## OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2025

IN THE OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL, UNDER EXISTING LAW, INTEREST ON THE BONDS (I) IS EXCLUDABLE FROM GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES UNDER SECTION 103 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, AND (II) IS NOT AN ITEM OF TAX PREFERENCE FOR PURPOSES OF THE ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX ON INDÍVIDUALS. SEÉ "TAX MATTERS" HEREIN, INCLUDING INFORMATION REGARDING POTENTIAL ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX CONSEQUENCES FOR CORPORATIONS.

THE BONDS HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. SEE "TAX MATTERS—QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS."

**NEW ISSUE - Book-Entry-Only** 

Insured Rating (AG): S&P "AA" (stable outlook) Underlying Rating: S&P "A-" See "MUNICIPAL BOND RATING" and "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" herein.

## \$8,210,000 WINDFERN FOREST UTILITY DISTRICT

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

## UNLIMITED TAX BONDS **SERIES 2025**

Dated: December 1, 2025 Due: August 1, as shown below

Principal of the Bonds described above (the "Bonds") will be payable at stated maturity or redemption upon presentation of the Bonds at the principal payment office of the paying agent/registrar, initially The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (the "Paying Agent/Registrar", "Paying Agent" or "Registrar"). Interest on the Bonds will accrue from the initial date of delivery (expected on or about December 18, 2025)(the "Date of Delivery) and be payable on August 1, 2026 and on each February 1 and August 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or redemption. Interest will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. The Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form in \$5,000 denominations or integral multiples thereof. The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity as shown below.

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



The scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due will be guaranteed under a municipal bond insurance policy to be issued concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds by Assured Guaranty Inc. ("AG" or the "Insurer").

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

Initial									Initial			
Due		Principal	Interest	Reoffering	CUSIP	Due		F	rincipal	Interest	Reoffering	CUSIP
(August 1)		Amount	Rate	Yield (a)	Number (b)	(August 1	<u>()</u>	<u> </u>	Amount	Rate	Yield (a)	Number (b)
2027	\$	400,000	5.000 %	6 2.850 %	973250 GR8	2034	(c)	\$	605,000	3.250 %	3.500 %	973250 GY3
2028		400,000	5.000	2.850	973250 GS6	2035	(c)		640,000	3.250	3.550	973250 GZ0
2029		400,000	5.000	2.850	973250 GT4	2036	(c)		670,000	3.250	3.650	973250 HA4
2030		400,000	5.000	2.800	973250 GU1	2037	(c)		705,000	3.250	3.750	973250 HB2
2031		520,000	5.000	2.850	973250 GV9	2038	(c)		745,000	3.250	3.850	973250 HC0
2032 (	c)	545,000	3.125	3.350	973250 GW7	2039	(c)		780,000	3.250	3.950	973250 HD8
2033 (	c)	575,000	3.125	3.400	973250 GX5	2040	(c)		825,000	3.375	4.050	973250 HE6

The Bonds, when issued, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of Windfern Forest Utility District (the "District") and will be payable from the proceeds of an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied against all taxable property located within the District. The Bonds are obligations solely of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Harris County, the City of Houston, or any entity other than the District. The Bonds are subject to special investment risks described herein. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS."

The Bonds are offered by the Underwriter subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued by the District and accepted by the Underwriter, subject, among other things, to the approval of the Bonds by the Attorney General of Texas and the approval of certain legal matters by Bracewell LLP, Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the District by McCall Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., as Disclosure Counsel. Delivery of the Bonds in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC is expected on or about December 18, 2025.

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

CUSIP Numbers have been assigned to the Bonds by CUSIP Global Services and are included solely for the convenience of the purchasers of the Bonds. Neither the District nor the Underwriter shall be responsible for the selection or correctness of the CUSIP Numbers set forth herein.

Bonds maturing on and after August 1, 2032, are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District, in whole or from time to time in part, on August 1, 2031, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. See "THE BONDS—Redemption Provisions."

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## USE OF INFORMATION IN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

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

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

All of the summaries of the statutes, resolutions, orders, contracts, audited financial statements, engineering and other related reports set forth in this Official Statement are made subject to all of the provisions of such documents. These summaries do not purport to be complete statements of such provisions, and reference is made to such documents, copies of which are available from Bracewell LLP, 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300, Houston, Texas 77002, upon payment of duplication costs.

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

References to web site addresses presented herein are for informational purposes only and may be in the form of a hyperlink solely for the reader's convenience. Unless specified otherwise, such web sites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not part of, this Official Statement for any purpose.

Assured Guaranty Inc. ("AG" or the "Insurer") makes no representation regarding the Bonds or the advisability of investing in the Bonds. In addition, the Insurer 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 the Insurer supplied by the Insurer and presented under the heading "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" and "APPENDIX B—Specimen Municipal Bond Insurance Policy."

# OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

The following information is a brief summary of certain information contained herein and is qualified in its entirety by the detailed information appearing elsewhere in this Official Statement.

## THE BONDS

The Issuer	Windfern Forest Utility District (the "District"), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, is located in Harris County, Texas. See "THE DISTRICT."
The Issue	\$8,210,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds") are issued pursuant to a resolution (the "Bond Resolution") of the District's Board of Directors and are authorized pursuant to the election held within the District. See "THE BONDS—Authority for Issuance." The Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds maturing in the years and in the amounts and paying interest at the rates shown on the cover hereof. Interest on the Bonds accrues from December 18, 2025 and is payable on August 1, 2026, and on each February 1 and August 1 thereafter until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption. See "THE BONDS—Redemption Provisions."
	The Bonds maturing on and after August 1, 2032, are subject to redemption, in whole or from time to time in part, at the option of the District, prior to their maturity dates, on August 1, 2031, or on any date thereafter. Upon redemption, the Bonds will be payable at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption. See "THE BONDS."
Source of Payment	Principal of and interest on the Bonds are payable from an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, levied upon all taxable property within the District. See "TAXING PROCEDURES." The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not obligations of the State of Texas, Harris County, the City of Houston or any other political subdivision or agency other than the District. See "THE BONDS—Source of Payment."
Use of Proceeds	Proceeds from the Bonds will be used to pay for items shown herein under "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS." Bond proceeds will also be used to pay administrative costs and certain other costs and fees related to the issuance of the Bonds. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS."
Payment Record	The District has previously issued eight series of unlimited tax bonds and/or waterworks and sewer system combination unlimited tax and revenue bonds, and two series of unlimited tax refunding bonds, of which \$2,105,000 remains outstanding as of October 1, 2025 (the "Outstanding Bonds"). The District has never defaulted in the payment of principal and interest on any bonds issued by the District.
Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations	The Bonds have been designated "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for financial institutions. See "TAX MATTERS—Purchase of Tax-Exempt Obligations by Financial Institutions."
Municipal Bond Rating and Municipal Bond Insurance	S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, ("S&P") has assigned a municipal bond insured rating of "AA" (stable outlook) to this issue of the Bonds with the understanding that, upon issuance and delivery of the Bonds, a municipal bond insurance policy ensuring the timely payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be issued by Assured Guaranty Inc. ("AG" or the "Insurer"). S&P has also assigned an underlying rating of "A-" to the Bonds. An explanation of the ratings may be obtained from S&P. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Risk Factors Related to the Purchase of Municipal Bond Insurance," "MUNICIPAL BOND RATING," "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" and "APPENDIX B."
Legal Opinion	Bracewell LLP, Houston, Texas.
Disclosure Counsel	McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Houston, Texas.
Financial Advisor	Masterson Advisors LLC, Houston, Texas.
Paying Agent/Registrar	The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Houston, Texas.

### THE DISTRICT

Description.....

The District is located in northwestern Harris County approximately 14 miles from the central business district of the City of Houston and immediately east of the City of Jersey Village. The District contains approximately 483 acres of land. Access to the business and commercial areas of Houston from the District is provided via Windfern Road and Gessner Road one mile south to U.S. Highway 290. The Sam Houston Parkway generally forms the western boundary of the District. The District lies within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston. The District is located entirely within the boundaries of the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District. See "THE DISTRICT" and "AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH" herein.

drainage facilities to serve Windfern Forest, Sections One through Five, Windfern Gardens, Sections One and Two, Woodwind Lakes, Section Four, Laurel Creek, Sections One through Five, and Mauna Loa Gardens, Sections One and Two. An additional approximately 75 acres have been developed to serve multi-family and commercial use sites. Development of land in the District began in 1971, and as of September 18, 2025, the District contained 1,229 completed and occupied single family residences, 14 completed and unoccupied single-family residences and 9 commercial connections. The District also contains five multi-family projects (MAA Woodwind Apartments, Bellagio Apartments, Park at Woodwind Lakes Apartments, Kensington Crossings Apartments, and Stoneyway Village Townhomes, collectively consisting of 1,082 units) and according to the apartment communities' management, occupancy rates range from approximately 96% to approximately 99%. Commercial development in the District includes a mini-storage facility, a CVS Pharmacy, two gas stations, a car wash, and a small strip shopping center, consisting of a convenience store and several small retail establishments. The District has approximately 100 acres of undevelopable land contained in easements, rights-ofway, recreation and open space land. The District also provides water and sewer services on an "Out of District" basis to Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 261, the First Metropolitan Baptist Church, and to The Metropolitan Apartments. See "THE DISTRICT" and "THE SYSTEM—Water Supply" and "—Wastewater Treatment."

## INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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

## SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$527,181,987(a)
Gross Debt Outstanding (after the issuance of the Bonds)	\$10,315,000
Estimated Overlapping Debt	28,439,121(b)
Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt	\$38,754,121(b)
Ratio of Gross Debt to: 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation	1.96%
Ratio of Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to:	
2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation	7.35%
Debt Service Fund Balance as of October 21, 2025	\$ 757,212 (c)
General Fund Balance as of October 21, 2025	\$2,289,953
2025 Tax Rate:	
Debt Service	\$0.200
Maintenance and Operations	0.234
Total	\$0.434/\$100 A.V.
Average Annual Debt Service Requirements (2026-2040) of the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds ("Average Requirement")	\$863,479(d)
Maximum Annual Debt Service Requirements (2027) of the Bonds	
and the Outstanding Bonds ("Maximum Requirement")	\$1,046,756(d)
Tax rate required to pay Average Requirement (2026-2040) based upon:	Φ0.10/Φ100 Α.Τ. ( )
2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation at a 95% collection rate	\$0.18/\$100 A.V. (e)
Tax rate required to pay Maximum Requirement based upon:	
2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation at a 95% collection rate	\$0.21/\$100 A.V. (e)
Active Water and Sewer Connections as of September 18, 2025 (f)	
Homes Completed (1,229 occupied)	
Commercial 9	
Other connections	
Estimated 2025 Population	

<sup>(</sup>a) The Harris Central Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") has certified \$517,305,374 of taxable value and an additional \$9,876,613 of taxable value remains uncertified and is subject to review and downward adjustment. The 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation shown throughout this OFFICIAL STATEMENT is the certified value plus the uncertified value. See "TAXING PROCEDURES."

<sup>(</sup>b) See "ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT AND TAX RATE STATEMENT."

<sup>(</sup>c) Neither Texas law nor the Bond Resolution requires the District to maintain any minimum balance in the Debt Service Fund.
(d) After issuance of the Bonds. See "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS."

<sup>(</sup>e) See "TAX DATA—Tax Adequacy for Debt Service."

<sup>(</sup>f) See "THE DISTRICT—Status of Development."

<sup>(</sup>g) Based on 3.5 persons per occupied single-family connection and 2.0 persons per multi-family unit.

### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

### \$8,210,000

## WINDFERN FOREST UTILITY DISTRICT

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

## UNLIMITED TAX BONDS SERIES 2025

This Official Statement provides certain information in connection with the issuance by Windfern Forest Utility District (the "District") of its \$8,210,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2025 (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are issued by the District pursuant to elections held within the District, Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, the general laws of the State of Texas, including, without limitation, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds (the "Bond Resolution") adopted by the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), and an order of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ" or the "Commission").

This Official Statement includes descriptions, among others, of the Bonds and the Bond Resolution, and certain other information about the District. All descriptions of documents contained herein are only summaries and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each document. Copies of documents may be obtained from Bracewell LLP, 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300, Houston, Texas 77002.

### THE BONDS

## General

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

The Bonds will be dated December 1, 2025 and will accrue interest from the Date of Delivery, which interest is payable on each August 1 and February 1 commencing August 1, 2026, until the earlier of maturity or prior redemption. The Bonds mature on August 1 in the amounts and years and accrue interest at the rates shown on the cover page of this Official Statement. Interest calculations are based on a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

The Bonds will be issued only in fully registered form in \$5,000 denominations or integral multiples thereof.

## **Method of Payment of Principal and Interest**

In the Bond Resolution, the Board has appointed The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company N.A., as the initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. The principal of the Bonds shall be payable, without exchange or collection charges, in any coin or currency of the United States of America, which, on the date of payment, is legal tender for the payment of debts due the United States of America. In the event the book-entry system is discontinued, principal of the Bonds shall be payable upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds as they respectively become due and payable, at the principal payment office of the Paying Agent/Registrar in Houston, Texas and interest on each Bond shall be payable by check payable on each Interest Payment Date, mailed by the Paying Agent/Registrar on or before each Interest Payment Date to the registered owner of record (the "Registered Owner") as of the close of business on January 15 or July 15 immediately preceding each Interest Payment Date (defined herein as the "Record Date"), to the address of such Registered Owner as shown on the Paying Agent/Registrar's records (the "Register") or by such other customary banking arrangements as may be agreed upon by the Paying Agent/Registrar and the Registered Owners at the risk and expense of the Registered Owners.

If the date for payment of the principal of or interest on any Bond is not a business day, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding business day, as defined in the Bond Resolution.

## **Book-Entry-Only System**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but neither the District nor the Underwriter take any responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

## **Registration and Transfer**

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

## Source of Payment

While the Bonds or any part of the principal thereof or interest thereon remain outstanding and unpaid, the District covenants in the Bond Resolution to levy a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax, without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds, with full allowance being made for delinquencies and costs of collection. In the Bond Resolution, the District covenants that said taxes are irrevocably pledged to the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds and to no other purpose.

The Bonds are obligations of the District and are not the obligations of the State of Texas, Harris County, the City of Houston, or any entity other than the District.

## **Funds**

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

Proceeds from sale of the Bonds shall be deposited into the Capital Projects Fund, to pay the costs of acquiring or constructing District facilities and costs of issuing the Bonds. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS" for a more complete description of the use of Bond proceeds.

## **Redemption Provisions**

The District reserves the right, at its option, to redeem the Bonds maturing on and after August 1, 2032, prior to their scheduled maturities, in whole or from time to time in part, in integral multiples of \$5,000, on August 1, 2031, or on any date thereafter, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest on the principal amounts called for redemption to the date fixed for redemption. If fewer than all of the Bonds are redeemed at any time, the particular maturities of Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the District. If less than all the Bonds of any maturity are redeemed at any time, the particular Bonds within a maturity to be redeemed shall be selected by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot or other customary method of selection (or by DTC in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form).

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

## No Arbitrage

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

### **Record Date**

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

## **Authority for Issuance**

At an election held in the District on November 7, 2023, the voters of the District authorized an aggregate of \$40,480,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds, and waterworks and sewer system combination unlimited tax and revenue bonds. See "Issuance of Additional Debt" below. The Commission has approved the District's issuance of the Bonds for the purposes described in "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS."

The Bonds are issued by the District pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Bond Resolution, an order of the Commission, Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, the general laws of the State of Texas including, without limitation, Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended.

Before the Bonds can be issued, the Attorney General of Texas must pass upon the legality of certain related matters. The Attorney General of Texas does not guarantee or pass upon the safety of the Bonds as an investment or upon the adequacy of the information contained in this Official Statement.

## Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Bonds

In the event the Book-Entry-Only System is discontinued, upon the presentation and surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar of a mutilated Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in exchange therefor a replacement Bond of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount, bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. If any Bond is lost, stolen or destroyed, the District, pursuant to the applicable laws of the State of Texas and in the absence of notice or knowledge that such Bond has been acquired by a bona fide purchaser, shall, upon receipt of certain documentation from the Registered Owner and an indemnity bond, execute and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver a replacement Bond of like maturity, interest rate and principal amount bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding. Registered Owners of lost, stolen or destroyed bonds will be required to pay the District's costs to replace such bond. In addition, the District or the Paying Agent/Registrar may require the Registered Owner to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed.

