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#### **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS**

To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District Lee County, Florida

#### **Report on Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Arborwood Community Development District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Arborwood Community Development District as of September 30, 2023, 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 Opinion

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

#### **Responsibilities 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; 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.



To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District

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 one year beyond the financial statement date, including currently known information that may raise substantial doubt 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 opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgement 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 judgement, 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.



To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board* who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information or provide any assurance.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 28, 2024 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts.

The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Arborwood Community Development District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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August 28, 2024

Management's discussion and analysis of Arborwood Community Development District's (the "District") financial performance provides an objective and easily readable analysis of the District's financial activities. The analysis provides summary financial information for the District and should be read in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

# OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The District's basic financial statements comprise three components; 1) *Government-wide financial statements*, 2) *Fund financial statements*, and 3) *Notes to financial statements*. The *Government-wide financial statements* present an overall picture of the District's financial position and results of operations. The *Fund financial statements* present financial information for the District's major funds. The *Notes to financial statements* provide additional information concerning the District's finances.

The Government-wide financial statements are the **statement of net position** and the **statement of activities**. These statements use accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. Emphasis is placed on the net position of governmental activities and the change in net position. Governmental activities are primarily supported by special assessments.

The **statement of net position** presents information on all assets and liabilities of the District, with the difference between assets and liabilities reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories; 1) net investment in capital assets 2) restricted and 3) unrestricted. Assets, liabilities, and net position are reported for all Governmental activities.

The **statement of activities** presents information on all revenues and expenses of the District and the change in net position. Expenses are reported by major function and program revenues relating to those functions are reported, providing the net cost of all functions provided by the District. To assist in understanding the District's operations, expenses have been reported as governmental activities. Governmental activities financed by the District include general government, physical environment, and debt service.

*Fund financial statements* present financial information for governmental funds. These statements provide financial information for the major governmental funds of the District. Governmental fund financial statements provide information on the current assets and liabilities of the funds, changes in current financial resources (revenues and expenditures), and current available resources.

# OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

*Fund financial statements* include a **balance sheet** and a **statement of revenues**, **expenditures and changes in fund balances** for all governmental funds. A **statement of revenues**, **expenditures**, **and changes in fund balances – budget and actual**, is provided for the District's General Fund. *Fund financial statements* provide more detailed information about the District's activities. Individual funds are established by the District to track revenues that are restricted to certain uses or to comply with legal requirements.

The government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements provide different pictures of the District. The government-wide financial statements provide an overall picture of the District's financial standing. These statements are comparable to private-sector companies and give a good understanding of the District's overall financial health and how the District paid for the various activities, or functions, provided by the District. All assets of the District, including capital assets, are reported in the **statement of net position**. All liabilities obligated but not paid by the District, are included. In the **statement of activities** transactions between the different functions of the District are eliminated in order to avoid "doubling up" the revenues and expenses. The *fund financial statements* provide a picture of the major funds of the District. In the case of governmental activities, outlays for long lived assets are reported as expenditures and long-term liabilities are not included in the fund financial statements, a reconciliation is provided from the *fund financial statements* to the government-wide financial statements, a reconciliation is provided from the *fund financial statements* to the government-wide financial statements.

*Notes to financial statements* provide additional detail concerning the financial activities and financial balances of the District. Additional information about the accounting practices of the District is also included in the *notes to financial statements*.

# Financial Highlights

The following are the highlights of financial activity for the year ended September 30, 2023:

- The District's total assets exceeded total liabilities by \$75,512,325 (net position). Unrestricted net position for governmental activities was \$226,904. Restricted net position was \$643,418. Net investment in capital assets for governmental activities was \$74,642,003.
- Governmental activities revenues totaled \$3,839,163 while governmental activities expenses totaled \$3,812,237.

# OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Financial Analysis of the District

The following tables present condensed, government-wide current year and prior year data about net position and changes in net position. Comparative year data is shown based on the Government financial reporting model under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34.

# Net Position

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>				
	2023	2022			
Current assets	\$ 505,716	\$ 399,437			
Prepaid bond insurance	483,514	521,686			
Restricted assets	2,610,062	2,495,414			
Capital assets, net	101,911,897	103,863,852			
Total Assets	105,511,189	107,280,389			
Deferred outflow of resources	542,084	584,880			
Current liabilities	2,379,943	2,392,994			
Non-current liabilities	28,160,395	29,986,216			
Total Liabilities	30,540,338	32,379,210			
	040				
Deferred inflows of resources	610	660			
Net investment in capital assets	74,642,003	74,181,048			
•	643,418				
Net position - restricted	,	497,558			
Net position - unrestricted	226,904	806,793			
Total Net Position	\$ 75,512,325	\$ 75,485,399			

The increase in current assets is mainly related to the increase in cash in the current year.

The increase in restricted assets is related to revenues exceeding expenditures in the Debt Service Funds in the current year.

