ending | \$ | 4,520,324 | \$ | 6,383,104 | \$ | (1,862,780) | |

Table A-3
Net Cost of Selected District Functions

| | | Total Cost of Services | | % Change | Net Cos Servio | % Change | |
|-----------------------------|----|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|--------|
| | 3 | 2024 | 2023 | | 2024 | 2023 | |
| Instruction | \$ | 3,226,340 \$ | 3,145,081 | 2.58% | 1,731,656 \$ | 1,355,420 | 27.76% |
| General administration | | 662,304 | 709,159 | -6.61% | 658,981 | 724,446 | -9.04% |
| Plant Maint. And Operations | | 1,124,959 | 842,587 | 33.51% | 1,106,162 | 830,445 | 33.20% |

Table A-3 presents the cost of each of the District's largest functions as well as each function's net cost (total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid). The net cost reflects what was funded by state revenues as well as local tax dollars.

- The cost of all governmental activities this year was \$8,404,137.
- However, the amount that our taxpayers paid for these activities through property taxes was \$2,465,030.
- Some of the cost was paid by those who directly benefited from the programs, \$7,680, or by grants and contributions of \$2,644,475.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

Revenues from governmental fund types total \$6,755,476, a decrease of \$1,160,476, or 14.7%, from the preceding year. This increase is primarily due to a decrease in state program revenues.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the District revised its budget several times. Even with these adjustments, actual expenditures were \$166,827 above final budget amounts. The most significant negative variance resulted from higher instruction costs. Staffing is budgeted for full employment throughout the year.

Additionally, resources available were \$1,268,073 below the financial budgeted amount. As noted earlier:

- Property tax collections and other local revenues were \$98,461 more than expected.
- State funding was \$1,532,585 less than the final amended budgeted amount for the current year.
- In the 2023-2024 school year, the general fund's fund balance decreased by \$2,029,354 to \$329,573.

Capital Assets

At the end of 2024, the District had invested \$9,709,735 in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, equipment and vehicles (See Table A-4). This amount remained stable when compared to last year.

Table A-4
District's Capital Assets

| | 2 | 2023 | | Additions | Deletions | | 2024 |
|-----------------------------------|-----|------------|-----|--|-----------|---|------------|
| Land | \$ | 40,762 | \$ | | | S | 40,762 |
| Construction in Progress | | 70,503 | | 120,503 | 141,005 | | 50,001 |
| Buildings and Improvements | | 22,651,446 | | 141,005 | | | 22,792,451 |
| Vehicles and Equipment | 2 | 2,222,574 | W 1 | 1. annual | a | | 2,222,574 |
| Totals at historical cost | - 3 | 24,985,285 | | 261,508 | 141,005 | | 25,105,788 |
| Total accumulated depreciation | | 14,898,652 | | 497,401 | | | 15,396,053 |
| Net capital assets | 9 | 10,086,633 | 0 I | (235,893) | 141,005 | | 9,709,735 |

Long-Term Debt

The District has the following debt at August 31, 2024:

Table A-5
The District's Long-Term Debt

| | _ | 2024 | _ | 2023 | Total % Change |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------------|
| Ltd. tax refunding bonds | | 3,420,000 | | 3,870,000 | -11.63% |
| Premium on Bonds | | 34,463 | | 39,867 | -13.56% |
| Capital leases | | 4,750 | | 19,067 | -75.09% |
| Net Pension Liability | | 2,117,931 | | 2,150,260 | -1.50% |
| Net OPEB Liability | _ | 936,880 | _ | 1,402,257 | -33.19% |
| | s _ | 6,514,024 | s _ | 7,481,451 | -12.93% |

The District doesn't anticipate issuing any new debt of any kind during the next year. Additional information regarding the District's Long-Term Debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

- Appraised values used for the 2024 property tax assessments will be down \$10,032,723, or % from 2023. However, the total tax rate will decrease to \$.738 per \$100 valuation for the general fund, down from \$.9003 in the prior tax year (plus a \$.1613 tax rate per \$100 valuation for debt service fund. No major construction is anticipated during the ensuing 2024 year.
- General operating fund spending per student increased in the 2024-2025 budget from \$14,211 to \$11,851, a decrease of 16.6%.
- The district's 2025 refined average daily attendance is expected to increase to 570 students.

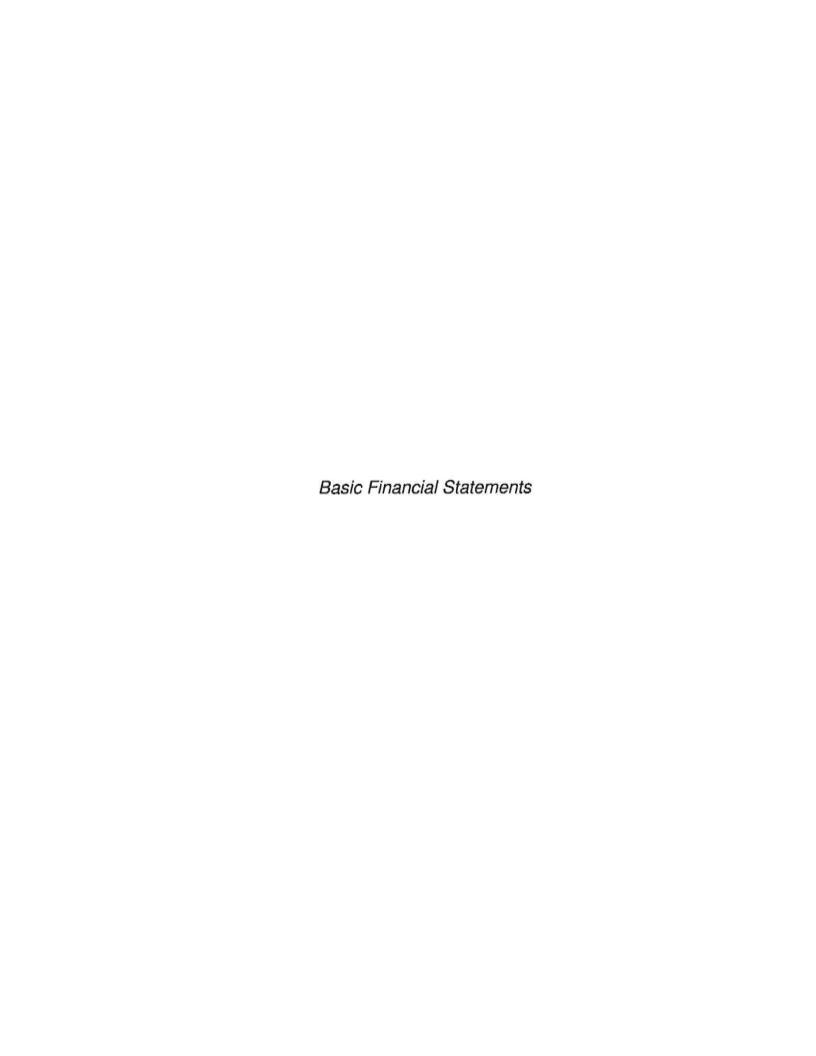
These indicators were taken into account when adopting the general fund budget for 2024-2025. Amounts available for appropriation in the general fund budget are \$2,470,926, a decrease of 52.2% from the final 2024 budget of \$5,172,817. State revenue is projected to decrease \$2,414,195 or 81.5% from the prior year's final budget.

Expenditures are budgeted to decrease by 27.8% or \$1,600,860 to \$4,166,411 from prior year actual expenditures. The largest decrease is in the area of instructional leadership. The biggest increase is going to be in instruction. The District has added no major new programs or initiatives to the 2025 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the District's budgetary general fund balance is expected to remain the same by the close of 2025.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the District's Business Office.



BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

AUGUST 31, 2024

| | | 1 |
|---------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Data | | |
| Control | | Governmental Activities |
| | ASSETS: | |
| 1110 | Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$ 223,678 |
| 1120 | Current Investments | 1,249,540 |
| 1225 | Property Taxes Receivable (Net) | 771,045 |
| 1240 | Due from Other Governments | 1,719,686 |
| 1267 | Due from Fiduciary | 2,087 |
| 1290 | Other Receivables (Net) | 1,620 |
| | Capital Assets: | 10.700 |
| 1510 | Land | 40,762 |
| 1520 | Buildings and Improvements, Net | 9,390,737 |
| 1530 | Furniture and Equipment, Net | 228,234 |
| 1580 | Construction in Progress | 50,000 |
| 1000 | Total Assets | 13,677,389 |
| | DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES: | |
| | Deferred Outflow Related to Pensions | 1,185,763 |
| | Deferred Outflow Related to OPEB | 1,291,340 |
| 1700 | Total Deferred Outflows of Resources | 2,477,103 |
| | LIABILITIES: | |
| 2110 | Accounts Payable | 285,580 |
| 2140 | Interest Payable | 3,270 |
| 2165 | Accrued Liabilities | 194,787 |
| 2177 | Due to Fiduciary | 1,000 |
| 2180 | Due to Other Governments | 1,513,628 |
| 2300 | Unearned Revenue | 64,860 |
| | Noncurrent Liabilities: | |
| 2501 | Due Within One Year | 459,750 |
| 2502 | Due in More Than One Year | 2,888,782 |
| 2540 | Net Pension Liability | 2,117,931 |
| 2545 | Net OPEB Liability | 936,880 |
| 2000 | Total Liabilities | 8,466,468 |
| | DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES: | |
| | Deferred Inflow Related to Pensions | 343,122 |
| | Deferred Inflow Related to OPEB | 2,824,578 |
| 2600 | Total Deferred Inflows of Resources | 3,167,700 |
| | NET POSITION: | |
| 3200 | Net Investment in Capital Assets | 6,361,201 |
| 3200 | Restricted For: | |
| 3850 | Debt Service | 802,603 |
| 3890 | Other Purposes | 364,792 |
| 3900 | Unrestricted | (3,008,272) |
| 3000 | Total Net Position | \$ 4,520,324 |
| | | |

