

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**Douglas County, Colorado**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Board of Directors  
Horse Creek Metropolitan District  
Douglas County, Colorado

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Horse Creek Metropolitan District (District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

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

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

## Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Horse Creek Metropolitan District, as of December 31, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Other-Matters

### *Required Supplemental Information*

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

### *Other*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's financial statements as a whole. The supplemental information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

The supplemental information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The other information listed in the table of contents has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

*SCHILLING & COMPANY, INC.*

Highlands Ranch, Colorado  
June 4, 2018

## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
December 31, 2017**

**ASSETS**

Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$ 147,637
Cash and investments - restricted	455,568
Cash with County Treasurer	2,434
Prepaid expense	2,731
Prepaid bond insurance	33,285
Property taxes receivable	347,275
Total assets	988,930

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts payable	1,522
Accrued interest payable	15,930
Bonds payable	
Due within one year	80,000
Due in more than one year	4,210,592
Total liabilities	4,308,044

**DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Deferred property tax revenue	347,275
Total deferred inflows of resources	347,275

**NET POSITION**

Restricted for:	
Emergencies	2,900
Debt service	441,448
Unrestricted	(4,110,737)
Total net position	\$ (3,666,389)

These financial statements should be read only in connection with  
the accompanying notes to financial statements.

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
Year Ended December 31, 2017**

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	
General government	\$ 45,886	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (45,886)
Interest and fiscal charges	192,436	-	-	-	(192,436)
	<u>\$ 238,322</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(238,322)</u>

General revenues:

Taxes:	
Property taxes	331,706
Specific ownership taxes	36,337
Net investment income	995
Total general revenues	<u>369,038</u>
Change in net position	130,716
Net position - beginning	<u>(3,797,105)</u>
Net position - ending	<u>\$ (3,666,389)</u>

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the accompanying notes to financial statements.

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
December 31, 2017**

	<b>General</b>	<b>Debt Service</b>	<b>Total Governmental Funds</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$ 147,637	\$ -	\$ 147,637
Cash and investments - restricted	-	455,568	455,568
Cash with County Treasurer	624	1,810	2,434
Prepaid expenditures	2,731	-	2,731
Property tax receivable	89,000	258,275	347,275
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 239,992</b>	<b>\$ 715,653</b>	<b>\$ 955,645</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ 1,522	\$ -	\$ 1,522
Total liabilities	1,522	-	1,522
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Deferred property tax revenue	89,000	258,275	347,275
Total deferred inflows of resources	89,000	258,275	347,275
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Nonspendable for prepaid expenditures	2,731	-	2,731
Spendable:			
Restricted for:			
Emergencies	2,900	-	2,900
Debt service	-	457,378	457,378
Assigned to subsequent year's expenditures	49,440	-	49,440
Unassigned	94,399	-	94,399
Total fund balances	149,470	457,378	606,848
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 239,992</b>	<b>\$ 715,653</b>	

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

Some assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds.

Prepaid bond insurance	33,285
	33,285

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

Bonds payable	(4,250,000)
Premium on bonds, net of accumulated amortization	(40,592)
Accrued interest payable	(15,930)
	(4,306,522)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ (3,666,389)

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the accompanying notes to financial statements.

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES  
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
Year Ended December 31, 2017**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property tax	\$ 85,010	\$ 246,696	\$ 331,706
Specific ownership tax	9,312	27,025	36,337
Net investment income	351	644	995
Total revenues	<u>94,673</u>	<u>274,365</u>	<u>369,038</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Current			
Audit	5,124	-	5,124
Accounting	8,957	-	8,957
Legal	12,364	-	12,364
Management fees	9,056	-	9,056
Insurance	3,278	-	3,278
Directors' fees	500	-	500
County Treasurer's fees	1,276	3,703	4,979
Office and miscellaneous	1,628	-	1,628
Debt service			
Bond principal	-	75,000	75,000
Bond interest and other costs	-	192,475	192,475
Paying agent and other fees	-	529	529
Total expenditures	<u>42,183</u>	<u>271,707</u>	<u>313,890</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	52,490	2,658	55,148
<b>FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	96,980	454,720	551,700
<b>FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 149,470</u>	<u>\$ 457,378</u>	<u>\$ 606,848</u>