The decrease in capital assets is mainly related to current-year depreciation.

The decrease in non-current liabilities is related to principal payments in the current year.

The increase in net investment in capital assets is related to principal payments in excess of depreciation in the current year.

# **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

### Financial Analysis of the District (Continued)

The following schedule provides a summary of the changes in net position of the District and is presented by category for comparison purposes.

# Change in Net Position

	Governmental Activities				
	2023	2022			
Program Revenues					
Charges for services	\$ 3,634,497	\$ 4,204,119			
Operating grants and contributions	51,624	54,682			
General Revenues					
Miscellaneous revenues	62,026	2,846			
Investment earnings	91,016	3,132			
Total Revenues	3,839,163	4,264,779			
Expenses General government Physical environment Interest and other charges	163,448 2,191,159 1,457,630	172,240 2,242,280 1,537,756			
Total Expenses	3,812,237	3,952,276			
Change in Net Position	26,926	312,503			
Net Position – Beginning of Year	75,485,399	75,172,896			
Net Position – End of Year	\$ 75,512,325	\$ 75,485,399			

The decrease in charges for services is primarily related to the decrease in prepaid special assessments in the current year.

The decrease in physical environment is related to the decrease in lake bank erosion maintenance in the current year.

The decrease in interest and other charges is related to the reduction in bonds outstanding.

# OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# **Capital Assets Activity**

The following schedule provides a summary of the District's capital assets as of September 30, 2023 and 2022.

	Governmental Activities					
Description	2023	2022				
Land and improvements	\$ 84,410,571	\$ 84,410,571				
Construction in progress	1,885,681	1,885,681				
Infrastructure	39,039,107	39,039,107				
Improvements	562,032	562,032				
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(23,985,494)	(22,033,539)				
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 101,911,897	\$ 103,863,852				

The capital asset activity for the current year was depreciation of \$1,951,955.

# General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The budget exceeded actual expenditures primarily because of lower maintenance, traffic monitoring, engineering, and lake bank erosion expenditures than were anticipated.

The September 30, 2023 budget was amended for engineering, lake bank erosion and miscellaneous maintenance expenditures that were higher than originally anticipated.

#### Debt Management

Governmental Activities debt includes the following:

- In December 2014, the District issued \$4,939,888 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014A-1, \$1,041,652 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014A-2 and \$9,097,400 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014B. The bonds included a provision for accreted interest through May 1, 2016, which increased the outstanding balances to \$5,430,000, \$1,145,000 and \$10,000,000. The bonds were issued to refund Series 2005A-1, Series 2005B-1, and Series 2006 A-1 bonds. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2023 was \$4,220,000 for the A-1 bond, \$890,000 for the A-2 bond.
- In February 2018, the District issued \$24,465,000 Capital Improvement Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2018A-1 and \$8,740,000 Capital Improvement Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2018A-2. The Bonds were issued to (i) finance the cost of acquiring, constructing and equipping assessable improvements; (ii) currently refund and redeem all of Series 2005A-2, Series 2006A-2, and Series 2006A-3 bonds; (iii) pay certain costs associated with the issuance of the Series 2018 Bonds; and (iv) purchase the Reserve Policy to be deposited to the Series 2018A-1 Reserve Account. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2023 was \$18,750,000 for the A-1 bond, and \$6,470,000 for the A-2 bond.

# OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

Arborwood Community Development District does not expect any economic factors to have any significant effect on the financial position or results of operations of the District in fiscal year 2024.

### Request for Information

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Arborwood Community Development District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Arborwood Community Development District, Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

### Arborwood Community Development District STATEMENT OF NET POSITION September 30, 2023

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and investments	\$ 495,560
Assessments receivable	8,909
Due from other governments	1,247
Total Current Assets	505,716
Non-current Assets	
Prepaid bond insurance	483,514
Restricted Assets:	
Investments	2,610,062
Capital Assets:	
Assets not being depreciated	
Land and improvements	84,410,571
Construction in progress	1,885,681
Assets being depreciated	
Infrastructure	39,039,107
Improvements	562,032
Less: accumulated depreciation	(23,985,494)
Total Non-current Assets	105,005,473
Total Assets	105,511,189
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred amount on refunding, net	542,084
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	35,773
Bonds payable, current	1,800,000
Unearned revenues	628
Accrued interest payable	543,360
Other current liabilities	182
Total Current Liabilities	2,379,943
Non-current Liabilities	
Bonds payable, net	28,160,395
Total Liabilities	30,540,338
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES	
Deferred gain on refunding, net	610
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	74,642,003
Restricted for debt service	643,418
Unrestricted	226,904
Total Net Position	\$ 75,512,325
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# Arborwood Community Development District STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

