RICEWOOD MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Ricewood Municipal 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 Ricewood Municipal Utility District as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Ricewood Municipal 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 Ricewood Municipal Utility District, as of September 30, 2023, 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 Ricewood Municipal 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 Ricewood Municipal 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.

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 Ricewood Municipal 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 Ricewood Municipal 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'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.

Supplementary Information

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Ricewood Municipal Utility District's basic financial statements. The supplementary information on Pages 22 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 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.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

Using this Annual Report

Within this section of the Ricewood Municipal 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, 2023.

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 security service and garbage collection, are minor activities and are not budgeted or accounted for as separate programs. The financial statements of special-purpose governments 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

	2023	2022	Change
Current and other assets	\$ 6,358,001	\$ 6,243,558	\$ 114,443
Capital assets	6,471,426	<u> 6,771,469</u>	(300,043)
Total assets	12,829,427	13,015,027	(185,600)
Long-term liabilities	5,658,911	6,109,162	(450,251)
Other liabilities	<u>926,034</u>	<u>1,161,879</u>	(235,845)
Total liabilities	6,584,945	7,271,041	(686,096)
Net position: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted Total net position	362,264 2,199,126 <u>3,683,092</u> \$ 6,244,482	61,369 2,341,879 <u>3,340,738</u> \$5,743,986	300,895 (142,753) <u>342,354</u> \$ 500,496

Summary of Changes in Net Position

	 2023	 2022	 Change
Revenues: Property taxes, including related penalty and interest Charges for services Other revenues Total revenues	\$ 1,661,472 2,126,972 <u>547,327</u> 4,335,771	\$ 1,576,407 1,916,562 <u>301,211</u> <u>3,794,180</u>	\$ 85,065 210,410 <u>246,116</u> 541,591
Expenses: Service operations Debt service Total expenses	 3,663,828 171,447 3,835,275	 3,224,640 <u>174,176</u> 3,398,816	 439,188 (2,729) 436,459
Change in net position	500,496	395,364	105,132
Net position, beginning of year	 5,743,986	 5,348,622	 395,364
Net position, end of year	\$ 6,244,482	\$ 5,743,986	\$ 500,496

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The District's combined fund balances as of the end of the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023 were \$5,864,032, an increase of \$196,485 from the prior year.

The General Fund balance increased by \$340,722, in accordance with the District's financial plan.

The Debt Service Fund balance decreased by \$30,529, in accordance with the District's financial plan.

The Capital Projects Fund balance decreased by \$113,708, as authorized expenditures exceeded interest earnings.

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 21 of this report. The budgetary fund balance as of September 30, 2023, was expected to be \$3,407,353 and the actual end of year fund balance was \$3,670,055.

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)					
	2023			2022		Change
Land Detention ponds Construction in progress Park facilities Water facilities Sewer facilities Totals	\$	454,939 309,913 215,256 259,569 1,379,663 <u>3,852,086</u> 6,471,426	\$	454,939 309,913 884,217 279,984 1,490,253 <u>3,352,163</u> 6,771,469	\$	0 0 (668,961) (20,415) (110,590) <u>499,923</u> (300,043)

Changes to capital assets during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, are summarized as follows:

Additions: Water system improvements	\$ 141,425
Decreases: Depreciation	 (441,468)
Net change to capital assets	\$ (300,043)

Debt

Changes in the bonded debt position of the District during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, are summarized as follows:

Bonded debt payable, beginning of year	\$ 6,805,000
Bonds paid	 (605,000)
Bonded debt payable, end of year	\$ 6,200,000

At September 30, 2023, the District had \$1,940,000 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 Series 2014 bonds have an underlying rating of A by Standard & Poor's and the Series 2015A and 2019 bonds have an underlying rating of A2 by Moody's. The Series 2015 bonds are not rated or insured. The Series 2019 bonds are insured by Build America Mutual Assurance Corporation and the Series 2015A bonds are insured by Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. Because of the insurance, the Series 2015A and 2019 bonds are rated AA by Standard & Poor's. There were no changes in the bond ratings during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023.

RELEVANT FACTORS AND WATER SUPPLY ISSUES

Property Tax Base

The District's tax base increased approximately \$57,515,000 for the 2022 tax year (approximately 13%) primarily due to the increased valuation on existing property.

Relationship to the City of Houston

Utilizing a provision of Texas law, effective December 20, 2007, the District and the City of Houston (the "City") entered into a 30 year Strategic Partnership Agreement (the "Agreement"). Under the terms of the Agreement, the City annexed a portion of the District (the "Partial District") for the limited purpose of imposition of the City's Sales and Use Tax. In addition, the Agreement provides that the City shall apply and enforce within the Partial District the most current section of the City's fire code banning fireworks as adopted by City Council. The Agreement states that the District and all taxable property within the District shall not be liable for any present or future debts of the City and current and future taxes levied by the City shall not be levied on taxable property with the District. During the term of the SPA, the City has agreed not to annex all or part of the District for full purposes.

The City has imposed a Sales and Use Tax within the boundaries of the Partial District at the time of the limited-purpose annexation of the Partial District. The Agreement provides that the City shall pay to the District one half of all Sales and Use Tax revenues generated within the boundaries of the Partial District and received by the City from the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

Water Supply Issues

The District is within the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District (the "Subsidence District") Regulatory Area No. 3. The Subsidence District regulates the withdrawal of groundwater within its jurisdiction. The District's authority to pump ground water from its well is subject to annual permits issued by the Subsidence District. The Subsidence District has ordered certain areas of suburban Houston to convert most of their water supply to surface water under various schedules. The Subsidence District has designated January 2025 as the date required for the District to restrict the withdrawal of ground water and convert 60% of its total water use to surface water and January 2035, as the date required for the District does not meet the requirements of the Subsidence District, the District may be required to pay the disincentive fees adopted by the Subsidence District.