## Replacement of Paying Agent/Registrar

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

## **Issuance of Additional Debt**

After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$32,270,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for the purpose of acquiring and/or constructing water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities; and \$43,985,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds. The Bond Resolution imposes no limitation on the amount of additional parity bonds which may be authorized for issuance by the District's voters or the amount ultimately issued by the District. In addition, voters may authorize the issuance of additional bonds secured by ad valorem taxes. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS" and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Future Debt."

The District is authorized by statute to develop parks and recreational facilities, including the issuance of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose. Before the District could issue park bonds payable from taxes, the following actions would be required: (a) amendments to existing city ordinances specifying the purposes for which the District may issue bonds; (b) preparation of a detailed park plan; (c) authorization of park bonds by the qualified voters in the District; (d) approval of the park projects and bonds by the Commission; and (e) approval of the bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. If the District does issue park bonds, the outstanding principal amount of such bonds is limited to one percent of the District's certified taxable assessed valuation, unless, the District meets certain financial feasibility requirements under the TCEQ rules, in which case the District may exceed an amount equal to one percent (1%) but not three percent (3%) of the value of the taxable property in the District. The District has no current plans to prepare a park plan or call an election for such purpose.

Pursuant to Chapter 54 of the Water Code, a municipal utility district may petition the Commission for the power to issue bonds supported by property taxes to finance roads. Before the District could issue such bonds, the District would be required to receive a grant of such power from the Commission, authorization from the District's voters to issue such bonds, and approval of the bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The District has not considered filing an application to the Commission for "road powers" nor calling such an election at this time.

The District is authorized by statute to engage in fire-fighting activities, including the issuing of bonds payable from taxes for such purpose. Before the District could issue such bonds, the following actions would be required: (a) approval of a detailed fire plan by the Commission; (b) authorization of the detailed fire plan and bonds for such purpose by the qualified voters in the District; (c) approval of the bonds by the Commission; and (d) approval of bonds by the Attorney General of Texas. The Board has not considered preparing a fire plan or calling an election at this time for such purposes.

### Annexation by the City of Houston

Under existing Texas law, since the District lies wholly within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, the District must conform to a City of Houston consent ordinance. Generally, the District may be annexed by the City of Houston without the District's consent, and the City of Houston cannot annex territory within the District unless it annexes the entire District; however, the City of Houston may not annex the District unless (i) such annexation has been approved by a majority of those voting in an election held for that purpose within the area to be annexed, and (ii) if the registered voters in the area to be annexed do not own more than 50 percent of the land in the area, a petition has been signed by more than 50 percent of the landowners consenting to the annexation. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the described election and petition process does not apply during the term of a strategic partnership agreement between the City and the District specifying the procedures for full purpose annexation of all or a portion of the District. The District currently does not have a strategic partnership agreement with the City.

If the District is annexed, the City of Houston will assume the District's assets and obligations (including the Bonds) and dissolve the District. Annexation of territory by the City of Houston is a policy-making matter within the discretion of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Houston, and therefore, the District makes no representation that the City of Houston will ever annex the District and assume its debt. Moreover, no representation is made concerning the ability of the City of Houston to make debt service payments on the District's bonds should annexation occur.

### **Strategic Partnership Agreement**

The District is authorized to enter into a strategic partnership agreement with the City of Houston to provide the terms and conditions under which the services would be provided and funded by the parties and under which the District would continue to exist for an extended period if the land within the District were to be annexed for full or limited purposes by the City. The terms of any such agreement would be determined by the City and the District. Although the City has negotiated and entered into such an agreement with one or more other districts in its extraterritorial jurisdiction, none is currently contemplated with respect to the District, although no representation can be made regarding the future likelihood of an agreement or the terms thereof.

### Consolidation

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

### Remedies in Event of Default

If the District defaults in the payment of principal, interest, or redemption price on the Bonds when due, or if it fails to make payments into any fund or funds created in the Bond Resolution, or defaults in the observance or performance of any other covenants, conditions, or obligations set forth in the Bond Resolution, the Registered Owners have the statutory right of a writ of mandamus issued by a court of competent jurisdiction requiring the District and its officials to observe and perform the covenants, obligations, or conditions prescribed in the Bond Resolution. Except for mandamus, the Bond Resolution does not specifically provide for remedies to protect and enforce the interests of the Registered Owners. There is no acceleration of maturity of the Bonds in the event of default and, consequently, the remedy of mandamus may have to be relied upon from year to year. Further, there is no trust indenture or trustee, and all legal actions to enforce such remedies would have to be undertaken at the initiative of, and be financed by, the Registered Owners. Statutory language authorizing local governments such as the District to sue and be sued does not waive the local government's sovereign immunity from suits for money damages. In the absence of other waivers of such immunity by the Texas Legislature, a default by the District in its covenants in the Bond Resolution may not be reduced to a judgment for money damages. If such a judgment against the District were obtained, it could not be enforced by direct levy and execution against the District's property. Further, the Registered Owners cannot themselves foreclose on property within the District or sell property within the District to enforce the tax lien on taxable property to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The enforceability of the rights and remedies of the Registered Owners may further be limited by a State of Texas statute reasonably required to attain an important public purpose or by laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar laws of general application affecting the rights of creditors of political subdivisions, such as the District. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations."

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

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

- "(a) All bonds, notes, and other obligations issued by a district shall be legal and authorized investments for all banks, trust companies, building and loan associations, savings and loan associations, insurance companies of all kinds and types, fiduciaries, and trustees, and for all interest and sinking funds and other public funds of the state, and all agencies, subdivisions, and instrumentalities of the state, including all counties, cities, towns, villages, school districts, and all other kinds and types of districts, public agencies, and bodies politic."
- "(b) A district's bonds, notes, and other obligations are eligible and lawful security for all deposits of public funds of the state, and all agencies, subdivisions, and instrumentalities of the state, including all counties, cities, towns, villages, school districts, and all other kinds and types of districts, public agencies, and bodies politic, to the extent of the market value of the bonds, notes, and other obligations when accompanied by any unmatured interest coupons attached to them."

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

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

## **Defeasance**

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

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

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

## THE DISTRICT

## General

Windfern Forest Utility District (the "District") is a conservation and reclamation district created by Act of the 62nd Legislature of the State of Texas, Regular Session, 1971, and operates under provisions of Chapters 49 and 54 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, and other general laws of the State of Texas applicable to municipal utility districts.

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas and is empowered, among other things, to purchase, construct, operate and maintain all works, improvements, facilities and plants necessary for the supply and distribution of water; the collection, transportation, and treatment of wastewater; and the control and diversion of storm water. The District may issue bonds and other forms of indebtedness to purchase or construct such facilities. The District is also authorized to develop parks and recreation facilities, including the issuance of bonds payable from taxes for such purposes, after approval by the voters of the District. The District is also empowered to establish, operate, and maintain fire-fighting facilities, independently or with one or more conservation and reclamation districts, after approval by the voters of the District.

The TCEQ exercises continuing supervisory jurisdiction over the District. In order to obtain the consent for creation from the City of Houston, within whose extraterritorial jurisdiction boundaries the District lies, the District is required to observe certain requirements of the City of Houston which: limit the purposes for which the District may sell bonds for the acquisition, construction, and improvement of waterworks, wastewater, and drainage facilities and park and recreational facilities; limit the net effective interest rate on such bonds and other terms of such bonds; require approval by the City of Houston of District construction plans; and permit connections only to lots and commercial or multi-family reserves described in plats which have been approved by the Planning Commission of the City and recorded in the real property records. Construction and operation of the District's system is subject to the regulatory jurisdiction of additional governmental agencies. See "THE SYSTEM—Regulation."

### **Description and Location**

The District is located in northwestern Harris County approximately 14 miles from the central business district of the City of Houston and immediately east of the City of Jersey Village. The District contains approximately 483 acres of land. Access to the business and commercial areas of Houston from the District is provided via Windfern Road and Gessner Road approximately one mile south to U.S. Highway 290. The Sam Houston Parkway generally forms the western boundary of the District. The District lies within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston. The District is located entirely within the boundaries of the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District. See "AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH" herein.

## **Status of Development**

Development of the District began in 1971, and approximately 383 acres of land in the District have been developed with water, sanitary sewer and drainage facilities. Development in the District includes residential improvements as well as commercial and multi-family improvements. See "THE SYSTEM."

Residential Development: Approximately 308 acres of land in the District has been developed into approximately 1,243 single family residential lots contained in Windfern Forest, Sections One through Five, Windfern Gardens, Sections One and Two, Woodwind Lakes, Section Four, Laurel Creek, Sections One through Five and Mauna Loa Gardens Sections One and Two. As of September 18, 2025, the District contained 1,229 completed and occupied homes, 14 completed and unoccupied homes. According to the District's 2025 tax rolls, the average homestead value in the District is approximately \$300,000. The District also provides water service on an "Out of District" basis to Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 261.

Commercial/Multi-family Development: Approximately 75 acres of reserves have been provided with water, sewer and drainage facilities for multi-family and commercial development. The District contains five multi-family projects (MAA Woodwind Apartments, Bellagio Apartments, Park at Woodwind Lakes Apartments, Kensington Crossings Apartments, and Stoneyway Village Townhomes, collectively consisting of 1,082 units) and occupancy rates range from approximately 96% to approximately 99%. A mini-storage facility, a CVS Pharmacy, two gas stations and one small strip shopping center consisting of a convenience store and several small retail establishments have been constructed in the District. The District also provides water and sewer services on an "Out of District" basis to the First Metropolitan Baptist Church and to The Metropolitan Apartments.

*Undevelopable Acreage*: The District has approximately 100 undevelopable acres of land contained in easements, rights-of-way, recreation and open space land.

### MANAGEMENT OF THE DISTRICT

## **Board of Directors**

The District is governed by the Board of Directors, consisting of five directors, which has control over and management supervision of all affairs of the District. All of the Directors listed below reside within the District. Directors are elected by the voters within the District for four-year staggered terms. Directors elections are held only in odd numbered years. The Directors and Officers of the District are listed below:

Name	Title	Term Expires
Karen Hlavenka	President	May 2029
Shari B. North	Vice President	May 2027
Phyllis Schoelman	Assistant Vice President	May 2029
Ann Murphee	Secretary	May 2029
John Lehew	Assistant Secretary	May 2027

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

## Tax Assessor/Collector

Land and improvements within the District are appraised for ad valorem taxation purposes by the Harris Central Appraisal District. The District's Tax Assessor/Collector is appointed by the Board of Directors of the District. B&A Municipal Tax Service LLC is currently serving in this capacity for the District.

### Bookkeeper

The District has engaged McLennan & Associates, L.P., to serve as the District's bookkeeper.

## **Utility System Operator**

The District contracts with Texas Operations and Professional Services for maintenance and operation of the District's system.

## **Engineer**

The District's engineer is Langford Engineering Inc.

## **Bond Counsel/Attorney**

The District has engaged Bracewell LLP as general counsel to the District and as Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance of the District's bonds. The fees of the attorneys in their capacity as Bond Counsel are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. Compensation to the attorneys for other services to the District is based on time charges actually incurred.

## **Financial Advisor**

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

## **Disclosure Counsel**

The District has engaged McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., Houston, Texas as disclosure counsel. The fees paid to disclosure counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

## **Auditor**

As required by the Texas Water Code, the District retains an independent auditor to audit the District's financial statements annually, which annual audit is filed with the Commission. The District's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 have been prepared by Mark C. Eyring CPA PLLC. The District has engaged Mark C. Eyring CPA PLLC to audit its financial statements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025. See "APPENDIX A" for a copy of the District's September 30, 2024 audited financial statements.

## THE SYSTEM

## Regulation

Construction and operation of the District's water, wastewater and storm drainage system as it now exists or as it may be expanded from time to time is subject to regulatory jurisdiction of federal, state and local authorities. The TCEQ exercises continuing, supervisory authority over the District. Discharge of treated sewage into Texas waters, if any, is also subject to the regulatory authority of the TCEQ and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Construction of drainage facilities is subject to the regulatory authority of the Harris County Drainage District. Harris County, the City of Houston, and the Texas Department of Health also exercise regulatory jurisdiction over the District's system.

## Water Supply

The District operates two water plants, including three groundwater wells, which total 2,654 gallons per minute ("gpm") of capacity, one 420,000 gallon ground storage tank and one 500,000 gallon ground storage tank, booster pumps totaling 6,437 gpm capacity, 50,000 gallons of pressure tank capacity, and appurtenant equipment. The District also has interconnect agreements with Rolling Fork Public Utility District and West Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 1. The District has entered into a water supply contract with Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 261 ("MUD 261") and the City of Houston to purchase surface water from the City of Houston. The current take or pay amount of water purchased is 15.049 million gallons per month. According to the Engineer, the District's current water supply system, including the water capacity purchased from the City of Houston, is sufficient to serve approximately 2,853 equivalent single-family equivalent connections. As of August 2025, the District was serving approximately 2,796 equivalent single-family connections (including "Out of District" services). A portion of Bond proceeds will be used to finance improvements to Water Plant No. 1. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS."

## **Subsidence and Conversion to Surface Water Supply**

The District is within Area Three of the boundaries of the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District (the "Subsidence District") which regulates groundwater withdrawal. The District's authority to pump groundwater is subject to an annual permit issued by the Subsidence District. The Subsidence District has adopted regulations requiring reduction of groundwater withdrawals through conversion to alternate source water (e.g. surface water) in areas within the Subsidence District's jurisdiction. Under the Regulatory Plan, areas within the Subsidence District's boundaries have converted to 30% surface water by 2010, and must convert to 60% surface water by 2025, and 80% surface water by 2035. The District's Groundwater Reduction Plan (the "GRP") complying with these requirements was filed with the Subsidence District on August 21, 2002.

The District and MUD 261 entered into an Interim Water Consortium Agreement on June 21, 2000 with Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 6, Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 23, and Rolling Fork Public Utility District (the "Consortium") to cause the design and construction of a major water transmission line that connects to Houston's water distribution system for delivery of water to each Consortium member (the "Consortium Main"). Proceeds from Outstanding Bonds were used to finance the District's portion of the Consortium Main.

On April 2, 2001, the District and MUD 261 entered into a water supply contract with the City of Houston (the "City") to purchase water from the City for domestic and commercial purposes. This surface water is obtained from the Consortium Main and the current take or pay amount of water purchased from Houston is 15.049 million gallons per month. This amount coincides with the GRP for conversion to surface water.

## **Wastewater Treatment**

Sanitary sewage from the District is conveyed to and treated at the regional White Oak Bayou Wastewater Treatment Plant, a 3.2 million gallon per day facility (the "Regional Plant"). The Regional Plant is jointly owned and operated by the City of Jersey Village, West Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 1, Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 25, Baker Service Tools and the District. The District presently owns 900,000 gpd of capacity in the Regional Plant, which is adequate to serve 3,000 equivalent connections based on 300 gpd per equivalent connection. As of August 2025, the District was serving approximately 2,796 equivalent single-family connections (including "Out of District" services). A portion of Bond proceeds will be used to finance construction and improvements to the Regional Plant. See "USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS."

## **Drainage**

The District's drainage system drains into White Oak Bayou and thence by Buffalo Bayou into the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bay.

### 100-Year Flood Plain

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

According to the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map Number 48201C0445L, revised June 18, 2007, approximately 3 acres of undeveloped land, 19 undevelopable acres of rights-of-way and easements, and 17 acres of developed land within the District are within the 100-year flood plain. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Extreme Weather Events."

## USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF BOND PROCEEDS

The construction costs below were compiled by the District's Engineer and were submitted to the Commission in the District's bond application. Non-construction costs are based upon either contract amounts or estimates of various costs by the Engineer and Financial Advisor. The actual amounts to be reimbursed by the District and the non-construction costs will be finalized after the sale of the Bonds and completion of agreed-upon procedures by the District's auditor. The surplus funds may be expended for any lawful purpose for which surplus construction funds may be used, if approved by the Commission, where required.