			Program R	evenue	es	Re	et (Expense) evenues and Changes in let Position	
Functions/Programs		С	harges for	Op	perating	_	overnmental	
Primary Government	Expenses		Services	Con	tributions	Activities		
Governmental Activities								
General government	\$ (163,448)	\$	193,448	\$	-	\$	30,000	
Physical environment	(2,191,159)		300,032		-		(1,891,127)	
Interest and other charges	(1,457,630)		3,141,017		51,624		1,735,011	
Total Governmental Activities	\$ (3,812,237)	\$	3,634,497	\$	51,624		(126,116)	
	General Revenu	ies						
	Miscellaneous revenues							
	Investment earni	ngs					91,016	
	Total Gener	al Rev	enues				153,042	
Change in Net Position							26,926	
Net Position - October 1, 2022							75,485,399	
	\$	75,512,325						

#### Arborwood Community Development District BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS September 30, 2023

									Total
ASSETS	 General	De	Debt Service 2014		ebt Service 2018	, ,		Governmental Funds	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 495,560	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	495,560
Assessments receivable	8,909		-		-		-		8,909
Due from other funds	-		4,622		22,979		-		27,601
Due from other governments	174		200		873		-		1,247
Restricted assets:									
Investments	 -		1,166,714		1,395,665		47,683		2,610,062
Total Assets	\$ 504,643	\$	1,171,536	\$	1,419,517	\$	47,683	\$	3,143,379
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
Liabilities									
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 35,773	\$	182	\$	-	\$	-	\$	35,955
Due to other funds	27,601		-		-		-		27,601
Unearned revenues	 628		-		-		-		628
Total Liabilities	 64,002		182		-		-		64,184
Fund Balances:									
Restricted:									
Capital projects	-		-		-		47,683		47,683
Debt service	-		1,171,354		1,419,517		-		2,590,871
Unassigned	 440,641				-		-		440,641
Total Fund Balances	 440,641		1,171,354		1,419,517		47,683		3,079,195
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 504,643	\$	1,171,536	\$	1,419,517	\$	47,683	\$	3,143,379

# Arborwood Community Development District RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES September 30, 2023

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 3,079,195
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets not being depreciated, land, \$84,410,571, and construction in progress, \$1,885,681, used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and; therefore, are not reported at the fund level.	86,296,252
Capital assets being depreciated, infrastructure, \$39,039,107, and improvements, \$562,032, net of accumulated depreciation, \$(23,985,494), used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and; therefore, are not reported at the fund level.	15,615,645
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and; are not reported in the fund level statements.	(30,330,000)
The bonds payable includes a discount on bonds, \$532,521, net of accumulated amortization, \$(163,016), which is reflected as a decrease to bonds payable.	369,605
Prepaid bond insurance is not related to the current period, and therefore, is not reported at the fund level.	483,514
The deferred amount on refunding is a deferred outflow of resources, not related to the current period and are not reported at the fund level.	542,084
The deferred gain on refunding is a deferred inflow of resources, not related to the current period and are not reported at the fund level.	(610)
Accrued interest expense for long-term debt is not a current financial use and is not reported in the funds level statements.	 (543,360)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 75,512,325

#### Arborwood Community Development District STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

Devenues	General	De	bt Service 2014	D	ebt Service 2018		apital ects 2018	Go	Total vernmental Funds
Revenues Special assessments	\$ 493,480	\$	580,800	\$	2,560,217	\$	-	\$	3,634,497
Developer contributions	-	Ŧ	51,624	Ŧ	_,,	Ŧ	-	Ŧ	51,624
Investment earnings	-		46,819		42,746		1,451		91,016
Total Revenues	493,480		679,243		2,602,963		1,451		3,777,137
Expenditures									
Current									
General government	161,428		2,020		-		-		163,448
Physical environment	250,370		-		-		-		250,370
Debt service									
Principal	-		230,000		1,560,000		-		1,790,000
Interest	-		368,460		997,226		-		1,365,686
Other			1,414		6,176		-		7,590
Total Expenditures	411,798		601,894		2,563,402				3,577,094
Excess of revenues over/(under) expenditures	81,682		77,349		39,561		1,451		200,043
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)									
Insurance proceeds	73,192				-				73,192
Net change in fund balances	154,874		77,349		39,561		1,451		273,235
Fund Balances - October 1, 2022	285,767		1,094,005		1,379,956		46,232		2,805,960
Fund Balances - September 30, 2023	\$ 440,641	\$	1,171,354	\$	1,419,517	\$	47,683	\$	3,079,195

# Arborwood Community Development District RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 273,235
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. At the government wide level these expenditures are capitalized as capital assets and depreciated over their useful lives. This is the amount of current year depreciation.	(1,951,955)
Principal payments are reported as expenditures at the fund level since they use current financial resources. However, at the government-wide level, bond payments decrease long-term liabilities.	1,790,000
The deferred gain on refunding is recognized as a component of interest expense over the remaining life of the bond. This is the current year amortization expense associated with the deferred inflow of resources.	50
At the government wide level, interest is accrued on outstanding debt; whereas at the fund level interest expenditures are reported when due. This is the difference between the prior year and current year accruals.	25,743
At the government-wide level bond discounts, bond insurance and deferred amount on refunding are amortized over the life of the bonds. This is the current year amortization expense.	 (110,147)
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 26,926