Net (Expense)

BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

| | | | 1 | | 3 | | 4 | | Revenue and Changes in |
|-----------------|--|--|---|-----------|-----------------------------------|----|--|-----|---------------------------------------|
| Data Control | Functions/Programs | | Expenses | | Prograr harges for Services | | ues Operating Grants and contributions | - | Net Position Governmental Activities |
| Codes | Functions/Programs Governmental Activities: | - | Expenses | - | Services | | Ontributions | | Activities |
| 11 | Instruction | \$ | 3,226,340 | \$ | 22 | \$ | 1,494,684 | \$ | (1,731,656) |
| 12 | Instructional Resources and Media Services | | 11,255 | 8 | (44) | 7 | 263 | 70 | (10,992) |
| 13 | Curriculum and Staff Development | | 21,790 | | | | 5,100 | | (16,690) |
| 21 | Instructional Leadership | | 1,265,531 | | (42) | | 602,237 | | (663,294) |
| 23 | School Leadership | | 240,727 | | (***) | | (15.956) | | (256,683) |
| 31 | Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services | | 129,375 | | | | (3,687) | | (133,062) |
| 33 | Health Services | | 3,820 | | (10) | | 33,443 | | 29,623 |
| 34 | Student Transportation | | 298,313 | | 75 | | 10,566 | | (287,747) |
| 35 | Food Service | | 326,735 | | 2,475 | | 213,069 | | (111,191) |
| 36 | Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities | | 255,716 | | 5,205 | | (2,429) | | (252,940) |
| 41 | General Administration | | 662,304 | | 44 | | 3,323 | | (658,981) |
| 51 | Facilities Maintenance and Operations | | 1,124,959 | | ** | | 18,797 | | (1,106,162) |
| 52 | Security and Monitoring Services | | 372,168 | | ** | | 255,637 | | (116,531) |
| 53 | Data Processing Services | | 172,888 | | <u></u> | | 1,467 | | (171,421) |
| 61 | Community Services | | 89 | | ** | | 82 | | (7) |
| 72 | Interest on Long-term Debt | | 122,913 | | | | 25,953 | | (96,960) |
| 73 | Bond Issuance Costs and Fees | | 400 | | | | - | | (400) |
| 81 | Capital Outlay | | 1 | | ** | | ** | | (1) |
| 93 | Payments Related to Shared Services Arrangements | | 76,861 | | | | 1,926 | | (74,935) |
| 99 | Other Intergovernmental Charges | | 91,952 | | - | | ** | | (91,952) |
| TG | Total Governmental Activities | - | 8,404,137 | | 7,680 | 2 | 2,644,475 | | (5,751,982) |
| TP | Total Primary Government | \$ | 8,404,137 | \$ | 7,680 | \$ | 2,644,475 | 9 | (5,751,982) |
| | | neral Revo | EGMINISTER OF C | | | | | | |
| MT | | | xes, Levied for G | | | | | | 1,902,642 |
| DT | | | xes, Levied for D | ebt Servi | ce | | | | 562,388 |
| ΙE | | vestment . | TO 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10 | | | | | | 94,655 |
| SF | | A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR | ormula Grants | | | | | | 1,283,642 |
| MI | | iscellaneo | | | | | | _ | 45,875 |
| TR | | | eral Revenues | | | | | | 3,889,202 |
| CN | | | Net Position | | | | | | (1,862,780) |
| NB | | | Beginning | | | | | | 6,383,104 |
| NE | Net | Position - | Ending | | | | | \$_ | 4,520,324 |

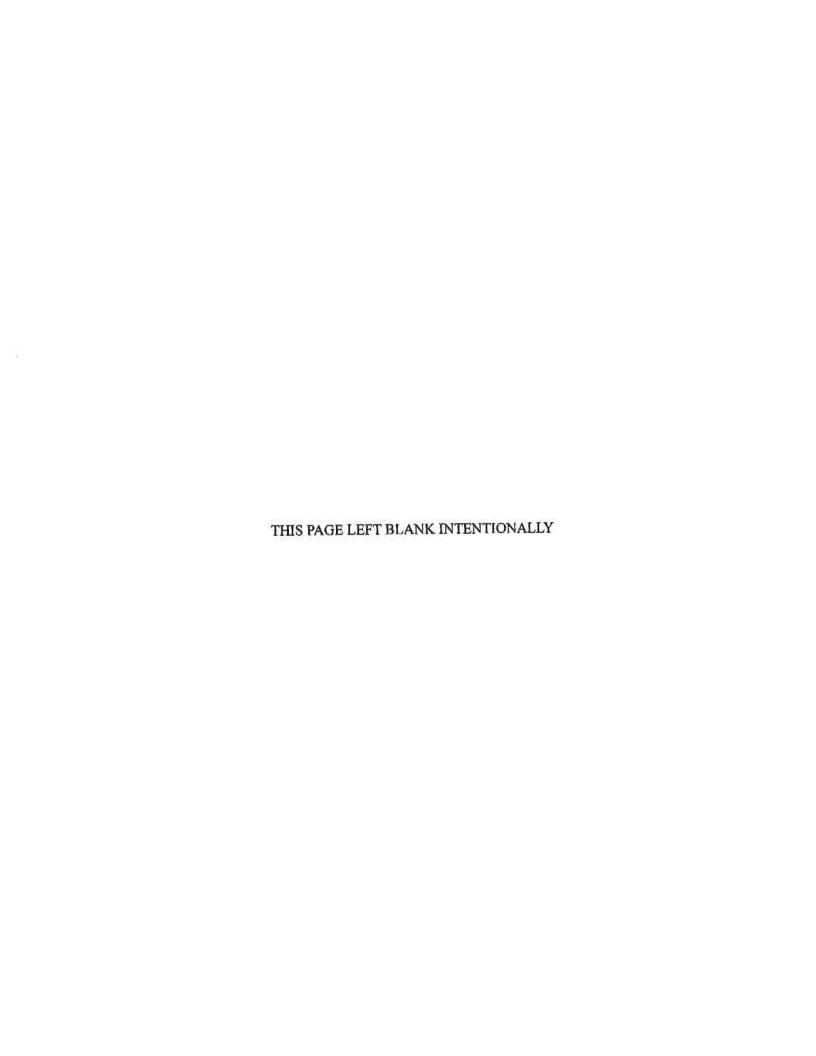
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AUGUST 31, 2024

| PERSONAL PROPERTY AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND | | 10 | Public |
|---|--|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Data | | | Charter |
| Contro | 1 | General | Schools |
| Codes | | Fund | Schools |
| 4440 | ASSETS: | \$ 719,637 | \$ (737,916) |
| 1110 | Cash and Cash Equivalents | 1,249,540 | Ψ (/3/,5/0) |
| 1120 | Current Investments | 608,800 | <u> </u> |
| 1225 | Taxes Receivable, Net | | 899,633 |
| 1240 | Due from Other Governments | 155,548 | |
| 1260 | Due from Other Funds | 1,087 | ne ne |
| 1290 | Other Receivables | 241 | |
| 1000 | Total Assets | 2,734,853 | 161,717 |
| | LIABILITIES: | | |
| | Current Liabilities: | | |
| 2110 | Accounts Payable | \$ 271,775 | \$ |
| 2150 | Payroll Deductions and Withholdings | 34,670 | 9 (9) |
| 2160 | Accrued Wages Payable | 160,117 | 55) |
| 2170 | Due to Other Funds | 75 | <u>44</u> / |
| 2180 | Due to Other Governments | 1,329,843 | 161,717 |
| 2300 | Unearned Revenue | 2 | |
| 2000 | Total Liabilities | 1,796,480 | 161,717 |
| | DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES: | | |
| | Deferred Revenue | 608,800 | 50E) |
| 2600 | Total Deferred Inflows of Resources | 608,800 | — — —— |
| 2000 | Total Deletted Itiliows of Resources | | |
| | FUND BALANCES: | | |
| | Restricted Fund Balances: | VIS 9 200 | |
| 3450 | Federal/State Funds Grant Restrictions | 10,133 | 1000 N |
| 3480 | Retirement of Long-Term Debt | | 22° |
| 3490 | Other Restrictions of Fund Balance | 24 | No. |
| | Committed Fund Balances: | | |
| 3510 | Construction | 28 | 3.0 1 |
| 3545 | Other Committed Fund Balance | To Survivo and American | 57E |
| 3600 | Unassigned | 319,440 | |
| 3000 | Total Fund Balances | 329,573 | |
| | Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflow | | |
| 4000 | of Resources and Fund Balances | \$ <u>2,734,853</u> | \$161 <u>,717</u> |

| _ | 50 Debt Service Fund | Go — | Other overnmental Funds | - | Total Governmental Funds |
|----|--|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|
| \$ | 354,391 | \$ | (180,744) | \$ | 155,368 |
| | ** | | ·- | | 1,249,540 |
| | 162,245 | | 22 | | 771,045 |
| | 3,546 | | 660,959 | | 1,719,686 |
| | 22 | | 1,853 | | 2,940 |
| | 14 | | 1,378 | | 1,619 |
| = | 520,182 | ; == | 483,446 | | 3,900,198 |
| \$ | 20 | \$ | 13,805 | \$ | 285,580 |
| Ψ | 20 | * | 10,000 | Ψ. | 34,670 |
| | - | | | | 160,117 |
| | - TT | | 1,777 | | 1,852 |
| | 1767 | | 22,068 | | 1,513,628 |
| | <u> </u> | | 64,860 | | 64,860 |
| | | 94- | 102,510 | 2 | 2,060,707 |
| - | | - | 102,510 | 12- | 2,000,107 |
| | 162,245 | | | = | 771,045 |
| 3 | 162,245 | | | 2. | 771,045 |
| | 200 | | ** | | 10,133 |
| | 357,937 | | 14.00 | | 357,937 |
| | | | 377,372 | | 377,372 |
| | - A | | (10) 2004/08/01 | | 87 220023593 |
| | 180 | | 3,564 | | 3,564 |
| | MATERIAL STREET, STREE | | | | 319,440 |
| | 357,937 | <u>.</u> | 380,936 | 差 | 1,068,446 |
| \$ | 520,182 | \$ | 483,446 | \$_ | 3,900,198 |

