## **2022 BUDGET MESSAGE**

### **Introduction**

Highline Crossing Metropolitan District is a quasi-municipal corporation formed in 2016 governed pursuant to provisions set forth in the Colorado Special District Act. The District was organized to provide essential facilities for public use and benefit. The District consists of approximately 15.2 acres located entirely within the City of Aurora (the "City").

The 2022 budget was prepared in accordance with the Local Government Budget Law of Colorado. The budget reflects the projected spending plan for the 2022 fiscal year based on available revenues. This budget provides for the annual debt service on the District's general obligation debt as well as the general operation of the District.

The Board of Directors authorized adjustment of the District mill levy in accordance with the Colorado Constitution, Article X, Section 3 (the "Gallagher Adjustment"). The Gallagher Adjustment and the District's Service Plan authorize an adjustment of the Maximum Debt Mill Levy in the event that the method of calculating assessed valuation is changed after January 1, 2004, by any change in law, change in method of calculation, or in the event of any legislation or constitutionally mandated tax credit, cut, or abatement. The adjustment to the Maximum Debt Mill Levy is determined by the Board so that, to the extent possible, the actual tax revenues generated by the mill levy, as adjusted, are neither diminished nor enhanced as a result of such changes. The Colorado General Assembly passed House Bill 17-1349 setting the ratio of valuation for assessment for real residential property at 7.2% (decreased from 7.96%) for property taxes commencing on and after January 1, 2017, and House Bill 19-255 setting the ratio of valuation for assessment for real residential property at 7.15% (decreased from 7.2%), for property taxes commencing on or after January 1, 2019, until the next property tax year that the General Assembly determines to adjust the ratio of valuation for assessment for residential real property. The Gallagher Adjustment for the District allows for a total mill levy imposition, as noted in the following paragraph, so the District's revenue is neither diminished nor enhanced.

The District's 2021 assessed value increased to \$2,809,048 from \$2,587,213 the prior year. The District's mill levy has been kept the same at 74.778 mills for tax collection in the 2022 fiscal year -- 18.000 mills dedicated to the General Fund, 1.114 mills dedicated to contractual obligations and 55.664 mills dedicated to the Debt Service Fund.

## **Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

The District uses funds to budget and report its financial position and results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain functions. The various funds determine the total District budget. The District's General Fund is considered a Governmental Fund and is reported using the current financial resources and the modified accrual basis of accounting. The District's Debt Fund and Capital Projects Fund are also reported using the current financial resources and the modified accrual basis of accounting.

expenses recorded when the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied.

## **Fund Summaries**

The **General Fund** is used to account for resources traditionally associated with government such as property taxes, specific ownership tax and expenditures which include district administration, legal services and other expenses related to statutory operations of a local government. The General Fund's primary sources of revenue are developer advances, transfer fees and property taxes.

The **Debt Service Fund** is used to account for property taxes and other revenues dedicated to pay the fiscal year's debt expense which includes administrative costs associated with debt issues. The primary source of revenue is property tax. In 2017, the District entered into two general obligation bond indentures that provided funding for capital projects. Below is a summary of the District's long-term debt obligation.

Highline Crossing Metropolitan District								
Bond Principal and Interest in the	2017A Senior Bonds, \$1,590,000							
Year Ending	2017B Subordinate Bonds, \$336,000							
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total					
2022	15,000	119,097	134,097					
2023-2027	105,000	581,955	686,955					
2028-2032	237,000	645,107	882,107					
2033-2037	343,000	416,797	759,797					
2038-2042	506,000	294,334	800,334					
2043-2047	695,000	129,285	824,285					
	\$ 1,901,000	\$ 2,274,025	\$ 4,175,025					

The **Capital Projects Fund** is used to account for revenues and expenditures to complete capital projects such as new improvements and upgrades to existing infrastructure.

## **Emergency Reserve**

As required by the TABOR amendment to the Colorado Constitution, the District has provided for an Emergency Reserve in the amount of 3% of the total fiscal year revenues in the General Fund.

## HIGHLINE CROSSING METROPOLITAN DISTRICT Assessed Value, Property Tax and Mill Levy Information

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	2020		2021		2022	
		Actual		Adopted Budget		lopted Budget
Assessed Valuation	\$	2,552,213	\$	2,587,213	\$	2,809,048
Mill Levy						
General Fund		18.000		18.000		18.000
ARI		1.114		1.114		1.114
Debt Service Fund		55.664		55.664		55.664
Temporary Mill Levy Reduction		-		-		-
Refunds and Abatements		-		-		-
Total Mill Levy		74.778		74.778		74.778
Property Taxes						
General Fund	\$	45,940	\$	46,570	\$	50,563
ARI		2,843		2,882		3,129
Debt Service Fund		142,066		144,015		156,363
Temporary Mill Levy Reduction		-		-		-
Refunds and Abatements		-		-		-
Actual/Budgeted Property Taxes	\$	190,849	\$	193,467	\$	210,055