In May, 2001, the Texas Legislature created the West Harris County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") and included the District within the boundaries of the Authority. The Authority was created to provide a regional entity to build the necessary facilities to meet the subsidence District's requirements for conversion from ground water to surface water of all permit holders within its boundaries, including the District. Accordingly, the District is required to pay groundwater reduction plan fees to the Authority, and in turn is entitled to rely upon the Authority's GRP to achieve compliance with the subsidence District's requirements. In accordance with the GRP, the Authority has negotiated a water supply contract with the City of Houston and has issued revenue bonds to finance the surface water supply system. The Authority may establish such fees, charges, or tolls as necessary to accomplish its purposes. As of September 30, 2023, the Authority's ground water pumpage fee was equal to \$3.95 per 1,000 gallons pumped, and is expected to increase in the future. At this date the Authority's surface water usage fee was equal to \$4.35 per 1,000 gallons, and is expected to increase in the future.

The District cannot predict the amount or level of fees and charges which may be due the Authority for future years, but anticipates that it will pass such fees, either in whole or in part, through to its customers in higher water rates. In the event the Authority fails to commence construction of surface water infrastructure by the deadline established by the Subsidence District, the District and others within the Authority's GRP group could be required to pay the disincentive fee on withdrawn groundwater. This disincentive fee is substantial, and the District expects it would need to pass such fee through to its customers in the form of higher water rates. This disincentive fee would be in addition to the Authority's fee.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET

	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Total	Adjustments (Note 3)	Statement of Net Position
ASSETS						
Cash, including interest-bearing accounts, Note 7 Certificates of deposit, at cost, Note 7 Temporary investments, at cost, Note 7 Receivables:	\$ 183,277 1,655,000 1,634,351	\$ 62,387 247,566	\$ 286 1,975,373	\$ 245,950 1,655,000 3,857,290	\$	\$ 245,950 1,655,000 3,857,290
Property taxes Accrued penalty and interest on property taxes Service accounts Accrued interest Sales and Use Taxes, Note 11 Other Prepaid expenditures Maintenance taxes collected not yet	13,037 224,446 33,641 63,735 114,819 67,900	12,518		25,555 0 224,446 33,641 63,735 114,819 67,900	5,165	25,555 5,165 224,446 33,641 63,735 114,819 67,900
transferred from other fund Deposits at joint venture, Note 10 Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, Note 4 Capital assets not being depreciated	13,682 64,500 :			13,682 64,500 0	(13,682) 980,108	0 64,500 980,108
Depreciable capital assets				0	5,491,318	5,491,318
Total assets	\$4,068,388	\$ 322,471	\$ 1,975,659	\$ 6,366,518	6,462,909	12,829,427
LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable Construction contracts payable Accrued interest payable Customer and builder deposits Maintenance taxes collected not yet	\$ 273,550 111,746	\$ 3,099	\$ 7,154 67,700	\$ 283,803 67,700 0 111,746	12,534	283,803 67,700 12,534 111,746
transferred to other fund Long-term liabilities, Note 5: Due within one year		13,682		13,682 0	(13,682) 450,251	0 450,251
Due in more than one year				0	5,658,911	5,658,911
Total liabilities	385,296	16,781	74,854	476,931	6,108,014	6,584,945
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Property tax revenues	13,037	12,518	0	25,555	(25,555)	0
FUND BALANCES / NET POSITION						
Nonspendable: Reserved for reserve at joint venture, Note 10 Committed to construction contracts in progress Assigned to:	64,500		897,800	64,500 897,800	(64,500) (897,800)	0 0
Debt service Capital projects Unassigned	3,605,555	293,172	1,003,005	293,172 1,003,005 3,605,555	(293,172) (1,003,005) (3,605,555)	0 0 0
Total fund balances	3,670,055	293,172	1,900,805	5,864,032	(5,864,032)	0
Total liabilities, deferred inflows, and fund balances	\$4,068,388	\$ 322,471	<u>\$ 1,975,659</u>	\$ 6,366,518		
Net position: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted for debt service Restricted for capital projects Unrestricted					362,264 298,321 1,900,805 3,683,092	362,264 298,321 1,900,805 3,683,092
Total net position					\$ 6,244,482	\$ 6,244,482

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total	Adjustments (Note 3)	Statement of Activities
REVENUES						
Property taxes Water service Sewer service Surface water fees, Note 9	\$ 895,721 407,511 702,048 878,221	\$ 750,972	\$	\$ 1,646,693 407,511 702,048 878,221	\$ 1,983	\$ 1,648,676 407,511 702,048 878,221
Penalty and interest Sales and Use Taxes, Note 11 Tap connection and inspection fees	60,482 265,984 20,142	13,024		73,506 265,984 20,142	(228)	73,278 265,984 20,142
Interest on deposits and investments Other revenues	149,652 58,568	34,719	96,972	281,343 58,568		281,343 58,568
Total revenues	3,438,329	798,715	96,972	4,334,016	1,755	4,335,771
EXPENDITURES / EXPENSES						
Service operations:						
Purchased sewer services, Note 10 Professional fees	258,662	4,986	352	258,662		258,662
Contracted services	110,731 182,523	4,966 38,201	352 666	116,069 221,390		116,069 221,390
Utilities	43,879	50,201	000	43,879		43,879
Surface water fees, Note 9	870,891			870,891		870,891
Repairs, maintenance and	010,001			010,001		010,001
other operating expenditures	651,506		68,211	719,717		719,717
Security service	389,246		,	389,246		389,246
Garbage disposal	379,191			379,191		379,191
Administrative expenditures	204,916	12,311		217,227		217,227
Depreciation				0	441,468	441,468
Capital outlay / non-capital outlay Debt service:	6,062		141,451	147,513	(141,425)	6,088
Principal retirement Interest and fees		605,000 168,746		605,000 168,746	(605,000) 2,701	0 171,447
Total expenditures / expenses	3,097,607	829,244	210,680	4,137,531	(302,256)	3,835,275
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	340,722	(30,529)	(113,708)	196,485	304,011	500,496
Net change in fund balances / net position	340,722	(30,529)	(113,708)	196,485	304,011	500,496
Beginning of year	3,329,333	323,701	2,014,513	5,667,547	76,439	5,743,986
End of year	\$ 3,670,055	\$ 293,172	\$ 1,900,805	\$ 5,864,032	\$ 380,450	\$ 6,244,482

