### HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

**Arapahoe County, Colorado** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2021

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Board of Directors Highline Crossing Metropolitan District Arapahoe County, Colorado

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Highline Crossing Metropolitan District (District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Highline Crossing Metropolitan District, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

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

#### Responsibility of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we

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

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

#### Required Supplemental Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, 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. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents 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 relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. 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 our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information is comprised of the other information as listed in the table of contents but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

SCHILLING & Company, INC.

Highlands Ranch, Colorado July 26, 2022



# HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES December 31, 2021

ASSETS	
Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$ 33,584
Cash and investments - restricted	360,792
Cash with County Treasurer	1,088
Accounts receivable	4,239
Property taxes receivable	210,055
Prepaid expense	 450
Total assets	610,208
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	8,706
Due to City of Aurora	8,003
Accrued interest payable	7,173
Bonds and advances payable	•
Due within one year	15,000
Due in more than one year	2,134,854
Total liabilities	2,173,736
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Property tax revenue	210,055
Total deferred inflows of resources	 210,055
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NET POSITION	
Restricted for emergencies	3,100
Restricted for debt service	216,917
Unrestricted	(1,993,600)
Total net position	\$ (1,773,583)

## HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Year Ended December 31, 2021

			Program Revenues							
Functions/Programs					Operating Grants		Capital Grants		Net (Expense) Revenue and	
			Ch	arges for	а	ınd	aı	nd	Changes i	
	Е	xpenses	S	ervices	Contr	ibutions	Contributions		Net Position	
General government	\$	97,153	\$	50,845	\$	-	\$	_	\$	(46,308)
Interest and fiscal charges		136,504		_				-		(136,504)
	\$	233,657	\$	50,845	\$	-	\$	_		(182,812)
				eral revenue	s:					
			Tax	kes:						
			Р	roperty taxe	S					193,467
			S	pecific owne	ership tax	(es				13,334
			Net	t investment	income					599
		Total general revenues							207,400	
Change in net position								24,588		
			Net p	oosition - be	ginning					(1,798,171)
			Net p	osition - en	ding				\$	(1,773,583)

## HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2021

	G	General		Debt Service	Gov	Total vernmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$	33,584	\$	-	\$	33,584
Cash and investments - restricted		-		360,792		360,792
Cash with County Treasurer		262		826		1,088
Accounts receivable		4,239		-		4,239
Property tax receivable		50,563		159,492		210,055
Prepaid expense		450				450
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	89,098	\$	521,110	\$	610,208
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	\$	8,706	\$	_	\$	8,706
Due to City of Aurora	*	-	•	8,003	•	8,003
Total liabilities		8,706		8,003		16,709
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred property tax revenue		50,563		159,492		210,055
Total deferred inflows of resources		50,563		159,492		210,055
FUND BALANCES						
Nonspendable - prepaid items		450				450
Spendable:		430		_		430
Restricted for:						
		3,100				2 100
Emergencies		3,100		-		3,100
Debt service		40.070		353,615		353,615
Assigned for subsequent year's expenditures		13,378		-		13,378
Unassigned		12,901		-		12,901
Total fund balances		29,829		353,615		383,444
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF			_			
RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	89,098	\$	521,110		

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

Some liabilities, including bonds payable, developer advances and other accrued payables are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds.

General obligation bonds payable	(1,901,000)
Developer advances	(94,563)
Accrued interest payable - 2017A bonds	(7,173)
Accrued and unpaid interest payable - 2017B bonds	(133,237)
Accrued interest payable - developer advances	(21,054)
	(2,157,027)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ (1,773,583)

## HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended December 31, 2021

	G	eneral	;	Debt Service	Gov	Total vernmental Funds
REVENUES						
Property tax	\$	46,570	\$	146,897	\$	193,467
Specific ownership tax		3,210		10,124		13,334
Net investment income		122		477		599
Transfer fee		900		-		900
Operations fee		49,795		-		49,795
Review fee		150				150
Total revenues		100,747		157,498		258,245
EXPENDITURES						
Current						
Management fees		13,649		-		13,649
Billing services		3,227		-		3,227
Accounting		10,178		-		10,178
Audit		4,700		-		4,700
Legal		8,525		-		8,525
Insurance		8,270		-		8,270
Miscellaneous		4,138		-		4,138
County Treasurer's fees		700		2,209		2,909
IGA - Aurora		-		2,839		2,839
Covenant control		4,209		-		4,209
Landscape maintenance		17,209		-		17,209
Landscape improvements		1,435		-		1,435
Repairs and maintenance		1,150		-		1,150
Irrigation repair		2,749		-		2,749
Snow removal		5,975		-		5,975
Utilities		8,830		-		8,830
Debt service						
Paying agent fees and other fees		-		5,519		5,519
Bond principal		-		15,000		15,000
Bond interest				86,900		86,900
Total expenditures		94,944		112,467		207,411
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		5,803		45,031		50,834
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR		24,026		308,584		332,610
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$	29,829	\$	353,615	\$	383,444

# HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended December 31, 2021

A reconciliation reflecting the differences between the governmental funds net change in fund balances and change in net position reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities as follows:

Net change in fund balances - Total governmental funds	\$ 50,834
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the statement of activities capital outlay is not reported as an expenditure. Instead the cost of the asset is allocated over its estimated useful life, and recorded as depreciation expense in each of those years.  Capital assets contributed to other governments	
The repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes current financial resources of governmental funds. However, it has no effect on net position.  Bond principal	15,000
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 governmental funds.	
Change in accrued interest and unpaid interest payable - bonds Change in accrued interest payable - developer advances	 (33,681) (7,565) (41,246)
Change in net position - Governmental activities	\$ 24,588

## HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

#### Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Вι	ginal and Final udgeted nounts	 Actual	Final Po	nce with Budget - esitive gative)
REVENUES					
Property tax	\$	46,570	\$ 46,570	\$	-
Specific ownership taxes		2,750	3,210		460
Net investment income		15	122		107
Transfer fee		200	900		700
Operations fee		50,490	49,795		(695)
Review fee		50	150		100
Total Revenues		100,075	100,747		672
EXPENDITURES					
Management fees		9,000	13,649		(4,649)
Billing services		4,000	3,227		773
Accounting		10,000	10,178		(178)
Audit		6,000	4,700		1,300
Legal		7,000	8,525		(1,525)
Insurance		8,800	8,270		530
Miscellaneous		1,000	4,138		(3,138)
County Treasurer's fees		699	700		(1)
Covenant control		7,200	4,209		2,991
Landscape maintenance		16,000	17,209		(1,209)
Landscape improvements		3,500	1,435		2,065
Repairs and maintenance		2,000	1,150		850
Irrigation repair		5,000	2,749		2,251
Snow removal		15,000	5,975		9,025
Detention pond maintenance		1,400	-		1,400
Operations and maintenance reserves		2,000	_		2,000
Fence repairs		2,000	_		2,000
Utilities		14,000	8,830		5,170
Emergency reserves		3,002	-		3,002
Total Expenditures		117,601	 94,944		22,657
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(17,526)	5,803		23,329
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		19,705	 24,026		4,321
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	2,179	\$ 29,829	\$	27,650

#### **NOTE 1 – DEFINITION OF REPORTING ENTITY**

Highline Crossing Metropolitan District (District), a quasi-municipal corporation, is governed pursuant to the provisions of the Colorado Special District Act. The District's service area is located in Arapahoe County, Colorado. The District was established to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, installation and/or operation of street improvements, water, sanitation, safety protection, park and recreation and transportation services. A majority of the facilities constructed by the District have been conveyed to the City of Aurora for perpetual maintenance except certain common-area, street-scape and median landscape areas monument signs, and detention ponds.

The District has no employees and all operations and administrative functions are contracted.