# Arborwood Community Development District STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Fin F	ance with al Budget Positive egative)
Revenues					
Special assessments	\$ 484,473	\$ 488,370	\$ 493,480	\$	5,110
Expenditures Current					
General government	198,223	180,315	161,428		18,887
Physical environment	 304,250	307,405	250,370		57,035
Total Expenditures	502,473	 487,720	 411,798		75,922
Excess of revenues over/(under) expenditures	(18,000)	650	81,682		81,032
Other Finnacing Sources/(Uses) Insurance proceeds	18,000	 74,567	 73,192		(1,375)
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	75,217	154,874		79,657
Fund Balances - October 1, 2022	 	 	 285,767		285,767
Fund Balances - September 30, 2023	\$ 	\$ 75,217	\$ 440,641	\$	365,424

# NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The District's more significant accounting policies are described below.

### 1. Reporting Entity

The District was established on June 14, 2004, pursuant to the Rule 42RR-1, Florida Administrative Code and Chapter 190, Florida Statutes. The District was established for the purposes of financing and managing the acquisition, construction, maintenance and operation of the infrastructure necessary for community development within its jurisdiction. The District is authorized to issue bonds for the purpose, among others, of financing, funding, planning, establishing, acquiring, constructing or re-constructing, enlarging or extending, equipping, operating and maintaining water management, bridges or culverts, district roads, landscaping, street lights and other basic infrastructure projects within or without the boundaries of the Arborwood Community Development District. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Supervisors who are elected for four year terms. The District operates within the criteria established by Chapter 190, Florida Statutes.

As required by GAAP, these financial statements present the Arborwood Community Development District (the primary government) as a stand-alone government. The reporting entity for the District includes all functions of government in which the District's Board exercises oversight responsibility includes, but is not limited to, financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, significant ability to influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters.

Based upon the application of the above-mentioned criteria as set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, the Financial Reporting Entity, the District has identified one component unit.

<u>Arborwood CDD Holdings, Inc. (SPE)</u> – Arborwood CDD Holdings, Inc. is a special purpose entity (SPE) created by provisions in the Trust indenture for the 2005A and 2005B Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds for the temporary purpose of owning, maintaining, selling or disposing of the property related to the bonds. The SPE and its operations, pursuant to an agreement between the SPE, the District and the U.S. Bank National Association (the "Trustee"), are funded from a \$1,335,000 loan from the District prior to the exchange of the 2005A and 2005B Bonds. The Parcel C lands were sold in December 2014 and the loan was repaid. Certain proceeds from the sale of the land were deposited into the SPE and the SPE has not provided the District with any financial information. The SPE was dissolved on December 12, 2022.

# NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The basic financial statements of the District are composed of the following:

- Government-wide financial statements
- Fund financial statements
- Notes to financial statements

#### a. Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Government-wide financial statements report all non-fiduciary information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the governmental activities of the primary government. The effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

Governmental activities are primarily supported by special assessments. Program revenues include charges for services and payments made by parties outside of the reporting government's citizenry if that money is restricted to a particular program. Program revenues are netted with program expenses in the Statement of Activities to present the net cost of each program

Amounts paid to acquire capital assets are capitalized as assets, rather than reported as an expenditure. Proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as liabilities in the government-wide financial statements, rather than as an other financial source.

Amounts paid to reduce long-term indebtedness of the reporting government are reported as a reduction of the related liability, rather than as an expenditure.

#### b. Fund Financial Statements

The underlying accounting system of the District is organized and operated on the basis of separate funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. Governmental resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

Fund financial statements for the primary government's governmental funds are presented after the government-wide financial statements. These statements display information about major funds individually.

# NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

#### b. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Governmental Funds

The District classifies fund balance according to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 54 – Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. The Statement requires the fund balance for governmental funds to be reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

The District has various policies governing the fund balance classifications.

Nonspendable Fund Balance – This classification consists of amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted Fund Balance – This classification includes amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.

Assigned Fund Balance – This classification consists of the Board of Supervisors' intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The assigned fund balances can also be assigned by the District's management company.

Unassigned Fund Balance – This classification is the residual classification for the government's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

Fund Balance Spending Hierarchy – For all governmental funds except special revenue funds, when restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balances are combined in a fund, qualified expenditures are paid first from restricted or committed fund balance, as appropriate, then assigned and finally unassigned fund balances.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon thereafter, to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 90 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

# NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

#### b. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

### Governmental Funds (Continued)

Under the current financial resources measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The reported fund balance is considered to be a measure of "available spendable resources". Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financial sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Because of their current financial resource measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types excludes amounts represented by non-current liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities.