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AUGUST 31, 2024

| und balances - governmental funds balance sheet | \$ | 1,068,446 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position "SNP") are different because: | | |
| Capital assets used in governmental activities are not reported in the funds. | | 9,709,733 |
| Property taxes receivable unavailable to pay for current period expenditures are deferred in the fun- | ds. | 771,045 |
| he assets and liabilities of internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the SNF | >. | 68,310 |
| Payables for bond principal which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds. | | (3,420,000 |
| Payables for debt interest which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds. | | (3,270 |
| Payables for notes which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds. | | (4,750 |
| Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and are deferred in | the funds. | 110,680 |
| Recognition of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability is not reported in the fund | ds. | (2,117,931 |
| Deferred Resource Inflows related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds. | | (343,122 |
| Deferred Resource Outflows related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds. | | 1,185,763 |
| Bond premiums are amortized in the SNA but not in the funds. | | (34,462 |
| Recognition of the District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability is not reported in the funds | N | (936,880 |
| Deferred Resource Inflows related to the OPEB plan are not reported in the funds. | | (2,824,578 |
| Deferred Resource Outflows related to the OPEB plan are not reported in the funds. | | 1,291,340 |



STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

| | | 10 | |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------|----------------|
| Data | | | Public |
| Contro | 1 | General | Charter |
| Codes | | Fund | Schools |
| and the best black of | REVENUES: | | · · |
| 5700 | Local and Intermediate Sources | \$ 2,071,749 | \$ |
| 5800 | State Program Revenues | 1,428,944 | <u> </u> |
| 5900 | Federal Program Revenues | 404,051 | 944,549 |
| 5020 | Total Revenues | 3,904,744 | 944,549 |
| 3020 | rotal rievendes | 9100 11. 112 | 4 |
| | EXPENDITURES: | | |
| | Current: | | 00000-20020000 |
| 0011 | Instruction | 1,843,259 | 425,769 |
| 0012 | Instructional Resources and Media Services | 10,584 | |
| 0013 | Curriculum and Staff Development | 15,784 | 591 |
| 0021 | Instructional Leadership | 585,404 | 518,189 |
| 0023 | School Leadership | 249,126 | - TATA |
| 0031 | Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services | 128,803 | 55 |
| 0033 | Health Services | 3,719 | |
| 0034 | Student Transportation | 276,592 | 22 |
| 0035 | Food Service | 307,997 | |
| 0036 | Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities | 252,863 | 44 |
| 0041 | General Administration | 647,708 | ** |
| 0051 | Facilities Maintenance and Operations | 1,077,738 | |
| 0052 | Security and Monitoring Services | 114,339 | |
| 0052 | Data Processing Services | 166,148 | - |
| 0061 | Community Services | 190,140 | 22 |
| | | 14,316 | |
| | Principal on Long-term Debt | 402 | 1-000 |
| | Interest on Long-term Debt | 402 | 355 |
| | Bond Issuance Costs and Fees | 70,503 | |
| 0081 | | 76,861 | |
| | Payments to Shared Service Arrangements | | 22 |
| 0099 | | 91,952 | 944,549 |
| 6030 | Total Expenditures | 5,934,098 | - 944,549 |
| 1100 | The state of the s | 12 Table 12 Day | |
| 1100 | Expenditures | (2,029,354) | 2 |
| | Other Financing Sources and (Uses): | | |
| 7915 | Transfers In | 107,944 | ** |
| 8911 | Transfers Out | (107,944) | (45) |
| | Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses) | | |
| 1200 | Net Change in Fund Balances | (2,029,354) | |
| 0100 | Fund Balances - Beginning | 2,358,927 | · |
| 3000 | Fund Balances - Ending | \$329,573 | \$ |
| | 21. 250A400 0 2004-0 5000 2004-0 0 5000 2000 2000 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 | | C(+1) |

| | 50 Debt Service Fund | Gove | Other ernmental Funds | G — | Total overnmental Funds |
|---------|-------------------------------|--------------|---|---------------|-------------------------------|
| \$ | 578,502 25,953 | \$ | 2,171 546,317 | \$ | 2,652,422 2,001,214 |
| 5 | 204 155 | | 753,240 | _ | 2,101,840 6,755,476 |
| | 604,455 | k | 1,301,728 | 9 | 0,755,476 |
| | | | 915,854 | | 3,184,882 |
| | 22 | | 4.44 | | 10,584 |
| | ** | | 4,115 | | 20,490 |
| | | | 74,429 | | 1,178,022 |
| | ** | | 3,062 | | 252,188 |
| | *** | | | | 128,803 |
| | | | ** | | 3,719 |
| | 9229 | | 5,492 | | 282,084 |
| | 844 | | 5,519 | | 313,516 |
| | | | (1,893) | | 250,970 |
| | (##) | | 4,609 | | 652,317 |
| | (75) | | 1,255 | | 1,078,993 |
| | | | 283,533 | | 397,872 |
| | | | 1,606 | | 167,754 |
| | 944 | | 83 | | 83 |
| | 450,000 | | ## CON | | 464,316 |
| | 85,633 | | ** | | 86,035 |
| | 400 | | 100 | | 400 |
| | Marie Company | | | | 70,503 |
| | | | 122 | | 76,861 |
| | 222 | | ** | | 91,952 |
| | 536,033 | | 1,297,664 | | 8,712,344 |
| <u></u> | 68,422 | - | 4,064 | - | (1,956,868) |
| | 98 2 | | * <u>***</u> | | 107,944 |
| | (5.5) | | (17) | | (107,944) |
| _ | (21 | | (17) (17) (17) (17) (17) (17) (17) (17) | | |
| | 68,422 | | 4,064 | _ | (1,956,868) |
| | 289,515 | | 376,872 | | 3,025,314 |
| \$ | 357,937 | \$ | 380,936 | \$ | 1,068,446 |

BENAVIDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

| Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds | \$ (1,956,868) |
|--|-------------------|
| Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities ("SOA") are different because: | |
| Capital outlays are not reported as expenses in the SOA. | 120,503 |
| The depreciation of capital assets used in governmental activities is not reported in the funds. | (497,401) |
| Certain property tax revenues are deferred in the funds. This is the change in these amounts this year. | (39,182) |
| Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA. | 450,000 |
| Repayment of loan principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA. | 14,317 |
| (Increase) decrease in accrued interest from beginning of period to end of period. | (42,283) |
| The net revenue (expense) of internal service funds is reported with governmental activities. | 977 |
| Bond premiums are reported in the funds but not in the SOA. | 5,404 |
| The District's share of the unrecognized deferred inflows and outflows for the pension plan was amortized. | 90,897 |
| THE DISTRICT CHARGE OF THE CHARGE STREET WHEN SHIP AS THE PERSON NEWS PROPERTY. | |

OPEB contributions made after the measurement date but in current FY were de-expended & reduced NPL. The District's share of the unrecognized deferred inflows and outflows for the OPEB plan was amortized.

Change in net position of governmental activities - Statement of Activities

Pension expense relating to GASB 68 is recorded in the SOA but not in the funds.

(1,862,780)

(312,658)

569,348

(265,834)

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION INTERNAL SERVICE FUND AUGUST 31, 2024

| | | Nonmajor ernal Service Fund |
|--------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Data | | |
| Contro | l . | Insurance |
| Codes | | Fund |
| | ASSETS: | |
| | Current Assets: | |
| 1110 | Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$ 68,310 |
| | Total Current Assets | 68,310 |
| 1000 | Total Assets | 68,310 |
| | LIABILITIES: | |
| 2000 | Total Liabilities | |
| | NET POSITION: | |
| 3900 | Unrestricted | \$ 68,310 |
| 3000 | Total Net Position | \$ 68,310 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION - INTERNAL SERVICE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

| _ | Nonmajor Internal Service Fund |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Data | Weeks was taken |
| Control | Insurance Fund |
| OPERATING REVENUES: | Fund |
| 18 - 18 C | \$ 64,178 |
| 5700 Local and Intermediate Sources | |
| 5020 Total Revenues | 64,178 |
| OPERATING EXPENSES: | |
| 6400 Other Operating Costs | 63,201 |
| 6030 Total Expenses | 63,201 |
| 1300 Change in Net Position | 977 |
| 0100 Total Net Position - Beginning | 67,333 |
| 3300 Total Net Position - Ending | \$ 68,310 |

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

| | = | Nonmajor Service Funds |
|---|------|------------------------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Cash Receipts (Payments) for Quasi-external | | |
| Operating Transactions with Other Funds | \$ | 64,178 |
| Cash Payments to Other Suppliers for Goods and Services | | (63,201) |
| Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities | | 977 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents | | 977 |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year | | 67,333 |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year | \$ | 68,310 |
| Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities: | | |
| Operating Income (Loss) | \$ | 977 |
| Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities: | | |
| Change in Assets and Liabilities: | | |
| Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable | | |
| Total Adjustsments | 2002 | ** |
| Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities | \$ | 977_ |

