

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
COLORADO CITY, COLORADO
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
AND CERTAIN SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
PRESENTED FOR PURPOSES OF A SINGLE AUDIT

December 31, 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

January 31, 2025

Board of Directors
Colorado City Metropolitan District
Colorado City, Colorado

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Colorado City Metropolitan District (the District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Colorado City Metropolitan District, as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental 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 Colorado City Metropolitan District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted audit standards and *Governmental Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. 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 we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Colorado City Metropolitan District's basic financial statements. The accompanying schedules of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance - budget and actual for the business type activities and the schedules for the Conservation Trust Fund and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic 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 basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated, January 31, 2025, 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, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to solely 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 the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Darren, Ross ¹/₂ *DeNardo, Inc.*

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Colorado City Metropolitan District Management's Discussion and Analysis Year Ended December 31, 2023

This discussion and analysis of the Colorado City Metropolitan District's financial performance provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2023. Please read this discussion and analysis together with the financial statements, the notes to financial statements and the supplementary information provided.

This annual financial report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position (page 12) and the Statement of Activities (page 13) provide information about the activities of the District as a whole and presents a broader picture of the District's finances. The fund financial statements start at page 14. These statements present how the services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future operations. Fund financial statements also report the District's operations in more detail by displaying the individual fund activities.

These two statements (Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities) report the District's net position and changes in it. You can think of the net position (the difference between assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources) as one way to measure the District's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the net position is one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. Assessment of other non-financial factors should also be considered to assess the health of the District, such as changes in the District's property tax base, conditions of its roads, water quality and availability, and the quality of the recreational programs and facilities.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, we divide the District into two kinds of activities:

- **Governmental Activities** – This includes the District's general administration, recreational facilities and programs, and roads maintenance services.
- **Business-type Activities** – The District charges fees to customers to help cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides. The District's water and sewer systems, the activities of the Hollydot golf course, and the property management fund are reported here and also referred to as "enterprise funds."

Some funds/accounts are required by state law and debt requirements. However, the District's Board of Directors establishes other funds/accounts to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show it is meeting legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants, and other money (such as grants from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs). The District's two kinds of funds, governmental and proprietary (business-type), use different accounting approaches.

- **Governmental Funds** - The District's basic services are reported in governmental funds which focus on how money flows into and out of the funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual accounting to measure cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs.

- **Proprietary (business-type) Funds** - When the District charges customers for the services it provides, whether to outside customers or to other units of the District, these services are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way that all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows.

One of the most important questions asked about the District's finances is "Is the District better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present information about the District, as a whole, and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The District's net position changed significantly as a result of the large construction projects within the water fund during 2023 operations utilizing ARPA Federal Grant revenues. The net position of the governmental activities increased \$134 thousand, or 1.9%, and the net position of the business type activities increased by \$858 thousand, or 7.6%.

- The governmental activities program revenues show an increase of \$68 thousand, or 29.7%. The governmental activities expenses increased by \$51 thousand, or 7.2%.

- The business-type activities net position increased by \$858 thousand compared to the prior year increase of \$1.525 million. The Water Fund gained \$610 thousand, the Sewer Fund gained \$156 thousand, the Golf Fund gained \$48 thousand, and the Property Management Fund gained \$44 thousand. The large gain in the Water Fund is due to \$919 thousand in grant revenues.

THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

The District's combined net position changed substantially from a year ago, increasing from \$18.463 million to \$19.454 million, an increase of 5.4%. The analysis of the Net Position (Table 1) and Changes in Net Position (Table 2) follows:

Table 1
NET POSITION (in thousands)

| | Governmental | | Business-type | | Total Primary | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----------|---------------|----------|---------------|-----------|
| | Activities | | Activities | | Government | |
| | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 |
| Cash and investments | \$ 2,320 | \$ 2,100 | \$ 463 | \$ 462 | \$ 2,783 | \$ 2,562 |
| Capital assets | 6,066 | 6,067 | 12,574 | 12,043 | 18,640 | 18,110 |
| Other assets | 1,322 | 997 | 3,922 | 3,887 | 5,244 | 4,884 |
| Total assets | 9,708 | 9,164 | 16,959 | 16,392 | 26,667 | 25,556 |
| Long-term debt outstanding | 22 | 42 | 3,430 | 3,610 | 3,452 | 3,652 |
| Other liabilities | 1,578 | 1,451 | 348 | 399 | 1,926 | 1,850 |
| Total liabilities | 1,600 | 1,493 | 3,778 | 4,009 | 5,378 | 5,502 |
| Deferred inflow of Resources | 828 | 525 | 1,006 | 1,066 | 1,834 | 1,591 |
| Net position: | | | | | | |
| Net investment in capital assets | 6,054 | 6,035 | 9,183 | 8,456 | 15,237 | 14,491 |
| Restricted | 114 | 98 | 463 | 462 | 577 | 555 |
| Unrestricted | 1,112 | 1,013 | 2,529 | 2,399 | 3,641 | 3,417 |
| Total net position | \$ 7,280 | \$ 7,146 | \$12,175 | \$11,317 | \$ 19,455 | \$ 18,463 |

The net position of the District's governmental activities increased by \$134 thousand (1.9%). That portion of the net position available to finance day-to-day operations (without restrictions by debt commitments or grantors) increased by \$99 thousand to \$1.112 million at the end of the year.

The net position of business-type activities increased by \$858 thousand (7.6%). This will be reviewed in more detail in the discussion of the individual proprietary funds later in this analysis.

Table 2
CHANGES IN NET POSITION (in thousands)

| | Governmental | | Business-type | | Total Primary | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| | Activities | | Activities | | Government | |
| | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 |
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| Program Revenues: | | | | | | |
| Charges for Services | \$ 139 | \$ 133 | \$ 2,651 | \$ 2,397 | \$ 2,790 | \$ 2,530 |
| Grants & Contributions | 158 | 96 | 1,138 | 1,714 | 1,296 | 1,810 |
| General Revenues: | | | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 510 | 486 | - | - | 510 | 486 |
| Other Taxes | 91 | 104 | - | - | 91 | 104 |
| Other Revenues | 50 | 80 | 182 | 225 | 232 | 305 |
| Total Revenues | 948 | 899 | 3,971 | 4,336 | 4,919 | 5,235 |
| Program Expenses | | | | | | |
| Administration | 321 | 297 | - | - | 321 | 297 |
| Recreation and Parks | 379 | 355 | - | - | 379 | 355 |
| Roads Operation | 60 | 57 | - | - | 60 | 57 |
| Water fund | - | - | 1,805 | 1,525 | 1,805 | 1,525 |
| Sewer fund | - | - | 789 | 760 | 789 | 760 |
| Golf Course | - | - | 519 | 504 | 519 | 504 |
| Property Management | - | - | - | 10 | - | 10 |
| Total expenses | 760 | 709 | 3,113 | 2,799 | 3,873 | 3,508 |
| Excess (deficiency) before special items | 188 | 190 | 858 | 1,537 | 1,046 | 1,727 |
| Transfers | (54) | 12 | - | (12) | (54) | - |
| Sale of Assets | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Position | \$ 134 | \$ 202 | \$ 858 | \$ 1,525 | \$ 992 | \$ 1,727 |

The District's total revenues, including sales of assets and excluding interfund capital contributions, decreased by \$316 thousand (6.0%), while expenses, excluding interfund transfers, increased by \$365 thousand (10.4%). Our analysis below separately considers the operations of government and business-type activities.

Governmental Activities:

Property and other taxes increased by \$11 thousand while program revenues decreased by \$254 thousand. The amount the District taxpayers financed for the government activities through taxes was \$601 thousand (\$590 thousand in 2022) because some of the cost was paid by those who directly benefited from the programs or by other governments that subsidized certain programs with grants.

Table 3 presents the cost of each of the District’s programs as well as each program’s net cost (total costs less revenues generated by the activities). The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the taxpayers by each of these functions.