Amounts expended to acquire capital assets are recorded as expenditures in the year that resources are expended, rather than as fund assets. The proceeds of long-term debt are recorded as an other financing source rather than as a fund liability.

Debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

#### 3. Basis of Presentation

#### a. Governmental Major Funds

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund 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.

<u>2014 Debt Service Fund</u> – Accounts for debt service requirements to retire the capital improvement bonds which were used to refund Series 2005 A-1, Series 2005 B-1, Series 2005-1 and Series 2006 A-1 bonds. The bond series is secured by a pledge (lien) of all debt service special assessment revenues on all acreage of benefited land.

<u>2018 Debt Service Fund</u> – Accounts for debt service requirements to retire the capital improvement and revenue refunding bonds which were used to fund a capital project and refund the outstanding Series 2005 and Series 2006 bonds. The bond series is secured by a pledge (lien) of all debt service special assessment revenues on all acreage of benefited land.

<u>2018 Capital Projects Fund</u> – The Project Fund accounts for construction of infrastructure improvements funded by the Series 2018 Bonds within the boundaries of the District.

# NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 3. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

#### b. Non-current Governmental Assets/Liabilities

GASB Statement 34 requires that non-current governmental assets, such as land and buildings, and non-current governmental liabilities, such as general obligation bonds, be reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position.

### 4. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Net Position

### a. Cash and Investments

Chapter 280, Florida Statutes require state and local governmental units to deposit monies with financial institutions classified as "Qualified Public Depositories," a multiple financial institution pool whereby groups of securities pledged by the various financial institutions provide common collateral from their deposits of public funds. This pool is provided as additional insurance to the federal depository insurance and allows for additional assessments against the member institutions, providing full insurance for public deposits.

The District is authorized to invest in those financial instruments as established by Section 218.415, Florida Statutes. The authorized investments consist of:

- 1. Direct obligations of the United States Treasury;
- 2. The Local Government Surplus Funds Trust or any intergovernmental investment pool authorized pursuant to the Florida Interlocal Cooperative Act of 1969;
- 3. Interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts in authorized qualified public depositories;
- 4. Securities and Exchange Commission, registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.

Cash equivalents include time deposits, certificates of deposit and all highly liquid debt instruments with original maturities of three months or less and held in a qualified public depository as defined by Chapter 280.02, Florida Statutes.

### b. Restricted Assets

Certain assets of the District are classified as restricted assets on the Statement of Net Position because their use is limited either by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation; or by restrictions imposed externally by creditors. In a fund with both restricted and unrestricted assets, qualified expenses are considered to be paid first from restricted net position and then from unrestricted net position.

### c. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, construction in progress, infrastructure, improvements and equipment, are reported in governmental activities.

# NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# 4. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Net Position (Continued)

# c. Capital Assets (Continued)

The District defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. The valuation basis for all assets is historical cost.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend its useful life are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Depreciation of capital assets is computed and recorded by utilizing the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable capital assets are as follows:

Buildings and improvements	7-39 years
Infrastructure	20-40 years
Improvement	10 years
Machinery and equipment	5-10 years

# d. Unamortized Bond Discounts

Bond discounts associated with the issuance of revenue bonds are amortized according to the effective interest method. For financial reporting, unamortized bond discounts are netted against the applicable long-term debt.

# e. Prepaid Bond Insurance

Bond insurance associated with the issuance of debt. The prepaid amount will be amortized over the life of the associated bonds.

# f. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources is the consumption of net position by the government that is applicable to a future reported period. Deferred amount on refunding is amortized and recognized as a component of interest expense over the life of the bond.

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future reporting period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then. The District only has one time that qualifies for reporting in the category. Unavailable revenues are reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. This amount is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that amounts become available.

# NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# 4. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources and Net Position (Continued)

# g. Budgets

Budgets are prepared and adopted after public hearings for the governmental funds, pursuant to Chapter 190 Florida Statutes. The District utilizes the same basis of accounting for budgets as it does for revenues and expenditures in its various funds. Formal budgets are adopted for the general and debt service funds. The legal level of budgetary control is at the fund level. All budgeted appropriations lapse at year end.

# NOTE B – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# 1. Explanation of Differences Between the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Government-wide Statement of Net Position

"Total fund balances" of the District's governmental funds, \$3,079,195, differs from "net position" of governmental activities, \$75,512,325, reported in the Statement of Net Position. This difference primarily results from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the current financial resources focus of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet. The effect of the differences is illustrated below.

# Capital related items

When capital assets (land and improvements and construction in progress that are to be used in governmental activities) are purchased or constructed, the cost of those assets is reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, the Statement of Net Position included those capital assets among the assets of the District as a whole.

Land and improvements	\$	84,410,571
Construction in progress		1,885,681
Infrastructure		39,039,107
Improvements		562,032
Less: accumulated depreciation		(23,985,494)
Total	<u>\$</u>	101,911,897

# Prepaid bond insurance

Prepaid bond insurance is a non-current asset related to insurance purchased at the time debt was issued by the District.