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS

| | IST 31, 2024 | Private-purpose Trust Fund | Custodial Fund |
|---------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Data | | | |
| Contro | l | Private-Purpose | Student |
| Codes | | Trust Fund | Activity |
| 8 88384 | ASSETS: | | |
| 1110 | Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$ 1,000 | \$ 22,407 |
| 1000 | Total Assets | 1,000 | 22,407 |
| | LIABILITIES: | | |
| | Current Liabilities: | | |
| 2170 | Due to Other Funds | \$ | \$ 1,087 |
| 2000 | Total Liabilities | | 1,087 |
| | NET POSITION: | | |
| 3800 | Held in Trust | 1,000 | 22 |
| 3800 | Restricted for Other Purposes | | 21,320 |
| 3000 | Total Net Position | \$1,000 | \$ 21,320 |
| | | | |

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

| | | Private turpose Trusts | | Custodial Funds |
|--|-----|------------------------------|----|--------------------|
| ADDITIONS: | (2) | | | |
| Investment Income | \$ | | \$ | *** |
| Net (Decrease) in Fair Value of Investments | | 1000 | | |
| Employer Contributions | | (77) | | 85 |
| Plan Member Contributions | | 22 | | - |
| Contributions from Foundations, Gifts and Bequests | | | | 22 |
| Student Group Fundraising Activities | | ** | | 71,322 |
| Total Additions | - | ** | - | 71,322 |
| DEDUCTIONS: | | | | |
| Benefits | | 722 | | 22 |
| Supplies and Materials | | 22 | | 72,775 |
| Dues | | ** | | |
| Total Deductions | | | | 72,775 |
| Change in Fiduciary Net Position | | 1.75.0 1.75.0 | | (1,453) |
| Net Position-Beginning of the Year | | 1,000 | | 22,773 |
| Net Position-End of the Year | \$ | 1,000 | \$ | 21,320 |

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The basic financial statements of Benavides Independent School District (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") applicable to governmental units in conjunction with the Texas Education Agency's Financial Accountability System Resource Guide ("Resource Guide"). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Reporting Entity

The Board of School Trustees ("Board"), a seven-member group, has governance responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary education within the jurisdiction of the District. The Board is elected by the public and has the exclusive power and duty to govern and oversee the management of the public schools of the District. All powers and duties not specifically delegated by statute to the Texas Education Agency ("TEA") or to the State Board of Education are reserved for the Board, and the TEA may not substitute its judgment for the lawful exercise of those powers and duties by the Board. The District receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the requirements of those funding entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental reporting entity and there are no component units included within the District's reporting entity.

2. Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting

a. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. The District does not allocate indirect expenses in the statement of activities. Program revenues include (a) fees, fines, and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements: The fund financial statements provide information about the District's funds, with separate statements presented for each fund category. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

Proprietary fund operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the fund. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund: This is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the District except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Public Charter Schools Grant Fund: This fund accounts for grant expenditures and related revenues of the Public Charter School Grant. This grant was completed and closed in the current year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Debt Service Fund: This fund accounts for tax revenues collected for the payment of long term debt, and the debt payments and related costs.

In addition, the District reports the following fund types:

Internal Service Funds: These funds are used to account for revenues and expenses related to services provided to parties inside the District. These funds facilitate distribution of support costs to the users of support services on a cost-reimbursement basis. Because the principal users of the internal services are the District's governmental activities, this fund type is included in the "Governmental Activities" column of the government-wide financial statements.

Private-Purpose Trust Funds: These funds are used to report trust arrangements under which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments not reported in other fiduciary fund types.

Custodial Funds: These funds are used to report student activity funds and other resources held in a purely custodial capacity. Custodial funds typically involve only the receipt, temporary investment, and remittance of the fiduciary resources to individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Fiduciary funds are reported in the fiduciary fund financial statements. However, because their assets are held in a trustee or custodial capacity and are therefore not available to support District programs, these funds are not included in the government-wide statements.

b. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting

Government-wide, Proprietary, and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements: These financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements: Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end with the exception of property taxes which are fully deferred. Revenues from local sources consist primarily of property taxes. Property tax revenues and revenues received from the State are recognized under the susceptible-to-accrual concept. Miscellaneous revenues are recorded as revenue when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned, since they are both measurable and available. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under lease contracts and subscription-based information technology arrangements are reported as other financing sources.

When the District incurs an expenditure or expense for which both restricted and unrestricted resources may be used, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

3. Financial Statement Amounts

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, highly liquid investments are considered to be cash equivalents if they have a maturity of three months or less when purchased.

b. Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied by October 1 on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1 for all real and business personal property in conformity with Subtitle E, Texas Property Tax Code. Taxes are due on receipt of the tax bill and are delinquent if not paid before February 1 of the year following the year in which imposed. On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed. Property tax revenues are considered available when they become due or past due and receivable within the current period.

The assessed value of the roll on January 1, 2023, upon which the levy for the 2024 fiscal year was based, was \$260,587,568 (M&O and I&S value) and \$207,069,600 (I&S value only).

The tax rates assessed for the year ended August 31, 2024, to finance General Fund operations and Debt Service was \$.8993 per \$100 valuation.

Current tax collections, net of discounts, for the year ended August 31, 2023 were 94.5% of the year-end adjusted tax levy.

Allowances for uncollectible tax receivables within the General and Debt Service Funds 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.

| | | Balance 09/01/23 | Current Year Levy | | Total Collections | | Yearly Adjustments | Balance 08/31/24 |
|--------------------------------------|-----|---------------------|----------------------|-----|----------------------|-----|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Delinquent Taxes Receivable | \$ | 1,687,269 | \$ 2,469,627 | \$ | 2,425,556 | \$ | (83,251)\$ | 1,648,089 |
| Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes | | (877,044) | | | | 100 | | (877,044) |
| Net Delinquent Taxes Receivable | \$_ | 810,225 | \$ 2,469,627 | \$_ | 2,425,556 | \$_ | (83,251)\$ | 771,045 |

c. Inventories and Prepaid Items

The District records purchases of supplies as expenditures, utilizing the purchase method of accounting for inventory in accordance with the Resource Guide.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

d. Capital Assets

Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of the donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. A capitalization threshold of \$5,000 is used.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Capital assets are being depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

| Asset Class | Estimated Useful Lives | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Buildings | 50 | | | |
| Building Improvements | 20 | | | |
| Vehicles | 3-15 | | | |
| Furniture and Equipment | 5-10 | | | |
| Computer Equipment | 3-15 | | | |
| Right-to-use Lease Assets | 5 | | | |
| Right-to-use Subscription Assets | 5 | | | |

Impairment losses related to capital assets are recognized and measured when there has been a significant, unexpected decline in the service utility of capital assets. The events or changes in circumstances which lead to impairment determinations are not considered to be normal or ordinary. The service utility of a capital asset is the usable capacity which, at acquisition, was expected to be used or provide service. Common indicators of impairment include - evidence of physical damage where the level of damage is such that restoration efforts are needed to restore service utility; enactment of laws or approval of regulations as well as changes in environmental factors; technological developments, or other evidence of obsolescence; changes in the manner of duration of use of capital assets; or construction stoppage due to lack of funding. There were no impairment charges during fiscal 2024.

e. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statements of financial position (the government-wide Statement of Net Position and governmental funds balance sheet) will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position and/or fund balance that applies to one or more future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statements of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to one or more future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

f. Receivable and Payable Balances

The District believes that sufficient detail of receivable and payable balances is provided in the financial statements to avoid the obscuring of significant components by aggregation. Therefore, no disclosure is provided which disaggregates those balances.

There are no significant receivables which are not scheduled for collection within one year of year end.

g. Interfund Activity

Interfund activity results from loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers between funds. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures or expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers In and Transfers Out are netted and presented as a single "Transfers" line on the government-wide statement of activities. Similarly, interfund receivables and payables are netted and presented as a single "Internal Balances" line of the government-wide statement of net position.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

h. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the use of management's estimates.

i. Data Control Codes

Data Control Codes appear in the rows and above the columns of certain financial statements. The TEA requires the display of these codes in the financial statements filed with TEA in order to ensure accuracy in building a statewide database for policy development and funding plans.

j. Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

Fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance - represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form (such as inventory or prepaid insurance) or legally required to remain intact (such as notes receivable or principal of a permanent fund).

Restricted Fund Balance - represents amounts that are constrained by external parties, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance - represents amounts that can only be used for a specific purpose because of a formal action by the District's Board of Trustees. Committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Trustees removes those constraints by taking the same type of formal action. Committed fund balance amounts may be used for other purposes with appropriate due process by the Board of Trustees. Commitments are typically done through adoption and amendment of the budget. Committed fund balance amounts differ from restricted balances in that the constraints on their use do not come from outside parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.

Assigned Fund Balance - represents amounts which the District intends to use for a specific purpose, but that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Intent may be stipulated by the Board of Trustees or by an official or body to which the Board of Trustees delegates the authority. Specific amounts that are not restricted or committed in a special revenue, capital projects, debt service or permanent fund are assigned for purposes in accordance with the nature of their fund type or the fund's primary purpose. Assignments within the general fund convey that the intended use of those amounts is for a specific purpose that is narrower than the general purposes of the District itself.

Unassigned Fund Balance - represents amounts which are unconstrained in that they may be spent for any purpose. Only the general fund reports a positive unassigned fund balance. Other governmental funds might report a negative balance in this classification because of overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed or assigned.

k. Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance in the governmental

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

4. Pensions

The fiduciary net position of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, and information about assets, liabilities and additions to/deductions from TRS fiduciary net position. Benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

5. Other Post-Employment Benefits

The fiduciary net position of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) TRS-Care Plan has been determined using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-employment benefits, OPEB expense, and information about assets, liabilities and additions to / deductions from TRS-Care's fiduciary net position. Benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. There are no investments as this is a pay-as-you-go plan and all cash is held in a cash account.