**Table 3
NET COST TO TAXPAYERS (in thousands)**

| | 2023 | | | 2022 | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| | Expenses | Service Charges & Operating Grants | Net Costs | Expenses | Service Charges & Operating Grants | Net Costs |
| Administration | \$ 314 | \$ 15 | \$ 299 | \$ 292 | \$ 6 | \$ 286 |
| Parks & Recreation: | | | | | | |
| Recreation Center | 22 | - | 22 | 16 | - | 16 |
| Swimming Pool | 84 | 14 | 70 | 158 | 17 | 141 |
| Parks & Recreation | 194 | 101 | 93 | 202 | 110 | 92 |
| Sub-total | 300 | 115 | 185 | 376 | 127 | 249 |
| Roads Operations | 41 | 20 | 21 | 58 | - | 58 |
| Total Government Activities | \$ 655 | \$ 150 | 505 | \$ 726 | \$ 133 | 593 |
| Less Investment Earnings | | | (21) | | | (11) |
| Less Other Revenues | | | (16) | | | (69) |
| Less Gain on Property Sales | | | (-) | | | (-) |
| Net Cost to Taxpayers | | | \$ 468 | | | \$ 513 |
| Property & Other Taxes | | | \$ 601 | | | \$ 590 |

Business-Type Activities:

Revenues for the District's business-type activities (see Table 2) decreased 8.4% and expenses increased by 11.2%. Business-type activities in the Water Fund showed a gain of \$610 thousand which is primarily due to capital grants, is in line with the usual results of this fund (see Table 4). The Sewer Fund recorded gain in net position in all the periods presented. The Water and Golf Funds showed operating losses. Non-operating revenues are funds received for investment in future infrastructure. These include water and sewer impact fees, new investments, and sales of property. Operating expenses include interest expense.

**Table 4
BUSINESS TYPE ACTIVITY DEFICITS (in thousands)**

| | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 |
|---|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| Water Fund | | | | | |
| Operating Revenues/Capital Grants | \$1,323 | \$1,214 | \$1,140 | \$1,215 | \$ 1,103 |
| Operating Expenses | 1,805 | 1,428 | 1,490 | 1,373 | 1,308 |
| Net Operating Income (Loss) | (482) | (214) | (350) | (158) | (205) |
| Capital Contributions/Other | 1,092 | 1,612 | 122 | 192 | 63 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position | \$ 610 | \$1,398 | \$ (228) | \$ 34 | \$ (142) |
| Sewer Fund | | | | | |
| Operating Revenues | \$ 840 | \$ 830 | \$ 815 | \$ 777 | \$ 825 |
| Operating Expenses | 789 | 724 | 762 | 750 | 708 |
| Net Operating Income (Loss) | 51 | 106 | 53 | 27 | 117 |
| Capital Contributions/Other | 105 | 34 | 100 | 200 | 64 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position | \$ 156 | \$ 140 | \$ 153 | \$ 227 | \$ 181 |
| Golf Fund | | | | | |
| Operating Revenues | \$ 508 | \$ 451 | \$ 493 | \$ 563 | \$ - |
| Operating Expenses | 519 | 504 | 431 | 432 | - |
| Net Operating Income (Loss) | (11) | (53) | 62 | 131 | - |
| Capital Contributions/Other | 58 | 13 | 128 | - | - |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position | \$ 47 | \$ (40) | \$ 190 | \$ 131 | \$ - |
| Property Management Fund | | | | | |
| Operating Revenues | \$ 56 | \$ 58 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| Operating Expenses | 12 | 10 | 34 | 33 | 23 |
| Net Operating Income (Loss) | 44 | 48 | (34) | (33) | (23) |
| Capital Contributions/Other | - | (22) | 83 | 54 | 16 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Position | \$ 44 | \$ 26 | \$ 49 | \$ 21 | \$ (7) |

Budgetary Highlights:

Generally, the District revises its budget several times during the year. These budget amendments are a result of (1) reflecting actual beginning balances versus the amounts estimated in October, (2) accounting for changes during the year, such as the increased need for infrastructure upgrades and repairs, and (3) any adjustments necessary to prevent budget overruns.

The actual revenues for the General Fund were \$117 thousand under budget, and expenditures were \$220 thousand under budget.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

In 2022, the District invested \$1.456 million in various capital assets. (See Table 5 below)

**Table 5
CAPITAL ASSETS AT YEAR END (in millions)**

| | Governmental Activities | | Business-type Activities | | Totals | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 |
| Land | \$ 5,335 | \$ 5,335 | \$ 1,277 | \$ 1,277 | \$ 6,612 | \$ 6,612 |
| Buildings and Improvements | 2,346 | 2,274 | 18,582 | 18,582 | 20,928 | 20,856 |
| Infrastructure | 423 | 423 | 2,464 | 2,368 | 2,887 | 2,791 |
| Water Rights | - | - | 358 | 358 | 358 | 358 |
| Augmentation Plans | - | - | 205 | 205 | 205 | 205 |
| Machinery and Equipment | 1,037 | 1,019 | 3,262 | 3,236 | 4,299 | 4,255 |
| Leased Assets | 14 | 14 | - | - | 14 | 14 |
| Construction in Progress | 115 | 103 | 3,007 | 1,775 | 3,122 | 1,878 |
| | <u>\$ 9,270</u> | <u>\$ 9,168</u> | <u>\$ 29,155</u> | <u>\$ 27,801</u> | <u>\$38,425</u> | <u>\$36,969</u> |

This year's major additions include (in thousands):

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Irrigation System | \$ 53 |
| Campground Improvements | 59 |
| Line additions | 42 |
| Various sewer equipment | 25 |
| Fencing and garage door | 11 |
| Greenhorn Valley Trail (In Progress) | 11 |
| Water System Improvements (In Progress) | <u>1,051</u> |
| | <u>\$ 1,252</u> |

At the end of 2023, the District had \$3.4 million in outstanding debt. The anticipated debt carryover from 2023 presents long term debt commitments as follows:

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| Lease purchase for motor grader from NBH Bank | \$ 9,710 |
| Leased office equipment | 1,271 |
| Wastewater treatment plant loan from the Colorado Water Resources And Power Development Authority | 115,348 |
| Water and Wastewater Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds | <u>3,276,651</u> |
| Total current debt commitments | <u>\$ 3,402,980</u> |

The wastewater treatment plant loans will be paid from the sewer availability of service fees and the debt service fees over the next 13 to 15 years. The water and wastewater revenue refunding and improvement bonds will be paid from water availability of service fees and increased water usage rates. More detailed information about the District's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 10 in the financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

As required by Colorado Statutes, the District determines the property tax mill levy using prior years Denver-Boulder-Greeley Consumer Price Index (CPI) or the Colorado Office of State Planning and Budget (OSBP) projected inflation rates and the rate of local growth. The CPI for the 2023 budget is 8.011%. Other limits are placed by the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) and the 1982 Gallagher Amendment. TABOR reduces government growth by limiting spending, revenues, and debt. The Gallagher Amendment limits residential property tax assessment rates.

With the CPI and growth rates considered, the 2023 property taxes are expected to be \$828,587.