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

NOTE 1: REPORTING ENTITY

Ricewood Municipal Utility District (the "District") was created by an order of the Texas Water Commission (now the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) effective April 4, 1978, and operates in accordance with Texas Water Code, Chapters 49 and 54, as amended. 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 April 13, 1978, and the first bonds were sold on June 27, 1983. 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. The District may provide security services, park and recreational facilities, and garbage disposal, collection services and recycling. In addition, the District is empowered, if approved by the electorate, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and other governmental entities having jurisdiction, to establish, operate and maintain a fire department, either independently or jointly with certain other districts.

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.

The District is a participant in the Mayde Creek Waste Treatment Facilities (the "Facilities"). Oversight of the Facilities is exercised by the Board of Directors of Mayde Creek Municipal Utility District. Based on the criteria described above, the financial activity of the Facilities has not been included in the District's financial statements as a component unit. Transactions with and summary financial information regarding the Facilities are described in Note 10.

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 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:

Plant and equipment	10-45 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		\$ 5,864,032
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds: Total capital assets, net		6,471,426
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 Deferred charge on refunding (to be amortized as interest expense) Issuance discount net of premium (to be amortized as interest expense)	\$ (6,200,000) 1,691 <u>89,147</u>	(6,109,162)
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	 5,165 25,555	30,720
Some liabilities that do not require the use of current financial resources are not reported as liabilities in the funds: Accrued interest		 (12,534)
Net position, end of year		\$ 6,244,482

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

Total net change in fund balances		\$ 196,485
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	\$ 141,425 (441,468)	(300,043)
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		605,000
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: Refunding charges Issuance discount, net of premium	(1,188) (2,874 <u>)</u>	(4,062)
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	(228) 1,983	1,755
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		 1,361
Change in net position		\$ 500,496

NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance			Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated: Land Detention ponds Construction in progress	\$ 454,939 309,913 <u>884,217</u>	\$ 141,425	\$ 810,386	\$ 454,939 309,913 215,256
Total capital assets not being depreciated	1,649,069	141,425	810,386	980,108
Depreciable capital assets: Park facilities Water system Sewer system	1,168,062 3,850,247 <u>6,640,011</u>	810,386		1,978,448 3,850,247 <u>6,640,011</u>
Total depreciable capital assets	11,658,320	810,386	0	12,468,706
Less accumulated depreciation for: Park facilities Water system Sewer system Total accumulated depreciation Total depreciable capital assets, net	(597,257) (2,650,815) (3,287,848) (6,535,920) 5,122,400	(20,415) (110,590) <u>(310,463)</u> (441,468) 368,918	0 0	(617,672) (2,761,405) (3,598,311) (6,977,388) 5,491,318
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 6,771,469</u>	<u>\$ </u>	<u>\$810,386</u>	<u>\$ 6,471,426</u>
Changes to capital assets: Capital outlay Assets transferred to depreciable assets Less depreciation expense for the fiscal year		\$ 141,425 810,386 <u>(441,468)</u>	\$ 810,386	
Net increases / decreases to capital assets		<u>\$510,343</u>	<u>\$810,386</u>	

NOTE 5: LONG-TERM LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Long-term liability activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due within One Year
Bonds payable Less deferred amounts:	\$ 6,805,000	\$	\$ 605,000	\$ 6,200,000	\$ 460,000
For issuance (discount) premium For refunding	(92,021) (2,879)		(2,874) (1,188)	(89,147) (1,691)	(9,179) (570)
Total bonds payable	6,710,100	0	600,938	6,109,162	450,251
Total long-term liabilities	<u>\$ 6,710,100</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$ 600,938	\$ 6,109,162	\$ 450,251

Developer Construction Commitments and Liabilities

At September 30, 2023, there were no developer construction commitments or liabilities.

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 460,000	\$ 150,412	\$ 610,412
2025	465,000	139,334	604,334
2026	465,000	127,462	592,462
2027	460,000	115,589	575,589
2028	450,000	102,897	552,897
2029 - 2033	1,770,000	382,212	2,152,212
2034 - 2038	2,130,000	163,256	2,293,256
	\$ 6,200,000	<u>\$ 1,181,162</u>	<u> </u>
Bonds voted	n and and a dd		\$ 24,300,000.00
Bonds approved fo			22,360,000.00

As of September 30, 2023, the debt service requirements on the bonds outstanding were as follows:

Bonds voted	\$ 24,300,000.00
Bonds approved for sale and sold	22,360,000.00
Bonds voted and not issued	1,940,000.00
Refunding bonds voted	24,300,000.00
Refunding bonds approved for sale and sold	6,317,514.25
Refunding bonds voted and not issued	17,982,485.75