The District follows the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) accounting pronouncements which provide guidance for determining which governmental activities, organizations and functions should be included within the financial reporting entity. GASB pronouncements set forth the financial accountability of a governmental organization's elected governing body as the basic criterion for including a possible component governmental organization in a primary government's legal entity. Financial accountability includes, but is not limited to, appointment of a voting majority of the organization's governing body, ability to impose its will on the organization, a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits or burdens and fiscal dependency.

The District is not financially accountable for any other organization, nor is the District a component unit of any other primary governmental entity.

#### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The more significant accounting policies of the District are described as follows:

#### **Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These financial statements include all of the activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The statement of net position reports all financial and capital resources of the District, the difference between the District's assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources, being reported as net position.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct and indirect expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Depreciation is computed and recorded as an operating expense. Expenditures for capital assets are shown as increases in assets and redemption of bonds and notes are recorded as a reduction in liabilities.

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 when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. The major sources of revenue susceptible to accrual are property and specific ownership taxes. Expenditures, other than interest on long-term obligations, are recorded when the liability is incurred or the long-term obligation paid. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The <u>General Fund</u> is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The <u>Debt Service Fund</u> accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of the governmental funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### **Budgets**

In accordance with the State Budget Law, the District's Board of Directors holds public hearings in the fall each year to approve the budget and appropriate the funds for the ensuing year. The appropriation is at the total fund expenditures level and lapses at year end. The District's Board of Directors can modify the budget by line item within the total appropriation without notification. The appropriation can only be modified upon completion of notification and publication requirements. The budget includes each fund on its basis of accounting unless otherwise indicated.

#### **Pooled Cash and Investments**

The District follows the practice of pooling cash and investments of all funds to maximize investment earnings. Except when required by trust or other agreements, all cash is deposited

to and disbursed from a single bank account. Cash in excess of immediate operating requirements is pooled for deposit and investment flexibility. Investment earnings are allocated periodically to the participating funds based upon each funds' average equity balance in total cash.

#### **Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include infrastructure improvements, are reported in the governmental activities column 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. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the life of the asset are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable. Any construction in process that will be dedicated to another entity is not depreciated. As of December 31, 2021, the District had no depreciable capital assets as all capital assets were conveyed to the City of Aurora in 2018.

#### **Property Taxes**

Property taxes are levied by the District's Board of Directors. The levy is based on assessed valuations determined by the County Assessor generally as of January 1 of each year. The levy is normally set by December 15 by certification to the County Commissioners to put the tax lien on the individual properties as of January 1 of the following year. The County Treasurer collects the determined taxes during the ensuing calendar year. The taxes are payable by April 30 or if in equal installments, at the taxpayer's election, in February and June. Delinquent taxpayers are notified in August and generally sales of the tax liens on delinquent properties are held in November or December. The County Treasurer remits the taxes collected monthly to the District.

Property taxes, net of estimated uncollectible taxes, are recorded initially as deferred inflows of resources in the year they are levied and measurable. The deferred property tax revenues are recorded as revenue in the year they are available or collected.

#### **Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources**

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has only one type of item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. Deferred inflows of resources reported in the governmental funds for unavailable revenues are property taxes levied for the ensuing year.

#### **Debt Issue Costs and Original Issue Discount/Premium**

In the government-wide financial statements, debt premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the debt using the effective interest method, with the unamortized amount included as a component of the debt. Debt issuance costs are treated as a period cost and expensed in the year incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize debt premiums and discounts, as well as 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 debt service expenditures.

#### Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

The District's governmental fund balances may consist of five classifications based on the relative strength of the spending constraints:

<u>Nonspendable fund balance</u>—the amount of fund balance that is not in spendable form (such as inventory or prepaids) or is legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

<u>Restricted fund balance</u>—the amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

<u>Committed fund balance</u>—amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Board of Directors). To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint.

<u>Assigned fund balance</u>—amounts the District intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by the District Board of Directors or by an official or body to which the District Board of Directors delegates the authority.