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**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL  
FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
Year Ended December 31, 2017**

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

Net change in fund balances - Total governmental funds	<u>\$ 55,148</u>
<p>Long-term debt (e.g. bonds, loans) provide current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.</p>	
Payment of bond principal	<u>75,000</u>
<p>Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.</p>	
Change in accrued interest payable - bonds	110
Amortization of prepaid bond insurance	(1,978)
Amortization of premium on bonds	<u>2,436</u>
	<u>568</u>
Change in net position - Governmental activities	<u><u>\$ 130,716</u></u>

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**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
GENERAL FUND  
Year Ended December 31, 2017**

	<b>Original and Final Budgeted Amounts</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property tax	\$ 85,009	\$ 85,010	\$ 1
Specific ownership taxes	4,300	9,312	5,012
Net investment income	240	351	111
Total Revenues	<u>89,549</u>	<u>94,673</u>	<u>5,124</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Audit	5,000	5,124	(124)
Accounting	9,300	8,957	343
Legal	9,000	12,364	(3,364)
Management fees	8,400	9,056	(656)
Insurance	3,300	3,278	22
Election	-	-	-
Directors' fees	600	500	100
County Treasurer's fees	1,275	1,276	(1)
Office and miscellaneous	3,546	1,628	1,918
Contingency and reserves	145,824	-	145,824
Total Expenditures	<u>186,245</u>	<u>42,183</u>	<u>144,062</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	(96,696)	52,490	149,186
<b>FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	96,696	96,980	284
<b>FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 149,470</u>	<u>\$ 149,470</u>

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accompanying notes to financial statements.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 1 – DEFINITION OF REPORTING ENTITY**

Horse Creek Metropolitan District (District), a quasi-municipal corporation, is governed pursuant to the provisions of the Colorado Special District Act. The District's service area is located in Douglas County, Colorado. The District was established to provide for the design, acquisition, construction, installation and financing of water and sewer facilities, including storm drainage and erosion control, streets and associated improvements, safety protection and park and recreation. All facilities constructed by the District have been conveyed to other governmental entities for perpetual maintenance.

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

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

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

**NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

**Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The 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.

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

**Budgets**

In accordance with the State Budget Law, the District's Board of Directors holds public hearings in the fall each year to approve the budget and appropriate the funds for the

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ensuing year. The appropriation is at the total fund expenditures level and lapses at year end. The District's Board of Directors can modify the budget by line item within the total appropriation without notification. The appropriation can only be modified upon completion of notification and publication requirements. The budget includes each fund on its basis of accounting unless otherwise indicated.

**Pooled Cash and Investments**

The District follows the practice of pooling cash and investments of all funds to maximize investment earnings. Except when required by trust or other agreements, all cash is deposited to and disbursed from a single bank account. Cash in excess of immediate operating requirements is pooled for deposit and investment flexibility. Investment earnings are allocated periodically to the participating funds based upon each funds' average equity balance in total cash.

**Property Taxes**

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

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

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

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

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

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**Fund Balances – Governmental Funds**

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

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

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

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

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

Unassigned fund balance—amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the General Fund.

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

**NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2017 are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Cash and investments - Unrestricted	\$ 147,637
Cash and investments - Restricted	455,568
	<u>\$ 603,205</u>

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2017 consist of the following:

Deposits with financial institutions	<u>\$ 603,205</u>
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**Cash Deposits**

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

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

At December 31, 2017, the District's cash deposits had a bank balance of \$606,108 and carrying balance of \$603,205.

**Investments**

The District's formal investment policy is to follow Colorado State Statutes which specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local governments may invest which include:

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

At December 31, 2017, the District had no investments.

**Restricted Cash and Investments**

At December 31, 2017, cash deposits in the amount of \$455,568 are held in trust and are restricted for debt service in accordance with the Series 2013 Bond documents. The funds are held in various money market accounts at Compass Bank.

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**NOTE 4 – LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

The following is an analysis of the changes in the District's long-term obligations for the year ended December 31, 2017.