#### GENERAL FUND 2022 Adopted Budget with 2020 Actual, 2021 Adopted Budget, and 2021 Estimated

	2020 2021		2021	2022
	Actual	Adopted Budget	Estimated	Adopted Budget
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 5,391	\$ 19,705	\$ 24,026	\$ 19,332
REVENUE				
Property Tax Revenue	45,940	46,570	46,570	50,563
Specific Ownership Taxes	3,915	2,750	2,750	2,750
Developer Advance	25,000	-	-	-
Interest Income	49	15	90	15
Transfer fee	1,800	200	600	200
Operations Fee Design Review Fees	50,400 150	50,490 50	50,400 150	63,000 50
Total Revenue	127,255	100,075	100,560	116,578
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Total Funds Available	132,646	119,780	124,586	135,910
EXPENDITURES				
Accounting	11,197	10,000	10,000	10,000
Audit	6,068	6,000	4,700	5,500
Insurance/SDA Dues	8,010	8,800	8,270	9,000
Legal	7,105	7,000	8,000	7,000
Election	1,046	-	-	3,000
Management	12,311	9,000	12,000	9,000
Miscellaneous	4,049	1,000	3,500	2,000
Treasurer's Fees	690	699	699	758
Covenant Control	10,800	7,200	7,200	7,200
Billing Landscape Maintenance	3,658 17,251	4,000 16,000	4,000 16,000	4,000 28,000
Landscape Improvements	17,201	3,500	1,435	5,000
Irrigation Repair	5,842	5,000	5,000	5,000
Snow Removal	3,562	15,000	10,000	10,000
Detention Pond Maintenance		1,400	1,450	-
Operations and Maint Reserve	-	2,000	-	-
Repairs and Maintenance	2,245	2,000	1,000	2,000
Fence Repairs	-	2,000	-	2,000
Utilities	14,784	14,000	12,000	12,000
Contingency	-	-	-	5,000
Total Expenditures	108,619	114,598	105,254	126,458
Transfers and Other Uses				
Emergency Reserve	-	3,002	-	3,497
Total Transfers and Other Uses	-	3,002	-	3,497
Total Expenditures Requiring				
Appropriation	108,619	117,600	105,254	129,956
ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 24,026	\$ 2,179	\$ 19.332	\$ 5.955
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### DEBT SERVICE FUND 2022 Adopted Budget with 2020 Actual, 2021 Adopted Budget, and 2021 Estimated

	2020 2021		1	0004	0000	
	2020 Actual		2021 Adopted Budget		2021 Estimated	2022 Adopted Budget
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$	260,593	\$ 306,557	\$	308,584	\$ 350,720
REVENUE						
Property Tax Revenue Regional Improvement Specific Ownership Tax Interest Income/Other		142,066 2,843 9,609 1,542	144,015 2,882 7,600 1,000		144,015 2,882 7,600 400	156,363 3,129 7,600 400
Total Revenue		156,060	155,497		154,897	167,492
Total Funds Available		416,653	462,054		463,481	518,213
EXPENDITURES						
Bond Principal Bond Interest Paying Agent Fees Miscellaneous Expense Treasurer's Fees Aurora Expense Treasurer Fee- Reg Imp Contingency		10,000 87,450 5,523 120 2,133 2,800 43 - 108,069	15,000 86,900 5,500 250 2,203 2,839 - 10,000 122,692		15,000 86,900 5,519 250 2,203 2,839 50 - 112,761	15,000 86,075 5,500 2,392 3,082 50 10,000 122,350
Total Expenditures Requiring Appropriation		108,069	122,692		112,761	122,350
ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$	308,584	\$ 339,362	\$	350,720	\$ 395,863

### CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND 2022 Adopted Budget with 2020 Actual, 2021 Adopted Budget, and 2021 Estimated

	2020	2021	2021	2022	
	YTD Actual	Adopted Budget	Estimated	Adopted Budget	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 3,854	- \$	\$-	\$-	
REVENUE					
Interest and Other Income	-	-	-	-	
Transfer from General Fund Bond Proceeds - Senior	-	-	-	-	
Bond Proceeds - Subordinate	-	-	-	-	
Total Revenue	-	-	-	-	
Total Funds Available	3,854		-	-	
EXPENDITURES					
Bond Issuance Costs Legal	-	-	-	-	
Management	-	-	-	-	
Miscellaneous Engineering	-	-	-	-	
Contingency	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures		_	-	-	
Transfers and Other Uses					
Transfer to Debt Service Fund	-	-	-	-	
Developer reimbursement	-	-	-	-	
Total Transfers and Other Uses	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures Requiring Appropriation	-	-	-	-	
ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 3,854	- \$	\$-	\$-	