<u>Unassigned fund balance</u>—amounts that are available for any purpose.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When an expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds, as needed, unless the District Board of Directors has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

#### **Operations and Transfer Fees**

The District has imposed an Operations Fee in the amount of up to \$1,000 per year on each residential lot within the District, billed quarterly in amounts of \$250 and is to be used for operations and maintenance costs. For 2021, the District billed \$800 per year/\$200 quarterly.

The District has imposed a Transfer Fee in order to offset administrative costs associated with a transfer of ownership of any unit located within the District. The Transfer Fee is \$300 per lot and is due and payable at the time of any sale, transfer or re-sale of any single-family dwelling which has a certificate of occupancy.

#### **NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2021, are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$ 33,584
Cash and investments - restricted	360,792
	\$ 394,376

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2021, consist of the following:

Deposits with financial institutions	\$ 205,619
Investments	188,757
	\$ 394,376

#### **Cash Deposits**

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulators. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized. The eligible collateral is determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds. The pool for all the uninsured public deposits as a group is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits.

The State Commissioners for banks and financial services are required by Statute to monitor the naming of eligible depositories and reporting of the uninsured deposits and assets maintained in the collateral pools.

As of December 31, 2021, the District's cash deposits had a bank balance of \$205,145 and carrying balance of \$205,619.

#### Investments

The District has not adopted a formal investment policy; however, the District follows State Statutes regarding investments.

The District follows Colorado State Statutes which specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local governments may invest which include:

. Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency securities and the World Bank

- . General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- . Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- . Commercial paper
- . Certain reverse repurchase agreements
- . Certain securities lending agreements
- . Certain corporate bonds
- . Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- . Guaranteed investment contracts
- . Local government investment pools

As of December 31, 2021, the District had the following investments:

InvestmentMaturityCarrying ValueCOLOTRUST Plus+Weighted average under 60 days\$ 188,757

#### **COLOTRUST**

As of December 31, 2021, the District has invested in the Colorado Local Government Liquid Asset Trust (the Trust and/or COLOTRUST), an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado to pool surplus funds. The State Securities Commissioner administers and enforces all State statutes governing the Trust. The Trust operates similarly to a money market fund. The Trust offers shares in three portfolios, COLOTRUST Prime (Prime), COLOTRUST Plus+ (Plus+) and COLOTRUST Edge (Edge). All portfolios may invest in U.S. Treasury securities, repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities, certain obligations of U.S. government agencies and instrumentalities, and repurchase agreements collateralized with certain U.S. government agencies or instrumentalities. COLOTRUST Plus+ and COLOTRUST Edge may also invest in the highest rated commercial paper. The Prime and Plus+ portfolios are restricted to a weighted average maturity (WAM) of 60 days or less while the Edge portfolio incorporates longer-dated securities with a WAM of 60 days or more. Both Prime and Plus+ portfolios are rated AAAm by Standard and Poor's and the EDGE portfolio is rated AAAf/S1 by Fitch Ratings. Information related to COLOTRUST, including the annual audited financial statements, can be found at the COLOTRUST website at <a href="https://www.colotrust.com">www.colotrust.com</a>.

#### **Investment Valuation**

Certain investments are measured at fair value on a recurring basis are categorized within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure an asset's fair value: Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The District's investments are not required to be categorized within the fair value hierarchy. These investments are measured at amortized cost or in certain circumstances the value is calculated using the net asset value (NAV) per share, or its equivalent of the investment. These investments include 2a7-like external investment pools and money market investments. The District held investments in COLOTRUST at yearend for which the investment valuations were determined as follows.

COLOTRUST records its investments at fair value and the District records its investments in COLOTRUST at net asset value as determined by fair value. Each share of Prime and Plus is equal in value to \$1.00 and the redemption frequency is daily with no redemption notice period. Edge's net asset value is managed to approximate a \$10.00 transactional share price and the redemption frequency is five business days. The principal value of an Edge investment may fluctuate and could be greater or less than \$10.00 per share at time of purchase, prior to redemption, and at the time of redemption. There are no unfunded commitments.