	<u>Balance at December 31, 2016</u>	<u>New Issues</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Balance at December 31, 2017</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
G.O. Refunding Bonds, Series 2013	\$ 4,325,000	\$ -	\$ 75,000	\$ 4,250,000	\$ 80,000
Premium on 2013 bonds	43,028	-	2,436	40,592	-
	<u>\$ 4,368,028</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 77,436</u>	<u>\$ 4,290,592</u>	<u>\$ 80,000</u>

**General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013**

On October 2, 2013, the District issued \$4,580,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 (2013 Bonds), to refund and pay the 2010 Multi-Modal Loan in full and to terminate the Interest Rate Exchange Agreement (see Note 5). The 2013 Bonds are term bonds that mature on each December 1<sup>st</sup> of 2015, 2018, 2021, 2023, 2025, 2028, 2033, 2038 and 2041 and bear interest at rates ranging from .75% to 5.00%. Interest is to be paid semiannually on June 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing December 1, 2013.

The 2013 Bonds maturing after December 1, 2025 are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District, in whole or in integral multiples of \$5,000, in any order of maturities and in whole or part maturities as the District shall determine and by lot within a maturity, on December 1, 2023 and on any date thereafter, at a redemption price equal to the par amount thereof plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

The 2013 Bonds maturing are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption, prior to maturity, in part, by lot in such manner as the Paying Agent shall determine, annually on December 1 of each year as set forth in the Bond Sale Certificate in varying amounts.

The 2013 Bonds are general obligations of the District, payable from the ad valorem property taxes levied by the District (without limitation as to rate or amount), other moneys transferred to or deposited into the Bond Fund, amounts on deposit in the Reserve Fund and, in the sole discretion of the District, amounts on deposit in the Mill Levy Stabilization Fund and any other moneys made available for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the 2013 Bonds, subject to the restriction set forth in Section 14(e) of the Bond Resolution. The 2013 Bonds are insured by Build America Mutual Assurance Company (BAM) which guarantees the scheduled payment of principal and interest on the 2013 Bonds when due as set forth in its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy. The credit rate of BAM at the time of the issuance of its Municipal Bond Insurance Policy was AA/Stable by Standard & Poor's Rating Services.

Pursuant to the 2013 Bond documents, the District is required to establish a Reserve Fund with a portion of the bond proceeds of \$162,500 to assist in making the scheduled debt service payments in the event that the funds held in the Bond Fund account are

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insufficient. The Reserve Fund is required to be maintained at \$162,500 (Reserve Requirement). If a withdrawal from the Reserve Fund is made that reduces the balance in such fund below the Reserve Requirement, the District shall include in the computation of its next mill levy certification, the amount necessary to replenish the Reserve Fund to the Reserve Requirement. At December 31, 2017, the District held \$162,924 in the Reserve Fund in connection with the 2013 Bonds.

The District is required to establish a Mill Levy Stabilization Fund with legally available moneys of the District at the time of issuance of the 2013 Bonds in the amount of \$100,000. After the Mill Levy Stabilization Fund is initially funded, it is not required to be maintained in any specific amount and will be funded from moneys, if any, which are legally available in any year after full payment of the debt service requirements and replenishment of the Reserve Fund. The Mill Levy Stabilization Fund is established for the purpose of paying the principal and interest on the 2013 Bonds. At December 31, 2017, the District held \$199,696 in the Mill Levy Stabilization Fund in connection with the 2013 Bonds.

The District's long-term obligations will mature as follows.

<u>Year Ending,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 80,000	\$ 191,162	\$ 271,162
2019	80,000	189,763	269,763
2020	90,000	187,563	277,563
2021	95,000	185,088	280,088
2022	100,000	182,475	282,475
2023-2027	590,000	860,681	1,450,681
2028-2032	800,000	727,750	1,527,750
2033-2037	1,095,000	501,250	1,596,250
2038-2041	1,320,000	181,250	1,501,250
	<u>\$ 4,250,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,206,982</u>	<u>\$ 7,456,982</u>

**NOTE 5 – DEBT AUTHORIZATION**

On May 4, 2004, a majority of the qualified electors of the District authorized the issuance of indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$17,000,000 at an interest rate not to exceed 12% per annum.