CONSTRUCTION COSTS	
Water Plant No. 1 Improvements	\$ 750,000
District Administration Building Rehabilitation and Repairs	500,000
Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation	1,250,000
Lift Station No. 1 Rehabilitation	750,000
Lift Station No. 2 Rehabilitation	400,000
Lift Station No. 3 Rehabilitation	250,000
Lift Station No. 4 Rehabilitation	250,000
White Oak Bayou Wastewater Treatment Plant 2026 Project	1,550,000
Contingencies	855,000
Engineering.	983,250
<b>Total Construction Costs</b>	\$ 7,538,250
NON-CONSTRUCTION COSTS	
Bond Discount (a).	\$ 243,569
Total Non-Construction Costs	\$ 243,569
ISSUANCE COSTS AND FEES	
Issuance Costs and Professional Fees	\$ 346,715
Bond Application Report	50,000
State Regulatory Fees	28,735
Contingency (a)	 2,731
Total Issuance Costs and Fees	\$ 428,181
TOTAL BOND ISSUE	\$ 8,210,000

<sup>(</sup>a) In its order authorizing the issuance of the Bonds, the TCEQ approved a maximum Bond Discount of 3.0%. Contingency represents the difference between the estimated and actual amount of Bond Discount.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation	\$527,181,987(a)
Gross Debt Outstanding (after the issuance of the Bonds)	\$10,315,000
Ratio of Gross Debt to: 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation	1.96%
Debt Service Fund Balance as of October 21, 2025	\$757,212(b) \$2,289,953

<sup>(</sup>a) The Harris Central Appraisal District (the "Appraisal District") has certified \$517,305,374 of taxable value and an additional \$9,876,613 of taxable value remains uncertified and is subject to review and downward adjustment. The 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation shown throughout this OFFICIAL STATEMENT is the certified value plus the uncertified value. See "TAXING PROCEDURES."

## **Investments of the District**

The District has adopted an Investment Policy as required by the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code. The District's goal is to preserve principal and maintain liquidity while securing a competitive yield on its portfolio. Funds of the District will be invested in short term U.S. Treasuries, certificates of deposit insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") or secured by collateral evidenced by perfected safekeeping receipts held by a third party bank, and public funds investment pools rated in the highest rating category by a nationally recognized rating service. The District does not currently own, nor does it anticipate, the inclusion of long term securities or derivative products in the District portfolio.

## Outstanding Bonds (as of October 1, 2025)

	Original		
	Principal	Outst	anding Bonds
Series	 Amount	(as c	of 10/1/2025)
2011 (a)	\$ 3,860,000	\$	575,000
2020	 2,685,000		1,530,000
Total	\$ 6,545,000	\$	2,105,000

<sup>(</sup>a) Waterworks and Sewer System Combination Unlimited Tax and Revenue Bonds.

<sup>(</sup>b) Neither Texas law nor the Bond Resolution requires the District to maintain any minimum balance in the Debt Service Fund.

## ESTIMATED OVERLAPPING DEBT AND TAX RATE STATEMENT

## **Estimated Overlapping Debt**

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

	Outstanding			Overlapp	Overlapping			
Taxing Jurisdiction		Bonds	As of	Percent		Amount		
Harris County	\$	2,358,264,736	9/30/2025	0.08%	\$	1,886,612		
Harris County Flood Control District		963,805,000	9/30/2025	0.08%		771,044		
Harris County Hospital District		867,820,000	9/30/2025	0.08%		694,256		
Harris County Department of Education		28,960,000	9/30/2025	0.08%		23,168		
Port of Houston Authority		406,509,397	9/30/2025	0.08%		325,208		
Cypress-Faribanks Independent School District		3,484,020,000	9/30/2025	0.69%		24,039,738		
Lone Star College System		436,935,000	9/30/2025	0.16%		699,096		
Total Estimated Overlapping Debt					. \$	28,439,121		
The District		10,315,000 (a)	Current	100.00%		10,315,000		
Total Direct and Estimated Overlapping Debt					. \$	38,754,121		
Ratio of Gross Debt and Estimated Overlapping Debt to:								
						7.35%		

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes the Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds.

## **Overlapping Tax Rates**

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

Set forth below are all of the taxes levied for the 2025 tax year by Harris County Flood Control District, Harris County Hospital District, the Port of Houston Authority and the District, as well as for the 2024 tax year by Harris County, Harris County Department of Education, Cypress Fairbanks Independent School District, Harris County Emergency Services District No. 9 and Lone Star College System. No recognition is given to local assessments for civic association dues, fire department contributions, solid waste disposal charges or any other levy of entities other than political subdivisions.

	per \$1	Γax Rate 00 of Taxable sed Valuation
Harris County (including Harris County Flood Control District		
Harris County Hospital District, Harris County Department of		
Education and the Port of Houston Authority)(a)	\$	0.633259
Cypress Fairbanks Independent School District		1.086900
Harris County Emergency Services District No. 9		0.040000
Lone Star College System.		0.107600
Total Overlapping Tax Rate	\$	1.867759
The District		0.434000
Total Tax Rate	\$	2.301759

### TAX DATA

## **Debt Service Tax**

The Board covenants in the Bond Resolution to levy and assess, for each year that all or any part of the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid, a tax adequate to provide funds to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds. See "Historical Tax Rate Distribution" and "Tax Roll Information" below and "TAXING PROCEDURES."

### **Maintenance and Operations Tax**

The Board has the statutory authority to levy and collect an annual ad valorem tax for the operation and maintenance of the District, if such a maintenance tax is authorized by the District's voters. A maintenance tax election was conducted April 5, 1996, and voters of the District authorized, among other things, the Board to levy a maintenance tax not to exceed \$0.25 per \$100 assessed valuation. Voters of the District authorized an increase in the maintenance and operations tax at an election held in the District on November 7, 2023, where, among other items, voters of the District authorized the Board to levy a maintenance tax not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 assessed valuation. A maintenance tax is in addition to taxes which the District is authorized to levy for paying principal of and interest on the Bonds. See "Debt Service Tax" above.

## **Historical Tax Rate Distribution**

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Debt Service Tax	\$ 0.200	\$ 0.200	\$ 0.190	\$ 0.172	\$ 0.200
Maintenance and Operations Tax	0.234	0.222	0.232	0.250	0.250
Total	\$ 0.434	\$ 0.422	\$ 0.422	\$ 0.422	\$ 0.450

## **Exemptions**

As discussed in the section titled "TAXING PROCEDURES" herein, certain property in the District may be exempt from taxation by the District. For 2025, the District has adopted a \$10,000 exemption for disabled persons or persons over age 65.

## **Additional Penalties**

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

### **Historical Tax Collections**

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

	Certified			<b>Total Collections</b>			
Tax	Taxable Assessed	Tax	Total	as of September	· 30, 2025 (a)		
Year	Valuation	Rate	Tax Levy	Amount	Percent		
2020	\$ 385,689,069	\$ 0.470	\$ 1,812,739	\$ 1,810,866	99.90%		
2021	403,527,930	0.450	1,815,891	1,811,746	99.77%		
2022	451,146,699	0.422	1,903,839	1,897,548	99.67%		
2023	500,740,066	0.422	2,113,123	2,107,000	99.72%		
2024	518,839,401	0.422	2,189,502	2,165,038	98.89%		

<sup>(</sup>a) Unaudited.

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

## **Tax Roll Information**

The following summary of the 2023 through 2025 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuations are provided by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector based on information provided by the Appraisal District. Differences in totals may vary slightly from other information herein due to differences in dates of data. A breakdown related to the uncertified portion of the 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation, of \$9,876,613, is not available from the Appraisal District

		2025		2024	2023			
	Certified Taxable		Cer	tified Taxable	Certified Taxable			
	Asses	ssed Valuation	Assessed Valuation		Asse	Assessed Valuation		
Land	\$	117,799,270	\$	116,980,790	\$	114,194,154		
Improvements		407,419,047		409,867,031		394,554,152		
Personal Property		8,688,527		8,404,199		7,801,925		
Exemptions		(16,601,470)		(16,412,619)		(15,810,165)		
Certified Value		517,305,374		518,839,401		500,740,066		
Uncertified Value		9,876,613						
Total	\$	527,181,987	\$	518,839,401	\$	500,740,066		

## **Principal Taxpayers**

The following list of principal taxpayers was provided by the District's Tax Assessor/Collector and represents the principal taxpayers' value as a percentage of the certified portion 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation of \$517,305,374. This represents ownership as of January 1, 2025. A principal taxpayer list related to the uncertified portion of the 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation, of \$9,876,613, is not available from the Appraisal District.

Taxpayer	Type of Property	Tax	025 Certified able Assessed Valuation	% of 2025 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation	
Mid America Apartments Texas LP	Multi-Family	<u> </u>	39,226,621	7.81%	
Bellagio Apartments LP	Multi-Family		32,019,564	6.37%	
Mosaic Kensington LP	Multi-Family		30,339,102	6.04%	
Primis TCR Investor LTD Partnership	Multi-Family		7,785,757	1.55%	
Sovran Acquisition LP	Storage Facility		6,434,379	1.28%	
Centerpoint Energy HOU Ele	Electric Utility		3,084,440	0.61%	
T&C Realty Investment LLC	Strip Shopping Center		3,014,477	0.60%	
MDC Coast 9 LLC	Strip Shopping Center		2,143,251	0.43%	
7710 Gessner Road LLC	Drug Store		2,129,787	0.42%	
Wood Wind Square LTD	Strip Shopping Center		1,162,677	0.23%	
Total		\$	127,340,055	25.35%	

## Tax Adequacy for Debt Service

The calculations shown below assume, solely for purposes of illustration, no increase or decrease in assessed valuation over the 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation, no use of available funds, and utilize tax rates necessary to pay the District's average annual debt service requirements and maximum annual debt service requirements on the Outstanding Bonds and the Bonds.

\$863,479
\$901,481
\$1,046,756
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\$1,051,728

No representation or suggestion is made that the uncertified portion of the 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation for the District will be certified as taxable value by the Appraisal District, and no person should rely upon such amounts or their inclusion herein as assurance of their attainment. See "TAX PROCEDURES."

### TAXING PROCEDURES

### **Authority to Levy Taxes**

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

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

Title I of the Texas Tax Code (the "Property Tax Code") specifies the taxing procedures of all political subdivisions of the State of Texas, including the District. Provisions of the Property Tax Code are complex and are not fully summarized here.

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

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

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

<u>Residential Homestead Exemptions</u>: The Property Tax Code authorizes the governing body of each political subdivision in the State of Texas to exempt up to twenty percent (20%) of the appraised value of residential homesteads from ad valorem taxation. Where ad valorem taxes have previously been pledged for the payment of debt, the governing body of a political subdivision may continue to levy and collect taxes against the exempt value of the homesteads until the debt is discharged, if the cessation of the levy would impair the obligations of the contract by which the debt was created. The adoption of a homestead exemption may be considered each year, but must be adopted before July 1.

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

### **Tax Abatement**

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

## Valuation of Property for Taxation

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

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

The Property Tax Code requires the Appraisal District to implement a plan for periodic reappraisal of property to update appraisal values. The plan must provide for appraisal of all real property in the Appraisal District at least once every three (3) years. It is not known what frequency of reappraisal will be utilized by the Appraisal District or whether reappraisals will be conducted on a zone or county-wide basis. The District, however, at its expense has the right to obtain from the Appraisal District a current estimate of appraised values within the District or an estimate of any new property or improvements within the District. While such current estimate of appraised values may serve to indicate the rate and extent of growth of taxable values within the District, it cannot be used for establishing a tax rate within the District until such time as the Appraisal District chooses formally to include such values on its appraisal roll.

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

### **District and Taxpayer Remedies**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<u>The District</u>: A determination as to a district's status as a Special Taxing Unit, Developed District or Developing District will be made by the Board of Directors on an annual basis. The District is designated as a "Developed District" for the 2025 tax year. The District cannot give any assurances as to what its classification will be at any point in time or whether the District's future tax rates will result in a total tax rate that will reclassify the District into a new classification and new election calculation.

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

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

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

# **DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

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

		utstanding Bonds ebt Service	Plus:	Total Debt Service				
Year	Re	quirements	Principal	Interest	Total	Requirements		
2026 2027 2028 2029	\$	818,988 343,200 339,900 336,600	\$ 400,000 400,000 400,000	\$ 188,036 303,556 283,556 263,556	\$ 188,036 703,556 683,556 663,556	\$	1,007,024 1,046,756 1,023,456 1,000,156	
2030 2031 2032 2033		333,300	400,000 520,000 545,000 575,000	243,556 223,556 197,556 180,525	643,556 743,556 742,556 755,525		976,856 743,556 742,556 755,525	
2034 2035 2036		- - -	605,000 640,000 670,000	162,556 142,894 122,094	767,556 782,894 792,094		767,556 782,894 792,094	
2037 2038 2039		- - -	705,000 745,000 780,000	100,319 77,406 53,194	805,319 822,406 833,194		805,319 822,406 833,194	
2040 Total	\$	2,171,988	\$ 825,000 8,210,000	\$ 2,570,205	\$ 852,844 10,780,205	\$	852,844 12,952,192	
		bt Service Requi Debt Service Rec						

## WATER AND SEWER OPERATIONS

The Bonds and Outstanding Bonds are payable from the levy of an ad valorem tax, without legal limitation as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the District. Net revenues, if any, derived from the operation of the District's water and sewer operations are not pledged to the payment of the Bonds but are available for any lawful purpose including payment of debt service on the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds, at the discretion and upon action of the Board. It is not anticipated that any significant revenues will be available for the payment of debt service on the Bonds or the Outstanding Bonds.

The following statement sets forth in condensed form the historical results of operation of the District's General Fund. Such summary is based upon information obtained from the District's audited financial statements for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2021 through 2024, and an unaudited summary for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2025 from the District's bookkeeper. Reference is made to such statements and records for further and more complete information.

			Fiscal Year Ended September 30								
	10	/01/2024 to									
	9/	30/2025 (a)		2024		2023		2022		2021	
	(Unaudited)									2021	
Revenues											
Property Taxes	\$	1,128,416	\$	1,150,779	:	\$ 1,140,542	\$	1,003,694	\$	961,537	
Water Service		640,992		674,698		576,731		438,509		390,244	
Water Sold to Other District		146,370		112,852		126,921		111,731		115,416	
Sewer Service		908,877		927,631		830,132		691,861		658,244	
Penalty and Interest		26,478		28,177		18,593		15,842		15,021	
Tap Connection and Sewer Inspection Fees		151,763		956,428	(b)	-		103,036		-	
District Administration Building Rental		7,800		28,520		21,633		12,250		10,975	
Interest on Deposits and Investment		94,969		102,737		42,591		5,519		491	
Other Revenues		11,406		84,478		40,936		51,776		13,206	
		177,373		-	_	_		-			
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$	3,294,444	\$	4,066,300		\$ 2,798,079	\$	2,434,218	\$	2,165,134	
Expenditures											
Service Operations:											
Purchased Services	\$	943,437	\$	717,597	:	\$ 782,716	\$	643,380	\$	592,008	
Professional Fees		503,971		223,010		252,926		177,597		177,382	
Contracted Services		124,396		112,713		93,409		73,361		86,573	
Utilities		94,246		97,098		94,198		94,057		87,089	
Repairs and Maintenance		800,621		606,331		560,724		623,818		471,012	
Security Service		165,101		163,736		155,200		148,731		147,227	
Garbage Disposal		314,538		325,352		304,519		280,696		261,036	
District Administration Building Expenses		51,871		64,997		119,070		50,799		42,980	
Administrative Expenditures		110,757		132,237		116,792		83,387		83,885	
Capital Outlay		44,950		412,285		-		200,702		307,821	
Principal Retirement		43,839		31,432		30,544		29,681		28,842	
Interest and Fees				6,754	_	7,643		8,506		9,345	
Total Expenditures	\$	3,197,726	\$	2,893,542	- :	\$ 2,517,741	\$	2,414,715	\$	2,295,200	
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	96,718	\$	1,172,758	:	\$ 280,338	\$	19,503	\$	(130,066)	
Other Sources (Internal Transfers)											
Reimbursement to (from) other fund	\$	-	\$	927,528	:	-	\$	213,875	\$	-	
Fund Balance (Beginning of Year)	\$	3,417,853	\$	1,317,567	:	\$ 1,037,229	\$	803,851	\$	933,917	
Fund Balance (End of Year)	\$	3,514,571	\$	3,417,853	:	\$ 1,317,567	\$	1,037,229	\$	803,851	

<sup>(</sup>a) Unaudited. Provided by the District's bookkeeper.