6. Implementation of New Standards

In the current fiscal year, the District implemented the following new standards. The applicable provisions of the new standards are summarized below. Implementation is reflected in the financial statements and the notes to the financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 99, Omnibus 2022

The objectives of this Statement are to enhance comparability in accounting and financial reporting and to improve the consistency of authoritative literature by addressing (1) practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements and (2) accounting and financial reporting for financial guarantees. The practice issues addressed by this Statement are as follows:

- Classification and reporting of derivative instruments that do not meet the definition of either an investment or a hedge
- · Guidance clarification for short-term leases when there is a modification of terms
- Considerations for public-private partnerships (PPP) terminology as well as recognizing installment payments and transferring underlying PPP assets
- Clarifications of subscription-based information technology arrangement (SBITA) terms, and liability measurement and recognition
- Disclosures related to nonmonetary transactions
- Certain provisions of GASB Statement No. 34
- · Pledges of future revenues when resources are not received by the pledging government
- Terminology updates related to deferred inflows and outflows of resources and net position
- Resource flows statements terminology related to GASB Statement No. 53
- · Accounting for SNAP distributions
- · Requirements related to the extension of the use of LIBOR

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The requirements of GASB Statement No. 99 that relate to the extension of the use of LIBOR, accounting for SNAP distributions, disclosures for nonmonetary transactions, pledges of future revenues by pledging governments, clarifications of certain provisions in Statement 34, and terminology updates took effect upon issuance.

The requirements related to leases, PPPs, and SBITAs are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter.

The requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter. The District implemented this Statement during the current year.

GASB Statement No. 100, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62

The primary objective of this Statement is to enhance accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections to provide more understandable, reliable, relevant, consistent, and comparable information for making decisions or assessing accountability.

This Statement requires disclosure in notes to financial statements of descriptive information about accounting changes and error corrections, such as their nature. In addition, information about the quantitative effects on beginning balances of each accounting change and error correction should be disclosed by reporting unit in a tabular format to reconcile beginning balances as previously reported to beginning balances as restated. Furthermore, this Statement addresses how information that is effected by a change in accounting principle or error correction should be presented in required supplementary information (RSI) and supplementary information (SI). For periods that are earlier than those included in the basic financial statements, information presented in RSI or SI should be restated for error corrections, if practicable, but not for changes in accounting principles.

The requirements of this Statement are effective for accounting changes and error corrections made in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter. The District has adopted Statement No. 100. for the current year.

B. Compliance and Accountability

1. Finance-Related Legal and Contractual Provisions

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 38, "Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures," violations of finance-related legal and contractual provisions, if any, are reported below, along with actions taken to address such violations:

| Violation | Action Taken |
|--|--|
| Excess Expenditures over Appropriatios | Review of budgeting policies and procedures. |

| Fund | Fund/Function | | Amount |
|------|---|----|---------|
| 199 | 11 Instruction | \$ | 395,813 |
| 199 | 13 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development | | 14,784 |
| 199 | 31 Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services | | 35 |
| 199 | 51 Facilities Maintenance and Operations | | 72,839 |
| 199 | 52 Security and Monitoring Services | | 15,475 |
| 199 | 53 Data Processing Services | | 16 |
| 199 | 00 Transfers Out | | 107,944 |

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2. Deficit Fund Balance or Fund Net Position of Individual Funds

Following are funds having deficit fund balances or fund net position at year end, if any, along with remarks which address such deficits:

Deficit

Fund Name Amount Remarks
None reported Not applicable Not applicable

C. Deposits and Investments

The District's funds are required to be deposited and invested under the terms of a depository contract. The depository bank deposits for safekeeping and trust with the District's agent bank approved pledged securities in an amount sufficient to protect District funds on a day-to-day basis during the period of the contract. The pledge of approved securities is waived only to the extent of the depository bank's dollar amount of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance.

1. Cash Deposits:

At August 31, 2024, the carrying amount of the District's deposits (cash, certificates of deposit, and interest-bearing savings accounts included in temporary investments) was \$247,086 and the bank balance was \$784,488. The District's cash deposits at August 31, 2024 and during the year ended August 31, 2024, were entirely covered by FDIC insurance or by pledged collateral held by the District's agent bank in the District's name.

Investments:

The District is required by Government Code Chapter 2256, The Public Funds Investment Act, to adopt, implement, and publicize an investment policy. That policy must address the following areas: (1) safety of principal and liquidity, (2) portfolio diversification, (3) allowable investments, (4) acceptable risk levels, (5) expected rates of return, (6) maximum allowable stated maturity of portfolio investments, (7) maximum average dollar-weighted maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date for the portfolio, (8) investment staff quality and capabilities, and (9) bid solicitation preferences for certificates of deposit.

The Public Funds Investment Act ("Act") requires an annual audit of investment practices. Audit procedures in this area conducted as a part of the audit of the basic financial statements disclosed that in the areas of investment practices, management reports and establishment of appropriate policies, the District adhered to the requirements of the Act. Additionally, investment practices of the District were in accordance with local policies.

The Act determines the types of investments which are allowable for the District. These include, with certain restrictions, 1) obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. agencies, and the State of Texas, 2) certificates of deposit, 3) certain municipal securities, 4) securities lending program, 5) repurchase agreements, 6) bankers acceptances, 7) mutual funds, 8) investment pools, 9) guaranteed investment contracts, and 10) commercial paper.

The District's investment at August 31, 2024 is shown below.

Investment or Investment Type Lone Star Investment Pool Total Investments Maturity N/A Fair Value \$ 1,251,188 \$ 1,251,188

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Analysis of Specific Deposit and Investment Risks

GASB Statement No. 40 requires a determination as to whether the District was exposed to the following specific investment risks at year end and if so, the reporting of certain related disclosures:

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The ratings of securities by nationally recognized rating agencies are designed to give an indication of credit risk. At year end, the District was not significantly exposed to credit risk.

At August 31, 2024, the District's investments, other than those which are obligations of or guaranteed by the U. S. Government, are rated as to credit quality as follows:

Lone Star Investment Pool, rated AAAm

b. Custodial Credit Risk

Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the government, and are held by either the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

At year end, the District was not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk

This risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. At year end, the District was not exposed to concentration of credit risk.

d. Interest Rate Risk

This is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to interest rate risk.

e. Foreign Currency Risk

This is the risk that exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. At year end, the District was not exposed to foreign currency risk.

Investment Accounting Policy

The District's general policy is to report money market investments and short-term participating interest-earning investment contracts at amortized cost and to report nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts using a cost-based measure. However, if the fair value of an investment is significantly affected by the impairment of the credit standing of the issuer or by other factors, it is reported at fair value. All other investments are reported at fair value unless a legal contract exists which guarantees a higher value. The term "short-term" refers to investments which have a remaining term of one year or less at time of purchase. The term "nonparticipating" means that the investment's value does not vary with market interest rate changes. Nonnegotiable certificates of deposit are examples of nonparticipating interest-earning investment contracts.

Public Funds Investment Pools

Public funds investment pools in Texas ("Pools") are established under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation

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Act, Chapter 79 of the Texas Government Code, and are subject to the provisions of the Public Funds Investment Act (the "Act"), Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code. In addition to other provisions of the Act designed to promote liquidity and safety of principal, the Act requires Pools to: 1) have an advisory board composed of participants in the pool and other persons who do not have a business relationship with the pool and are qualified to advise the pool; 2) maintain a continuous rating of no lower than AAA or AAA-m or an equivalent rating by at least one nationally recognized rating service; and 3) maintain the market value of its underlying investment portfolio within one half of one percent of the value of its shares.

The District's investments in Pools are reported at an amount determined by the fair value per share of the pool's underlying portfolio, unless the pool is 2a7-like, in which case they are reported at share value. A 2a7-like pool is one which is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as an investment company, but nevertheless has a policy that it will, and does, operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

D. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended 2024, Benavides Independent School District, was as follows:

| | Beginning Balances | Increases | Decreases | Ending Balances |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------|--------------------|
| Governmental activities: | | | | |
| Capital assets not being depreciated: | | | | |
| Land \$ | 40,762 \$ | \$ | \$ | 40,762 |
| Construction in Progress | 70,503 | 120,503 | 141,005 | 50,001 |
| Total capital assets not being depreciated | 111,264 | 120,503 | 141,005 | 90,762 |
| Capital assets being depreciated: | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements | 22,651,445 | 141,005 | 22 | 22,792,450 |
| Equipment | 1,238,484 | North Control Control | (44) | 1,238,484 |
| Vehicles | 984,089 | Gr. | ** | 984,089 |
| Total capital assets being depreciated | 24,874,018 | 141,005 | | 25,015,023 |
| Less accumulated depreciation for: | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements | (13,018,183) | (383,529) | 2.2 | (13,401,712) |
| Equipment | (934,793) | (95,520) | | (1,030,313) |
| Vehicles | (945,675) | (18,352) | ** | (964,027) |
| Total accumulated depreciation | (14,898,651) | (497,401) | | (15,396,052) |
| Total capital assets being depreciated, net | 9,975,367 | (356,396) | | 9,618,971 |
| Governmental activities capital assets, net \$ | 10,086,631 \$ | (235,893) \$ | 141,005 \$ | 9,709,733 |

Depreciation was charged to functions as follows:

| Instruction | \$ 188,916 |
|--|---------------|
| Instructional Resources and Media Services | 671 |
| Curriculum and Staff Development | 1,300 |
| Instructional Leadership | 95,851 |
| School Leadership | 15,999 |
| Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation Services | 8,171 |
| Health Services | 236 |
| Student Transportation | 18,353 |
| Food Services | 19,240 |
| Extracurricular Activities | 15,776 |
| General Administration | 40,823 |
| Plant Maintenance and Operations | 56,329 |
| Security and Monitoring Services | 25,088 |
| Data Processing Services | 10,642 |
| Community Services | 6 |
| Common and contract of the common and contract of the contract | \$ 497,401 |
| | 1000 |

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E. Interfund Balances and Activities

1. Due To and From Other Funds

Balances due to and due from other funds at August 31, 2024, consisted of the following:

| Due To Fund | Due From Fund | | Amount | Purpose | |
|--|--------------------------|-----|--------|------------------|--|
| Custodial Fund | Other Governmental Funds | \$ | 1,000 | Short-term loans | |
| General Fund | Custodial Funds | | 1,086 | Short-term loans | |
| Other Governmental Funds | Other Governmental Funds | | 778 | Short-term loans | |
| Other Governmental Funds | General Fund | | 75 | Short-term loans | |
| enter atau setan i kontrestanteretokusus (Tat Taki tintat tan 1 - 46 kilin eks Tanata. | Total | \$_ | 2,939 | | |

All amounts due are scheduled to be repaid within one year.