For 2022-2023, the District has attained grant funding for the rehabilitation of three water tanks and 2 miles of distribution water lines at 100% funding. A pilot test was performed for the water treatment plant to improve water quality for the community. The District is seeking funding to rehabilitate the Beckwith Dam in order to increase storage capacity and is exploring methods to improve system productivity and efficiency.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to report the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Director of Finance at Colorado City Metropolitan District, 4497 Bent Brothers Blvd., P. O. Box 20229, Colorado City, Colorado 81019.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
December 31, 2023

| | <u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u> | <u>Business-Type</u> <u>Activities</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|--|---|----------------------|
| <u>Assets</u> | | | |
| Cash and investments - unrestricted | \$ 2,230,888 | \$ - | \$ 2,230,888 |
| Receivables | 946,412 | 1,700,035 | 2,646,447 |
| Restricted cash and investments | 89,396 | 463,246 | 552,642 |
| Prepaid expenses | 15,648 | 52,194 | 67,842 |
| Internal balances | - | 1,542,926 | 1,542,926 |
| Inventories | 360,311 | 626,439 | 986,750 |
| Capital Assets | | | |
| Non-depreciable | 5,449,728 | 4,641,571 | 10,091,299 |
| Depreciable-net | 616,252 | 7,932,886 | 8,549,138 |
| Total Assets | <u>9,708,635</u> | <u>16,959,297</u> | <u>26,667,932</u> |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | | |
| Accounts payable | 27,046 | 347,936 | 374,982 |
| Accrued expenses | 8,168 | - | 8,168 |
| Internal balances | 1,542,926 | - | 1,542,926 |
| Long-Term Liabilities | | | |
| Due within one year | 10,590 | 204,270 | 214,860 |
| Due in more than one year | 11,375 | 3,225,572 | 3,236,947 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>1,600,105</u> | <u>3,777,778</u> | <u>5,377,883</u> |
| <u>Deferred Inflow of Resources</u> | | | |
| Property taxes | 828,587 | - | 828,587 |
| Leases | - | 1,006,626 | 1,006,626 |
| Total Deferred Inflows of Resources | <u>828,587</u> | <u>1,006,626</u> | <u>1,835,213</u> |
| <u>Net Position</u> | | | |
| Net investment in capital assets | 6,054,119 | 9,182,457 | 15,236,576 |
| Restricted | 114,296 | 463,246 | 577,542 |
| Unrestricted | 1,111,528 | 2,529,190 | 3,640,718 |
| Total Net Position | <u>\$ 7,279,943</u> | <u>\$ 12,174,893</u> | <u>\$ 19,454,836</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023**

| Functions/Programs | Program Revenues | | | | Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position | | |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------|
| | Expenses | Charges for Services | Operating Grants and Contributions | Capital Grants and Contributions | Governmental Activities | Business-Type Activities | Total |
| Governmental Activities | | | | | | | |
| Administration | \$ 321,388 | \$ 3,035 | \$ 30,000 | \$ - | \$ (288,353) | \$ - | \$ (288,353) |
| Recreation center | 24,800 | 544 | - | - | (24,256) | - | (24,256) |
| Swimming pool operations | 94,218 | 14,053 | - | - | (80,165) | - | (80,165) |
| Parks and recreation | 260,513 | 100,921 | - | 127,974 | (31,618) | - | (31,618) |
| Roads | 59,684 | 20,136 | - | - | (39,548) | - | (39,548) |
| Total Governmental Activities | 760,603 | 138,689 | 30,000 | 127,974 | (463,940) | - | (463,940) |
| Business-Type Activities | | | | | | | |
| Water fund | 1,805,058 | 1,323,022 | - | 1,046,122 | - | 564,086 | 564,086 |
| Sewer fund | 788,836 | 839,593 | - | 92,000 | - | 142,757 | 142,757 |
| Golf fund | 518,900 | 508,259 | - | 53,500 | - | 42,859 | 42,859 |
| Property management fund | - | - | - | 3,500 | - | 3,500 | 3,500 |
| Total Business-Type Activities | 3,112,794 | 2,670,874 | - | 1,195,122 | - | 753,202 | 753,202 |
| Total | \$ 3,873,397 | \$ 2,809,563 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 1,323,096 | (463,940) | 753,202 | 289,262 |
| General revenues - | | | | | | | |
| Taxes- | | | | | | | |
| Property taxes | | | | | 510,485 | - | 510,485 |
| Specific ownership taxes and other taxes | | | | | 90,562 | - | 90,562 |
| Gain on sale of assets | | | | | - | 40,900 | 40,900 |
| Other revenues | | | | | 28,783 | - | 28,783 |
| Unrestricted investment earnings | | | | | 21,564 | 64,212 | 85,776 |
| Transfers | | | | | (53,500) | - | (53,500) |
| Total General Revenues | | | | | 597,894 | 105,112 | 703,006 |
| Change in Net Position | | | | | 133,954 | 858,314 | 992,268 |
| Net Position - January 1 | | | | | 7,145,989 | 11,316,579 | 18,462,568 |
| Net Position - December 31 | | | | | \$ 7,279,943 | \$ 12,174,893 | \$ 19,454,836 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

GOVERNMENTAL FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
December 31, 2023**

| | <u>General</u> <u>Fund</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <u>Assets</u> | | |
| Cash and investments - unrestricted | \$ 2,230,888 | \$ 2,230,888 |
| Cash and investments - restricted | 89,396 | 89,396 |
| Receivables | 946,412 | 946,412 |
| Prepaid items | 15,648 | 15,648 |
| Inventories | <u>360,311</u> | <u>360,311</u> |
| Total Assets | \$ 3,642,655 | \$ 3,642,655 |
| <u>Liabilities</u> | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 27,046 | \$ 27,046 |
| Accrued liabilities | 8,052 | 8,052 |
| Due to other funds | <u>1,542,926</u> | <u>1,542,926</u> |
| Total Liabilities | <u>1,578,024</u> | <u>1,578,024</u> |
| <u>Deferred Inflow of Resources - property taxes</u> | <u>828,587</u> | <u>828,587</u> |
| <u>Fund Balances</u> | | |
| Nonspendable | 375,959 | 375,959 |
| Restricted | 114,296 | 114,296 |
| Unassigned | <u>745,789</u> | <u>745,789</u> |
| Total Fund Balances | <u>1,236,044</u> | <u>1,236,044</u> |
| Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balances | \$ 3,642,655 | \$ 3,642,655 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
December 31, 2023**

| | | |
|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| Total fund balances - governmental fund | | \$ 1,236,044 |
| <p>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:</p> | | |
| Capital assets used in governmental activities are not considered current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. | | 6,065,980 |
| Long-term liabilities, including long-term debt are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds: | | |
| Leases | \$ (1,271) | |
| Notes and other obligations | (9,710) | |
| Compensated absences | (10,984) | |
| Accrued interest | <u>(116)</u> | <u>(22,081)</u> |
| Total Net Position - Governmental Activities | | <u>\$ 7,279,943</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023

| | <u>General</u> <u>Fund</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Revenues | | |
| Property taxes | \$ 510,485 | \$ 510,485 |
| Specific ownership taxes | 46,610 | 46,610 |
| Franchise taxes | 12,331 | 12,331 |
| Excise taxes | 31,621 | 31,621 |
| Charges for services | 150,864 | 150,864 |
| State sources | 157,974 | 157,974 |
| Investment earnings | 21,564 | 21,564 |
| Other | 16,608 | 16,608 |
| Total Revenues | 948,057 | 948,057 |
| Expenditures | | |
| Current - | | |
| Administration | 314,942 | 314,942 |
| Recreation center | 22,225 | 22,225 |
| Swimming pool operations | 84,041 | 84,041 |
| Parks and recreation | 194,718 | 194,718 |
| Roads | 41,558 | 41,558 |
| Capital outlay | 155,287 | 155,287 |
| Debt service | | |
| Principal | 18,912 | 18,912 |
| Interest | 857 | 857 |
| Total Expenditures | 832,540 | 832,540 |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | 115,517 | 115,517 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | 1,120,527 | 1,120,527 |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ 1,236,044 | \$ 1,236,044 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023**

Net change in fund balance - governmental fund \$ 115,517

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

| | | |
|----------------------|----------------|-------|
| Capital outlay | \$ 101,787 | |
| Depreciation expense | (100,356) | |
| Leased assets | 2,937 | |
| Amortization expense | <u>(2,937)</u> | 1,431 |

The issuance of long-term obligations provide current financial resources to the governmental funds, while repayment of the principal of long-term obligations consumes the current financial resources of the governmental funds. The net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term obligations and related items.

| | | |
|---|------------|--------|
| Principal payments on long-term obligations | 18,912 | |
| Change in interest accrual | <u>226</u> | 19,138 |

In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses - compensated absences (sick and vacation) are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used or due (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This amount represents the net effect on the statement of activities.