<sup>(</sup>b) Represents fees paid to the District for tap connection and associated fees by the developer of The Metropolitan Apartments for water and sewer services provided on an "Out of District" basis to the First Metropolitan Baptist Church and the Metropolitan Apartments.

### INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

### General

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

### **Dependence on Principal Taxpayers**

The principal taxpayers in the District represent \$127,340,055 (25.35%) of the 2025 Certified Taxable Assessed Valuation. See "TAX DATA—Principal Taxpayers." The ability of any principal taxpayer to make full and timely payments of taxes levied against its property by the District and similar taxing authorities will directly affect the District's ability to meet its debt service obligations. If, for any reason, any one or more principal taxpayers do not pay taxes due or do not pay in a timely manner, the District may need to levy additional taxes or use other funds available for debt service purposes. However, the District has not covenanted in the Bond Resolution, nor is it required by Texas law, to maintain any particular balance in its Debt Service Fund or any other funds to allow for any such delinquencies. Therefore, failure by one or more principal taxpayers to pay their taxes on a timely basis in amounts in excess of the District's available funds could have a material adverse effect upon the District's ability to pay debt service on the Bonds on a current basis.

### Potential Effects of Oil Price Fluctuations on the Houston Area

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

### **Extreme Weather Events**

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

According to the Engineer and Operator, the District's System (as defined herein) did not sustain any material damage, there was no interruption of water and sewer service, and no homes or commercial improvements within the District experienced structural flooding or other material damage as a result of Hurricane Harvey.

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

## **Specific Flood Type Risks**

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

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

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

Assuming no further development, the value of the land and improvements currently within the District will be the major determinant of the ability or willingness of District property owners to pay their taxes. The 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation of the District is \$527,181,987 (see "FINANCIAL STATEMENT"). After issuance of the Bonds, the maximum annual debt service requirement will be \$1,046,756 (2027) and the average annual debt service requirement will be \$863,479 (2026-2040). Assuming no increase or decrease from the 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation and no use of funds other than tax collections, a tax rate of \$0.21 per \$100 assessed valuation at a 95% collection rate would be necessary to pay the maximum annual debt service requirement of \$1,046,756 and a tax rate of \$0.18 per \$100 assessed valuation at a 95% collection rate would be necessary to pay the average annual debt service requirement of \$863,479 (see "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS"). Although calculations have been made regarding average and maximum tax rates necessary to pay the debt service on the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds based upon the 2025 Taxable Assessed Valuation the District can make no representations regarding the future level of assessed valuation within the District. The District levied a tax for debt service in 2025 at a rate of \$0.200 per \$100 assessed valuation. See "TAXING PROCEDURES" and "TAX DATA—Tax Adequacy for Debt Service."

### **Future Debt**

At an election held in the District on November 7, 2023, the District's voters authorized the issuance of \$40,480,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of constructing and/or acquiring water, sanitary sewer, drainage and storm sewer facilities and \$40,480,000 principal amount of unlimited tax refunding bonds to refund or redeem its outstanding debt. After issuance of the Bonds, the District will have \$32,270,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds authorized but unissued from its November 7, 2023 election for the purpose of constructing and/or acquiring water, sanitary sewer, drainage and storm sewer facilities and \$43,985,000 principal amount of unlimited tax bonds for refunding purposes authorized but unissued, which consists of \$40,480,000 principal amount from the November 7, 2023 election and \$3,505,000 from the District's May 4, 1991 election. In addition, voters may authorize the issuance of additional bonds secured by ad valorem taxes. The issuance of additional obligations may increase the District's tax rate and adversely affect the security for, and the investment quality and value of, the Bonds.

The District does not employ any formula with respect to appraised valuations, tax collections or otherwise to limit the amount of parity bonds which it may issue; however, bonds for recreational facilities may not be issued in an amount which exceeds one percent (1%) of the District's taxable value at the time of issuance. The issuance of additional bonds for water, sewer and drainage facilities and recreational facilities is subject to approval by the TCEQ pursuant to its rules regarding issuance and feasibility of bonds, unless the District meets certain financial feasibility requirements under the TCEQ rules, in which case the outstanding principal amount of such bonds issued by the District may exceed an amount equal to one percent (1%) but not three percent (3%) of the value of the taxable property in the District. Future changes in health or environmental regulations could require the construction and financing of additional improvements without any corresponding increases in taxable value in the District. See "THE BONDS—Issuance of Additional Debt."

## **Tax Collection Limitations**

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

### Registered Owners' Remedies and Bankruptcy Limitations

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

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

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

A district may not be forced into bankruptcy involuntarily.

## **Continuing Compliance with Certain Covenants**

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

### Marketability of the Bonds

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

### **Environmental Regulations**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **Changes in Tax Legislation**

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

### Risk Factors Related to the Purchase of Municipal Bond Insurance

The Underwriter has entered into an agreement with Assured Guaranty Inc. ("AG" or the "Insurer") for the purchase of a municipal bond insurance policy (the "Policy"). At the time of entering into the agreement, the Insurer was rated "AA" (stable outlook) by S&P and "A1" (stable outlook) by Moody's. See "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE."

The long-term ratings on the Bonds are dependent in part on the financial strength of the insurer (the "Insurer") and its claim paying ability. The 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 Insurer and of the ratings on the Bonds insured by the 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 description of "MUNICIPAL BOND RATING" and "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE."

The obligations of the Insurer are contractual obligations and in an event of default by the 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 Underwriter has made independent investigation into the claims paying ability of the Insurer and no assurance or representation regarding the financial strength or projected financial strength of the 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 Insurer, particularly over the life of the investment. See "MUNICIPAL BOND RATING" and "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" for further information provided by the Insurer and the Policy, which includes further instructions for obtaining current financial information concerning the Insurer.

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

## **Legal Opinions**

Delivery of the Bonds will be accompanied by the opinion of the Attorney General of Texas as recorded in the Bond Register of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, to the effect that the Bonds are valid and legally binding obligations of the District under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, payable from the proceeds of a direct and continuing annual ad valorem tax levied by the District, without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property within the District, and, based upon their examination of a transcript of certified proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel.

Bond Counsel has reviewed the statements and information contained in the Official Statement under the captions and subcaptions "THE BONDS" (except for the information under the subcaption "—BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM," as to which no opinion is expressed) and "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION" (except for the information under the subcaption "— Compliance with Prior Undertakings," as to which no opinion is expressed), and such firm is of the opinion that the statements and information contained therein fairly and accurately reflect the provisions of the Bond Resolution; further, Bond Counsel has reviewed the statements and information contained in the Official Statement under the captions and subcaptions "TAXING PROCEDURES," "TAX MATTERS," and "LEGAL MATTERS—Legal Opinions" and such firm is of the opinion that the statements and information contained therein are correct as to matters of law.

Bond Counsel has not, however, independently verified any of the factual information contained in this Official Statement nor has it conducted an investigation of the affairs of the District for the purpose of passing upon the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. No person is entitled to rely upon Bond Counsel's limited participation as an assumption of responsibility for or an expression of opinion of any kind with regard to the accuracy or completeness of any information contained herein.

Bracewell LLP, also serves as general counsel to the District on matters other than the issuance of bonds. The legal fees paid to Bond Counsel for services rendered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds are based on a percentage of the bonds actually issued, sold and delivered and, therefore, such fees are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Bonds. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the District by McCall Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., as Disclosure Counsel.

## Certification as to No Litigation

At the time of payment for and delivery of the Bonds, the District will furnish the Underwriter a certificate, executed by an authorized representative of the District, acting in such person's representative capacity, to the effect that to the best of such person's knowledge and belief. No litigation of any nature has been filed or is pending to restrain the issuance and delivery of the Bonds, or which would affect the provision made for their payment or security, or in any manner questioning the validity of the Bonds.

## **Forward-Looking Statements Disclaimer**

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

#### 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**

In the opinion of Bracewell LLP, Houston, Texas, under existing law (i) interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the alternative minimum tax on individuals.

The Code imposes a number of requirements that must be satisfied for interest on state or local obligations, such as the Bonds, to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. These requirements include limitations on the use of bond proceeds and the source of repayment of bonds, limitations on the investment of bond proceeds prior to expenditure, a requirement that excess arbitrage earned on the investment of bond proceeds be paid periodically to the United States and a requirement that the issuer file an information report with the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service"). The District has covenanted in the Bond Resolution that it will comply with these requirements.

Bond Counsel's opinion will assume continuing compliance with the covenants of the Bond Resolution pertaining to those sections of the Code that affect the excludability of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes and, in addition, will rely on representations by the District and other parties involved with the issuance of the Bonds with respect to matters solely within the knowledge of the District and such parties, which Bond Counsel has not independently verified. If the District fails to comply with the covenants in the Bond Resolution or if the foregoing representations are determined to be inaccurate or incomplete, interest on the Bonds could become includable in gross income from the date of delivery of the Bonds, regardless of the date on which the event causing such inclusion occurs.

Bond Counsel will express no opinion as to the amount or timing of interest on the Bonds or, except as stated above, any federal, state or local tax consequences resulting from the receipt or accrual of interest on, or acquisition, ownership or disposition of, the Bonds. Certain actions may be taken or omitted subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Bond Resolution upon the advice or with the approving opinion of Bond Counsel. Bond Counsel will express no opinion with respect to Bond Counsel's ability to render an opinion that such actions, if taken or omitted, will not adversely affect the excludability of interest of the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Bond Counsel's opinions are based on existing law, which is subject to change. Such opinions are further based on Bond Counsel's knowledge of facts as of the date thereof. Bond Counsel assumes no duty to update or supplement its opinions to reflect any facts or circumstances that may thereafter come to Bond Counsel's attention or to reflect any changes in any law that may thereafter occur or become effective. Moreover, Bond Counsel's opinions are not a guarantee of result and are not binding on the Service; rather, such opinions represent Bond Counsel's legal judgment based upon its review of existing law and in reliance upon the representations and covenants referenced above that it deems relevant to such opinions. The Service has an ongoing audit program to determine compliance with rules that relate to whether interest on state or local obligations is includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. No assurance can be given as to whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, in accordance with its current published procedures the Service is likely to treat the District as the taxpayer and the Owners may not have a right to participate in such audit. Public awareness of any future audit of the Bonds could adversely affect the value and liquidity of the Bonds regardless of the ultimate outcome of the audit.

### **Collateral Tax Consequences**

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that the ownership of tax-exempt obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences, including but not limited to those noted below. Therefore, prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of the Bonds.

An "applicable corporation" (as defined in section 59(k) of the Code) may be subject to a 15% alternative minimum tax imposed under section 55 of the Code on its "adjusted financial statement income" (as defined in section 56A of the Code) for such taxable year. Because interest on tax-exempt obligations, such as the Bonds, is included in a corporation's "adjusted financial statement income," ownership of the Bonds could subject certain corporations to alternative minimum tax consequences.

Ownership of tax-exempt obligations also may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to financial institutions, life insurance and property and casualty insurance companies, certain S corporations with Subchapter C earnings and profits, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, low and middle income taxpayers otherwise qualifying for the health insurance premium assistance credit and individuals otherwise qualifying for the earned income tax credit. In addition, certain foreign corporations doing business in the United States may be subject to the "branch profits tax" on their effectively connected earnings and profits, including tax-exempt interest such as interest on the Bonds.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should also be aware that, under the Code, taxpayers are required to report on their returns the amount of tax-exempt interest, such as interest on the Bonds, received or accrued during the year.

### **Tax Accounting Treatment of Original Issue Premium**

If the issue price of a maturity of the Bonds exceeds the stated redemption price payable at maturity of such Bonds, such Bonds (the "Premium Bonds") are considered for federal income tax purposes to have "bond premium" equal to the amount of such excess. The basis of a Premium Bond in the hands of an initial owner is reduced by the amount of such excess that is amortized during the period such initial owner holds such Premium Bond in determining gain or loss for federal income tax purposes. This reduction in basis will increase the amount of any gain or decrease the amount of any loss recognized for federal income tax purposes on the sale or other taxable disposition of a Premium Bond by the initial owner. No corresponding deduction is allowed for federal income tax purposes for the reduction in basis resulting from amortizable bond premium. The amount of bond premium on a Premium Bond that is amortizable each year (or shorter period in the event of a sale or disposition of a Premium Bond) is determined using the yield to maturity on the Premium Bond based on the initial offering price of such Premium Bond.

The federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and redemption, sale or other disposition of Premium Bonds that are not purchased in the initial offering at the initial offering price may be determined according to rules that differ from those described above. All owners of Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the determination for federal, state, and local income tax purposes of amortized bond premium upon the redemption, sale or other disposition of a Premium Bond and with respect to the federal, state, local, and foreign tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, and sale, redemption or other disposition of such Premium Bonds.

### **Tax Accounting Treatment of OID Bonds**

If the issue price of a maturity of the Bonds is less than the stated redemption price payable at maturity of such Bonds (the "OID Bonds") OID Bond, the difference between (i) the amount payable at the maturity of each OID Bond, and (ii) the initial offering price to the public of such OID Bond constitutes original issue discount with respect to such OID Bond in the hands of any owner who has purchased such OID Bond in the initial public offering of the Bonds. Generally, such initial owner is entitled to exclude from gross income (as defined in Section 61 of the Code) an amount of income with respect to such OID Bond equal to that portion of the amount of such original issue discount allocable to the period that such OID Bond continues5to be owned by such owner. Because original issue discount is treated as interest for federal income tax purposes, the discussions regarding interest on the Bonds under the captions "TAX MATTERS—Tax Exemption," "—Tax Legislative Changes" and "—Additional Federal Income Tax Considerations Collateral Tax Consequences" generally apply, and should be considered in connection with the discussion in this portion of the Official Statement.

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

The foregoing discussion assumes that (a) the Underwriter has purchased the Bonds for contemporaneous sale to the public and (b) all of the OID Bonds have been initially offered, and a substantial amount of each maturity thereof has been sold, to the general public in arm's-length transactions for a price (and with no other consideration being included) not more than the initial offering prices thereof stated on the cover page of this Official Statement. Neither the District nor Bond Counsel has made any investigation or offers any comfort that the OID Bonds will be offered and sold in accordance with such assumptions.

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

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

## Purchase of Tax-Exempt Obligations by Financial Institutions

Section 265(a) of the Code provides, in general, that a deduction for interest on indebtedness incurred to acquire or carry tax- exempt obligations is disallowed. Section 265(b) of the Code provides a specific complete disallowance of any deduction by a financial institution of its pro rata interest expense to reflect such financial institution's investment in tax-exempt obligations acquired after August 7, 1986. Section 265(b) also provides an exception for financial institutions for tax-exempt obligations that are properly designated or deemed designated by an issuer as "qualified tax-exempt obligations."

The Bonds have been designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" based, in part, on the District's representation that the amount of the Bonds, when added to the amount of all other tax-exempt obligations (not including private activity bonds other than "qualified 501(c)(3) bonds" or any obligations issued to currently refund any obligation to the extent the amount of the refunding obligation did not exceed the outstanding amount of the refunded obligation) issued or reasonably anticipated to be issued by or on behalf of the District during 2025, is not expected to exceed \$10,000,000. Further, the District and entities aggregated with the District under the Code have not designated more than \$10,000,000 in "qualified tax-exempt obligations" (including the Bonds) during 2025.

Notwithstanding the designation of the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under this exception, financial institutions acquiring the Bonds will be subject to a 20% disallowance of allocable interest expense.

#### **Tax Legislative Changes**

Current law may change so as to directly or indirectly reduce or eliminate the benefit of the excludability of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any proposed legislation, whether or not enacted, could also affect the value and liquidity of the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to any recently-enacted, proposed, pending or future legislation.

#### SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE BONDS

#### Award of the Bonds

After requesting competitive bids for the Bonds, the District accepted the bid resulting in the lowest net interest cost, which bid was tendered by The Baker Group LP (the "Underwriter") bearing the interest rates shown on the cover page hereof, at a price of 97.0333% of the principal amount thereof to the date of delivery which resulted in a net effective interest rate of 3.768500% as calculated pursuant to Chapter 1204 of the Texas Government Code.