#### **Restricted Cash and Investments**

As of December 31, 2021, cash and investments in the amount of \$360,792 are restricted for debt service in accordance with the indenture of trust related to the Series 2017A and 2017B General Obligation Bonds (See Note 4).

#### **NOTE 4 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

The following is an analysis of the changes in the District's long-term obligations for the year ended December 31, 2021:

	_	Salance at cember 31, 2020	Ac	dditions	Re	tirements	 Salance at cember 31, 2021	Due Within ne Year
General Obligation Bonds:								
2017A	\$	1,580,000	\$	-	\$	(15,000)	\$ 1,565,000	\$ 15,000
2017B		336,000		-		-	336,000	-
Unpaid accrued interest:								
2017B bonds		99,487		33,750		-	133,237	-
Developer Advances		94,563		-		-	94,563	-
Accrued interest on								
Developer Advances		13,489		7,565			 21,054	 
	\$	2,123,539	\$	41,315	\$	(15,000)	\$ 2,149,854	\$ 15,000

The detail of the District's long-term debt is as follows:

#### General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2017A and 2017B

#### Series 2017A

On July 13, 2017, the District issued \$1,590,000 General Obligation (Limited Tax Convertible to Unlimited Tax) Bonds, Series 2017A, (2017A Bonds), with interest of 5.50%. Proceeds of the 2017A Bonds were used for issuance costs and to reimburse the Developer for capital construction costs. The 2017A Bonds mature on December 1, 2047 with mandatory sinking fund payments each year beginning December 1, 2020 in varying amounts. Interest is due each June 1 and December 1, commencing December 1, 2017. The 2017A Bonds are subject to optional redemption, as a whole or in integral multiples of \$1,000 on any date, upon payment of par and accrued interest plus a redemption premium in varying rates beginning on December 1, 2022.

The 2017A Bonds are payable from pledged revenue, which includes the District's covenant to levy the required mill levy on all taxable property within the District to pay for debt scheduled payments, specific ownership taxes, capital fees and any other revenues designated as such and pledged to the payment of the 2017A Bonds by a resolution adopted by the Board. Prior to the Conversion Date (first date on which both the debt to assessed ratio is 50% or less: and no amounts of principal or interest on the 2017A Bonds are due but unpaid), the District is required to impose a mill levy sufficient to pay principal and interest on the 2017A Bonds as they come due, and if necessary, an amount sufficient to replenish the Reserve Fund to the amount of the Required Reserve, but (1) not in excess of 50.000 mills, and (2) for so long as the Surplus Fund is less than the Maximum Surplus Amount, not less than 50.000 mills; provided, however, that in the event the method of calculating assessed valuation is or was changed after January 1. 2004, any change in law, change in method of calculation, the minimum and maximum mill levies shall be increased or decreased to reflect such changes. On and after the Conversion Date, the District is to impose a mill levy in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the 2017A Bonds as they come due. The District levied 55.664 mills for collection in 2021 and 2022.

Pursuant to the Indenture of Trust, the District is required to establish a Reserve Fund for the 2017A Bonds with bond proceeds in the amount of \$129,525. As of December 31, 2021, the balance was \$129,533.

Pledged revenue not required for the payment of the 2017A Bonds or the Reserve Fund shall be credited to the Surplus Fund up to a maximum amount of \$159,000. As of December 31, 2021, the balance was \$59,061.

#### Series 2017B

On July 13, 2017 the District issued \$336,000 Subordinate General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2017B (2017B Bonds), with interest of 7.75%. Proceeds of the 2017B Bonds were used for issuance costs and to reimburse the Developer for capital construction costs. The 2017B Bonds mature on December 15, 2047. Interest is payable on December 15 of each year, commencing on December 15, 2017. Unpaid interest shall compound annually on December 15 of each year.

The 2017B Bonds are only payable in any particular year to the extent that there are amounts available in the Subordinate Pledged Revenue Fund. The Subordinate Pledged Revenue Fund is to be funded from the Subordinate Required Mill Levy, specific ownership taxes, capital fees and any other revenues designated as such and pledged to the payment of the bonds by a resolution adopted by the Board. The Subordinate Required Mill Levy is 50.000 mills less the 2017A Bond mill levy.