(2,132)

Total Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities **\$ 133,954**

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

PROPRIETARY FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
December 31, 2023

Business-Type Activities
Enterprise Funds

| | Water Fund | Sewer Fund | Golf Fund | Property Mgmt Fund | Total |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Assets | | | | | |
| Receivables, net | \$ 1,435,417 | \$ 227,944 | \$ 36,674 | \$ - | \$ 1,700,035 |
| Restricted cash | 393,756 | 69,490 | - | - | 463,246 |
| Due from other funds | 79,623 | 993,652 | 176,169 | 293,482 | 1,542,926 |
| Prepaid expenses | 21,142 | 20,606 | 10,446 | - | 52,194 |
| Inventories | 140,035 | 5,956 | 18,328 | 462,120 | 626,439 |
| Capital Assets | | | | | |
| Non-depreciable | 3,682,388 | 10,500 | 948,683 | - | 4,641,571 |
| Depreciable-net | 4,660,932 | 2,864,809 | 407,145 | - | 7,932,886 |
| Total Assets | <u>10,413,293</u> | <u>4,192,957</u> | <u>1,597,445</u> | <u>755,602</u> | <u>16,959,297</u> |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 280,949 | 54,327 | 12,660 | - | 347,936 |
| Long-term liabilities | | | | | - |
| Due within one year | 75,583 | 128,687 | - | - | 204,270 |
| Due in more than one year | 2,725,367 | 494,237 | 5,968 | - | 3,225,572 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>3,081,899</u> | <u>677,251</u> | <u>18,628</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>3,777,778</u> |
| Deferred Inflow of Resources - Leases | <u>969,952</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>36,674</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>1,006,626</u> |
| Net Position | | | | | |
| Net investment in capital assets | 5,558,167 | 2,268,462 | 1,355,828 | - | 9,182,457 |
| Restricted | 393,756 | 69,490 | - | - | 463,246 |
| Unrestricted | 409,519 | 1,177,754 | 186,315 | 755,602 | 2,529,190 |
| Total Net Position | <u>\$ 6,361,442</u> | <u>\$ 3,515,706</u> | <u>\$ 1,542,143</u> | <u>\$ 755,602</u> | <u>\$ 12,174,893</u> |

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COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023

Business-Type Activities

Enterprise Funds

| | Water Fund | Sewer Fund | Golf Fund | Property Mgmt Fund | Total |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Operating Revenues | | | | | |
| Charges for services | \$ 1,178,814 | \$ 761,554 | \$ 491,955 | \$ - | \$ 2,432,323 |
| Tap connection fees | 84,950 | 76,750 | - | - | 161,700 |
| Lease revenue | 52,183 | - | 15,733 | - | 67,916 |
| Other | 7,075 | 1,289 | 571 | 56,650 | 65,585 |
| Total Operating Revenues | <u>1,323,022</u> | <u>839,593</u> | <u>508,259</u> | <u>56,650</u> | <u>2,727,524</u> |
| Operating Expenses | | | | | |
| Salaries and compensated absences | 267,709 | 238,621 | 254,226 | - | 760,556 |
| Payroll taxes | 19,646 | 17,328 | 19,278 | - | 56,252 |
| Pension and benefits | 65,405 | 50,175 | 29,324 | - | 144,904 |
| Cost of sales | - | - | - | 12,250 | 12,250 |
| Advertising | - | - | 1,777 | - | 1,777 |
| Bad debt expense | 18,404 | 5,602 | - | - | 24,006 |
| Bank fees and other penalties | 2,180 | 4,300 | 11,356 | - | 17,836 |
| Dues and subscriptions | 365 | - | 1,345 | - | 1,710 |
| Outside services | 365,873 | 100,437 | 14,143 | - | 480,453 |
| Taxes and licenses | 470 | 3,410 | - | - | 3,880 |
| Professional fees | 41,154 | 925 | - | - | 42,079 |
| Insurance | 47,662 | 48,162 | 14,355 | - | 110,179 |
| Operating parts, materials and supplies | 286,793 | 31,513 | 75,413 | - | 393,719 |
| Rental expense | 6,190 | 6,050 | - | - | 12,240 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 7,270 | 8,815 | 12,923 | - | 29,008 |
| Training | 405 | 405 | - | - | 810 |
| Travel | 537 | 1,073 | 248 | - | 1,858 |
| Utilities | 173,297 | 52,986 | 43,662 | - | 269,945 |
| Depreciation | 406,942 | 194,693 | 40,850 | - | 642,485 |
| Total Operating Expenses | <u>1,710,302</u> | <u>764,495</u> | <u>518,900</u> | <u>12,250</u> | <u>3,005,947</u> |
| Operating Income (Loss) | <u>(387,280)</u> | <u>75,098</u> | <u>(10,641)</u> | <u>44,400</u> | <u>(278,423)</u> |
| Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses) | | | | | |
| Interest income | 45,977 | 13,365 | 4,870 | - | 64,212 |
| Interest expense | (94,756) | (24,341) | - | - | (119,097) |
| Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses) | <u>(48,779)</u> | <u>(10,976)</u> | <u>4,870</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(54,885)</u> |
| Income (Loss) Before Contributions | (436,059) | 64,122 | (5,771) | 44,400 | (333,308) |
| Capital contributions | 126,800 | 92,000 | - | - | 218,800 |
| Capital grants | 919,322 | - | 53,500 | - | 972,822 |
| Transfers in (out) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Changes in Net Position | 610,063 | 156,122 | 47,729 | 44,400 | 858,314 |
| Total Net Position - January 1 | <u>5,751,379</u> | <u>3,359,584</u> | <u>1,494,414</u> | <u>711,202</u> | <u>11,316,579</u> |
| Total Net Position - December 31 | <u>\$ 6,361,442</u> | <u>\$ 3,515,706</u> | <u>\$ 1,542,143</u> | <u>\$ 755,602</u> | <u>\$ 12,174,893</u> |

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**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023**

| | Business-Type Activities | | | | Total |
|--|--------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| | Enterprise Funds | | | | |
| | Water Fund | Sewer Fund | Golf Fund | Property Mgmt Fund | |
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities | | | | | |
| Cash received from customers | \$ 1,308,037 | \$ 834,968 | \$ 508,259 | \$ 56,650 | \$ 2,707,914 |
| Cash paid for goods and services | (785,273) | (462,939) | (213,162) | (56,650) | (1,518,024) |
| Cash paid to employees | (352,668) | (305,523) | (297,868) | - | (956,059) |
| Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities | <u>170,096</u> | <u>66,506</u> | <u>(2,771)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>233,831</u> |
| Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities | | | | | |
| Capital contributions received | 126,800 | 92,000 | - | - | 218,800 |
| Capital grants | 919,322 | - | 53,500 | - | 972,822 |
| Transfers in (out) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Acquisition of capital assets | (1,093,339) | (24,598) | (55,599) | - | (1,173,536) |
| Principal paid on notes payable | (73,105) | (122,756) | - | - | (195,861) |
| Interest and fees paid on notes payable | (94,756) | (24,341) | - | - | (119,097) |
| Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities | <u>(215,078)</u> | <u>(79,695)</u> | <u>(2,099)</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(296,872)</u> |
| Cash Flows From Investing Activities | | | | | |
| Interest income | 45,977 | 13,365 | 4,870 | - | 64,212 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents | 995 | 176 | - | - | 1,171 |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents - January 1 | <u>392,761</u> | <u>69,314</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>462,075</u> |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents - December 31 | <u>\$ 393,756</u> | <u>\$ 69,490</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 463,246</u> |
| Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities | | | | | |
| Operating Income (Loss) | \$ (387,280) | \$ 75,098 | \$ (10,641) | \$ 44,400 | (278,423) |
| Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities: | | | | | |
| Depreciation | 406,942 | 194,693 | 40,850 | - | 642,485 |
| Gain on sale of assets | - | - | - | - | - |
| Bad debt expense | 18,404 | 5,602 | - | - | 24,006 |
| Change in assets and liabilities - | | | | | |
| Accounts receivable | (14,985) | (4,626) | - | - | (19,611) |
| Due from other funds | 149,649 | (212,070) | (22,659) | (50,480) | (135,560) |
| Inventories | 23,502 | (1,537) | (9,735) | 6,080 | 18,310 |
| Prepaid expenses | 12,488 | 2,166 | 3,736 | - | 18,390 |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | (38,717) | 6,579 | (9,281) | - | (41,419) |
| Accrued salaries and compensated absences | 93 | 601 | 4,959 | - | 5,653 |
| Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities | <u>\$ 170,096</u> | <u>\$ 66,506</u> | <u>\$ (2,771)</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>233,831</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
December 31, 2023

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Colorado City Metropolitan District (the District) operates as a special district under the laws of the State of Colorado and is governed by an elected five-member board of directors. The District provides the following services as allowed by special districts: roads, parks and recreation, and water and sewer sanitation services.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to special districts. The following summary of significant accounting policies is presented to assist the reader in evaluating the District's financial statements.