Prepaid bond insurance, net	<u>\$</u>	483,514
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### Arborwood Community Development District NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS September 30, 2023

# NOTE B – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# 1. Explanation of Differences Between the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet and the Government-wide Statement of Net Position (Continued)

# Deferred outflows of resources

The deferred amount on refunding is reported at the fund level as an expenditure, at the government-wide level it is reported as a deferred outflow of resources.

Deferred amount on refunding, net

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# Long-term debt transactions

Long-term liabilities applicable to the District's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. All liabilities (both current and long-term) are reported in the Statement of Net Position.

Bonds payable

Certain discounts are reflected net of amortization expense as a reduction of bonds payable in the Statement of Net Position.

Bonds discount, net \$ 369,605

# Deferred inflow of resources

The deferred gain on refunding is a deferred inflow of resources over the remaining life of the bond and not related to the current period. Accordingly, deferred inflow of resources are not reported in the fund level financial statements.

Deferred gain on refunding

# Accrued interest

Accrued liabilities in the Statement of Net Position differ from the amount reported in governmental funds due to the accrued interest on bonds.

Accrued interest

\$ (30,330,000)

<u>\$ (610)</u>

(543.360)

\$

# NOTE B – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# 2. Explanation of Differences Between the Governmental Fund Operating Statements and the Statement of Activities

The "net change in fund balances" for government funds, \$273,235, differs from the "change in net position" for governmental activities, \$26,926, reported in the Statement of Activities. The differences arise primarily from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Activities versus the current financial resources focus of the governmental funds. The effect of the differences is illustrated below.

### Capital related items

When capital assets that are to be used in governmental activities are purchased or constructed, the resources expended for those assets are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the Statement of Activities, the costs of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation. As a result, fund balances decrease by the amount of financial resources expended, whereas net position decrease by the amount of depreciation charged for the year.

Depreciation

<u>\$ (1,951,955)</u>

#### Long-term debt transactions

The issuance of long-term debt and bond discount is reported as an other financing source/(use) and the repayments of bond principal are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds and, thus, effect fund balance because current financial resources have been added or used.

Principal payments

<u>\$ 1,790,000</u>

In the Statement of Activities, the deferred gain on refunding is recognized as a reduction of interest expense and amortized over the remaining life of the bond.

Deferred gain on refunding amortization <u>\$ 50</u>

In the Statement of Activities, bond discounts, prepaid bond insurance and deferred amounts on refunding are amortized over the life of the bonds at the government-wide level. This is the amount of current year amortization.

Amortization

(110, 147)\$

# NOTE B – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

# 2. Explanation of Differences Between the Governmental Fund Operating Statements and the Statement of Activities (Continued)

At the government-wide level interest is accrued on long term debt, whereas, at the fund level interest is recognized when paid. This is the current year change in accrued interest.

Accrued interest



# NOTE C – CASH AND INVESTMENTS

All operating deposits are held in qualified public depositories and are included on the accompanying balance sheet as cash and investments.

#### Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a formal deposit policy for custodial credit risk; however, they follow the provisions of Chapter 280, Florida Statutes regarding deposits and investments. As of September 30, 2023, the District's bank balance and carrying value were \$495,560. Exposure to custodial credit risk was as follows. The District maintains cash deposits in a qualified public depository in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 280, Florida Statutes, which means that all deposits are fully insured by Federal Depositors Insurance or collateralized under Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

#### Investments

As of September 30, 2023, the District had the following investments and maturities:

Investment	Maturities	Fair Value
First American Government		
Obligation Fund	24 days*	\$ 1,166,714
U S Bank Money Market Fund	N/A	1,443,348
Total		\$ 2,610,062

# \*Weighted average maturity

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy recently established by generally accepted accounting principles. The fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset, or paid to transfer a liability, in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. The District uses a market approach in measuring fair value that uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or similar assets, liabilities, or groups of assets and liabilities.

# NOTE C – CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Investments (Continued)

Assets or liabilities are classified into one of three levels. Level 1 is the most reliable and is based on quoted price for identical assets, or liabilities, in an active market. Level 2 uses significant other observable inputs when obtaining quoted prices for identical or similar assets, or liabilities, in markets that are not active. Level 3 is the least reliable and uses significant unobservable inputs that uses the best information available under the circumstances, which includes the District's own data in measuring unobservable inputs.

Based on the criteria in the preceding paragraph, the investment in First American Government Obligation Fund is a Level 1 asset.

#### Interest Rate Risk

The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

#### Credit Risk

The District's investments are limited by state statutory requirements and bond compliance. The District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of September 30, 2023, the District's investment in the First American Government Obligation Fund was rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's. The District's investments in U S Bank Money Market Fund are not rated.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The District places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one investment. The investments in First American Government Obligation Fund are 45% and the U S Bank Money Market Fund are 55% of the District's total investments. The District considers any decline in fair value for certain investments to be temporary.