#### **Prices and Marketability**

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

The District has no control over trading of the Bonds in the secondary market. Moreover, there is no guarantee that a secondary market will be made in the Bonds. In such a secondary market, the difference between the bid and asked price of utility district bonds may be greater than the difference between the bid and asked price of bonds of comparable maturity and quality issued by more traditional municipal entities, as bonds of such entities are more generally bought, sold, or traded in the secondary market.

#### **Securities Laws**

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

#### MUNICIPAL BOND RATING

S&P Global Ratings, a business unit of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC, ("S&P") has assigned a municipal bond insured rating of "AA" (stable outlook) to the Bonds with the understanding that, upon issuance and delivery of the Bonds, a Policy ensuring the timely payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds will be issued by Assured Guaranty Inc. ("AG" or the "Insurer"). S&P has also assigned an underlying rating of "A-" to the Bonds. An explanation of the ratings may be obtained from S&P. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS—Risk Factors Related to the Purchase of Municipal Bond Insurance," "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE" and "APPENDIX B."

#### MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE

#### **Bond Insurance Policy**

Concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds, Assured Guaranty Inc. ("AG" or the "Insurer") will issue a 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 APPENDIX B 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 September 30, 2025:

- The policyholders' surplus of AG was approximately \$3,268 million.
- The contingency reserve of AG was approximately \$1,481 million.
- The net unearned premium reserves and net deferred ceding commission income of AG and its subsidiaries (as described below) were approximately \$2,431 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).
- (iv) the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2025 (filed by AGL with the SEC on November 7, 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 "MUNICIPAL 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 "MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE".

#### PREPARATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT

#### **Sources and Compilation of Information**

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

#### **Financial Advisor**

Masterson Advisors LLC is employed as the Financial Advisor to the District to render certain professional services, including advising the District on a plan of financing and preparing the Official Statement, including the Official Notice of Sale and the Official Bid Form for the sale of the Bonds. In its capacity as Financial Advisor, Masterson Advisors LLC has compiled and edited this Official Statement. In addition to compiling and editing, the Financial Advisor has obtained the information set forth herein under the caption indicated from the following sources:

"THE DISTRICT" – Langford Engineering Inc. ("Engineer"), and Records of the District ("Records"); "THE SYSTEM" - Engineer; "FINANCIAL STATEMENT" - Harris Central Appraisal District, B&A Municipal Tax Service LLC, Tax Assessor/Collector and McLennan & Associates, L.P., Bookkeeper; FINANCIAL STATEMENT —Estimated Overlapping Debt" - Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and Financial Advisor; "TAX DATA" – Harris Central Appraisal District and B&A Municipal Tax Service LLC., Tax Assessor/Collector; "MANAGEMENT" - District Directors; "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS" - Financial Advisor; "THE BONDS," "TAXING PROCEDURES," and "LEGAL MATTERS" - Bracewell LLP.

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

#### **Consultants**

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

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

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

<u>Tax Assessor/Collector</u>: The information contained in this Official Statement relating to the historical breakdown of the Assessed Valuations, principal taxpayers, and certain other historical data concerning tax rates and tax collections has been provided by B&A Municipal Tax Service LLC, and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such firm as an expert in assessing and collecting taxes.

<u>Auditor:</u> The District's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 have been prepared by Mark C. Eyring CPA PLLC. See "APPENDIX A" for a copy of the District's September 30, 2024, audited financial statements.

<u>Bookkeeper:</u> The information related to the "unaudited" summary of the District's General Operating Fund as it appears in "WATER AND SEWER OPERATIONS" has been provided by McLennan & Associates, L.P., and is included herein in reliance upon the authority of such firm as experts in the tracking and managing the various funds of municipal utility districts.

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

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

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

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

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

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

#### **Annual Reports**

The District will provide certain financial information and operating data annually to the MSRB. The financial information and operating data which will be provided with respect to the District includes all quantitative financial information and operating data of the general type included in this Official Statement under the headings "FINANCIAL STATEMENT," "TAX DATA," "WATER AND SEWER OPERATIONS," and "DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS" and in APPENDIX A (Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements of the District). The District will update and provide this information to the MSRB within six months after the end of each of its fiscal years ending in and after 2025. Any financial statements provided by the District shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or other such principles as the District may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation and audited if the audit report is completed within the period during which it must be provided. If the audit report is not complete within such period, then the District shall provide unaudited financial statements for the applicable year to the MSRB within such six-month period and audited financial statements when the audit report becomes available.

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

#### **Specified Event Notices**

The District will provide timely notices of certain specified events to the MSRB, but in no event will such notices be provided to the MSRB in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of an event. The District will provide notice of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (1) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (2) non-payment related defaults, if material; (3) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (4) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (5) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (6) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (7) modifications to rights of Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, if material; (8) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (9) defeasances; (10) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (11) rating changes; (12) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District or other obligated person; (13) consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or other obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District or other obligated person other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of an definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (14) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material; (15) incurrence of a financial obligation of the District or other obligated person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the District or other obligated person, any of which affect Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, if material; and (16) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the District or other obligated person, any of which reflect financial difficulties. The terms

"obligated person" and "financial obligation" when used in this paragraph shall have the meanings ascribed to them under SEC Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule"). The term "material" when used in this paragraph shall have the meaning ascribed to it under federal securities laws. Neither the Bonds nor the Bond Resolution makes any provision for debt service reserves or liquidity enhancement. In addition, the District will provide timely notice of any failure by the District to provide financial information, operational data, or financial statements in accordance with its agreement described above under "Annual Reports."

#### Availability of Information from MSRB

The District has agreed to provide the foregoing information only to the MSRB. The MSRB makes the information available to the public through the EMMA internet portal at www.emma.msrb.org.

#### **Limitations and Amendments**

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

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

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

During the last five years, the District has complied in all material respects with its previous continuing disclosure agreements except as follows:

The District filed its Annual Filing for its fiscal year ended September 30, 2021 on November 3, 2025 after its six-month deadline of March 31, 2022. The District has adopted procedures to ensure that future filings will be made on a timely basis.

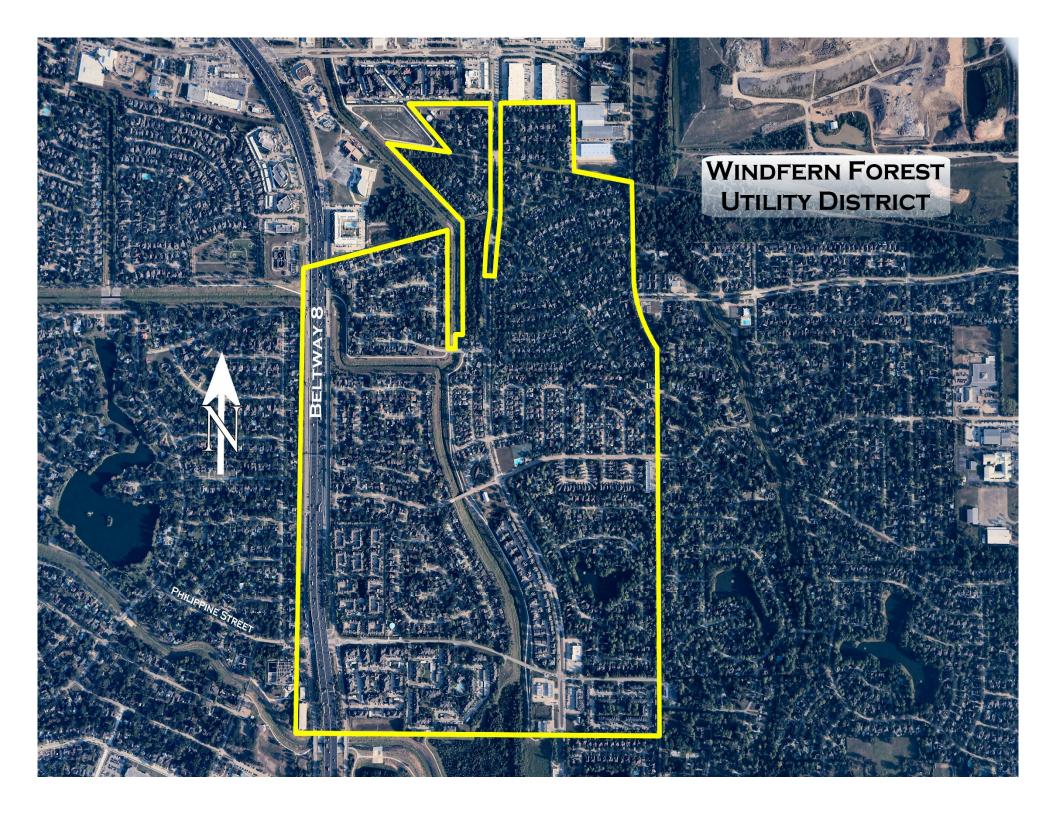
#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

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

This Official Statement was approved by the Board of Directors of Windfern Forest Utility District, as of the date shown on the cover page.

	/s/ <u>Karen Hlavenka</u>	
	President, Board of Directors	
ATTEST:		
/s/ Ann Murphee		
Secretary, Board of Directors		

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH (Approximate boundaries of the District as of September 2025)



## PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE DISTRICT (Taken September 2025)

























#### APPENDIX A

District Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024

# WINDFERN FOREST UTILITY DISTRICT HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

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January 22, 2025

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Windfern Forest Utility District Harris County, Texas

#### **Opinions**

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Windfern Forest Utility District as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Windfern Forest Utility District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Windfern Forest Utility District, as of September 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows there of for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

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

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Windfern Forest Utility 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.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Continued)

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I 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. I 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 Windfern Forest Utility District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed. I 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. I conclude whether, in my judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Windfern Forest Utility District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

I am 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 I 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 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. I 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 I obtained during my audit of the basic financial statements. I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide me with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Continued)

#### **Supplementary Information**

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Windfern Forest Utility District's basic financial statements. The supplementary information on Pages 24 to 39 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Except for the portion marked "unaudited," the information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In my opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information marked "unaudited" has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, I do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it. The accompanying supplementary information includes financial data excerpted from prior year financial statements which were audited by my firm.



#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

#### **Using this Annual Report**

Within this section of the Windfern Forest Utility District (the "District") annual report, the District's Board of Directors provides narrative discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements plus additional supplemental information to the financial statements as required by its state oversight agency, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. In accordance with required reporting standards, the District reports its financial activities as a special-purpose government. Special-purpose governments are governmental entities which engage in a single governmental program. In the District's case, the single governmental program is provision of water and sewer services. Other activities, such as garbage collection and security service, are minor activities and are not budgeted or accounted for as separate programs. The financial statements of special-purpose governments combine two types of financial statements into one statement. These two types of financial statements are the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. The fund financial statements are presented on the left side of the statements, a column for adjustments is to the right of the fund financial statements, and the government-wide financial statements are presented to the right side of the adjustments column. The following sections describe the measurement focus of the two types of statements and the significant differences in the information they provide.

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The focus of government-wide financial statements is on the overall financial position and activities of the District. The District's government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and statement of activities, which are prepared using accounting principles that are similar to commercial enterprises. The purpose of the statement of net position is to attempt to report all of the assets and liabilities owned by the District. The District reports all of its assets when it acquires or begins to maintain the assets and reports all of its liabilities when they are incurred.

The difference between the District's total assets and total liabilities is labeled as *net position* and this difference is similar to the total owners' equity presented by a commercial enterprise.

The purpose of the statement of activities is to present the revenues and expenses of the District. Again, the items presented on the statement of activities are measured in a manner similar to the approach used by a commercial enterprise in that revenues are recognized when earned or established criteria are satisfied and expenses are reported when incurred by the District. Thus, revenues are reported even when they may not be collected for several months or years after the end of the accounting period and expenses are recorded even though they may not have used cash during the current period.

Although the statement of activities looks different from a commercial enterprise's income statement, the financial statement is different only in format, not substance. Whereas the bottom line in a commercial enterprise is its net income, the District reports an amount described as *change in net position*, essentially the same thing.

#### Fund Financial Statements

Unlike government-wide financial statements, the focus of fund financial statements is directed to specific activities of the District rather than the District as a whole. Except for the General Fund, a specific fund is established to satisfy managerial control over resources or to satisfy finance-related legal requirements established by external parties or governmental statutes or regulations.

Governmental fund financial statements consist of a balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures and change in fund balances and are prepared on an accounting basis that is significantly different from that used to prepare the government-wide financial statements.

In general, these financial statements have a short-term emphasis and, for the most part, measure and account for cash and other assets that can easily be converted into cash. For example, amounts reported on the balance sheet include items such as cash and receivables collectible within a very short period of time, but do not include capital assets such as land and water and sewer systems. Fund liabilities include amounts that are to be paid within a very short period after the end of the fiscal year. The difference between a fund's total assets and total liabilities is labeled the fund balance, and generally indicates the amount that can be used to finance the next fiscal year's' activities. Likewise, the operating statement for governmental funds reports only those revenues and expenditures that were collected in cash or paid with cash, respectively, during the current period or very shortly after the end of the fiscal year.

Because the focus of the government-wide and fund financial statements are different, there are significant differences between the totals presented in these financial statements. For this reason, there is an analysis in Note 3 of the notes to the financial statements that reconciles the total fund balances to the amount of net position presented in the governmental activities column on the statement of net position. Also, there is an analysis in Note 3 of the notes to the financial statements that reconciles the total change in fund balances for all governmental funds to the change in net position as reported in the governmental activities column in the statement of activities.

#### Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole begins with an understanding of how financial resources flow through the District's funds. Resources in the Capital Projects Fund are derived principally from proceeds of the sale of bonds, and expenditures from this fund are subject to the Rules of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. Resources in the Debt Service Fund are derived principally from the collection of property taxes and are used for the payment of tax collection costs and bond principal and interest. Resources in the General Fund are derived principally from property taxes and billings for water and sewer services and are used to operate and maintain the system and to pay costs of administration of the District.

Management has financial objectives for each of the District's funds. The financial objective for the Capital Projects Fund is to spend the funds as necessary in accordance with the Rules of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The financial objective for the Debt Service Fund is to levy the taxes necessary to pay the fiscal year debt service requirements plus the cost of levying and collecting taxes, leaving the appropriate fund balance as recommended by the District's financial advisor. The financial objective for the General Fund is to keep the fund's expenditures as low as possible while ensuring that revenues are adequate to cover expenditures and maintaining the fund balance that Management believes is prudent. Management believes that these financial objectives were met during the fiscal year.

Management believes that the required method of accounting for certain elements of the government-wide financial statements makes the government-wide financial statements as a whole not useful for financial analysis. In the government-wide financial statements, capital assets and depreciation expense have been required to be recorded at historical cost. Management's policy is to maintain the District's capital assets in a condition greater than or equal to the condition required by regulatory authorities, and management does not believe that depreciation expense is relevant to the management of the District. In the government-wide financial statements, certain non-cash costs of long-term debt are capitalized and amortized over the life of the related debt. Management believes that this required method of accounting is not useful for financial analysis of the District and prefers to consider the required cash flows of the debt as reported in the fund statements and the notes to the financial statements. In the government-wide financial statements, property tax revenues are required to be recorded in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied, regardless of the year of collection. Management believes that the cash basis method of accounting for property taxes in the funds provides more useful financial information.

The following required summaries of the District's overall financial position and operations for the past two years are based on the information included in the government-wide financial statements. For the reasons described in the preceding paragraph, a separate analysis of the summaries is not presented.

#### Summary of Net Position

		2024	 2023		Change
Current and other assets Capital assets Total assets	\$	4,793,817 8,575,100 13,368,917	\$ 3,291,949 8,633,216 11,925,165	\$	1,501,868 (58,116) 1,443,752
Long-term liabilities Other liabilities Total liabilities		2,288,598 1,335,232 3,623,830	3,077,606 1,149,994 4,227,600		(789,008) 185,238 (603,770)
Net position: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted Total net position	<u>\$</u>	5,497,494 810,587 3,437,006 9,745,087	\$ 4,788,929 1,572,556 1,336,080 7,697,565	<u>\$</u>	708,565 (761,969) 2,100,926 2,047,522

#### Summary of Changes in Net Position

	 2024	 2023	 Change
Revenues: Property taxes, including related			
penalty and interest	\$ 2,108,721	\$ 1,934,824	\$ 173,897
Charges for services	2,784,264	1,593,313	1,190,951
Other revenues	 203,128	 126,289	 76,839
Total revenues	 5,096,113	 3,654,426	 1,441,687
Expenses:			
Service operations	2,965,601	2,935,871	29,730
Debt service	82,990	104,484	(21,494)
Total expenses	3,048,591	3,040,355	 8,236
Change in net position	2,047,522	614,071	1,433,451
Net position, beginning of year	 7,697,565	 7,083,494	 614,071
Net position, end of year	\$ 9,745,087	\$ 7,697,565	\$ 2,047,522

#### Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The District's combined fund balances as of the end of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, were \$4,215,049, an increase of \$1,335,110 from the prior year.