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements present the District (the primary government) and includes, if applicable, component units in its financial statements based upon financial accountability. Since no component unit meets the criteria for inclusion, no component unit financial statements have been included.

B. Government-wide Financial Statements

The District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements (based on the District as a whole), including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information. The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the District as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from activities of the fiscal period.

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. In the government-wide statement of net position, the governmental activities are presented on a consolidated basis. These statements include the activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. An exception to this rule is the charges for services from the enterprise funds to the general fund. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The government-wide statement of activities reflect both the direct expenses and net cost of each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient for the goods and services offered by the program. Grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational and capital requirements of a particular program are included in operating grants and contributions, or capital grants and contributions. Revenues, which are not classified as program revenues, are presented as general revenues of the District with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each government function or business segment is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements

Separate fund financial statements are provided for the governmental fund and proprietary funds. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on the major governmental fund and major individual enterprise funds and are reported in separate columns in the fund financial statements. Each presentation provides valuable information that can be analyzed and compared to enhance the usefulness of the information.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

December 31, 2023

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

C. 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, as are the fund financial statements for the proprietary funds. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied, while grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there may be both restricted and unrestricted resources available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants if any, and then general revenues.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay the liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if collected within 60 days from the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred as is the case with accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when the liability has matured and payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds, while issuance of long-term debt and acquisitions under long term debt are reported as other financing sources.

Property taxes, specific ownership taxes, franchise taxes, excise taxes, interest and charges for services are considered revenues susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Specific ownership taxes collected and held by the County of Pueblo at year end on behalf of the District are also recognized as revenue. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

Business-type activities and all proprietary funds are accounted for using the flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net position. Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary funds' principal ongoing operation. The principal operating revenues of the District's water utility and sewer utility funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation of capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The District reports the following major government funds:

The *General Fund* is the primary operating fund of the District and is always classified as a major fund. The general fund is used to account for all financial resources that are not accounted for in other funds. Major revenue sources include property taxes, specific ownership taxes, franchise taxes, excise taxes, charges for services, intergovernmental revenues, and investment revenues. Primary expenditures include general administration, recreation center, swimming pool operations, parks and recreation, lottery, and roads.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

December 31, 2023

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

The District reports the following major proprietary funds:

Water Fund - The water fund is used to account for the operations of the District's water services.

Sewer Fund - The sewer fund is used to account for the operations of the District's sewer sanitation services.

Golf Fund - The golf fund is used to account for the operations of the District's golf course related activities.

Property Management Fund - The property management fund is used to account for property contributed by taxpayers or purchased since December 2005.

D. Assets and Liabilities

Cash and Investments

Cash on hand, cash in the bank and all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased are considered to be cash and cash equivalents.

All investment income, including changes in the fair value of investments are reported as investment income in the District's financial statements.

Cash and investments are subject to Colorado State statutes as described in Note 3.

Lease Receivable

In June 2017, the GASB issued statement no 87, *Leases*. The standard requires the recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that were previously classified as operating leases and as inflows of resources or outflows of resources recognized based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principal that leases are financings of the right to use the underlying asset. Under this standard, a lease is required to recognize a liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources. The District adopted the requirements of the guidance effective January 1, 2022 and has applied the provisions of this standard to the beginning of the period of adoption.

Accounting Principles - SBITA

In May 2020, the GASB issued GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA)*. This standard requires the recognition of a right-to-use subscription, an intangible asset, and a corresponding liability. A subscription liability is recognized at the commencement of the subscription term, which is when the subscription asset is placed into service. The subscription liability is initially measured at present value of subscription payments expected to be made during the subscription term. Future payments are discounted using the interest rate that the SBITA vendor charges the government, which may be implicit, or the County's incremental borrowing rate if the interest rate is not readily determinable. Amortization of the discount is recognized as an outflow of resources in subsequent reporting periods. The asset is measured as the sum of the initial liability, payments made to the vendor before commencement of the subscription term, and capitalizable implementation costs, less any incentives received. Amortization of the asset is recognized as an outflow of resources over the subscription term. The District currently has no arrangements that require application of this standard.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

December 31, 2023

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Property Taxes

Property taxes are assessed on property located within the District's boundaries in accordance with Colorado law. The taxes are assessed, allocated and collected by the Pueblo County Treasurer. Taxes assessed in the current year are generally collected in the following year and thus, the property tax receivable is offset by deferred inflows of resources. Taxes are payable in two equal payments due before the last day of February and the 15th date of June or in one full payment before the last day of April.

Interfund Transactions

Transactions between funds that would be treated as revenues, expenditures, or expenses if they involved organizations external to the District are accounted for as revenues, expenditures, or expenses in the funds involved. Transactions which constitute reimbursements of a fund for expenditures initially made from that fund which are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures or expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of the expenditure or expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. At year end, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds". Interfund balances are generally expected to be repaid within one year of the financial statement date.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories in the water, sewer and golf funds consist of supplies held for consumption. Consumable supply inventories are reported at the lower of cost or fair value and cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories in the general and property management funds consist of real estate held for resale. Land held for resale is reported at the lower of cost or fair value, fair value determined as estimated net realizable value.

Prepaid items/expenses represent payments made for expenditures/expenses to be charged to a future accounting period.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, equipment, infrastructure and construction in progress are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column of the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$1,000 and a useful life of more than one year.

If proprietary fund assets are constructed, net interest expense is capitalized as part of the cost of the asset. No interest expense was capitalized in 2023.

All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of the donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. All reported capital assets are depreciated, except for land and land improvements. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Buildings, systems and improvements | 7 - 40 years |
| Infrastructure | 20 - 40 years |
| Equipment | 3 - 20 years |

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Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets and liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report separate sections for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. A deferred outflow of resources is a consumption of net assets that is applicable to a future period, and a deferred inflow of resources is an acquisition of net assets that is applicable to future reporting periods. Both deferred inflow and deferred outflows are reported in the statement of net position but are not reported as revenue or expenditures until the period(s) to which they relate.

Property tax revenue is considered a deferred inflow of resources in the year the taxes are levied and measurable, and are recognized as an inflow of resources in the period they are collected.

Deferred inflows related to leases have been recorded as of December 31, 2023, which is measured at the value of the lease receivable plus any payments received at or before the commencement of the lease term that relates to future periods.

Compensated Absences

District employees are entitled to certain compensated absences based on their length of employment. Vacation benefits generally vest after one year of service and sick pay vests after 10 years of continued service. It is the District's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. Employees are allowed to accumulate these benefits up to predetermined maximums and are compensated for these accumulated benefits either through paid time off or at termination or retirement.

Accumulated vacation and sick leave are accrued when earned in the government-wide and the proprietary fund financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in the governmental funds only if they have matured and are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements for the proprietary funds, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position.

Net Position

In the government-wide financial statements net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. It is divided into three components. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by any outstanding borrowing used for the acquisition or construction of improvements of those assets. Restricted net position is presented to reflect any restrictions imposed on its use by enabling legislation, restrictions imposed by grantors, laws or regulations of other governments. All other amounts are reported as unrestricted net position.

The District first applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Fund Balances

The District presents fund balances in clearly defined categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balances more transparent. In the fund financial statements the following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints.