# NOTE D – CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Balance October 1, 2022	Additions	Deletions	Balance September 30, 2023
Governmental Activities:	2022	Additions	Deletions	2023
Capital assets, not being depreciated				
Land and improvements	\$ 84,410,571	\$-	\$-	\$ 84,410,571
Construction in progress	1,885,681	-	-	1,885,681
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Total Capital Assets, Not Depreciated	86,296,252		-	86,296,252
Capital assets, being depreciated				
Infrastructure	39,039,107	-	-	39,039,107
Improvements	562,032			562,032
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	39,601,139			39,601,139
Less accumulated depreciation for:	(0.4.474.507)			(00, 100, 100)
Infrastructure	(21,471,507)	(1,951,955)	-	(23,423,462)
Improvements	(562,032)			(562,032)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(22,033,539)	(1,951,955)		(23,985,494)
Total Capital Assets Depreciated, net	17,567,600	(1,951,955)		15,615,645
Total Capital Assets, net	\$ 103,863,852	\$ (1,951,955)	\$-	\$ 101,911,897

Depreciation of \$1,951,955 was charged to physical environment.

# NOTE E – INTERFUND BALANCES

Interfund balances at September 30, 2023, consisted for the following:

	Pay	able Fund
Receivable Fund	Ger	neral Fund
Debt Service Fund 2014		4,622
Debt Service Fund 2018		22,979
Total	\$	27,601

Interfund balances relate to revenue collected by the General Fund for the Debt Service Funds, that were not remitted as of year-end.

# NOTE F-LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of activity in the long-term debt of the District for the year ended September 30, 2023:

Bonds payable at October 1, 2022 Bond payments Bond payable at September 30, 2023 Less: Bond discount, net Bond Payable, Net at September 30, 2023	\$ 32,120,000 (1,790,000) 30,330,000 (369,605) \$ 29,960,395
Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds	
Series 2014 A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, \$5,430,000, maturing in May 2036. Interest at a rate of 6.90% is due November 1, beginning November 2016.	\$ 4,220,000
Series 2014 A-2 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, \$1,145,000, maturing in May 2036. Interest at a rate of 6.90% is due November 1, beginning November 2016.	890,000
Series 2018 A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue and Refunding Bonds, \$24,465,000, due in annual principal installments beginning May 2019, maturing in May 2036. Interest rates ranging from 2.00% to 3.70% is due May 1 and November 1, beginning May 2018.	18,750,000
Series 2018 A-2 Capital Improvement Revenue and Refunding Bonds, \$8,740,000, due in annual principal installments beginning May 2019, maturing in May 2036. Interest rates ranging from 4.125% to 5.000% is due May 1 and November 1, beginning May	6 470 000
2018.	6,470,000
Bonds payable Bond discount, net	30,330,000 <u>(369,605)</u>
Bond Payable, Net	<u>\$ 29,960,395</u>

# NOTE F – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

The annual requirements to amortize the principal and interest of bonded debt outstanding as of September 30, 2023 are as follows:

Year Ending			
September 30,	Principal	 Interest	 Total
2024	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 1,304,066	\$ 3,104,066
2025	1,870,000	1,239,024	3,109,024
2026	1,940,000	1,169,081	3,109,081
2027	2,015,000	1,093,071	3,108,071
2028	2,105,000	1,012,100	3,117,100
2029-2033	12,025,000	3,615,020	15,640,020
2034-2036	8,575,000	797,801	9,372,801
Totals	\$ 30,330,000	\$ 10,230,163	\$ 40,560,163

Summary of Significant Bonds Resolution Terms and Covenants

Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2014A-1, 2014A-2, 2018A-1 and 2018A-2.

<u>Depository Funds</u> – The bond indentures establish certain funds and determines the order in which revenues are to be deposited into these funds. A description of the significant funds, including their purposes, is as follows:

1. <u>Reserve Fund</u> – The Series 2014A1/A2, 2018A-1, and 2018A-2 Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds Reserve Accounts are funded from the proceeds of the Bonds in an amount equal to reserve accounts percentage times the deemed outstanding principal amount of the bonds, as of the time of any such calculation. Monies held in the reserve accounts will be used only for the purposes established in the Trust Indenture.

	Reserve Balance		Reserve Requirement	
Series 2014A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bond	\$	503,233	\$	502,157
Series 2014A-2 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bond	\$	107,960	\$	106,580
Series 2018A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bond	\$	454,544	\$	454,543
Series 2018A-2 Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bond	\$	340,813	\$	340,813

The District also holds a bond insurance policy in partial satisfaction of the Series 2018A-1 Reserve Account Requirement.

# NOTE G – RISK MANAGEMENT

The government is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the government carries commercial insurance. There were no claims or settled claims from these risks that exceeded commercial insurance coverage.