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 bond issues payable at September 30, 2023, were as follows:

	Refunding Series 2015	Series 2015A	Series 2019
Amounts outstanding, September 30, 2023	\$1,360,000	\$940,000	\$3,900,000
Interest rates	2.59%	2.125% to 3.00%	2.00% to 2.50%
Maturity dates, serially beginning/ending	September 1, 2024/2028	September 1, 2024/2028	September 1, 2029/2038
Interest payment dates	March 1/September 1	March 1/September 1	March 1/September 1
Callable dates	September 1, 2022*	September 1, 2023*	September 1, 2025*

*Or any date thereafter, in whole or in part, callable at par plus unpaid accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

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 Orders 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 held January 16, 1982, the voters within the District authorized a maintenance tax not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 valuation on all property subject to taxation within the District. This maintenance tax is being used by the General Fund to pay expenditures of operating the District.

On October 18, 2022, the District levied the following ad valorem taxes for the 2022 tax year on the adjusted taxable valuation of \$486,681,439:

		Rate	 Amount	
Debt service Maintenance	\$	0.1550 0.1850	\$ 754,356 900,361	
	<u>\$</u>	0.3400	\$ 1,654,717	

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

2022 tax year total property tax levy		1,654,717
Appraisal district adjustments to prior year taxes		(6,041)
Statement of Activities property tax revenues	\$	1,648,676

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 an authorized private sector investment pool (Texas CLASS). The private sector investment pool 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 the authorized private sector investment pool was \$3,857,290.

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

Debt Service Fund

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

Cash Temporary investments	\$	62,387 247,566
	<u>\$</u>	309,953
Capital Projects Fund		
For construction of capital assets:		
Cash Temporary investments	\$	286 1,975,373
	\$	1,975,659

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, 2023, the District had physical damage and boiler and machinery coverage of \$4,625,000, comprehensive general liability coverage with a per occurrence limit of \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000 general aggregate, consultant's crime coverage of \$50,000 and a tax assessor-collector bond of \$10,000.

NOTE 9: REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

The West Harris County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") was created by House Bill 1842, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session 2001. The Authority is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, governed by an elected nine member Board of Directors. The Authority is empowered to, among other powers, "acquire or develop surface water and ground water supplies from sources inside of or outside of the boundaries of the authority and may conserve, store, transport, treat, purify, distribute, sell and deliver water to persons, corporations, municipal corporations, political subdivisions of the state, and others, inside of and outside of the boundaries of the authority." The Authority is also empowered to "establish fees and charges as necessary to enable the authority to fulfill the authority's regulatory obligations." In accordance with this provision, at September 30, 2023, the Authority had established a ground water pumpage fee of \$3.95 per 1,000 gallons of water pumped from each regulated well and surface water usage fees of \$4.35 per 1,000 gallons. The fees payable by the District to the Authority for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, were \$870,891. The District billed its customers \$878,221 during the fiscal year to pay for the fees charged by the Authority.

NOTE 10: JOINT VENTURE

On March 5, 1979 (amended December 9, 1982, April 30, 1984, March 18, 2003, December 1, 2004, March 1, 2019, June 1, 2019 and August 10, 2019), the District, Mayde Creek Municipal Utility District and Clay Road Municipal Utility District entered into a forty year Waste Disposal Contract for the construction and operations of the Mayde Creek Municipal Utility District Waste Treatment Facilities (the "Facilities"). Oversight of the Facilities is exercised by the Board of Directors of Mayde Creek Municipal Utility District. Ownership of the capacity in the Facilities under the amended contract is as follows: Mayde Creek Municipal Utility District -- 29.50%; Ricewood Municipal Utility District -- 43.00%; Clay Road Municipal Utility District -- 27.50%. Construction costs of the Facilities are funded by the contribution of funds from each participating district or their developers. The Facilities issues no debt. Each participant records its share of the capital assets of the Facilities in its financial statements.

Each participant is responsible only for its share of the operating costs of the Facilities which are allocated and billed monthly based upon each participant's pro rata share of capacity in the Facilities. In addition, the District has contributed \$64,500 to an operating reserve. During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, the District accrued \$258,662 for purchased sewer services.

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

	Facilities Total	District's Share
Total assets Total liabilities	\$ 203,268 (53,268)	
Total fund equity Operating reserves	150,000 (150,000)	\$ 64,500 <u>(64,500)</u>
Undesignated fund balance	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total revenues Total expenditures	\$ 654,937 (654,937)	\$ 257,158 (257,158)
Excess revenues (expenditures)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

NOTE 11: STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

On December 30, 2007, the District and the City of Houston (the "City") entered into a 30 year Strategic Partnership Agreement (the "Agreement"). Under the terms of the Agreement, the City annexed a portion of the District (the "Partial District") for the limited purposes of applying the City's Planning, Zoning, Health, and Safety Ordinances within the Partial District. The Agreement states that the District and all taxable property within the District shall not be liable for any present or future debts of the City and current and future taxes levied by the City shall not be levied on taxable property with the District. The City agreed that it will not annex the District for full purposes or commence any action to annex the District for full purposes during the term of this Agreement.

The City imposed a Sales and Use Tax within the boundaries of the Partial District at the time of the limitedpurpose annexation of the Partial District. The Agreement provides that the City shall pay to the District one half of all Sales and Use Tax revenues generated within the boundaries of the Partial District and received by the City from the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. The District accrued Sales and Use Tax revenues of \$265,984 from the City for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, of which \$63,735 was receivable at that date.