The General Fund balance increased by \$2,100,286, as revenues and the reimbursement of \$927,528 from the Capital Projects Fund exceeded expenditures.

The Debt Service Fund balance increased by \$133,059, in accordance with the District's financial plan.

The Capital Projects Fund balance decreased by \$898,235, as authorized expenditures and the reimbursement of \$927,528 to the General Fund exceeded interest earnings on deposits and investments.

#### General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Board of Directors did not amend the budget during the fiscal year. The District's budget is primarily a planning tool. Accordingly, actual results varied from the budgeted amounts. A comparison of actual to budgeted amounts is presented on Page 23 of this report. The budgetary fund balance as of September 30, 2024, was expected to be \$1,380,097 and the actual end of year fund balance was \$3,417,853.

#### **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets held by the District at the end of the current and previous fiscal years are summarized as follows:

#### Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)

	2024		2023		Change	
Land	\$	570,869	\$	570,869	\$	0
Buildings and improvements		518,423		443,247		75,176
Construction in progress		54,263		68,019		(13,756)
Water facilities		4,645,195		4,715,355		(70,160)
Sewer facilities		2,786,350		2,835,726		(49,376)
Totals	\$	8,575,100	\$	8,633,216	\$	(58,116)

Changes to capital assets during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, are summarized as follows:

Additions: Water system improvements Sewer system improvements Recreation facility improvements Total additions to capital assets	\$ 204,472 55,676 101,183 361,331
Decreases: Depreciation	(419,447)
Net change to capital assets	<u>\$ (58,116)</u>

#### Debt

Changes in the bonded debt position of the District during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, are summarized as follows:

Bonded debt payable, beginning of fiscal year	\$ 3,605,000
Bonds paid	 (740,000)
Bonded debt payable, end of fiscal year	\$ 2,865,000

At September 30, 2024, the District had \$40,480,000 of bonds authorized but unissued for the purposes of acquiring, constructing and improving the water, sanitary sewer and drainage system within the District.

The District's bonds have an underlying rating of A- by Standard & Poor's. The Series 2011 bonds are insured by Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. and the Series 2020 bonds are insured by Build America Mutual Assurance Corporation. The insured rating of the District's Series 2011 and 2020 bonds is AA. There was no change in the bond ratings during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

On December 30, 2015, the District entered into a 15-year lease/purchase agreement with a financing company for the acquisition of a generator for the District. The agreement provides for 180 monthly payments of \$3,182 at an interest rate of 2.87% per annum. The original principal amount of the agreement was \$465,000 and the unpaid principal balance at September 30, 2024 was \$218,247. The District has the option of prepaying the unpaid balance of the lease/purchase beginning in 2023 and then purchasing the generator for \$1.

#### RELEVANT FACTORS AND WATER SUPPLY ISSUES

#### Property Tax Base

The District's tax base increased approximately \$50,510,000 for the 2023 tax year (about 11%) primarily due to the increase in the average assessed valuations on existing property.

#### Relationship to the City of Houston

Under existing Texas law, since the District lies wholly within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, the District must conform to a City of Houston ordinance consenting to the creation of the District. In addition, the District may be annexed by the City of Houston. If the District is annexed, the City will assume the District's assets and obligations (including the bonded indebtedness) and dissolve the District within ninety (90) days.

The District is authorized to enter into a strategic partnership agreement with the City of Houston to provide the terms and conditions under which services would be provided and funded by the parties and under which the District would continue to exist for an extended period if the land within the District would be annexed for limited purposes by the City. The terms of any such agreement would be determined by the City and the District.

The District is not aware of any plans regarding annexation or a strategic partnership with the City of Houston.

#### Water Supply Issues

The District is within the boundaries of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District (the "Subsidence District") which regulates groundwater withdrawal. The District's authority to pump groundwater from its well is subject to annual permits issued by the Subsidence District. On April 14, 1999, the Subsidence District adopted a District Regulatory Plan (the "1999 Plan") to reduce groundwater withdrawal through conversion to surface water in areas within the Subsidence District's jurisdiction. Under the 1999 Plan, the District must submit to the Subsidence District by January 2003 a groundwater reduction plan and begin construction of surface water conversion infrastructure by January 2010, or pay a disincentive fee for any groundwater withdrawn in excess of 20% of the District's total water demand. This same disincentive fee will be imposed under the 1999 Plan if the District's groundwater withdrawal exceeds 70% of the District's total water demand beginning January 2010, exceeds 40% of the District's total water demand beginning January 2025, and exceeds 20% of the District's total water demand beginning January 2035. The issuance of additional bonds by the District in an undetermined amount may be necessary at some time in the future in order to develop surface water conversion infrastructure or to participate in a regional surface water conversion effort. In addition, if the District does not meet the Subsidence District's requirements as described above, the District may be required to pay the disincentive fees adopted by the Subsidence District.

Effective April 2, 2001, the District and the City of Houston (the "City") entered into a forty year water supply contract. Under the terms of the contract, the City agreed to sell water to the District in order for the District to comply with the Groundwater Reduction Plan mandated by the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District. The contract specifies an initial minimum monthly quantity for which it must pay whether taken or not. This quantity can be revised annually in accordance with the terms specified in the contract.

#### WINDFERN FOREST UTILITY DISTRICT

#### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Total	Adjustments (Note 3)	Statement of Net Position
ASSETS						
Cash, including interest-bearing accounts, Note 7 Temporary investments, at cost, Note 7 Receivables:	\$ 88,162 2,211,318	\$ 29,429 577,955	\$ 6,008 173,759	\$ 123,599 2,963,032	\$	\$ 123,599 2,963,032
Property taxes Accrued penalty and interest on property taxes Service accounts Other Due from other fund	19,153 152,041 37,161	15,351 14,307		34,504 0 152,041 37,161 14,307	6,901 (14,307)	34,504 6,901 152,041 37,161
Construction advances at joint facilities, Note 9 Prepaid security service Reserves at joint facilities, Note 9 Groundwater bank certificates, at cost, Note 11 Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, Note 4:	1,417,650 31,529 21,878 5,522	,		1,417,650 31,529 21,878 5,522	( ) , ,	1,417,650 31,529 21,878 5,522
Capital assets not being depreciated Depreciable capital assets				0	625,132 7,949,968	625,132 7,949,968
Total assets	\$3,984,414	\$ 637,042	\$ 179,767	\$ 4,801,223	8,567,694	13,368,917
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable Accrued interest payable	\$ 337,833	\$ 4,262	\$	\$ 342,095 0	8,861	342,095 8,861
Customer deposits Due to other fund Long-term liabilities, Note 5:	195,268 14,307			195,268 14,307	(14,307)	195,268 0
Due within one year Due in more than one year				0	789,008 2,288,598	789,008 2,288,598
Total liabilities	547,408	4,262	0	551,670	3,072,160	3,623,830
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Property tax revenues	19,153	15,351	0	34,504	(34,504)	0
FUND BALANCES / NET POSITION						
Fund balances:  Nonspendable:  Reserves at joint facilities, Note 9  Construction advances at joint facilities, Note 9  Groundwater bank certificates, Note 11  Committed to construction contracts in progress	21,878 1,417,650 5,522			21,878 1,417,650 5,522 0	(21,878) (1,417,650) (5,522)	0 0 0
Assigned to: Debt service Capital projects	4.072.902	617,429	179,767	617,429 179,767	(617,429) (179,767)	0 0 0
Unassigned	1,972,803			1,972,803	(1,972,803)	
Total fund balances	3,417,853	617,429	179,767	4,215,049	(4,215,049)	0
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund balances	\$3,984,414	\$ 637,042	\$ 179,767	\$ 4,801,223		
Net position: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted for debt service Restricted for capital projects Unrestricted					5,497,494 630,820 179,767 3,437,006	5,497,494 630,820 179,767 3,437,006
Total net position					\$ 9,745,087	\$ 9,745,087

#### WINDFERN FOREST UTILITY DISTRICT

## $\frac{\text{STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND}{\text{CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES}}$

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments (Note 3)	Statement of Activities
REVENUES						
Property taxes Water service Water sold to other district, Note 10 Sewer service Penalty and interest Tap connection and inspection fees District administration building rental Interest on deposits and investments Other revenues	\$ 1,150,779 674,698 112,852 927,631 28,177 956,428 28,520 102,737 84,478	\$ 943,265 14,164 42,578	29,293	\$ 2,094,044 674,698 112,852 927,631 42,341 956,428 28,520 174,608 84,478	\$ 1,588	\$ 2,095,632 674,698 112,852 927,631 41,266 956,428 28,520 174,608 84,478
Total revenues	4,066,300	1,000,007	29,293	5,095,600	513	5,096,113
EXPENDITURES / EXPENSES						
Service operations: Purchased services, Notes 9 and 10 Professional fees Contracted services Utilities Repairs, maintenance and other operating expenditures Security service Garbage disposal District administration building expenses Administrative expenditures Depreciation Capital outlay / non-capital outlay	717,597 223,010 112,713 97,098 606,331 163,736 325,352 64,997 132,237	4,891 41,088 6,150		717,597 227,901 153,801 97,098 606,331 163,736 325,352 64,997 138,387 0 412,285	419,447 (361,331)	717,597 227,901 153,801 97,098 606,331 163,736 325,352 64,997 138,387 419,447 50,954
Debt service: Principal retirement Interest and fees	31,432 6,754	740,000 74,819		771,432 81,573	(771,432) 1,417	0 82,990
Total expenditures / expenses	2,893,542	866,948	0	3,760,490	(711,899)	3,048,591
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures  OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	1,172,758	133,059	29,293	1,335,110	712,412	2,047,522
Reimbursement to (from) other fund	927,528	0	(927,528)	0	0	0
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Total other financing sources (uses)	927,528	0	(927,528)	0	0	0
Net change in fund balances / net position	2,100,286	133,059	(898,235)	1,335,110	712,412	2,047,522
Beginning of year	1,317,567	484,370	1,078,002	2,879,939	4,817,626	7,697,565
End of year	\$ 3,417,853	\$ 617,429	\$ 179,767	\$ 4,215,049	\$ 5,530,038	\$ 9,745,087

#### WINDFERN FOREST UTILITY DISTRICT

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

#### NOTE 1: REPORTING ENTITY

Windfern Forest Utility District (the "District") was created by Acts of the 62nd Legislature of the State of Texas, Regular Session, 1971, and operates in accordance with Texas Water Code Chapters 49 and 54. The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, governed by an elected five member Board of Directors. The Board of Directors held its first meeting on August 10, 1971, and the first bonds were sold on June 29, 1977. The District is subject to the continuing supervision of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

The District is empowered, among other things, to purchase, construct, operate and maintain all works, improvements, facilities and plants necessary for the supply of water; the collection, transportation and treatment of wastewater; and the control and diversion of storm water.

In evaluating how to define the District for financial reporting purposes, the Board of Directors of the District has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The basic, but not the only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. The other criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the District is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. Based upon the application of these criteria, there were no other entities which were included as a component unit in the District's financial statements.

As more fully described in Note 9, the District is a participant in the White Oak Bayou Joint Powers Board (the "Board"). Oversight of the Board is exercised by a board of members which is comprised of representatives from the participants. Based on the criteria described above, the Board's financial activity has not been included as a component unit in the District's financial statements.

#### NOTE 2: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The District's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (the "GASB") is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable), that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the District are discussed below.

#### **Basic Financial Statements**

The District's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the District as a whole) and governmental fund financial statements (reporting the District's funds). Because the District is a single-program government as defined by the GASB, the District has combined the government-wide statements and the fund financial statements using a columnar format that reconciles individual line items of fund financial data to government-wide data in a separate column on the face of the financial statements. An additional reconciliation between the fund and the government-wide financial data is presented in Note 3.

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. The District's net position is reported in three parts – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net position; and unrestricted net position. The government-wide statement of activities reports the components of the changes in net position during the reporting period.

The financial transactions of the District are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for in a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues and expenditures and changes in fund balances. The District's fund balances are reported as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned. Nonspendable fund balances are either not in spendable form or are contractually required to remain intact. Restricted fund balances include amounts that can only be used for the specific purposes stipulated by constitutional provisions, external resource providers or enabling legislation. Committed fund balances include amounts that can only be used for the specific purposes determined by formal action of the District's Board of Directors. Assigned fund balances are intended for a specific purpose but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the District's General Fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. The transactions of the District are accounted for in the following funds:

General Fund -- To account for all revenues and expenditures not required to be accounted for in other funds.

Debt Service Fund -- To account for the accumulation of financial resources for, and the payment of, bond principal and interest, paid principally from property taxes levied by the District.

Capital Projects Fund -- To account for financial resources designated to construct or acquire capital assets. Such resources are derived principally from proceeds of the sale of bonds.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The government-wide statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Ad valorem property taxes are recognized as revenues in the fiscal year for which they have been levied and related penalties and interest are recognized in the fiscal year in which they are imposed. An allowance for uncollectibles is estimated for delinquent property taxes and reported separately in the financial statements.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available if they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred except for principal and interest on bonds payable which are recorded only when payment is due.

#### Interfund Activity

Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is reported as interfund receivables or payables, as appropriate, as are all other outstanding balances between funds. Operating transfers between funds represent legally authorized transfers from the fund receiving resources to the fund through which the resources are to be expended.

#### Receivables

Service accounts receivable as reported are considered collectible. The District uses the direct write off method for uncollectible service accounts. Unbilled water and sewer revenues are not material and are not recorded at year end. The District considers service accounts revenues to be available if they are to be collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year.

In the fund financial statements, ad valorem taxes and penalties and interest are reported as revenues in the fiscal year in which they become available to finance expenditures of the fiscal year for which they have been levied. Property taxes which have been levied and are not yet collected (or have been collected in advance of the fiscal year for which they have been levied) are recorded as deferred inflow of resources. Property taxes collected after the end of the fiscal year are not included in revenues.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and immovable public domain or "infrastructure" assets are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 (including installation costs, if any, and associated professional fees) and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed by the District. Donated capital assets are recorded at historical cost. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset or increase the value of an asset are capitalized. Costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation on capital assets is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings and improvements	40 years	Plant and equipment	10-45 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 years	Underground lines	45 years

#### Long-term Liabilities

Long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Bond premiums and discounts, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable premium or discount. If bonds are refunded and the carrying amount of the new debt is different than the net carrying amount of the old debt, the difference is netted against the new debt and amortized using the effective interest method over the shorter of the remaining life of the refunded debt or the life of the new debt issued.