2. Transfers To and From Other Funds

Transfers to and from other funds at August 31, 2024, consisted of the following:

| Transfers From | Transfers To | Amount | Reason |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| General fund | Other General Fund (food service) \$ | 107,944 | Supplement other funds sources |
| | Total \$ | 107,944 | |

F. Long-Term Obligations

1. Long-Term Obligation Activity

Long-term obligations include debt and other long-term liabilities. Changes in long-term obligations for the year ended 2024, Benavides Independent School District, are as follows:

| | | Beginning Balance | | Increases | | Decreases | | Ending Balance | | Amounts Due Within One Year |
|-------------------------------|----|----------------------|-----|------------|------|-----------|------------|-------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| Governmental activities: | | | | | =R | | \ <u> </u> | | | |
| Ltd Tax Refunding Bonds | | | | | | | 2 | 2 151 552 | | 755 177 |
| -2012 | \$ | 3,870,000 | \$ | 22 | \$ | 450,000 | \$ | 3,420,000 | \$ | 455,000 |
| Premium on Bonds | | 39,867 | | 184 | | 5,404 | | 34,463 | | |
| Capital Financing Activities | | 19,067 | | ** | | 14,317 | | 4,750 | | 4,750 |
| Net Pension Liability * | | 2,150,260 | | *** | | 32,329 | | 2,117,931 | | (574) |
| Net OPEB Liability * | | 1,402,257 | | | | 465,377 | | 936,880 | 1 :5- | 22 |
| Total governmental activities | \$ | 7,481,451 | \$_ | | _ \$ | 967,427 | \$_ | 6,514,024 | \$_ | 459,750 |
| | | · . ~ | | 67E (8) | | | | | | |
| | Le | ess Loss on D | ele | ased Bonds | | | | (110,681) | | |
| | To | otal Long-Terr | n D | ebt | | | | 6,403,343 | | |

^{*} Other long-term liabilities

The funds typically used to liquidate other long-term liabilities in the past are as follows:

| Liability | Activity Type | Fund |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------|
| Net Pension Liability | Governmental | General |
| Net OPEB Liability | Governmental | General |

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2024 2023

Unlimited Tax School Bonds:

\$6,720,000 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, payable in annual installments of \$532,3822 to \$532,220 including interest at 2% to 2.5%, secured by property taxes and maturing August 2031

\$ 3,420,000 \$ 3,870,000

2. Debt Service Requirements

Debt service requirements on long-term debt at 2024, Benavides Independent School District, are as follows:

| | | | 20 | 012 Refunding | | | | |
|-------------------|----|-------------------------|-----|---------------|---|-----------|--|--|
| Year Ending 2024, | | Governmental Activities | | | | | | |
| | - | Principal | | Interest | | Total | | |
| 2025 | \$ | 455,000 | \$ | 74,383 | 6 | 529,383 | | |
| 2026 | | 470,000 | | 63,008 | | 533,008 | | |
| 2027 | | 480,000 | | 53,607 | | 533,607 | | |
| 2028 | | 490,000 | | 44,008 | | 534,008 | | |
| 2029 | | 500,000 | | 34,207 | | 534,207 | | |
| 2030-2031 | | 1,025,000 | | 35,803 | | 1,060,803 | | |
| Totals | \$ | 3,420,000 | \$_ | 305,016 | B | 3,725,016 | | |

3. Advance Refunding of Debt

On December 1, 2012, the District issued \$6,720,000 in Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2012, with interest rates ranging between 2.0% and 2.5%. The District issued the bonds to advance refund \$6,720,000 of the outstanding Series 2006 Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds with interest ranging from 5.0% to 4.1%. The District used the net proceeds along with other resources to purchase U.S. government securities. These securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service on the refunded portion of the 2006 Series bonds. As a result, that portion of the 2006 Series bonds is considered defeased, and the District has removed the liability from its accounts. The outstanding principal of the defeased bonds is \$0 at August 31, 2016 as they were called on August 15, 2016.

The advance refuding reduced total debt service payments over the next 19 years by nearly \$984,605. This results in an economic gain (differece between the present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$836,912.

4. Capital Financing Activities

Capital Financing Activities for facilities and equipment provide for minimum future lease payments as of 2024, Benavides Independent School District, as follows:

| | | G | ove | mmental Activ | ities | |
|-------------------|-----|--------------|-----|---------------|-------|-------|
| Year Ending 2023: | - | Principal | | Interest | | Total |
| 2025 | \$ | 4,750 | \$ | 270 | \$ | 5,020 |
| 2026 | | ## XXXX 3400 | | E-1000 | | |
| Totals | \$_ | 4,750 | \$ | 270 | \$ | 5,020 |

The effective interest rate on capital financing activities is 2.72% to 3.25%.

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G. Leases and Subscription-Based Information Technology Agreements

Lease activity for the year ended August 31, 2024, was as follows:

The District had no contracts that qualify as leases under GASB 87 at August 31, 2024.

Subscription-Based Information Technology Agreement (SBITA) activity for the year ended August 31, 2024 was as follows:

The District had no contracts that qualify as SBITAs under GASB 96 at August 31, 2024.

H. Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft, damage or destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees, and natural disasters. During fiscal year 2024, the District purchased commercial insurance to cover general liabilities. There were no significant reductions in coverage in the past fiscal year and there were no settlements exceeding insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

I. Pension Plan

1. Plan Description

The District participates in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension that has a special funding situation. The plan is administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). It is a defined benefit pension plan established and administered in accordance with the Texas Constitution, Article XVI, Section 67, and Texas Government Code, Title 8, Subtitle C. The pension trust fund is a qualified pension trust under section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Texas Legislature establishes benefits and contribution rates within the guidelines of the Texas Constitution. The pension's Board of Trustees does not have the authority to establish or amend benefit terms.

All employees of public, state-supported educational institutions in Texas who are employed for one-half or more of the standard workload and who are not exempted from membership under Texas Government Code, Title 8, Section 822.002 are covered by the system.

2. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the Teacher Retirement System's fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at https://www.trs.texas.gov/Pages/about_archive_cafr.aspx; by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX, 78701-2698; or by calling (512) 542-6592.

Benefits Provided

TRS provides service and disability retirement, as well as death and survivor benefits, to eligible employees (and their beneficiaries) of public and higher education in Texas. The pension formula is calculated using 2.3 percent (multiplier) times the average of the five highest annual creditable salaries times years of credited service to arrive at the annual standard annuity, except for members who are grandfathered where the three highest annual salaries are used. The normal service retirement is at age 65 with 5 years of credited service or when the sum of the member's age and years of credited service equals 80 or more years. Early retirement is at age 55 with 5 years of service credit or earlier than 55 with 30 years of service credit. There are additional provisions for early retirement if the sum of the member's age and years of service credit total at least 80, but the member is less than age 60 or 62 depending on date of employment, or if the member was grandfathered in under a previous rule. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes; including automatic cost of living adjustments (COLAs). Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes, including ad hoc COLAs can be granted by the Texas Legislature as previously noted in the Plan description in (1) above.

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Texas Government Code section 821.006 prohibits benefit improvements, if, as a result of the particular action, the time required to amortize TRS unfunded actuarial liabilities would be increased to a period that exceeds 31 years, or, if the amortization period already exceeds 31 years, the period would be increased by such action. Actuarial implications of the funding provided in the manner are determined by the System's actuary.

4. Contributions

Contribution requirements are established or amended pursuant to Article 16, Section 67 of the Texas Constitution which requires the Texas legislature to establish a member contribution rate of not less than 6 percent of the member's annual compensation and a state contribution rate of not less than 6 percent and not more than 10 percent of the aggregate annual compensation paid to members of the System during the fiscal year.

Employee contribution rates are set in state statute, Texas Government Code 825.402. The TRS Pension Reform Bill (Senate Bill 12) of the 86th Texas Legislature amended Texas Government Code 825.402 for member contributions and increased employee and employer contribution rates for fiscal years 2020 thru 2025.

| Contribution | Rates | |
|---|-------|------------|
| | 2023 | 2024 |
| Member | 8.0% | 8.25% |
| Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State) | 8.0% | 8.25% |
| Employers | 8.0% | 8.25% |
| District's 2024 Employer Contributions | | \$ 170,170 |
| District's 2024 Member Contributions | | \$ 210,282 |
| 2023 NECE On-Behalf Contributions (State) | | \$ 102,207 |

Contributors to the plan include members, employers and the State of Texas as the only non-employer contributing entity. The State is the employer for senior colleges, medical schools and state agencies including TRS. In each respective role, the State contributes to the plan in accordance with state statutes and the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

As the non-employer contributing entity for public education and junior colleges, the State of Texas contributes to the retirement system an amount equal to the current employer contribution rate times the aggregate annual compensation of all participating members of the pension trust fund during that fiscal year reduced by the amounts described below which are paid by the employers. Employers (public school, junior college, other entities or the State of Texas as the employer for senior universities and medical schools) are required to pay the employer contribution rate in the following instances:

- On the portion of a member's salary that exceeds the statutory minimum for members entitled to the statutory minimum under Section 21.402 of the Texas Education Code.
- During a new member's first 90 days of employment.
- · When any or all of an employee's salary is paid by federal, private, local or non-educational and general funds
- When the employing district is a public junior college or junior college district, the employer shall contribute
 to the retirement system an amount equal to 50 percent of the state contribution rate for certain instructional or
 administrative employees and 100 percent of the state contribution rate for all other employees.