The District's 2017A General Obligation Bonds will mature as follows:

Year Ending			
December 31,	Principal	 Interest	 Total
2022	\$ 15,000	\$ 86,075	\$ 101,075
2023	15,000	85,250	100,250
2024	20,000	84,425	104,425
2025	20,000	83,325	103,325
2026	25,000	82,225	107,225
2027-2031	155,000	388,575	543,575
2032-2036	240,000	337,150	577,150
2037-2041	350,000	259,875	609,875
2042-2046	480,000	149,875	629,875
2047	245,000	 13,475	 258,475
	\$ 1,565,000	\$ 1,570,250	\$ 3,135,250

Annual debt service requirements of the District's Subordinate General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2017B Bonds are not currently determinable since they are payable only from funds available from Subordinate Pledged Revenue.

#### **2016 Operation Funding Agreement**

The District and Meritage Homes of Colorado, Inc (the Developer) entered into an Operation Funding Agreement on September 23, 2016 with an effective date of August 16, 2016 (2016 OFA). The 2016 OFA provides for the Developer to advance funds for ongoing operating expenses incurred by the District through December 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. The District agrees to repay any advances received from any funds available after the payment of its annual debt service obligations and annual operations and maintenance expenses, which repayment is subject to annual budget and appropriation. Interest shall accrue at 8% per annum. Any obligation of the District to reimburse the Developer shall expire on December 31, 2056.

#### **2017 Operation Funding Agreement**

On December 8, 2016, the District entered into the 2017 Operation Funding Agreement, with an effective date of January 1, 2017, with the Developer as amended by the First Amendment to the 2017 Operation Funding Agreement dated June 14, 2017; the Second Amendment to the 2017 Operation Funding Agreement dated November 7, 2017 and the Third Amendment to the 2017 Operation Funding Agreement dated December 11, 2018 (2017 OFA). The 2017 OFA provides for the Developer to advance funds for ongoing operating expenses incurred by the District through December 31, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$105,000. The District agrees to repay any advances received from any funds available after the payment of its annual debt service obligations and annual operations and maintenance expenses, which repayment is subject to annual budget and appropriation. Interest shall accrue at 8% per annum. Any obligation for the District to reimburse the Developer shall expire on December 31, 2059.

#### **2020 Operation Funding Agreement**

The District and Meritage Homes of Colorado, Inc (the Developer) entered into an Operation Funding Agreement on November 18, 2019 with an effective date of January 1, 2020 (2020 OFA). The 2020 OFA provides for the Developer to advance funds for ongoing operating expenses incurred by the District through December 31, 2020 in an amount not to exceed

\$25,000. The District agrees to repay any advances received from any funds available after the payment of its annual debt service obligations and annual operations and maintenance expenses, which repayment is subject to annual budget and appropriation. Interest shall accrue at 8% per annum. Any obligation of the District to reimburse the Developer shall expire on December 31, 2060.

The 2020 OFA establishes the priority of payments to reimburse the Developer. Payments shall be applied as follows a) first to the 2016 OFA accrued and unpaid interest and then to the 2016 OFA principal amount due; and then b) first to the 2017 OFA accrued and unpaid interest and then to the 2017 OFA principal amount due; and then c) first to the 2020 OFA accrued and unpaid interest and then to the 2020 OFA principal amount due pursuant to the 2020 OFA.

As of December 31, 2021, the District owed a total of \$94,563 in principal and \$21,054 in accrued interest under the 2016 OFA, 2017 OFA and 2020 OFA.

#### **Facilities Funding and Acquisition Agreement**

The District and the Developer entered into a Facilities Funding and Acquisition Agreement (FFA Agreement) on September 23, 2016, effective August 16, 2016.

#### **Organization Costs**

According to the terms of the FFA Agreement, the District shall reimburse the Developer for organization expenses incurred. Simple interest accrues on the organization expenses at a rate of 8% from the District's organization.