The following table reflects the authorized but unissued indebtedness as of December 31, 2017:

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	<b>Authorized May 4, 2004 Election</b>	<b>Authorization Used</b>	<b>Remaining at December 31, 2017</b>
Street improvements	\$ 3,340,000	\$ 3,340,000	\$ -
Water supply	1,670,000	1,670,000	-
Sanitary supply	490,000	490,000	-
Operations and maintenance	500,000	-	500,000
Bond refunding	5,500,000	4,940,000	560,000
Intergovernmental agreements	5,500,000	-	5,500,000
	<u>\$ 17,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,440,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,560,000</u>

The General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 were issued at a lower interest rate than the rate borne by the 2010 Multi-Modal Loan therefore, no additional voter authorization was required for the issuance of the Bonds. In addition, the District's Service Plan imposes a debt limitation of \$5,500,000 with respect to indebtedness of the District. As of December 31, 2017, the District has \$4,250,000 of general obligation debt outstanding therefore limiting the District to \$1,250,000 of additional debt payable that it is entitled under the Service plan to issue.

In the future, the District may issue a portion or all of the remaining authorized, but unissued general obligation debt for purposes of providing public improvements to support development as it occurs within the District's service area, however, the amount and timing of any debt issuances is not determinable.

**NOTE 6 - FUND EQUITY**

At December 31, 2017, the District reported the following classifications of fund equity.

**Nonspendable Fund Balance**

The nonspendable fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$2,731 is comprised of prepaid amounts which are not in spendable form.

**Restricted Fund Balance**

The restricted fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$2,900 is comprised of the Emergency Reserves that have been provided for as required by Article X, Section 20 of the Constitution of the State of Colorado (see Note 9). The restricted fund balance in the Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$457,378 is to be used exclusively for debt service requirements (see Note 4).

**Assigned Fund Balance**

The assigned fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$49,440 is comprised of amounts assigned by the Board of Directors by a resolution to eliminate the projected budgetary deficit in the subsequent year's budget.

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**NOTE 7 - NET POSITION**

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

Restricted net position includes amounts that are restricted for use either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District's restricted net position as of December 31, 2017 is as follows:

Restricted net position:

Emergency reserves (see Note 9)	\$ 2,900
Debt service	<u>441,448</u>
	<u>\$ 444,348</u>

The District's unrestricted net position at December 31, 2017 totaled \$(4,110,736). This deficit amount was a result of the District being responsible for repayment of debt issued for public improvements conveyed to other governmental entities.

**NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees or acts of God.

The District is a member of the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool (Pool) as of December 31, 2017. The Pool is an organization created by intergovernmental agreement to provide property, liability, public officials' liability, boiler and machinery and workers compensation coverage to its members. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

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

**NOTE 9 - TAX, SPENDING AND DEBT LIMITATIONS**

Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR), contains tax, spending, revenue and debt limitations that apply to the State of Colorado and all local governments.

Spending and revenue limits are determined based on the prior year's Fiscal Year Spending adjusted for allowable increases based upon inflation and local growth. Fiscal Year Spending is generally defined as expenditures plus reserve increases with certain exceptions. Revenue in excess of the Fiscal Year Spending limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue.

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

On May 4, 2004, the District's electors authorized the District to increase taxes \$100,000 annually, without limitation to rate, to pay the District's administration, operations, maintenance, landscape maintenance and other expenses in fiscal year 2004 and subsequent years. Additionally, District's electors authorized the District to retain and spend the full amount of all taxes, tap fees, facility fees, service charges, inspection charges, administrative charges, grants or any other fee, rate, toll, penalty, or charge authorized by law to be imposed or collected by the District and any other revenues or income lawfully received by the District during 2002 and each year thereafter, without limitation by Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution.

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

**NOTE 10 – AGREEMENTS**

On January 23, 2018, the District and Horse Creek Homeowners Association, Inc. ("HOA") entered into a Cost Sharing and Reimbursement Agreement ("Cost Sharing Agreement"), setting forth the terms and conditions under which the District and the HOA will share the costs of the installation of certain landscaping and the extension of the irrigation system in the Streetscape Tract (as defined in the Cost Sharing Agreement"). Pursuant to the Cost Sharing Agreement, the HOA has agreed to pay the first \$10,000 in Project Costs (as defined in the Cost Sharing Agreement) and the District shall pay the remaining costs up to and not to exceed \$49,000 in additional costs upon receipt of documentation confirming the work has been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications agreed to by the HOA and the District.