Employers are also required to pay surcharges in the following cases:

All public schools, charter schools and regional educational service centers must contribute 1.8 percent
of the member's salary beginning in fiscal year 2023, gradually increasing to 2 percent in fiscal year 2025.

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> When employing a retiree of the TRS, the employer shall pay an amount equal to the member contribution and the state contribution as an employment after retirement surcharge.

Actuarial Assumptions

The actuarial valuation was performed as of August 31, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to August 31, 2023.

Valuation Date August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023

Actuarial Cost Method Individual Entry Age Normal

Asset Valuation Method Fair Value
Single Discount Rate 7.00%
Long-term expected Investment Rate of Return
Municipal Bond Rate as of August 2022 4.13% *
Last year ending August 31 in Projection Period Inflation 2.30%

Salary Increases including inflation 2.95% to 8.95%

Ad hoc post-employment benefit changes None

The actuarial assumptions used in the determination of the total pension liability are the same assumptions used in the actuarial valuation as of August 31, 2022. For a full description of these assumptions, please see the actuarial valuation report dated November 22, 2022.

Discount Rate

A single discount rate of 7.00 percent was used to measure the total pension liability. The single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on plan investments of 7.00 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that contributions from active members, employers and the non-employer contributing entity will be made at the rates set by the legislature during the 2019 legislative session. It is assumed that future employer and state contributions will be 9.50 percent of payroll in fiscal year 2024 increasing to 9.56 percent in fiscal year 2025 and thereafter. This includes all employer and state contributions for active and rehired retirees.

Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 7.00 percent. The long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of August 31, 2023 are summarized below:

^{*} The source for the rate is the Fixed Income Market Data/Yield Curve/Data Municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds as reported in Fidelity Index's "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index"

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| Asset Class | Target Allocation ** | Long-Term Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return *** | Expected Contribution to Long-Term Portfolio Returns |
|--|-------------------------|--|--|
| Global Equity | | | |
| USA | 18.0% | 4.0% | 1.0% |
| Non-U.S. Developed | 13.0% | 4.5% | 0.9% |
| Emerging Markets | 9.0% | 4.8% | 0.7% |
| Private Equity * | 14.0% | 7.0% | 1.5% |
| Stable Value | | | |
| Government Bonds | 16.0% | 2.5% | 0.5% |
| Absolute Return * | 0.0% | 3.6% | 0.0% |
| Stable Value Hedge Funds | 5.0% | 4.1% | 0.2% |
| Real Return | | | |
| Real Estate | 15.0% | 4.9% | 1.1% |
| Energy, Natural Resources and Infrastructure | 6.0% | 4.8% | 0.4% |
| Commodities | 0.0% | 4.4% | 0.0% |
| Risk Parity | 8.0% | 4.5% | 0.4% |
| Asset Allocation Leverage | | | |
| Cash | 2.0% | 3.7% | 0.0% |
| Asset Allocation Leverage | (6.0%) | 4.4% | (0.1)% |
| Inflation Expectation | | | 2.3% |
| Volatility Drag **** | | | (0.9)% |
| Expected Return | 100.0% | | 8.0% |

Absolute Return includes Credit Sensitive Investments.

7. Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis

The following table presents the net pension liability of the plan using a discount rate of 7.00 percent, and what the net position liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.00%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

| Г | 1% | - | Subjective and control experience | 1% |
|----|---------------|----|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Decrease in | | Discount | Increase in |
| | Discount Rate | ř. | Rate | Discount Rate |
| | (6.00%) | | (7.00%) | (8. <u>00%)</u> |
| \$ | 3.166.424 | \$ | 2,117,931 | \$ 1,246,108 |

District's proportionate share of the net pension liability:

^{**} Target allocations are based on the FY2023 policy model.

^{***} Capital Market Assumptions come from Aon Hewitt (as of 06/30/2023)

^{****} The volatility drag results from the conversion between arithmetic and geometric mean returns.

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> Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At August 31, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$2,117,931 for its proportionate share of the TRS net pension liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State pension support provided to the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District are as follows:

| District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability | \$ | 2,117,931 |
|--|----|-----------|
| State's proportionate share that is associated with District | _ | 1,365,822 |
| Total | \$ | 3,483,753 |

The net pension liability was measured as of August 31, 2022 and rolled forward to August 31, 2023 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all employers to the plan for the period September 1, 2022 thru August 31, 2023.

At the measurement date of August 31, 2023 the employer's proportion of the collective net pension liability was 0.0030833015 percent which was an increase (decrease) of -0.00053865 percent from its proportion measured as of August 31, 2022.

Changes Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation

There were no changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date.

For the year ended August 31, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$206,227 and revenue of \$206,227 for support provided by the State.

At August 31, 2024, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRS deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

| | C | Deferred outflows of Resources | Deferred Inflows of Resources |
|--|----|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Differences between Expected and Actual Actuarial Experience | \$ | 75,463 \$ | 25,646 |
| Changes in Actuarial Assumptions | | 200,315 | 49,022 |
| Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment Earnings | | 308,210 | (<u>**</u> 2) |
| Changes in Proportion and Difference between District's Contributions and the Proportionate Share of Contributions | | 431,605 | 268,454 |
| Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date of the Net Pension Liability (to be calculated by employer) | | 170,170 | st. |
| Total | \$ | 1,185,763 \$ | 343,122 |

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The net amounts of the District's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

| Year ended August 31, | Pension Expens | e Amount |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------|
| 2025 | \$ | 151,343 |
| 2026 | \$ | 118,297 |
| 2027 | \$ | 328,529 |
| 2028 | \$ | 95,530 |
| 2029 | \$ | (21,227) |
| Thereafter | \$ | |

J. Defined Other Post-Employment Benefit Plans

1. Plan Description

The District participates in the Texas Public School Retired Employees Group Insurance Program (TRS-Care). It is a multiple-employer, cost-sharing defined Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) plan with a special funding situation. The TRS-Care program was established in 1986 by the Texas Legislature.

The TRS Board of Trustees administers the TRS-Care program and the related fund in accordance with Texas Insurance Code Chapter 1575. The Board of Trustees is granted the authority to establish basic and optional group insurance coverage for participants as well as to amend benefit terms as needed under Chapter 1575.052. The Board may adopt rules, plans, procedures, and orders reasonably necessary to administer the program, including minimum benefits and financing standards.

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detail information about the TRS-Care's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained on the Internet at https://www.trs.texas.gov/Pages/about_archive_cafr.aspx; by writing to TRS at 1000 Red River Street, Austin, TX 78701-2698; or by calling (512) 542-6592.

3. Benefits Provided

TRS-Care provides health insurance coverage to retirees from public and charter schools, regional education service centers and other educational districts who are members of the TRS pension plan. Optional dependent coverage is available for an additional fee.

Eligible non-Medicare retirees and their dependents may enroll in TRS-Care Standard, a high-deductible health plan. Eligible Medicare retirees and their dependents may enroll in the TRS-Care Medicare Advantage medical plan and the TRS-Care Medicare Rx prescription drug plan. To qualify for TRS-Care coverage, a retiree must have at least 10 years of service credit in the TRS pension system. There are no automatic post-employment benefit changes; including automatic COLAs.

The premium rates for retirees are reflected in the following table.

| TRS-Care Mor | thly Premiu | um Rates | | |
|---|-------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|
| *** | 1 | /ledicare | Non-N | Nedicare |
| Retiree or Surviving Spouse | \$ | 135 | \$ | 200 |
| Retiree and Spouse | | 529 | | 689 |
| Retiree or Surviving Spouse and Children | | 468 | | 408 |
| Retiree and Family | | 1,020 | | 999 |

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4. Contributions

Contribution rates for the TRS-Care plan are established in State Statute by the Texas Legislature, and there is no continuing obligation to provide benefits beyond each fiscal year. The TRS-Care plan is currently funded on a pay-as-you-go basis and is subject to change based on available funding. Funding for TRS-Care is provided by retiree premium contributions and contributions from the state, active employees, and participating employers are based on active employee compensation. The TRS board does not have the authority to set or amend contribution rates.

Section 1575.202 of the Texas Insurance Code establishes the State's contribution rate which is 1.25 percent of the employee's salary. Section 1575.203 establishes the active employee's rate which is 0.65 percent of Salary. Section 1575.204 establishes a public school contribution rate of not less than 0.25 percent or not more than 0.75 percent of the salary of each active employee of the employer. The actual public school contribution rate is prescribed by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act, which is 0.75 percent of each active employee's pay for fiscal year 2023. The following table shows contributions to the TRS-Care plan by type of contributor.

| Contribution Rates | _ |
|---|-------|
| | 2024 |
| Active Employee | 0.65% |
| Non-Employer Contributing Entity (State) | 1.25% |
| Employers | 0.75% |
| Federal/Private Funding remitted by Employers | 1.25% |

The contribution amounts for the District's fiscal year 2024 are as follows:

| | - N | W. C. C. |
|---|-----|----------|
| District's 2024 Employer Contributions | \$ | 35,743 |
| District's 2024 Member Contributions | \$ | 16,568 |
| 2023 NECE On-Behalf Contributions (state) | \$ | 44,297 |

All employers whose employees are covered by the TRS pension plan are also required to pay a surcharge of \$535 per month when employing a retiree of TRS. The TRS-Care surcharges for fiscal year 2023 totaled \$14,548,344.