#### **Construction Costs**

The parties to the FFA Agreement acknowledge that the District will incur construction related expenses in connection with the construction of certain public improvements in reliance upon the Developer's commitment to provide funding. In addition, the Developer has or will design, construct and complete certain improvements for District acquisition upon completion. To the extent that the public improvements are not designed, constructed and completed by the Developer for the District's acquisition upon completion, the Developer shall advance funds to the District necessary to fund the construction related expenses up to \$12,000,000 less the aggregate amount of verified construction costs incurred by the Developer through December 31, 2020. Simple interest accrues from the date the costs are incurred by the Developer at a rate of 8%. The District anticipates payment of the developer advances and/or verified costs to be from the proceeds of debt incurred by the District. Any obligation of the District to reimburse the Developer shall expire on December 31, 2056.

As of December 31, 2021, the District had no outstanding obligations under the FFA Agreement.

#### **NOTE 5 – DEBT AUTHORIZATION**

As of December 31, 2021, the District had the following authorized by unissued indebtedness:

	Authorized May 3, 2016 Election	Authorization Used	Remaining at December 31, 2021		
Streets	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 1,066,619	\$ 8,933,381		
Parks and recreation	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
Water	10,000,000	216,482	9,783,518		
Sanitation	10,000,000	642,899	9,357,101		
Public transportation	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
Mosquito control	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
Safety Protection	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
Fire Protection	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
TV relay	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
Security services	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
Operations	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
Refunding	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
IGA Debt	10,000,000	-	10,000,000		
	\$ 130,000,000	\$ 1,926,000	\$ 128,074,000		

The District's service plan limits the total debt issued to \$10,000,000. In the future, the District may issue a portion or all of the remaining authorized but unissued debt.

#### **NOTE 6 - AGREEMENTS**

#### **Intergovernmental Agreement with Aurora**

The District and the City of Aurora (City) are parties to an intergovernmental agreement (City IGA) dated September 23, 2016, pursuant to the requirements of the Service Plan. Under the City IGA, the District covenants to dedicate certain public improvements to the City or other appropriate jurisdiction, and covenants that all improvements will be constructed in compliance with the City's standards and specifications. The City IGA states that the District is not authorized to operate and maintain improvements, other than park and recreation improvements and landscape, access and drainage are improvements within certain tracts, unless otherwise agreed to by the City. The District is required to impose a mill levy for Aurora regional improvements (the ARI Mill Levy). The ARI Mill Levy is defined in the Service Plan as: (i) for the first 20 years (beginning in the first year of collection of a debt service mill levy by the District), one mill; (ii) for the next 20 years, five mills; and (iii) for the next 10 years, a mill levy equal to the average debt service mill levy imposed by the District in the 10 years prior to the date of repayment of the debt it issued to construct nonregional improvements. The District levied 1.114 mills for collection in 2021 and 2022.

#### **NOTE 7 – FUND EQUITY**

As of December 31, 2021, the District reported the following classifications of fund equity.

#### Nonspendable Fund Balance

The nonspendable fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$450 is comprised of prepaid amounts which are not in spendable form.

#### **Restricted Fund Balance**

The restricted fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$3,100 is comprised of the Emergency Reserves that have been provided for as required by Article X, Section 20 of the Constitution of the State of Colorado (see Note 10). The restricted fund balance in the Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$353,615 is to be used exclusively for debt service requirements (see Note 4).

#### **NOTE 8 - NET POSITION**

The District's net position consists of two components – restricted and unrestricted.

The restricted portion of net position includes amounts that are restricted for use either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District's restricted net position at December 31, 2021 is as follows:

#### Restricted net position:

Emergency reserves (see Note 11)	\$ 3,100
Debt Service	216,917
	\$ 220,017

The District's unrestricted net position as of December 31, 2021 totaled \$(1,993,600). This deficit amount was a result of the District being responsible for repayment of bonds issued for public improvements conveyed to other governmental entities.