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
REVENUES				
Property taxes Water service Sewer service Surface water fees Penalty Sales and Use Taxes Tap connection and inspection fees Interest on deposits and investments Other revenues	\$ 875,000 398,700 701,200 807,500 49,400 266,300 0 50,550 58,000	\$ 875,000 398,700 701,200 807,500 49,400 266,300 0 50,550 58,000	\$ 895,721 407,511 702,048 878,221 60,482 265,984 20,142 149,652 58,568	\$ 20,721 8,811 848 70,721 11,082 (316) 20,142 99,102 568
TOTAL REVENUES	3,206,650	3,206,650	3,438,329	231,679
EXPENDITURES				
Service operations: Purchased services Professional fees Contracted services Utilities Surface water fees Repairs, maintenance and other operating expenditures Security service Garbage disposal Administrative expenditures Capital outlay	275,300 125,000 162,500 46,800 807,500 782,750 375,600 367,600 155,580 30,000	275,300 125,000 162,500 46,800 807,500 782,750 375,600 367,600 155,580 30,000	258,662 110,731 182,523 43,879 870,891 651,506 389,246 379,191 204,916 6,062	$(16,638) \\ (14,269) \\ 20,023 \\ (2,921) \\ 63,391 \\ (131,244) \\ 13,646 \\ 11,591 \\ 49,336 \\ (23,938)$
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,128,630	3,128,630	3,097,607	(31,023)
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	78,020	78,020	340,722	262,702
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,329,333	3,329,333	3,329,333	0
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 3,407,353	\$ 3,407,353	\$ 3,670,055	\$ 262,702

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, 2023

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

- [X] TSI-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. <u>Comparative Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures -</u> General Fund and Debt Service Fund - Five Year
- [X] TSI-8. Board Members, Key Personnel and Consultants

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND RATES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

1. Services Provided by the District during the Fiscal Year:

X Retail Water X Retail Wastewater X Parks/Recreation	Wholesale Water Wholesale Wastewater Fire Protection	X Drainage Irrigation X Security
X Solid Waste/Garbage	Flood Control	Roads
X Participates in joint venture, re		r service
(other than emergency intercor	nnect)	
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:	\$11.50	5,000	Ν	\$1.25 1.75	5,001 to 12,000 Over 12,000
WASTEWATER:	\$36.56		Y		

SURCHARGE: \$4.79 per 1,000 gallons of water used -- WHCRWA pumpage fees.

District employs winter averaging for wastewater usage: Yes ___ No _X

Total charges per 10,000 gallons usage: Water: \$17.75 Wastewater: \$36.56 Surcharge: \$47.90

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND RATES (Continued)

SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

b. Water and Wastewater Retail Connections (unaudited):

Meter Size	Total Connections	Active Connections	ESFC* Factor	Active ESFCs
Unmetered	0	0	1.0	0
< or = 3/4"	1,582	1,574	1.0	1,574
1"	37	35	2.5	88
1-1/2"	15	14	5.0	70
2"	44	41	8.0	328
3"	2	2	15.0	30
4"	2	2	25.0	50
6"	0	0	50.0	0
8"	0	0	80.0	0
10"	0	0	115.0	0
Total Water	1,682	1,668		2,140
Total Wastewater	1,635	1,625	1.0	1,625

*Single family equivalents

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3. Total Water Consumption during the Fiscal Year (rounded to thousands):

Gallons pumped into system (unaudited): Gallons billed to customers (unaudited):	216,515 188,333
Water Accountability Ratio (Gallons billed/ gallons pumped):	87%
Standby Fees (authorized only under TWC Sec	ction 49.231):
Does the District have Debt Service standby fe	es? Yes _ No <u>X</u>
If yes, date of the most recent Commission Orc	der:
Does the District have Operation and Maintena	nce standby fees? Yes _ No X
If yes, date of the most recent Commission Orc	der:

EXPENDITURES

CURRENT	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Purchased sewer services	<u>\$258,662</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$ 258,662</u>
Professional fees: Auditing Legal Engineering	10,950 66,356 <u>33,425</u> 110,731	4,986	352 352	10,950 71,694 <u>33,425</u> <u>116,069</u>
Contracted services: Bookkeeping Operation and billing Tax assessor-collector Central appraisal district	63,638 118,885 182,523	26,237 11,964 38,201	666 666	64,304 118,885 26,237 11,964 221,390
Utilities	43,879	0	0	43,879
Surface water fees: Ground water pumpage fees Purchased surface water	256,387 614,504 870,891	0	0	256,387 614,504 870,891
Repairs, maintenance and other operating expenditures: Repairs and maintenance Chemicals Laboratory costs Inspection costs Reconnection costs TCEQ assessment Other	559,702 14,416 27,187 37,542 3,914 5,330 3,415 651,506	0	68,211	627,913 14,416 27,187 37,542 3,914 5,330 3,415 719,717
Security service	389,246	0	0	389,246
Garbage disposal	379,191	0	0	379,191

EXPENDITURES (Continued)

	General Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
CURRENT				
Administrative expenditures: Director's fees Office supplies and postage Insurance Permit fees Election Communications Other	\$ 25,356 35,915 16,071 4,074 71,546 16,436 <u>35,518</u> 204,916	\$ 100 <u>12,211</u> 12,311	\$	\$ 25,356 35,915 16,171 4,074 71,546 16,436 47,729 217,227
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
Authorized expenditures Tap connection costs	<u> </u>	0	141,451 141,451	141,451 <u>6,062</u> 147,513
DEBT SERVICE				
Principal retirement	0	605,000	0	605,000
Interest and fees: Interest Paying agent fees	0	166,746 2,000 168,746	0	166,746 2,000 168,746
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,097,607	\$ 829,244	\$ 210,680	<u>\$ 4,137,531</u>