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Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Fund Balances (Continued)

- *Non-spendable fund balance* - The portion of fund balance that cannot be spent because it is either not in spendable form (such as inventory) or is legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- *Restricted fund balance* - The portion of fund balance constrained to being used for a specific purpose by external parties (such as grantors or bondholders), constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- *Committed fund balance* - The portion of fund balance constrained for a specific purpose according to limitations imposed by the District's highest level of decision making authority, Board of Directors, prior to the end of the current year. The constraint may be removed or changed only through formal action of the Board of Directors.
- *Assigned fund balance* - The portion of fund balance set aside for planned or intended purposes. The intended use may be expressed by the Board of Directors or other individuals authorized to assign funds to be used for a specific purpose.
- *Unassigned fund balance* - The residual portion of fund balance that does not meet any of the above criteria. The District will only report a positive unassigned fund balance in the General Fund.

If both restricted and unrestricted amounts of fund balance are available for use when an expenditure is incurred, it is the District's policy to use restricted amounts first. Unrestricted fund balance will be used in the following order; committed, assigned and unassigned.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Note 2 - Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability

Budgetary Information

An annual budget and appropriation ordinance is adopted by the Board of Directors in accordance with Colorado State Budget Act. The budget is prepared using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Budgets are established for all funds. Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control device during the year to monitor the individual departments. The fund level is the level of classification at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations. Authorization to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund and reallocation of budget line items within the general fund rests with the district manager or department heads. Revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the Board of Directors. All annual appropriations lapse at year end. The District does not recognize encumbrances.

Expenditures in Excess of Budget Amounts

During 2023, one proprietary fund had expenditures which exceeded budgeted amounts. These circumstances may constitute a violation of Colorado Local Government Budget Law.

| | <u>Actual</u> | | <u>Budget</u> | | <u>Excess</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------|----|---------------|----|---------------|
| Property Management Fund | \$ 12,250 | \$ | 6,000 | \$ | (6,250) |

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Note 2 - Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability (Continued)

Tax, Spending, and Debt Limitations

Colorado voters passed an amendment to the State Constitution, Article X, Section 20, which has several limitation, including revenue raising, spending abilities, and other specific requirements of state and local governments. The amendment is complex and subject to judicial interpretation. The District believes it is in compliance with the amendment. However, the District has made certain interpretations of the Amendment's language in order to determine it compliance.

On November 2, 2021, District voters passed a referendum regarding the revenue and spending limits imposed by Article X, section 20 of the Colorado constitution. Effective in 2020, the referendum allows the District, without increasing or adding any taxes of any kind, to collect, retain, and expend all revenues and other funds collected during 2020 and thereafter.

Commitments and Contingencies

The bond resolution for the 2020 Water & Wastewater Enterprise Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds discussed in Note 10 contains a reserve requirement whereby the District is obligated to establish cash reserve fund equal to the highest annual combined principal and interest payment due on the bond, which is the 2040 payment of \$261,404.

Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, property and casualty, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and health claims. Risk of loss from torts, errors and omissions, and property and casualty are covered by the District's participation in the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool which is a separate and independent governmental public entity risk pool formed through an intergovernmental agreement by member special districts to provide defined liability and property coverage. The membership agreement provides that the pool be self sustaining through member premiums and reinsure with commercial companies for claims in excess of \$300,000. For general, auto and public official's liability coverage, the pool is self-insured for the first \$600,000 per occurrence.

The District purchases workers' compensation coverage through the Colorado Special Districts Association Workers Compensation Pool which is a separate and independent governmental public entity risk pool formed through an intergovernmental agreement by member special districts to provide defined workers' compensation coverage. The membership agreement provides that the pool be self-sustaining through member premiums and reinsure with commercial companies for claims in excess of \$500,000.

Employee health claims are covered by commercial insurance. The District's share of the cost is charged to each general fund department or fund, as applicable.

In addition, settlement claims for each of the last three years did not exceed insurance coverage amounts in areas where commercial insurance is used to cover the risk of loss.

Risks and Uncertainties

In March 2020, the COVID-19 virus was declared a global pandemic as it continued to spread rapidly. Business continuity, including supply chains and consumer demand across a broad range of industries and countries, was severely impacted for months and may continue to impact the economy. Management has been carefully monitoring the situation and evaluating its options during this time. No adjustments have been made to these financial statements as a result of this uncertainty.

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Note 3 - Cash Deposits and Investments

Deposits

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act, (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. State regulators determine eligibility. 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 is to be maintained by another institution, or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be equal to 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits. As of December 31, 2023, the District had deposits over \$250,000 in the amount of \$2,184,417. These deposits are required to be collateralized under State Statutes.

Custodial Credit Risk. There is a risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned. The District's policy for custodial credit risk parallels Colorado statutes.

A summary of cash and deposits held at year-end follows:

| <u>Cash and Deposits</u> | <u>Carrying Amounts</u> | <u>Less Than One Year</u> | <u>Less Than Five Years</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Deposits: | | | |
| Cash on hand | \$ 150 | \$ 150 | \$ - |
| Cash on deposit with County Treasurer | 4,868 | 4,868 | - |
| Demand deposits | 2,435,418 | 2,435,418 | - |
| Investments: | | | |
| Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust (CSAFE) | 343,094 | 343,094 | - |
| Total | <u>\$ 2,783,530</u> | <u>\$ 2,783,530</u> | <u>\$ -</u> |

Investments

Colorado statutes specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local government entities may invest. The law outlines the types of securities that public entities in Colorado may acquire and hold as investments. These include U.S. government agency securities, certain bonds of political subdivisions, bankers' acceptances, commercial paper, local government investment pools, repurchase agreements, money market funds, negotiable certificates of deposit fully covered by FDIC Insurance and guaranteed insurance contracts. The statute also includes a provision limiting any investment to a five year maturity unless the governing body authorizes a longer period.

The District has invested \$343,094 in Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust (CSAFE) an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado to pool surplus funds. CSAFE operates similarly to a money market fund and each share is equal in value to \$1. U.S. Bank is the designated custodial bank that provides safekeeping and depository services to CSAFE and in connection with the direct investment and withdrawal functions of CSAFE. Substantially all securities owned by both entities are held by the Federal Reserve Bank in the account maintained for the custodial bank. The custodian's internal records identify the investments owned by CSAFE.

The District categorizes its fair value measurement of its investments based on the hierarchy established by general accepted accounting principles. The fair value hierarchy, which has three levels, is based on the valuation inputs used to measure an asset's fair value. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets. Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The District does not have any investments that are measured using Level 3 inputs.

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Note 3 - Cash Deposits and Investments (Continued)

- The District's investment in CSAFE are reported at fair value. However, this investment is not subject to the fair value hierarchy.

Interest Rate Risk - The District's policy of limiting investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates parallels Colorado statutes. Specifically, all securities are limited to a maximum maturity of five years from date of purchase unless the governing body authorizes a longer period.

Credit Risk - The District does not have a policy which would further limit its investment choices beyond the requirements of Colorado statutes. As of December 31, 2023 the District's investment in CSAFE rates AAAMmf by Fitch Ratings.

Note 4 - Receivables

Accounts receivable at December 31, 2023 consist of the following:

| | <u>Governmental</u> | <u>Business-Type Activities</u> | | | <u>Total</u> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Activities</u> | <u>Water Fund</u> | <u>Sewer Fund</u> | <u>Golf Fund</u> | |
| Property taxes | \$ 828,587 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 828,587 |
| Grants | 111,916 | - | - | - | 111,916 |
| Leases | - | 969,952 | - | 36,674 | 1,006,626 |
| Trade receivables | 5,909 | 626,275 | 332,847 | - | 965,031 |
| Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts | - | (160,810) | (104,903) | - | (265,713) |
| Total Receivables | \$ 946,412 | \$ 1,435,417 | \$ 227,944 | \$ 36,674 | \$ 2,646,447 |

Note 5 - Internal Balance

The District reports interfund balances between some of its funds. Balances result from the time lag between the dates when interfund goods or services are provided, transactions are recorded in the accounting system and the payments between funds are made, or resources held in one fund on behalf of another fund. Interfund balances are generally expected to be repaid within one year of the financial statement date.