#### **NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees or acts of God. The District is a member of the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool (Pool) as of December 31, 2021. The Pool is an organization created by intergovernmental agreement to provide property, liability, public officials' liability, boiler and machinery and workers compensation coverage to its members. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The District pays annual premiums to the Pool for liability, property, public officials' liability and workers compensation coverage. In the event aggregated losses incurred by the Pool exceed amounts recoverable from reinsurance contracts and funds accumulated by the Pool, the Pool may require additional contributions from the Pool members. Any excess funds which the Pool determines are not needed for purposes of the Pool may be returned to the members pursuant to a distribution formula.

#### **NOTE 10 - TAX, SPENDING AND DEBT LIMITATIONS**

Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR), contains tax, spending, revenue and debt limitations that apply to the State of Colorado and all local governments. Spending and revenue limits are determined based on the prior year's Fiscal Year Spending adjusted for allowable increases based upon inflation and local growth. Fiscal Year Spending is generally defined as expenditures plus reserve increases with certain exceptions. Revenue in excess of the Fiscal Year Spending limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue.

TABOR requires local governments to establish Emergency Reserves. These reserves must be at least 3% of Fiscal Year Spending (excluding bonded debt service). Local governments are not allowed to use the emergency reserves to compensate for economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or benefit increases.

On May 3, 2016, the District's electors authorized the District to increase taxes \$10,000,000 annually or by a lesser annual amount as may be necessary to pay the District's operations and maintenance and other expenses without limitation of rate. Further the District's electors authorized the District to collect, keep and expend all District revenues received in 2016 and each year thereafter, of the District without regard to any limitations under Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution.

The District's management believes it is in compliance with the provisions of TABOR. However, TABOR is complex and subject to interpretation. Many of the provisions, including the interpretation of how to calculate Fiscal Year Spending limits will require judicial interpretation.

This information is an integral part of the accompanying financial statements.



# HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL DEBT SERVICE FUND

Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Original and Final Budgeted Amounts Actual				Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)		
REVENUES							
Property taxes	\$	146,897	\$	146,897	\$	-	
Specific ownership taxes		7,600		10,124		2,524	
Net investment income		1,000		477		(523)	
Total Revenues		155,497		157,498		2,001	
EXPENDITURES  Bond principal  Bond interest  Paying agent and other fees  County treasurer's fees		15,000 86,900 5,500 2,203		15,000 86,900 5,519 2,209		- - (19) (6)	
IGA - Aurora		2,839		2,839		-	
Miscellaneous		250		-		250	
Contingency	-	10,000				10,000	
Total Expenditures		122,692		112,467		10,225	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		32,805		45,031		12,226	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		306,557		308,584		2,027	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	339,362	\$	353,615	\$	14,253	



#### HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SUMMARY OF ASSESSED VALUATION, MILL LEVY AND PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED Year Ended December 31, 2021

Prior Year Assessed Valuation

		Valuation or Current									Percentage
Year Ended Year Property		Mills Levied				Property Taxes				Collected	
December 31,		Tax Levy	General	Debt	ARI	Total	Levied		Collected		to Levied
2017	\$	461,013	65.000	0.000	0.000	65.000	\$	29,966	\$	29,966	100.0%
2018	\$	591,861	14.000	55.277	1.106	70.383	\$	41,657	\$	41,658	100.0%
2019	\$	1,578,497	14.000	55.277	1.106	70.383	\$	111,100	\$	111,100	100.0%
2020	\$	2,552,213	18.000	55.664	1.114	74.778	\$	190,849	\$	190,849	100.0%
2021	\$	2,587,213	18.000	55.664	1.114	74.778	\$	193,467	\$	193,467	100.0%
Estimated for year ending December 31,											
2022	\$	2,809,048	18.000	55.664	1.114	74.778	\$	210,055			

**NOTE:** Property taxes collected in any one year may include collection of delinquent property taxes levied in prior years. Information received from the County Treasurer does not permit identification of specific year of levy.