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS 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 Increase in customer and builder deposits Overpayments from taxpayers	\$ 2,382,825 899,012 2,000	\$ 798,715 895,721 	\$ 96,972	\$ 3,278,512 895,721 899,012 2,000 23,221
TOTAL DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS PROVIDED APPLICATIONS OF DEPOSITS AND	<u>3,283,837</u>	<u>1,717,657</u>	96,972	<u>5,098,466</u>
TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS Cash disbursements for: Current expenditures Capital outlay Debt service Transfer of maintenance taxes Refund of taxpayer overpayments	3,320,733 6,062	56,324 773,746 899,012 21,738	69,229 63,623	3,446,286 69,685 773,746 899,012 21,738
TOTAL DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS APPLIED	3,326,795	1,750,820	132,852	5,210,467
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS	(42,958)	(33,163)	(35,880)	(112,001)
DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS BALANCES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	3,515,586	343,116	2,011,539	5,870,241
DEPOSITS AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS BALANCES, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 3,472,628</u>	<u>\$ 309,953</u>	<u>\$ 1,975,659</u>	<u>\$ 5,758,240</u>

SCHEDULE OF CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS

GENERAL FUND	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Year End Balance	Accrued Interest Receivable
Certificates of Deposit				
No. 2051 No. 6800 No. 9547 No. 0307 No. 4466 No. 4706 No. 5320	5.00% 5.15% 5.00% 3.85% 5.30% 4.00% 5.34%	6/23/24 12/17/23 6/20/24 11/03/23 3/18/24 11/10/23 6/19/24	 \$ 235,000 235,000 235,000 240,000 235,000 240,000 235,000 \$ 1,655,000 	\$ 3,155 3,382 3,284 8,379 3,412 8,522 3,507 \$ 33,641
Texas CLASS				
No. TX-01-0576-0001	Market	On demand	\$ 1,634,351	<u>\$0</u>
DEBT SERVICE FUND				
Texas CLASS				
No. TX-01-0576-0002	Market	On demand	<u>\$ 247,566</u>	<u>\$0</u>
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND				
Texas CLASS				
No. TX-01-0576-0004	Market	On demand	\$ 1,975,373	<u>\$0</u>
Total – All Funds			\$ 5,512,290	\$ 33,641

TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE

	Maintenance Taxes	Debt Service Taxes
RECEIVABLE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 11,405	\$ 12,167
Additions and corrections to prior year taxes	(3,008)	(3,033)
Adjusted receivable, beginning of year	8,397	9,134
2022 ADJUSTED TAX ROLL	900,361	754,356
Total to be accounted for	908,758	763,490
Tax collections: Current tax year Prior tax years	(892,331) (3,390)	(747,628) (3,344)
RECEIVABLE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 13,037</u>	<u>\$ 12,518</u>
RECEIVABLE, BY TAX YEAR		
2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022	\$ 219 274 713 1,040 1,152 1,609 8,030	\$ 356 354 923 1,346 1,245 1,566 6,728
RECEIVABLE, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 13,037</u>	<u>\$ 12,518</u>

TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE (Continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

ADJUSTED PROPERTY VALUATIONS AS OF JANUARY 1 OF TAX YEAR	2022	2021	2020	2019
Land Improvements Personal property Less exemptions	\$ 127,106,132 447,142,462 19,492,654 <u>(107,059,809)</u>	\$ 112,364,807 361,765,770 18,846,293 (63,810,289)	\$ 103,591,670 341,221,395 16,169,652 (60,051,068)	\$ 97,709,117 336,343,744 15,056,271 (54,880,833)
TOTAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	<u>\$ 486,681,439</u>	<u>\$ 429,166,581</u>	<u>\$ 400,931,649</u>	<u>\$ 394,228,299</u>
TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION				
Debt service tax rates Maintenance tax rates*	\$ 0.15500 0.18500	\$ 0.18000 0.18500	\$ 0.20000 0.18500	\$ 0.22000 0.17000
TOTAL TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION	<u>\$0.34000</u>	<u>\$0.36500</u>	<u>\$0.38500</u>	<u>\$0.39000</u>
TAX ROLLS	<u>\$ 1,654,717</u>	<u>\$ 1,566,458</u>	<u>\$ 1,543,587</u>	<u>\$ 1,537,490</u>
PERCENT OF TAXES COLLECTED TO TAXES LEVIED	<u> </u>	% <u>99.7</u> %	% <u> </u>	% <u> </u>

*Maximum tax rate approved by voters on January 16, 1982: \$0.50

LONG-TERM DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS, BY YEARS

		Series 2015	
Due During	Principal	Interest Due	Total
Fiscal Years	Due	March 1,	
Ending September 30	September 1	September 1	
2024	\$ 280,000	\$ 35,224	\$ 315,224
2025	275,000	27,972	302,972
2026	275,000	20,849	295,849
2027	270,000	13,727	283,727
2028	260,000	6,734	266,734
TOTALS	<u>\$ 1,360,000</u>	<u>\$ 104,506</u>	<u> </u>

		Series 2015A	
Due During	Principal	Interest Due	Total
Fiscal Years	Due	March 1,	
Ending September 30	September 1	September 1	
2024	\$ 180,000	\$ 24,725	\$ 204,725
2025	190,000	20,900	210,900
2026	190,000	16,150	206,150
2027	190,000	11,400	201,400
2028	190,000	5,700	195,700
TOTALS	<u>\$ 940,000</u>	<u>\$ 78,875</u>	<u> </u>