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

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN  
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
DEBT SERVICE FUND  
Year Ended December 31, 2017**

	<b>Original and Final Budgeted Amounts</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property taxes	\$ 246,696	\$ 246,696	\$ -
Specific ownership taxes	25,730	27,025	1,295
Net investment income	130	644	514
Total Revenues	<u>272,556</u>	<u>274,365</u>	<u>1,809</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Current			
County Treasurer's fees	3,700	3,703	(3)
Debt service			
Bond principal	75,000	75,000	-
Bond interest	192,475	192,475	-
Paying agent and other fees	400	529	(129)
Contingency	500	-	500
Total expenditures	<u>272,075</u>	<u>271,707</u>	<u>368</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE</b>	481	2,658	2,177
<b>FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>454,320</u>	<u>454,720</u>	<u>400</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR</b>	<u><u>\$ 454,801</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 457,378</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,577</u></u>

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
SUMMARY OF ASSESSED VALUATION , MILL LEVY  
AND PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED  
Year Ended December 31, 2017**

<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	<u>Prior Year Assessed Valuation for Current Year Property Tax Levy</u>	<u>Mills Levied</u>		<u>Property Taxes</u>		<u>Percentage Collected to Levied</u>
		<u>General</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Levied</u>	<u>Collected</u>	
2008	\$ 9,525,170	3.000	29.000	\$ 304,805	\$ 313,520	102.9%
2009	\$ 10,717,510	3.000	29.000	\$ 342,961	\$ 342,263	99.8%
2010	\$ 11,625,790	4.000	29.000	\$ 383,651	\$ 384,413	100.2%
2011	\$ 11,727,870	4.000	29.000	\$ 387,019	\$ 386,189	99.8%
2012	\$ 10,943,850	4.000	29.000	\$ 361,147	\$ 361,545	100.1%
2013	\$ 10,940,990	4.000	29.000	\$ 361,148	\$ 361,055	100.0%
2014	\$ 11,300,889	4.000	29.000	\$ 372,930	\$ 372,930	100.0%
2015	\$ 11,325,730	4.000	24.000	\$ 317,121	\$ 317,122	100.0%
2016	\$ 13,276,140	4.000	21.000	\$ 331,904	\$ 331,850	100.0%
2017	\$ 13,268,210	6.407	18.593	\$ 331,705	\$ 331,706	100.0%
Estimated for year ending December 31, 2018	\$ 13,890,980	6.407	18.593	\$ 347,275		

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

**HORSE CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS TO MATURITY  
December 31, 2017**

**\$4,580,000**

**General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013**

**Dated October 2, 2013**

**Interest Rates of .750%-5.000%**

**Principal Due December 1**

**Interest Due June 1 and December 1**

<b>Year Ending December 31,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2018	\$ 80,000	\$ 191,162	\$ 271,162
2019	80,000 *	189,763	269,763
2020	90,000 *	187,563	277,563
2021	95,000	185,088	280,088
2022	100,000 *	182,475	282,475
2023	105,000	179,475	284,475
2024	115,000 *	176,325	291,325
2025	115,000	172,444	287,444
2026	125,000 *	168,562	293,562
2027	130,000 *	163,875	293,875
2028	140,000	159,000	299,000
2029	145,000 *	153,750	298,750
2030	160,000 *	146,500	306,500
2031	170,000 *	138,500	308,500
2032	185,000 *	130,000	315,000
2033	190,000	120,750	310,750
2034	205,000 *	111,250	316,250
2035	220,000 *	101,000	321,000
2036	235,000 *	90,000	325,000
2037	245,000 *	78,250	323,250
2038	265,000	66,000	331,000
2039	280,000 *	52,750	332,750
2040	300,000 *	38,750	338,750
2041	475,000	23,750	498,750
	<u>\$ 4,250,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,206,982</u>	<u>\$ 7,456,982</u>

\* sinking fund maturities