A supplemental appropriation was received in 2023 for \$21.3 million provided by Rider 14 of the Senate Bill GAA of the 87th Legislature. These amounts were re-appropriated from amounts received by the pension and TRS-Care funds in excess of the state's actual obligation and then transferred to TRS-Care.

Actuarial Assumptions

The actuarial valuation was performed as of August 31, 2022. Update procedures were used to roll forward the Total OPEE Liability to August 31, 2021.

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The actuarial valuation of the OPEB plan offered through TRS-Care is similar to the actuarial valuation performed for the pension plan, except that the OPEB valuation is more complex. The following assumptions used for the valuation of the TRS-Care OPEB liability are identical to the assumptions employed in the August 31, 2021 TRS pension actuarial valuation that was rolled forward to August 31, 2022:

Rates of Mortality Rates of Retirement Rates of Termination

Rates of Disability

General Inflation Wage Inflation

The active mortality rates were based on PUB(2010), Amount-Weighted, Below-Median Income, Teacher male and female tables (with a two-year set forward for males). The post-retirement mortality rates for healthy lives were based on the 2021 TRS of Texas Healthy Pensioner Mortality Tables. The rates were projected on a fully generational basis using the ultimate improvement rates from mortality projection scale MP-2021.

The following methods and additional assumptions were used in the TRS-Care OPEB valuation:

| Valuation Date | August 31, 2022 rolled forward to August 31, 2023 |
|---|---|
| Actuarial Cost Method | Individual Entry-Age Normal |
| Inflation | 2.30% |
| Single Discount Rate | 4.13% as of August 31, 2023 |
| Aging Factors | Based on plan specific experience |
| Expenses | Third-party administrative expenses related to the delivery of health care benefits are included in the the age-adjusted claims costs. |
| Salary Increases | 2.95% to 8.95%, including inflation |
| Election Rates | Normal Retirement - 65% participation rate prior to age 65 and 40% participation rate after age 65. Pre-65 retirees - 25% are assumed to discontinue coverage at age 65. |
| Ad Hoc Post-Employment Benefit Changes | None |

The initial medical trend rates were 7.75 percent for Medicare retirees and 7.00 percent for non-Medicare retirees. The initial prescription drug trend rate was 7.75 percent for all retirees. The initial trend rates decrease to an ultimate trend rate of 4.25 percent over a period of 12 years.

6. Discount Rate

A single discount rate of 4.13 percent was used to measure the Total OPEB Liability. This was an increase of 0.22 percent in the discount rate since the previous year. Since the plan is a pay-as-you-go plan, the single discount rate is equal to the prevailing municipal bond rate. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from active members and those of the contributing employers and the non-employer contributing entity are made at the statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to not be able to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the municipal bond rate was used for the long-term rate of return and was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

The source for the municipal bond rate is the Fixed Income Municipal bonds with 20 years to maturity that include only federally tax-exempt municipal bonds as reported in the Fidelity "20-Year Municipal GO AA Index", as of August 31, 2023.

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7. Discount Rate Sensitivity Analysis

The following schedule shows the impact of the Net OPEB Liability if the discount rate used was 1 percentage point lower than and 1 percentage point higher than the discount rate that was used (4.13%) in measuring the Net OPEB Liability.

District's proportionate share of the Net OPEB Liability:

| 1% Decrease in | | Current Single | | 1% Increase in | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Discount Rate | | Discount Rate | | Discount Rate | |
| (3.13%) | | (4.13%) | | (5.13%) | |
| \$ | 1,103,449 | \$ | 936,880 | \$ | 800,955 |

 OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs

At August 31, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$936,880. for its proportionate share of the TRS's Net OPEB liability. This liability reflects a reduction for State OPEB support provided to the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the Net OPEB Liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability \$ 936,880
State's proportionate share that is associated with the District \$ 1,130,489

Total \$____2,067,369

The Net OPEB liability was measured as of August 31, 2022 and rolled forward to August 31, 2023 and the Total OPEB Liability used to calculate the Net OPEB Liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the Net OPEB Liability was based on the District's contributions to OPEB relative to the contributions of all employers to the plan for the period September 1, 2022 thru August 31, 2023.

At August 31, 2024 the District's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability was 0.0042319388%, compared to 0.0058563995% in the prior year.

The following schedule shows the impact of the Net OPEB Liability if a healthcare trend rate that is 1 percent less than and 1 percent greater than the health trend rates assumed.

District's proportionate share of Net OPEB Liability:

| 1% Heal | Decrease in thcare Trend Rate | Cui Heal | rrent Single thcare Trend Rate | 1% Increase in Healthcare Tren Rate | |
|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| \$ | 771,473 | \$ | 936,880 | \$ | 1,149,675 |

9. Changes Since the Prior Actuarial Valuation

The following were changes to the actuarial assumptions or other inputs that affected measurement of the Total OPEB liability (TOL) since the prior measurement period:

The discount rate was changed from 3.91 percent as of August 31, 2022 to 4.13 percent as of August 31, 2023. This
change decreased the Total OPEB Liability.

Changes of Benefit Terms Since the Prior Measurement Date - There were no changes in benefit terms since the prior measurement date.

The amount of OPEB expense recognized by the District in the reporting period was \$(241,675).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

At August 31, 2024, the District reported its proportionate share of the TRS's deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to other post-employment benefits from the following sources:

| | 0 | Deferred Outflows f Resources | Deferred Inflows of Resources |
|--|----|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Differences between expected and actual economic experience | \$ | 42,387 | \$ 788,207 |
| Changes in actuarial assumptions | | 127,877 | 573,676 |
| Difference between projected and actual investment earnings | | 405 | <i>8</i> 53 |
| Changes in proportion and difference between the District's contributions and the proportionate share of contributions | | 1,084,928 | 1,462,695 |
| Contributions paid to TRS subsequent to the measurement date | | 35,743 | |
| Total | \$ | 1,291,340 | \$ 2,824,578 |

The net amounts of the District's balances of deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

| Year ended August 31: | OPEB Expense Amount | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| 2025 | \$ | (345,751) |
| 2026 | \$ | (302,780) |
| 2027 | - \$ | (244,605) |
| 2028 | \$ | (241,758) |
| 2029 | \$ | (157,202) |
| Thereafter | \$ | (276,885) |

For the year ended August 31, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$(241,675) and revenue of \$(241,675) for support provided by the State.

10. Medicare Part D Subsidies

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, which was effective January 1, 2006, established prescription drug coverage for Medicare beneficiaries known as Medicare Part D. One of the provisions of Medicare Part D allows for the Texas Public School Retired Employee Group Insurance Program (TRS-Care) to receive retiree drug subsidy payments from the federal government to offset certain prescription drug expenditures for eligible TRS-Care participants. For the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024, the subsidy payment received by TRS-Care on behalf of the District was \$13,452.

K. Employee Health Care Coverage

During the year ended August 31, 2024, employees of the District were covered by a health insurance plan (the Plan). The District paid premiums of \$275 per month per employee to the Plan. Employees, at their option, authorized payroll withholdings to pay premiums for dependents. The Plan was authorized by Section 21.922, Texas Education Code and was documented by contractual agreement.

The contract between the District and the licensed insurer is renewable September 1, 2024, and terms of coverage and premium costs are included in the contractual provisions.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

Latest financial statements for the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas are available for the year ended December 31, 2023, have been filed with the Texas State Board of Insurance, Austin, Texas, and are public records.

L. Commitments and Contingencies

Contingencies

The District participates in grant programs which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies; therefore, to the extent that the District has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectibility of any related receivable may be impaired. In the opinion of the District, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying basic financial statements for such contingencies.

Litigation

No reportable litigation was pending against the District at August 31, 2024.

M. Shared Services Arrangements

Shared Services Arrangement - Membership

The District participates in a shared services arrangement ("SSA") for IDEA-B Formula and IDEA-B Preschool with the following school districts:

Member Districts
San Diego ISD
Benavides ISD
Freer ISD
Ramirez ISD

The District does not account for revenues or expenditures in this program and does not disclose them in these financial statements. The District neither has a joint ownership interest in fixed assets purchased by the fiscal agent, San Diego ISD nor does the District have a net equity interest in the fiscal agent. The fiscal agent is neither accumulating significant financial resources nor fiscal exigencies that would give rise to a future additional benefit or burden to the District. The fiscal agent manager is responsible for all financial activities of the SSA.

The District participates in a shared services arrangement ("SSA") for Career and Technical - Basic Grant with the following school districts:

Member Districts

Jim Hogg ISD Benavides ISD

The District does not account for revenues or expenditures in this program and does not disclose them in these financial statements. The District neither has a joint ownership interest in fixed assets purchased by the fiscal agent, Jim Hogg ISD

nor does the District have a net equity interest in the fiscal agent. The fiscal agent is neither accumulating significant financial resources nor fiscal exigencies that would give rise to a future additional benefit or burden to the District. The fiscal agent manager is responsible for all financial activities of the SSA.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2024

N. Subsequent Events

Management has reviewed subsequent events and transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date through February 17, 2025 (the date of the Audit Report). The financial statements include all Type I events or transactions, including estimates, required to be recognized in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Management and those charged with governance have determined that there are no non-recognized Type II subsequent events that require additional disclosure.



APPENDIX E

SPECIMEN MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY





MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE POLICY

ISSUER: Policy No.: -N

BONDS: \$ in aggregate principal amount of 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.

| SSURED GUARANTY INC. |
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| V |
| Authorized Officer |
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