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

#### NOTE 3: RECONCILIATION OF FUND TO GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Reconciliation of year end fund balances to net position:

Total fund balances, end of year		\$ 4,215,049
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:  Total capital assets, net		8,575,100
Some long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds:  Bonds payable Issuance discount net of (premium) (to be amortized as interest expense) Lease-purchase payable	\$ (2,865,000) 5,641 (218,247)	(3,077,606)
Some receivables that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as receivables in the funds:  Accrued penalty and interest on property taxes receivable  Uncollected property taxes	6,901 34,504	41,405
Some liabilities that do not require the use of current financial resources are not reported as liabilities in the funds:  Accrued interest		(8,861)
Net position, end of year		\$ 9,745,087

Reconciliation of net change in fund balances to change in net position:

Total net change in fund balances		\$ 1,335,110
The funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense:  Capital outlay  Depreciation	\$ 361,331 (419,447)	(58,116)
The issuance of long-term debt (bonds payable) provides current financial resources to the funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of the funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. The effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt:  Principal reduction of bonds payable	740,000	
Principal reduction of lease-purchase agreement	31,432	771,432
The funds report the effect of bond premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. The net effect of these differences in the treatment of these items:  Issuance discount, net of premium		(4,751)
Some revenues reported in the statement of activities do not provide current financial resources and therefore are not reported as revenues in the funds:  Accrued penalty and interest on property taxes receivable Uncollected property taxes	(1,075) 1,588	513
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the funds:  Accrued interest		3,334
Change in net position		\$ 2,047,522

NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated:  Land and improvements  Construction in progress	\$ 570,869 68,019	\$	\$ 13,756	\$ 570,869 54,263
Total capital assets not being depreciated	638,888	0	13,756	625,132
Depreciable capital assets:  Buildings and improvements  Furniture and fixtures  Water system  Sewer system	829,625 62,185 9,934,050 5,825,020	101,183 204,472 69,432		930,808 62,185 10,138,522 5,894,452
Total depreciable capital assets	16,650,880	375,087	0	17,025,967
Less accumulated depreciation for: Building and improvements Furniture and fixtures Water system Sewer system	(386,378) (62,185) (5,218,695) (2,989,294)	(26,007) (274,632) (118,808)		(412,385) (62,185) (5,493,327) (3,108,102)
Total accumulated depreciation	(8,656,552)	(419,447)	0	(9,075,999)
Total depreciable capital assets, net	7,994,328	(44,360)	0	7,949,968
Total capital assets, net	\$ 8,633,216	\$ (44,360)	\$ 13,756	\$ 8,575,100
Changes to capital assets: Capital outlay Assets transferred to depreciable assets Less depreciation expense for the fiscal year		\$ 361,331 13,756 (419,447)	\$ 13,756	
Net increases / decreases to capital assets		<u>\$ (44,360)</u>	<u>\$ 13,756</u>	

#### NOTE 5: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Long-term liability activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending <u>Balance</u>	Due within One Year
Bonds payable	\$ 3,605,000	\$	\$ 740,000	\$ 2,865,000	\$ 760,000
Deferred amounts: For issuance (discounts) premiums	(10,392)		(4,751)	(5,641)	(3,338)
Total bonds payable	3,594,608	0	735,249	2,859,359	756,662
Lease/purchase payable	249,679	0	31,432	218,247	32,346
Total long-term liabilities	\$ 3,844,287	\$ 0	\$ 766,681	\$ 3,077,606	\$ 789,008

As of September 30, 2024, the debt service requirements on the bonds outstanding were as follows:

Fiscal	Dain aire al	latonost	T-4-1
Year	Principal	<u>Interest</u>	Total
2025	\$ 760,000	\$ 53,169	\$ 813,169
2026	785,000	33,987	818,987
2027	330,000	13,200	343,200
2028	330,000	9,900	339,900
2029	330,000	6,600	336,600
2030	330,000	3,300	333,300
	\$ 2,865,000	<u>\$ 120,156</u>	\$ 2,985,156
Bonds voted Bonds approved for Bonds voted and no Refunding bonds vo Refunding bonds a Refunding bonds vo	\$ 60,375,000 19,895,000 40,480,000 44,480,000 495,000 43,985,000		

The bond issues payable at September 30, 2024, were as follows:

A security autota adia a	<u>Series 2011</u>	<u>Series 2020</u>	
Amounts outstanding, September 30, 2024	\$1,120,000	\$1,745,000	
Interest rates Maturity dates, serially beginning/ending	3.125% to 3.25%	1.00%	
	August 1, 2025/2026	August 1, 2025/2030	
Interest payment dates	February 1/August 1	February 1/August 1	
Callable dates	August 1, 2019*	August 1, 2025*	

<sup>\*</sup>Or any date thereafter at par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, in whole or in part at the option of the District.

The bonds are payable from the proceeds of an ad valorem tax levied upon all property subject to taxation within the District, without limitation as to rate or amount. The Series 2011 bonds are further payable from and secured by a first lien on and a pledge of the net revenues derived from the operation of the District's system.

#### **Developer Construction Commitments and Liabilities**

At September 30, 2024, there were no developer construction commitments or liabilities.

#### Lease/purchase Agreement

On December 30, 2015, the District entered into a 15 year lease/purchase agreement with a financing company for the acquisition of a generator for the District. The agreement provides for 180 monthly payments of \$3,182 at an interest rate of 2.87% per annum. The original principal amount of the agreement was \$465,000 and the unpaid principal balance at September 30, 2024 was \$218,247. The District has the option of prepaying the unpaid balance of the lease/purchase beginning in 2023 and then purchasing the generator for \$1.

As of September 30, 2024, the contractual payments on the lease/purchase agreement were as follows:

Fiscal Year	Principal		Interest		Total	
2025	\$	32,346	\$	5,841	\$	38,187
2026	*	33,287	•	4,899	<b>*</b>	38,186
2027		34,255		3,932		38,187
2028		35,251		2,935		38,186
2029		36,276		1,911		38,187
2030-2031		46,832		901		47,733
	\$	218,247	\$	20,419	\$	238,666

#### NOTE 6: PROPERTY TAXES

The Harris County Appraisal District has the responsibility for appraising property for all taxing units within the county as of January 1 of each year, subject to review and change by the county Appraisal Review Board. The appraisal roll, as approved by the Appraisal Review Board, must be used by the District in establishing its tax roll and tax rate. The District's taxes are usually levied in the fall, are due when billed and become delinquent after January 31 of the following year or 30 days after the date billed, whichever is later. On January 1 of each year, a statutory tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property.

The Bond Resolutions require that the District levy and collect an ad valorem debt service tax sufficient to pay interest and principal on bonds when due and the cost of assessing and collecting taxes.

At an election on November 7, 2023, the voters within the District authorized a maintenance tax not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 valuation on all property within the District subject to taxation. This maintenance tax is being used by the General Fund to pay expenditures of operating the District.

On October 17, 2023, the District levied the following ad valorem taxes for the 2023 tax year on the adjusted taxable valuation of \$501,647,757:

	Rate		Amount		
Debt service Maintenance	\$	0.1900 0.2320	\$	953,131 1,163,823	
	\$	0.4220	\$	2,116,954	

A reconciliation of the tax levy to property tax revenues on the Statement of Activities is as follows:

2023 tax year total property tax levy Appraisal district adjustments to prior year taxes	\$  2,116,954 (21,322)
Statement of Activities property tax revenues	\$ 2,095,632

#### NOTE 7: DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS

The District complied with the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act during the current fiscal year including the preparation of quarterly investment reports required by the Act.

State statutes authorize the District to invest and reinvest in direct or indirect obligations of the United States, the State of Texas, any county, city, school district, or other political subdivision of the state, or in local government investment pools authorized under the Public Funds Investment Act. Funds of the District may be placed in certificates of deposit of state or national banks or savings and loan associations within the state provided that they are secured in the manner provided for the security of the funds under the laws of the State of Texas. In accordance with the District's investment policies, during the current year the District's funds were invested in interest bearing accounts at authorized financial institutions and in TexPool, a local government investment pool sponsored by the State Comptroller. TexPool is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's.

In accordance with state statutes and the District's investment policies, the District requires that insurance or security be provided by depositories for all funds held by them. At the balance sheet date, the District's deposits were covered by federal insurance.

At the balance sheet date the carrying value and market value of the investments in TexPool was \$2,963,032.

Deposits and temporary investments restricted by state statutes and the Bond Resolutions:

#### **Debt Service Fund**

For payment of debt principal and interest, paying agent fees and costs of assessing and collecting taxes:

Cash Temporary investments	\$ 29,429 577,955
	\$ 607.384

#### Capital Projects Fund

For construction of capital assets:

Cash Temporary investments	\$ 6,008 173,759
	\$ 179,767

During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, the District reimbursed the General Fund \$927,528 from the Capital Projects Fund in accordance with the rules of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

#### NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to: torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; personal injuries and natural disasters. Significant losses are covered by insurance as described below. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior fiscal year. There have been no settlements which have exceeded the insurance coverage for each of the past three fiscal years.

At September 30, 2024, the District had physical damage and boiler and machinery coverage of \$8,297,000, comprehensive general liability coverage with a per occurrence limit of \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000 general aggregate, worker's compensation liability coverage of \$1,000,000, consultant's crime coverage of \$500,000 and a tax assessor-collector bond of \$500,000.

#### NOTE 9: REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Effective May 1, 1992, the District entered into a forty year agreement providing for the ownership, operation, maintenance and expansion of the White Oak Bayou Joint Powers Board (the "Board"). Ownership of the Board is shared by the following participants: The City of Jersey Village -- 40.63%; West Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 1 -- 25.31%; Windfern Forest Utility District -- 28.13%; Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 25 -- 2.81% and Baker Service Tools -- 3.12%. The Board is managed and operated by a board whose five members are appointed by each of the entities participating in the Board. The Board issues no debt. Each participant records its share of the capital assets of the Board in its financial statements.

Each participant is responsible only for its share of the operating costs of the Board which are allocated and billed monthly based upon each participant's pro rata share of total metered flow of effluent entering the Board. Capital costs are allocated and billed based upon percentage of ownership. The District has contributed \$21,878 as its share of the Board's operating reserve and \$1,417,650 as its share of the capital improvements reserve. During the year ended September 30, 2024, the District incurred operating costs of \$347,094 under this agreement.

The following summary financial data of the Board's General Fund is presented for the Board's fiscal year ended December 31, 2023:

	Board <u>Total</u>	District's Share
Total assets Total liabilities	\$ 5,144,118 (71,821)	
Total fund balance Reserve for capital improvements Operating reserve	5,072,297 (4,980,197) (92,100)	\$ 1,422,808 (1,400,930) (21,878)
Undesignated fund balance	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Total revenues Total expenditures	\$ 900,421 (900,421)	\$ 300,157 (300,157)
Excess revenues (expenditures) Increase in reserve for capital improvements Capital improvement expenditures from reserve	0 2,497,955 (48,902)	0 686,098 <u>(13,756)</u>
Change in fund balance	2,449,053	672,342
Fund balance, beginning of year	2,623,244	750,466
Fund balance, end of year	\$ 5,072,297	\$ 1,422,808

#### NOTE 10: WATER SUPPLY CONTRACTS

#### Contract with the City of Houston

Effective April 2, 2001, the District and the City of Houston (the "City") entered into a forty year water supply contract. Under the terms of the contract, the City agreed to sell water to the District in order for the District to comply with the Groundwater Reduction Plan mandated by the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District. The contract specifies an initial minimum monthly quantity for which it must pay whether taken or not. This quantity can be revised annually in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. During the year ended September 30, 2024, the District incurred operating costs of \$370,503 under this agreement.

#### Contract with Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 261

On June 15, 2010, the District and Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 261 ("No. 261") entered into a 40 year Water Supply and Construction Contract (the "Contract") to construct improvements to the supply of surface water to the districts from the City. Under the terms of the Contract, the District designed and constructed a 12 inch water line and other facilities in consultation with No. 261. After completion of the project, No. 261 is to purchase water from the District at a price specified in the Contract. During the year ended September 30, 2024, the District sold water to No. 261 for \$112,852 under this agreement.

#### NOTE 11: GROUNDWATER BANK CERTIFICATES

The District has purchased Groundwater Bank certificates directly from the issuer, the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District (the "HGSD"). These certificates expire in 20 years and allow the bearer to pump the quantity of water specified on the certificate from wells instead of using surface water as mandated by the HGSD. Certificates can also be used in lieu of a disincentive fee assessed by the HGSD for ground water pumpage in excess of the District's permit as amended. At September 30, 2024, the District had in its possession certificates totaling 13,104 thousand gallons of water. The District values the certificates at cost which resulted in a total cost basis for the certificates on hand of \$5,522 at September 30, 2024.

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE, BUDGET AND ACTUAL, GENERAL FUND

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Budgeted	d Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final	Actual		
REVENUES					
Property taxes Water service Water sold to other district Sewer service Penalty Tap connection and inspection fees District administration building rental Interest on deposits and investments Other revenues  TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1,126,594 420,000 114,160 714,000 14,640 0 21,960 42,000 14,940	\$ 1,126,594 420,000 114,160 714,000 14,640 0 21,960 42,000 14,940	\$ 1,150,779 674,698 112,852 927,631 28,177 956,428 28,520 102,737 84,478	\$ 24,185 254,698 (1,308) 213,631 13,537 956,428 6,560 60,737 69,538	
	2,468,294	2,468,294	4,066,300	1,598,006	
EXPENDITURES					
Service operations: Purchased services Professional fees Contracted services Utilities Repairs, maintenance and operating expenditures Security service Garbage disposal District administration building expenses Administrative expenditures Capital outlay Debt service  TOTAL EXPENDITURES  EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	632,400 145,250 96,800 90,000 625,434 162,960 330,000 50,400 204,333 30,000 38,187 2,405,764	632,400 145,250 96,800 90,000 625,434 162,960 330,000 50,400 204,333 30,000 38,187 2,405,764	717,597 223,010 112,713 97,098 606,331 163,736 325,352 64,997 132,237 412,285 38,186 2,893,542	85,197 77,760 15,913 7,098 (19,103) 776 (4,648) 14,597 (72,096) 382,285 (1) 487,778	
,	02,330	02,550	1,172,730	1,110,220	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Reimbursement to (from) other fund	0	0	927,528	927,528	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES (USES)	0	0	927,528	927,528	
EXCESS SOURCES (USES)	62,530	62,530	2,100,286	2,037,756	
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,317,567	1,317,567	1,317,567	0	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,380,097	\$ 1,380,097	\$ 3,417,853	\$ 2,037,756	

The District's Board of Directors adopts an annual nonappropriated budget. This budget may be amended throughout the fiscal year and is prepared on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

# SCHEDULE OF TEXAS SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

(Schedules included are checked or explanatory notes provided for omitted schedules.)

[X]	I SI-1.	Services and Rates
[X]	TSI-2.	General Fund Expenditures
[X]	TSI-3.	Temporary Investments
[X]	TSI-4.	Taxes Levied and Receivable
[X]	TSI-5.	Long-Term Debt Service Requirements by Years
[X]	TSI-6.	Changes in Long-Term Bonded Debt
[X]	TSI-7.	Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures - General Fund and Debt Service Fund - Five Year
[X]	TSI-8.	Board Members, Key Personnel and Consultants

#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND RATES

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

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X Retail Water	X Wholesale Water	Drainage
X Retail Wastewater	Wholesale Wastewater	Irrigation
Parks/Recreation	Fire Protection	X Security
X Solid Waste/Garbage	Flood Control	Roads
X Participates in joint venture, re		r service
(other than emergency interco	onnect)	
Other		

#### 2. Retail Service Providers

a. Retail Rates for a 5/8" meter (or equivalent):

	Minimum Charge	Minimum Usage	Flat Rate Y/N	Rate per 1000 Gallons Over Minimum	Usage Levels	
WATER:	\$15.25	5,000	N	\$2.30 2.92 4.27 4.75	5,001 to 15,000 15,001 to 20,000 20,001 to 30,000 Over 30,000	
WASTEWATER:	\$43.18		N	\$0.61	Over 5,000	
SURCHARGE:	\$0.00					
District employs winter averaging for wastewater usage: Yes No _X_						
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#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND RATES (Continued)

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

#### b. Water and Wastewater Retail Connections (unaudited):

Meter Size	Total Connections			Active ESFCs
		•	4.0	
Unmetered	0	0	1.0	0
< or = 3/4"	1,281	1,277	1.0	1,277
1"	8	8	2.5	20
1-1/2"	3	3	5.0	15
2"	19	19	8.0	152
3"	0	0	15.0	0
4"	1	1	25.0	25
6"	4	4	50.0	200
8"	2	2	80.0	160
10"	0	0	115.0	0
Total Water	1,318	1,314		1,849
Total Wastewater	1,263	1,259	1.0	1,259

<sup>\*</sup>Single family equivalents

3	Total Water	Consumption	during the	Fiscal Year	(rounded to	thousands'	١.
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Gallons pumped into system (unaudited): 279,265
Gallons billed to customers (unaudited): 267,272

Water Accountability Ratio

(Gallons billed/ gallons pumped): 96%

4	Standby Fees	(authorized	only under	TWC Section	49 231)

Does the District have Debt Service standby fees? Yes \_\_ No X

If yes, date of the most recent Commission Order:

Does the District have Operation and Maintenance standby fees? Yes  $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}$  No  $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}} X$ 

If yes, date of the most recent Commission Order:

## **EXPENDITURES**

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)		
CURRENT						
Purchased services: Water Sewer	\$ 370,503 347,094 717,597	\$ 0	\$ 	\$ 370,503 347,094 717,597		
Professional fees: Auditing Legal Engineering	13,950 154,861 54,199 223,010	4,891 4,891		13,950 159,752 54,199 227,901		
Contracted services: Bookkeeping Operation and billing Tax assessor-collector Central appraisal district	34,731 77,982 	22,643 18,445 41,088	0	34,731 77,982 22,643 18,445 153,801		
Utilities	97,098	0	0	97,098		
Repairs, maintenance and other operating expenditures: Repairs and maintenance Chemicals Laboratory costs Inspection costs Reconnection and transfer costs TCEQ assessment Other	496,046 19,771 47,464 3,135 13,947 8,687 17,281 606,331	0	0	496,046 19,771 47,464 3,135 13,947 8,687 17,281 606,331		
Security service	163,736	0	0	163,736		
Garbage disposal	325,352	0	0	325,352		
District administration building expenses	64,997	0	0	64,997		

#### **EXPENDITURES (Continued)**

CURRENT	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)		
CURRENT						
Administrative expenditures: Director's fees Office supplies and postage Insurance Permit fees Other	\$ 21,344 35,790 25,681 5,856 43,566 132,237	\$     150     6,000     6,150	\$ 0	\$ 21,344 35,790 25,831 5,856 49,566 138,387		
CAPITAL OUTLAY						
Authorized expenditures Tap connection costs	361,331 50,954 412,285	0	0	361,331 50,954 412,285		
DEBT SERVICE						
Principal retirement	31,432	740,000	0	771,432		
Interest and fees: Interest Paying agent fees	6,754	73,169 1,650 74,819	0	79,923 1,650 81,573		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,893,542	\$ 866,948	<u>\$ 0</u>	\$ 3,760,490		

# $\frac{\text{ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS}}{\text{ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES}}$

SOURCES OF DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash receipts from revenues excluding maintenance taxes Maintenance tax receipts Transfer of maintenance taxes Reimbursement from other fund Increase in customer deposits Overpayments from taxpayers	\$ 2,900,345 1,155,295 610,840 2,550	\$ 1,000,007 1,150,779	\$ 29,293 123,708	\$ 3,929,645 1,150,779 1,155,295 734,548 2,550 12,850
TOTAL DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS PROVIDED  APPLICATIONS OF DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS	4,669,030	2,163,636	153,001	6,985,667
Cash disbursements for: Current expenditures Capital outlay Debt service Expenditures from advances to joint facilities Reimbursement to other fund Transfer of maintenance taxes Refund of taxpayer overpayments	2,290,120 412,285 38,186 690,167 123,708	52,161 814,819 1,155,295 12,685	610,840	2,342,281 412,285 853,005 690,167 734,548 1,155,295 12,685
TOTAL DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS APPLIED	3,554,466	2,034,960	610,840	6,200,266
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS	1,114,564	128,676	(457,839)	785,401
DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,184,916	478,708	637,606	2,301,230
DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS BALANCES, END OF YEAR	\$ 2,299,480	\$ 607,384	<u>\$ 179,767</u>	\$ 3,086,631

## SCHEDULE OF TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS

# **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

GENERAL FUND	Interest Rate			Accrued Interest Receivable	
TexPool					
No. 2552000003	Market	On demand	\$ 2,211,318	<u>\$</u> 0	
DEBT SERVICE FUND					
TexPool					
No. 2552000001	Market	On demand	\$ 577,955	<u>\$ 0</u>	
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND					
TexPool					
No. 2552000003	Market	On demand	\$ 173,759	<u>\$</u> 0	
Total – All Funds			\$ 2,963,032	\$ 0	

#### TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE

	Maintenance Taxes	Debt Service Taxes
RECEIVABLE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 18,513	\$ 14,403
Additions and corrections to prior year taxes	(12,404)	(8,918)
Adjusted receivable, beginning of year	6,109	5,485
2023 ADJUSTED TAX ROLL	1,163,823	953,131
Total to be accounted for	1,169,932	958,616
Refund of prior year taxes collected in prior years	6,019	4,141
Tax collections: Current tax year Prior tax years	(1,153,925) (2,873)	(945,025) (2,381)
RECEIVABLE, END OF YEAR	\$ 19,153	<u>\$ 15,351</u>
RECEIVABLE, BY TAX YEAR		
2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023	\$ 570 562 621 996 2,291 4,215 9,898	\$ 546 517 572 877 1,833 2,900 8,106
RECEIVABLE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 19,153</u>	<u>\$ 15,351</u>

#### TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE (Continued)

ADJUSTED PROPERTY VALUATIONS AS OF JANUARY 1 OF TAX YEAR	2023	2022	2021	2020
Land Improvements Personal property Less exemptions	\$ 114,194,154 395,372,218 7,796,069 (15,714,684)	\$ 96,519,845 362,064,142 7,799,191 (15,247,214)	\$ 96,546,917 313,461,111 7,422,148 (13,903,643)	\$ 83,445,768 307,201,305 7,178,419 (12,136,423)
TOTAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	\$ 501,647,757	<u>\$451,135,964</u>	\$403,526,533	<u>\$ 385,689,069</u>
TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION				
Debt service tax rates Maintenance tax rates	\$ 0.19000 0.23200	\$ 0.17200 0.25000	\$ 0.20000 0.25000	\$ 0.22000 0.25000
TOTAL TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION	<u>\$ 0.42200</u>	\$ 0.42200	\$ 0.45000	<u>\$ 0.47000</u>
TAX ROLLS	\$ 2,116,954	\$ 1,903,794	\$ 1,815,869	<u>\$ 1,812,739</u>
PERCENT OF TAXES COLLECTED TO TAXES LEVIED	99.2	% <u>99.6</u> 9	%99.8 %	% <u>99.9</u> %

<sup>\*</sup>Maximum tax rate approved by voters on November 7, 2023: \$0.50

## LONG-TERM DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS, BY YEARS

# **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

		Series 2011	
Due During Fiscal Years Ending September 30	Principal Due August 1	Interest Due February 1, August 1	Total
2025 2026	\$ 545,000 575,000	\$ 35,719 18,687	\$ 580,719 593,687
TOTALS	\$ 1,120,000	\$ 54,406	\$ 1,174,406
		Series 2020	
Due During	Principal	Interest Due	
Fiscal Years	Due	February 1,	
Ending September 30	August 1	August 1	Total
2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030	\$ 215,000 210,000 330,000 330,000 330,000 330,000	\$ 17,450 15,300 13,200 9,900 6,600 3,300	\$ 232,450 225,300 343,200 339,900 336,600 333,300
TOTALS	\$ 1,745,000	\$ 65,750	\$ 1,810,750

#### LONG-TERM DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS, BY YEARS (Continued)

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

#### Annual Requirements for All Series **Due During** Total Total Fiscal Years Principal Interest Ending September 30 Due Due Total \$ 2025 760,000 \$ 53,169 \$ 813,169 2026 785,000 33,987 818,987 2027 330,000 13,200 343,200 2028 330,000 9,900 339,900 2029 330,000 6,600 336,600 3,300 2030 330,000 333,300 **TOTALS** 2,865,000 120,156 2,985,156

#### ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN LONG-TERM BONDED DEBT (Continued)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

		(1)		(2)		Totals
Bond Series:		2011		2020		
Interest Rate:	3	3.25% to		1.00%		
Dates Interest Payable:		ebruary 1/ August 1		ebruary 1/ August 1		
Maturity Dates:		August 1, 025/2026				
Bonds Outstanding at Beginning of Current Year	\$	1,640,000	\$	1,965,000	\$	3,605,000
Less Retirements		(520,000)		(220,000)		(740,000)
Bonds Outstanding at End of Current Year	\$	1,120,000	\$	1,745,000	\$	2,865,000
Current Year Interest Paid:	\$	51,319	\$	21,850	\$	73,169

#### **Bond Descriptions and Original Amount of Issue**

- (1) Windfern Forest Utility District Waterworks and Sewer System Combination Unlimited Tax and Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 (\$3,860,000)
- (2) Windfern Forest Utility District Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2020 (\$2,685,000)

#### Paying Agent/Registrar

(1) (2) The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., Dallas, Texas

Bond Authority	 Tax Bonds		Other Bonds			Refunding Bonds		
Amount Authorized by Voters: Amount Issued:	\$ 60,375,000 19,895,000	\$		0	\$	44,480,000 495,000		
Remaining to be Issued:	40,480,000					43,985,000		

Net Debt Service Fund deposits and investments balances as of September 30, 2024: \$617,429 Average annual debt service payment for remaining term of all debt: 497,526

# $\frac{\text{COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES,}}{\text{GENERAL FUND}}$

#### FOR YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

	AMOUNT					PERCENT OF TOTAL REVENUES				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
REVENUES										
Property taxes	\$ 1,150,779	\$ 1,140,542	\$ 1,003,694	\$ 961,537	\$ 941,929	28.3 %	40.7 %	41.3 %	44.5 %	43.0 %
Water service	674,698	576,731	438,509	390,244	406,868	16.6	20.6	18.0	18.0	18.6
Water sold to other district	112,852	126,921	111,731	115,416	95,838	2.8	4.5	4.6	5.3	4.4
Sewer service	927,631	830,132	691,861	658,244	659,654	22.8	29.7	28.4	30.4	30.2
Penalty	28,177	18,593	15,842	15,021	14,987	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Tap connection and inspection fees	956,428	0	103,036	0	0	23.5	0.0	4.2	0.0	0.0
District administration building rental	28,520	21,633	12,250	10,975	5,950	0.7	8.0	0.5	0.5	0.3
Interest on deposits and investments	102,737	42,591	5,519	491	6,862	2.5	1.5	0.2	0.0	0.3
Other revenues	84,478	40,936	51,776	13,206	54,833	2.1	1.5	2.1	0.6	2.5
TOTAL REVENUES	4,066,300	2,798,079	2,434,218	2,165,134	2,186,921	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
EXPENDITURES										
Current:										
Purchased services	717,597	782,716	643,380	592,008	675,942	17.7	27.9	26.5	27.2	31.0
Professional fees	223,010	252,926	177,597	177,382	169,863	5.5	9.0	7.3	8.2	7.8
Contracted services	112,713	93,409	73,361	86,573	88,780	2.8	3.3	3.0	4.0	4.1
Utilities	97,098	94,198	94,057	87,089	88,030	2.4	3.4	3.9	4.0	4.0
Repairs, maintenance and										
other operating expenditures	606,331	560,724	623,818	471,012	433,588	14.9	20.1	25.6	21.8	19.8
Security service	163,736	155,200	148,731	147,227	142,278	4.0	5.5	6.1	6.8	6.5
Garbage disposal	325,352	304,519	280,696	261,036	252,408	8.0	10.9	11.5	12.1	11.5
District administration building expenses	64,997	119,070	50,799	42,980	52,083	1.6	4.3	2.1	2.0	2.4
Administrative expenditures	132,237	116,792	83,387	83,885	83,457	3.3	4.2	3.4	3.9	3.8
Capital outlay	412,285	0	200,702	307,821	81,866	10.1	0.0	8.2	14.2	3.7
Debt service	38,186	38,187	38,187	38,187	38,187	0.9	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.7
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,893,542	2,517,741	2,414,715	2,295,200	2,106,482	71.2	90.0	99.2	106.0	96.3
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	<u>\$ 1,172,758</u>	\$ 280,338	<u>\$ 19,503</u>	<u>\$ (130,066)</u>	<u>\$ 80,439</u>	<u>28.8</u> %	10.0 %	0.8 %	<u>(6.0)</u> %	<u>3.7</u> %
TOTAL ACTIVE RETAIL WATER CONNECTIONS	1,314	1,310	1,315	1,307	1,306					
TOTAL ACTIVE RETAIL										
WASTEWATER CONNECTIONS	1,259	1,256	1,310	1,304	1,302					

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, DEBT SERVICE FUND

## FOR YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

	AMOUNT					PERCENT OF TOTAL REVENUES				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
REVENUES										·
Property taxes	\$ 943,265	\$ 786,709	\$ 803,425	\$ 846,399	\$ 866,589	94.3 %	94.3 %	98.0 %	98.5 %	97.4 %
Penalty and interest	14,164	14,987	10,505	11,599	16,050	1.4	1.8	1.3	1.4	1.8
Accrued interest on bonds received at date of sale	0	0	0	0	2,115	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Interest and other	42,578	32,247	5,341	617	4,960	4.3	3.9	0.7	0.1	0.6
TOTAL REVENUES	1,000,007	833,943	819,271	858,615	889,714	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
EXPENDITURES										
Current:										
Professional fees	4,891	3,576	3,419	3,611	5,089	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.6
Contracted services	41,088	36,824	35,043	33,325	35,626	4.1	4.4	4.3	3.9	4.0
Other expenditures	6,150	6,237	6,431	6,439	4,705	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.5
Debt service:										
Principal retirement	740,000	720,000	705,000	695,000	550,000	74.0	86.4	86.0	81.0	61.8
Interest and fees	74,819	93,969	110,394	123,498	105,219	7.5	11.3	13.5	14.4	11.8
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	866,948	860,606	860,287	861,873	700,639	86.7	103.2	105.0	100.4	78.7
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	\$ 133,059	\$ (26,663)	\$ (41,016)	\$ (3,258)	\$ 189,075	13.3 %	(3.2) %	(5.0) %	(0.4) %	21.3 %

#### BOARD MEMBERS, KEY PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANTS

#### **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

Complete District Mailing Address: Windfern Forest Utility District

c/o Bracewell LLP

711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300

Houston, Texas 77002

<u>District Business Telephone No.:</u> 713-223-2300

Submission date of the most recent District Registration Form: October 8, 2024

Limit on Fees of Office that a Director may receive during a fiscal year: \$7,200

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Name and Address	Term of Office (Elected/ Appointed)	Fees of Office Paid	Expense Reimb.	Title at Year End
Karen Hlavenka c/o Bracewell LLP 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300 Houston, Texas 77002	Elected 5/01/21-5/03/25	\$ 7,200	\$ 1,566	President
Eddie H. Mendel, Jr. c/o Bracewell LLP 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300 Houston, Texas 77002	Elected 5/06/23-5/01/27	1,547	0	Vice President
Phyllis Schoelman c/o Bracewell LLP 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300 Houston, Texas 77002	Elected 5/01/21-5/03/25	5,304	2,369	Assistant Vice President
Shari B. North c/o Bracewell LLP 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300 Houston, Texas 77002	Elected 5/06/23-5/01/27	4,420	1,283	Secretary/ Treasurer
Ann Murphree c/o Bracewell LLP 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300 Houston, Texas 77002	Elected 5/01/21-5/03/25	2,873	0	Assistant Secretary

## BOARD MEMBERS, KEY PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANTS (Continued)

# **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

# **CONSULTANTS**

Name and Address	Date <u>Hired</u>	Fees and Expense Reimbursements	Title at <u>Year End</u>
Bracewell LLP 711 Louisiana Street, Suite 2300 Houston, Texas 77002	12/20/11	\$ 154,861	Attorney
Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P. 1235 N. Loop West, Suite 600 Houston, Texas 77008	3/19/96	4,891	Delinquent Tax Attorney
McLennan & Associates, L.P. 1717 St. James Place Houston, Texas 77056	4/20/04	38,447	Bookkeeper
Jorge Diaz 1717 St. James Place Houston, Texas 77056	1/17/17	0	Investment Officer
Si Environmental, LLC 9835 Whithorn Drive Houston, Texas 77065	7/02/12	694,968	Operator
LJA Engineering, Inc. 1080 West Sam Houston Parkway North Houston, Texas 77043	1/16/24	43,298	Engineer
Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. 5995 Rogerdale Road Houston, Texas 77072	Replaced 1/16/24	26,771	Engineer
B & A Municipal Tax Service, LLC 13333 Northwest Freeway, Suite 505 Houston, Texas 77040	8/23/16	27,797	Tax Assessor- Collector
Harris County Appraisal District P.O. Box 900275 Houston, Texas 77292	Legislative Action	18,445	Central Appraisal District
Masterson Advisors, LLC 3 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100 Houston, Texas 77046	5/15/18	0	Financial Advisor
Mark C. Eyring, CPA, PLLC 12702 Century Drive, Suite C2 Stafford, Texas 77477	Prior to 1992	13,950	Independent Auditor

# APPENDIX B

**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.
V
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