# NOTE H – TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT

On June 19, 2009, the District filed a complaint against one of the original developers (the "Developer") and the bank holding the mortgage (the "Mortgage Holder") seeking to foreclose special assessments levied by the District to secure the District's Series 2005 School Site Acquisition Bonds, Series 2005A Bonds, Series 2005B Bonds and Series 2006A-1 Bonds. The complaint also sought to foreclose special assessments levied to fund the District's operation and maintenance expenses for Fiscal Year 2009. After the lawsuit was filed, the Developer transferred its interest in the subject real property to a separate landowner who, in turn, transferred the real property to a significant landowner (the "Landowner"). The Landowner has now intervened, but the Landowner's intervention is subordinate to the main proceeding. With the transfer of the real property to the landowner, the Mortgage Holder released its mortgage and as a result, the District voluntarily dismissed the Mortgage Holder from the foreclosure on December 21, 2010. In addition, the Developer ceased defending the action, and the Court entered a default against it. Presently, the Landowner and the District are the only parties actively involved in the litigation. The Court entered partial summary judgment in favor of the District on July 23, 2012.

In March 2013, the Board adopted Resolution 2013-04, which approved the bifurcation of the Series 2005 A and B Bonds, a Tri-Party Agreement and a Forbearance Agreement.

As of September 30, 2023, the "SPE" did not hold any assets or liabilities.

The SPE dissolved as of December 12, 2022.

# NOTE I – SUBSEQUENT EVENT

In May 2024, the District made prepayments on the Series 2014A-2 and Series 2018A-2 Bonds in the amounts of \$375,000 and \$30,000, respectively.



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District Lee County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents, of Arborwood Community Development District, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 28, 2024.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Arborwood Community Development District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Arborwood Community Development District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Arborwood Community Development District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.



To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Arborwood Community Development District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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#### MANAGEMENT LETTER

To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District Lee County, Florida

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the Arborwood Community Development District as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated August 28, 2024.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Florida Auditor General.

#### Other Reports and Schedule

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and our Independent Auditor's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professionals Standards, AT-C Section 315 regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in that report, which is dated August 28, 2024, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been made to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report.



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#### **Financial Condition**

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not Arborwood Community Development District has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific conditions met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Arborwood Community Development District did not meet one of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial conditions assessment procedures as of September 30, 2023 for the Arborwood Community Development District. It is management's responsibility to monitor the Arborwood Community Development District's financial condition; our financial condition assessment was based in part on the representations made by management and the review of the financial information provided by the same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

#### Specific Information

The information provided below was provided by management and has not been audited; therefore, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information.

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)6, Rules of the Auditor General, the Arborwood Community Development District reported:

- 1) The total number of district employees compensated in the last pay period of the District's fiscal year: 0
- 2) The total number of independent contractors to whom nonemployee compensation was paid in the last month of the District's fiscal year: 4
- 3) All compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: N/A
- 4) All compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: \$49,355
- 5) Each construction project with a total cost of at least \$65,000 approved by the District that is scheduled to begin on or after October 1, 2022, together with the total expenditures for such project: N/A
- 6) A budget variance based on the budget adopted under Section 189.016(4), Florida Statutes, before the beginning of the fiscal year being reported if the District amends a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes: The budget was amended, see the following page.



To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)8, Rules of the Auditor General, the Arborwood Community Development District reported:

- 1) The rate or rates of non-ad valorem special assessments imposed by the District: They range from, \$265.75 \$1,797.75.
- 2) The amount of special assessments collected by or on behalf of the District: Total special assessments collected was \$3,634,497.
- 3) The total amount of outstanding bonds issued by the District and the terms of such bonds: See Note F.

	Original		Variance with Original Budget Positive			
	Budget	Actual	(Negative)			
Revenues						
Special assessments	\$ 484,473	\$ 493,480	\$ 9,007			
Total Revenues	484,473	493,480	9,007			
Expenditures Current						
General government	198,223	161,428	36,795			
Physical environment	304,250	250,370	53,880			
Total Expenditures	502,473	411,798	90,675			
Excess of revenues over/(under) expenditures	(18,000)	81,682	99,682			
Other Financing Sources Insurance proceeds	18,000	73,192	55,192			
Net changes in fund balance	-	154,874	99,682			
Fund Balances - October 1, 2022	<u> </u>	285,767	285,767			
Fund Balances - September 30, 2023	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 440,641	\$ 385,449			



To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District

#### **Additional Matters**

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to communicate noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not note any such findings.

#### Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of Supervisors, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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August 28, 2024



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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT/COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

To the Board of Supervisors Arborwood Community Development District Lee County, Florida

We have examined Arborwood Community Development District's compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes during the year ended September 30, 2023. Management is responsible for Arborwood Community Development District's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Arborwood Community Development District's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about Arborwood Community Development District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on Arborwood Community Development District's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, Arborwood Community Development District complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the year ended September 30, 2023.

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August 28, 2024