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

		Series 2019	
Due During Fiscal Years Ending September 30	Principal Due September 1	Interest Due March 1, September 1	Total
2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 2031 2032 2033 2034 2035 2036	\$ 330,000 340,000 355,000 365,000 380,000 395,000 410,000 425,000	 \$ 90,463 90,462 90,463 90,462 90,463 90,462 83,863 77,062 69,518 61,307 52,756 43,375 33,125 	 \$ 90,463 90,462 90,463 90,463 90,463 420,462 423,863 432,062 434,518 441,307 447,756 453,375 458,125
2037 2038	440,000 460,000	22,500 11,500	462,500 471,500
TOTALS	<u>\$ 3,900,000</u>	<u>\$ 997,781</u>	<u>\$ 4,897,781</u>

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

	Ani	nual Requirements for All Se	ries
Due During	Total	Total	Total
Fiscal Years	Principal	Interest	
Ending September 30	Due	Due	
2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 2031 2032 2033 2034 2035 2036 2037	 \$ 460,000 465,000 465,000 460,000 450,000 330,000 340,000 355,000 365,000 380,000 395,000 410,000 425,000 440,000 	 \$ 150,412 139,334 127,462 115,589 102,897 90,462 83,863 77,062 69,518 61,307 52,756 43,375 33,125 22,500 	 \$ 610,412 604,334 592,462 575,589 552,897 420,462 423,863 432,062 434,518 441,307 447,756 453,375 458,125 462,500
2038	<u>460,000</u>	<u> </u>	471,500
TOTALS	\$ 6,200,000		\$ 7,381,162

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN LONG-TERM BONDED DEBT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	(1)	(2)
Bond Series:	2014	2015
Interest Rate:	Not Applicable	2.59%
Dates Interest Payable:	Not Applicable	March 1/ September 1
Maturity Dates:	Not Applicable	September 1, 2024/2028
Bonds Outstanding at Beginning of Current Year	\$ 165,000	\$ 1,620,000
Less Retirements	(165,000)	(260,000)
Bonds Outstanding at End of Current Year	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$ 1,360,000</u>
Current Year Interest Paid	\$ 5,775	<u>\$41,958</u>

Bond Descriptions and Original Amount of Issue

- (1) Ricewood Municipal Utility District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (\$4,750,000)
- (2) Ricewood Municipal Utility District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (\$1,715,000)

Paying Agent/Registrar

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

Bond Authority	 Tax Bonds Other		Other Bonds			Refunding Bonds		
Amount Authorized by Voters: Amount Issued:	\$ 24,300,000 22,360,000	\$		0	\$	24,300,000.00 6,227,514.25		
Remaining to be Issued:	1,940,000					18,072,485.75		

Net Debt Service Fund deposits and investments balances as of September 30, 2023:\$293,172Average annual debt service payment for remaining term of all debt:492,077

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	(3)	(4)	Totals
Bond Series:	2015A	2019	
Interest Rate:	2.125% to 3.00%	2.00% to 2.50%	
Dates Interest Payable:	March 1/ September 1	March 1/ September 1	
Maturity Dates:	September 1, 2024/2028	September 1, 2029/2038	
Bonds Outstanding at Beginning of Current Year	\$ 1,120,000	\$ 3,900,000	\$ 6,805,000
Less Retirements	(180,000)		(605,000)
Bonds Outstanding at End of Current Year	<u>\$ 940,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,900,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,200,000</u>
Current Year Interest Paid	\$ 28,550	\$ 90,463	\$ 166,746

Bond Descriptions and Original Amount of Issue

(3) Ricewood Municipal Utility District Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2015A (\$1,660,000)

(4) Ricewood Municipal Utility District Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2019 (\$3,900,000)

Paying Agent/Registrar

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

COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, GENERAL FUND

FOR YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

	AMOUNT				PERCENT OF TOTAL REVENUES					
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
REVENUES										
Property taxes	\$ 895,721	\$ 789,915	\$ 742,289	\$ 666,444	\$ 639,363	26.0 %	26.4 %	27.8 %	25.1 %	24.9 %
Water service	407,511	376,357	306,725	321,667	311,308	11.9	12.6	11.5	12.2	12.1
Sewer service	702,048	668,089	653,701	650,494	648,250	20.4	22.4	24.4	24.6	25.2
Surface water fees	878,221	763,152	592,550	658,732	550,990	25.5	25.6	22.1	24.9	21.4
Penalty	60,482	48,504	41,262	26,662	49,897	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.0	1.9
Tap connection and inspection fees	20,142	0	0	14,231	68,162	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.5	2.6
Sales and Use Taxes	265,984	259,262	268,262	206,586	191,768	7.7	8.7	10.0	7.8	7.4
Interest on deposits and investments	149,652	19,817	20,573	58,116	69,162	4.4	0.7	0.8	2.2	2.7
Other revenues	58,568	60,460	49,986	44,458	45,207	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.8
TOTAL REVENUES	3,438,329	2,985,556	2,675,348	2,647,390	2,574,107	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
EXPENDITURES										
Current:										
Purchased sewer services	258,662	301,103	250,820	224,384	280,754	7.5	10.1	9.4	8.5	10.9
Professional fees	110,731	114,911	124,052	131,165	117,431	3.2	3.8	4.6	5.0	4.6
Contracted services	182,523	150,808	137,025	97,025	101,194	5.3	5.1	5.1	3.7	3.9
Utilities	43,879	44,514	33,631	30,276	28,910	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.1
Surface water fees	870,891	813,509	666,405	739,110	603,184	25.3	27.2	24.8	27.9	23.5
Repairs, maintenance and										
other operating expenditures	651,506	589,594	502,203	423,622	442,181	19.0	19.7	18.8	16.0	17.2
Security service	389,246	371,838	368,057	355,703	298,948	11.3	12.5	13.8	13.4	11.6
Garbage disposal	379,191	351,880	338,679	335,625	335,625	11.0	11.8	12.7	12.7	13.0
Administrative expenditures	204,916	122,047	136,876	138,797	115,809	6.0	4.1	5.1	5.2	4.5
Capital outlay	6,062	129,602	8,971	65,146	104,759	0.2	4.3	0.3	2.5	4.1
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,097,607	2,989,806	2,566,719	2,540,853	2,428,795	90.1	100.1	95.9	96.0	94.4
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	<u>\$ 340,722</u>	<u>\$ (4,250)</u>	<u>\$ 108,629</u>	<u>\$ 106,537</u>	<u>\$ 145,312</u>	<u>9.9</u> %	<u>(0.1)</u> %	<u>4.1</u> %	4.0 %	<u>5.6</u> %
TOTAL ACTIVE RETAIL WATER CONNECTIONS	1,668	1,668	1,662	1,667	1,665					
TOTAL ACTIVE RETAIL										
WASTEWATER CONNECTIONS	1,625	1,625	1,619	1,623	1,619					

COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, DEBT SERVICE FUND

FOR YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

	AMOUNT			PERCENT OF TOTAL REVENUES						
REVENUES	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
NEVENOES										
Property taxes	\$ 750,972	\$ 768,564	\$ 803,120	\$ 862,440	\$ 827,585	94.1 %	97.5 %	97.2 %	96.7 %	96.6 %
Penalty and interest	13,024	13,243	20,585	13,269	11,563	1.6	1.7	2.5	1.5	1.3
Accrued interest on bonds received at date of sale	0	0	0	4,523	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0
Interest on deposits and investments and other	34,719	6,116	2,073	11,332	18,037	4.3	0.8	0.3	1.3	2.1
TOTAL REVENUES	798,715	787,923	825,778	891,564	857,185	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
EXPENDITURES										
Current:										
Professional fees	4,986	7,791	7,542	5,396	2,754	0.6	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.3
Contracted services	38,201	38,765	37,130	41,200	33,037	4.8	4.9	4.5	4.6	3.9
Other expenditures	12,311	9,705	9,764	6,836	8,208	1.5	1.2	1.2	0.8	1.0
Debt service:										
Principal retirement	605,000	615,000	625,000	630,000	695,000	75.8	78.1	75.7	70.7	81.0
Interest and fees	168,746	187,434	200,023	189,316	135,428	21.1	23.8	24.2	21.2	15.8
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	829,244	858,695	879,459	872,748	874,427	103.8	109.0	106.5	97.9	102.0
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	<u>\$ (30,529)</u>	<u>\$ (70,772)</u>	<u>\$ (53,681)</u>	<u>\$ 18,816</u>	<u>\$ (17,242)</u>	<u>(3.8)</u> %	<u>(9.0)</u> %	(6.5) %	<u> </u>	<u>(2.0)</u> %

BOARD MEMBERS, KEY PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Complete District Mailing Address:	Ricewood Municipal Utility District c/o Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 2400 Houston, Texas 77056					
District Business Telephone No.:	713-623-4531					

Submission date of the most recent District Registration Form: May 17, 2022

Limit on Fees of Office that a Director may receive during a fiscal year: \$6,000

BOARD MEMBERS

Name and Address	Term of Office (Elected/ <u>Appointed)</u>	Fees of Office Paid		Expense Reimb.		Title at Year End
Jacque Freeman c/o Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 2400 Houston, Texas 77056	Elected 5/07/22- 5/02/26	\$	5,818	\$	218	President
Stephen Marcum c/o Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 2400 Houston, Texas 77056	Elected 5/07/22- 5/02/26		3,126		254	Vice President
Carrie C. Prudhomme c/o Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 2400 Houston, Texas 77056	Elected 5/07/22- 5/02/26		7,200		1,424	Secretary
Elaine Mundy c/o Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 2400 Houston, Texas 77056	Elected 5/02/20- 5/04/24		5,352		3,260	Assistant Secretary
Shelli Flores c/o Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 2400 Houston, Texas 77056	Elected 5/02/20- 5/04/24		3,860		2,974	Director

BOARD MEMBERS, KEY PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANTS (Continued)

SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

CONSULTANTS

Name and Address	Date Hired	Fees and Expense Reimbursements	Title at Year End
Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. 1300 Post Oak Blvd., Suite 2400 Houston, Texas 77056	4/13/78	\$ 119,253	Attorney
Ted A. Cox, P.C. 3855 Mangum Road, Suite 100 Houston, Texas 77092	8/20/96	4,986	Delinquent Tax Attorney
Municipal Accounts & Consulting, L.P. 1281 Brittmoore Road Houston, Texas 77043	Prior to 10/01/82	70,735	Bookkeeper
Mark Burton, Ghia Lewis 1281 Brittmoore Road Houston, Texas 77043	7/27/04	0	Investment Officer
Inframark, LLC 2002 Grand Parkway North, Suite 100 Katy, Texas 77449	9/09/82	754,800	Operator
Park Rangers, LLC 11803 Grant Road, Suite 108 Cypress, Texas 77429	9/14/12	70,591	Landscape Maintenance
Vogler & Spencer Engineering, Inc. 777 North Eldridge Parkway, Suite 500 Houston, Texas 77079	3/09/83	128,881	Engineer
Equi-Tax, Inc. P.O. Box 73109 Houston, Texas 77232	1/21/82	36,877	Tax Assessor- Collector
Harris County Appraisal District P.O. Box 900275 Houston, Texas 77292	Legislative Action	11,964	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	10,950	Independent Auditor