The following interfund receivables and payables are included in the fund financial statements:

| | <u>Due From</u> | <u>Due to</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Other Funds</u> | <u>Other Funds</u> |
| General Fund | \$ - | \$ 1,542,926 |
| Proprietary Funds | | |
| Water Fund | 79,623 | - |
| Sewer Fund | 993,652 | - |
| Golf Fund | 176,169 | - |
| Property management fund | 293,482 | - |
| Totals | \$ 1,542,926 | \$ 1,542,926 |

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Note 6 - Leases

The District, acting as lessor, leases water rights. The lease expires October 31, 2036. The District also leases the restaurant facilities at the Golf Course. The lease is for sixty months and will expire on January 31, 2026. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the District recognized \$59,547 and \$31,173 in lease revenue and interest revenue, respectively, pursuant to the contracts.

The leases provide for future increases to minimum annual rental payments based on formulas outlined in the contracts.

Total future minimum lease payments to be received under the lease agreements are as follows:

| <u>Year Ending December 31</u> | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 2024 | \$ 62,952 | \$ 29,340 | \$ 92,292 |
| 2025 | 66,620 | 27,402 | 94,022 |
| 2026 | 51,005 | 25,592 | 76,597 |
| 2027 | 50,915 | 24,085 | 75,000 |
| 2028 | 77,810 | 22,190 | 100,000 |
| 2029 - 2033 | 426,023 | 73,977 | 500,000 |
| 2034 - 2036 | 271,301 | 12,032 | 283,333 |
| Totals | <u>\$ 1,006,626</u> | <u>\$ 214,618</u> | <u>\$ 1,221,244</u> |

Note 7 - Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2023, was as follows:

| Governmental Activities | Balances January 1 | Additions | Deletions | Balances December 31 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Non Depreciable Assets | | | | |
| Land | \$ 5,334,893 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 5,334,893 |
| Assets in progress | 103,235 | 11,600 | - | 114,835 |
| Total Non Depreciable Assets | <u>5,438,128</u> | <u>11,600</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>5,449,728</u> |
| Depreciable Assets | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements | 2,273,687 | 72,349 | - | 2,346,036 |
| Machinery and equipment | 1,019,109 | 17,838 | - | 1,036,947 |
| Infrastructure | 422,790 | - | - | 422,790 |
| Leased assets | 13,605 | - | - | 13,605 |
| Total Depreciable Assets | <u>3,729,191</u> | <u>90,187</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>3,819,378</u> |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements | 1,877,596 | 67,951 | - | 1,945,547 |
| Machinery and equipment | 826,713 | 29,623 | - | 856,336 |
| Infrastructure | 386,127 | 2,782 | - | 388,909 |
| Leased assets | 9,396 | 2,938 | - | 12,334 |
| Total Accumulated Depreciation | <u>3,099,832</u> | <u>103,294</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>3,203,126</u> |
| Total Capital Assets, Net | <u>\$ 6,067,487</u> | <u>\$ (1,507)</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 6,065,980</u> |

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Note 7 - Capital Assets (Continued)

| Proprietary Funds | Balances January 1 | Additions | Deletions | Balances December 31 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Non Depreciable Assets | | | | |
| Land | \$ 1,276,384 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 1,276,384 |
| Water rights | 358,407 | - | - | 358,407 |
| Assets in progress | <u>1,955,775</u> | <u>1,051,005</u> | - | <u>3,006,780</u> |
| Total Non Depreciable Assets | <u>3,590,566</u> | <u>1,051,005</u> | - | <u>4,641,571</u> |
| Depreciable Assets | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements | 18,582,510 | - | - | 18,582,510 |
| Machinery and equipment | 3,235,583 | 26,697 | - | 3,262,280 |
| Augmentation plans | 204,707 | - | - | 204,707 |
| Infrastructure | <u>2,368,347</u> | <u>95,834</u> | - | <u>2,464,181</u> |
| Total Depreciable Assets | <u>24,391,147</u> | <u>122,531</u> | - | <u>24,513,678</u> |
| Less Accumulated Depreciation | | | | |
| Buildings and improvements | 12,269,383 | 394,802 | - | 12,664,185 |
| Machinery and equipment | 2,189,287 | 157,164 | - | 2,346,451 |
| Augmentation plans | 204,707 | - | - | 204,707 |
| Infrastructure | <u>1,274,930</u> | <u>90,519</u> | - | <u>1,365,449</u> |
| Total Accumulated Depreciation | <u>15,938,307</u> | <u>642,485</u> | - | <u>16,580,792</u> |
| Total Capital Assets, Net | <u>\$ 12,043,406</u> | <u>\$ 531,051</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 12,574,457</u> |

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Governmental Activities: | |
| Administration | \$ 7,510 |
| Parks and recreation | 67,706 |
| Swimming pool | 9,919 |
| Roads | <u>18,159</u> |
| Total - Governmental Activities | <u>\$ 103,294</u> |
| Proprietary Funds: | |
| Water Fund | \$ 406,942 |
| Sewer Fund | 194,693 |
| Golf Fund | <u>40,850</u> |
| Total Proprietary Funds | <u>\$ 642,485</u> |

At December 31, 2023, the District's general fund had one project in progress related to the master plan for the trail system for the Greenhorn Valley floor through the metro district as well as surrounding Lake Beckwith. The water fund had six construction projects in progress. The first project consists of engineering and related costs (\$71,383) for the construction of Reservoir #2. The second project consists of engineering and related costs (\$36,058) for the reconstruction of the Hicklin diversion gate. The third project consists of engineering and related costs (\$160,409) for the Lake Beckwith dam outlet works. The fourth project consists of the purchase and related costs (\$143,858) for the third phase of the District-wide water meter replacement process. The fifth project consists of costs (\$113,158) for a pretreatment system of the water system. The sixth project consists of planning, engineering, and constructions costs (\$2,481,915) for the water system infrastructure. No estimate of cost to complete or time for completion for these projects is presently known.

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Note 8 - Employee Benefits

The District maintains a money-purchase, defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees. The plan is titled "The Colorado City Metro District Money Purchase Pension Plan & Trust" and was established under Internal Revenue Code Section 414(h) as amended. The District has retained a third-party administrator to administer the plan and employees become eligible participants three months after their employment date. Each employee must contribute at least 3% of compensation and the District is required to contribute 6% of each eligible participant's compensation. Compensation is defined as W-2 compensation less bonuses and overtime. During 2023 employees contributed \$21,103 to the plan and the Districts' required contribution to the plan was \$42,206.

Note 9 - Deferred Compensation Plan

In conjunction with the above described plan, the District also maintains an Internal Revenue Code Section 457 plan which provides for employee contributions only. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the employees contributed \$10,250 to the plan.

Note 10 - Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of the District's long-term liability transactions for the year ended December 31, 2023:

| | Debt Outstanding January 1 | Additions | Retirements and Repayments | Debt Outstanding December 31 | Due Within One Year |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------|---|---|--------------------------------|
| Governmental activities: | | | | | |
| Notes payable and other | \$ 28,622 | \$ - | \$ 18,912 | \$ 9,710 | \$ 9,710 |
| Leases | 4,209 | - | 2,938 | 1,271 | 880 |
| Compensated absences | 8,852 | 2,132 | - | 10,984 | - |
| Totals | \$ 41,683 | \$ 2,132 | \$ 21,850 | \$ 21,965 | \$ 10,590 |
| Proprietary Funds: | | | | | |
| Bonds payable: | | | | | |
| Water Fund | \$ 2,858,258 | \$ - | \$ 73,105 | \$ 2,785,153 | \$ 75,583 |
| Sewer Fund | 504,398 | - | 12,900 | 491,498 | 13,338 |
| Notes payable: | | | | | |
| Sewer Fund | 225,204 | - | 109,856 | 115,348 | 115,349 |
| Compensated absences | 37,947 | - | 104 | 37,843 | - |
| Totals | \$ 3,625,807 | \$ - | \$ 195,965 | \$ 3,429,842 | \$ 204,270 |

Notes payable and other obligations outstanding as of December 31, 2023, consisted of the following:

Governmental Activities

NBH Bank

One motor grader, bi-annual payments of \$9,884.45 for five years, with an effective rate of 3.58%.

\$ 9,710

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Note 10 - Long-Term Liabilities (Continued)

Future years repayment schedule:

| <u>Year Ending December 31</u> | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 2024 | \$ 9,710 | \$ 174 | \$ 9,884 |

Leases

The District has entered into two lease agreements for the use of office equipment. The lease terms vary between four and five years and include interest at the rate of 3%. Lease payment obligations to maturity for the existing obligations as follows:

| <u>Year Ending December 31</u> | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2024 | \$ 880 | \$ 7 | \$ 887 |
| 2025 | 391 | 5 | 396 |
| | <u>\$ 1,271</u> | <u>\$ 12</u> | <u>\$ 1,283</u> |

Proprietary Funds

Bonds Payable

\$3,526,301 Water and Wastewater Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds - Series 2020, interest rate of 3.39% per annum, interest and principal due in annual installments starting in February 2021 ranging from \$200,000 to \$261,404 through February 2040, collateralized by service revenues of the water and sewer funds, debt serviced 85% by the water fund and 15% by the sewer fund. \$ 3,276,651

Notes payable

\$1,878,538 note payable to Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority, interest rate of 3.26%, due in semi-annual installments including interest ranging from \$46,783 to \$58,578 through August 2024, collateralized by service revenues of the sewer fund. 115,348

Total - Proprietary Funds \$ 3,391,999

The annual requirements to retire proprietary funds long-term liabilities as of December 31, 2023 are as follows:

| <u>Year Ending December 31</u> | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Bonds Payable Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 2024 | \$ 88,922 | \$ 111,078 | \$ 200,000 |
| 2025 | 153,340 | 108,064 | 261,404 |
| 2026 | 158,538 | 102,866 | 261,404 |
| 2027 | 163,913 | 97,491 | 261,404 |
| 2028 | 169,469 | 91,935 | 261,404 |
| 2029 - 2033 | 937,518 | 369,503 | 1,307,021 |
| 2034 - 2038 | 1,107,573 | 199,448 | 1,307,021 |
| 2039 - 2040 | 497,378 | 25,432 | 522,810 |
| | <u>\$ 3,276,651</u> | <u>\$ 1,105,817</u> | <u>\$ 4,382,468</u> |

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Note 10 - Long-Term Liabilities (Continued)

The annual requirements to retire proprietary funds long-term liabilities as of December 31, 2023 are as follows:

| <u>Year Ending December 31</u> | <u>Notes Payable</u> | | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | |
| 2024 | \$ 115,348 | \$ - | \$ 115,348 |

| <u>Year Ending December 31</u> | <u>Total - Proprietary Funds</u> | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
| 2024 | \$ 204,270 | \$ 111,078 | \$ 315,348 |
| 2025 | 153,340 | 108,064 | 261,404 |
| 2026 | 158,538 | 102,866 | 261,404 |
| 2027 | 163,913 | 97,491 | 261,404 |
| 2028 | 169,469 | 91,935 | 261,404 |
| 2029 - 2033 | 937,518 | 369,503 | 1,307,021 |
| 2034 - 2038 | 1,107,573 | 199,448 | 1,307,021 |
| 2039 - 2040 | 497,378 | 25,432 | 522,810 |
| | <u>\$ 3,391,999</u> | <u>\$ 1,105,817</u> | <u>\$ 4,497,816</u> |

Note 11 - Net Position and Fund Balance Classifications

The specific purposes for each Net Position classification on the Statement of Financial Position are detailed in the table below:

| <u>Funds</u> | <u>Investment in Capital Assets</u> | <u>Restricted</u> | <u>Unrestricted</u> | <u>Totals</u> |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| General Fund | \$ 6,054,119 | \$ 114,296 | \$ 1,111,528 | \$ 7,279,943 |
| Water Fund | 5,558,167 | 393,756 | 409,519 | 6,361,442 |
| Sewer Fund | 2,268,462 | 69,490 | 1,177,754 | 3,515,706 |
| Golf Fund | 1,355,828 | - | 186,315 | 1,542,143 |
| Property Management Fund | - | - | 755,602 | 755,602 |
| | <u>\$ 15,236,576</u> | <u>\$ 577,542</u> | <u>\$ 3,640,718</u> | <u>\$ 19,454,836</u> |

The specific purposes for each fund balance classification on the balance sheet are detailed in the table below:

| <u>Funds</u> | <u>Fund Balances</u> | | | | | <u>Totals</u> |
|--------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | <u>Nonspendable</u> | | <u>Restricted</u> | | | |
| | <u>Prepays</u> | <u>Inventories</u> | <u>Tabor</u> | <u>Conservation Trust Fund</u> | <u>Unassigned</u> | |
| General | \$ 15,648 | \$ 360,311 | \$ 24,900 | \$ 89,396 | \$ 745,789 | \$ 1,236,044 |

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023**

| | Budgeted Amounts | | Actual Expenditures | Variance with Final Budget |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Original | Final | | Positive (Negative) |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Taxes | \$ 552,462 | \$ 552,462 | \$ 601,047 | \$ 48,585 |
| Charges for services | 147,973 | 147,973 | 150,864 | 2,891 |
| State sources | 210,000 | 210,000 | 157,974 | (52,026) |
| Investment revenue | 8,509 | 8,509 | 21,564 | 13,055 |
| Other | 146,425 | 146,425 | 16,608 | (129,817) |
| Total Revenues | 1,065,369 | 1,065,369 | 948,057 | (117,312) |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Current - | | | | |
| Administration | 302,140 | 302,140 | 314,942 | (12,802) |
| Recreation center | 20,413 | 20,413 | 22,225 | (1,812) |
| Swimming pool operations | 88,834 | 88,834 | 84,041 | 4,793 |
| Parks and recreation | 174,805 | 174,805 | 194,718 | (19,913) |
| Roads | 45,906 | 45,906 | 41,558 | 4,348 |
| Debt service | | | | |
| Principal | 18,912 | 18,912 | 18,912 | - |
| Interest | 857 | 857 | 857 | - |
| Capital outlay | 400,493 | 400,493 | 155,287 | 245,206 |
| Total Expenditures | 1,052,360 | 1,052,360 | 832,540 | 219,820 |
| Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | | | | |
| | 13,009 | 13,009 | 115,517 | 102,508 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | 14,536 | 14,536 | 1,120,527 | 1,105,991 |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ 27,545 | \$ 27,545 | \$ 1,236,044 | \$ 1,208,499 |

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

December 31, 2023

The District adheres to the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the budgetary comparison schedule.

Prior to October 15, the district manager submits a proposed budget to the Board of Directors for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. Public hearings are conducted by the Board of Directors to obtain taxpayer comments. The District adopts budgets for all funds, and all funds, including proprietary funds, use the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting in preparing the budgets.

Expenditure estimates in the annual budgets are enacted into law through the passage of an appropriation resolution. Authorization to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund and reallocation of budget line items within the general fund rests with the district manager or department heads. The Board of Directors may amend the original adopted budget during the year by passing a new resolution to reflected current needs.

The legal level of budgetary control for all funds is at the total fund level. This is to say, total expenditures in each fund cannot legally exceed appropriations for that fund.

Unused appropriations for all of the annually budgeted funds lapse at the end of the year. Therefore, encumbrances are not presented as a reservation of fund balance and the District appropriates funds in the subsequent year to honor these commitments.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
WATER FUND
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023

| | Budgeted Amounts | | Actual | Variance with |
|---|------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Original | Final | Budgetary | Final Budget |
| | | | Basis | Positive |
| | | | | (Negative) |
| Revenues and Other Financing Sources | | | | |
| Charges for services | \$ 1,289,242 | \$ 1,289,242 | \$ 1,390,564 | \$ 101,322 |
| Other | <u>8,065,500</u> | <u>8,065,500</u> | <u>1,024,557</u> | <u>(7,040,943)</u> |
| Total Revenues and Other | | | | |
| Financing Sources | <u>9,354,742</u> | <u>9,354,742</u> | <u>2,415,121</u> | <u>(6,939,621)</u> |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Personnel costs | 424,983 | 424,983 | 352,760 | 72,223 |
| Operating and maintenance | 705,700 | 705,700 | 950,600 | (244,900) |
| Capital outlay/projects | 8,224,058 | 8,224,058 | 1,093,339 | 7,130,719 |
| Debt service | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>167,861</u> | <u>(167,861)</u> |
| Total Expenditures | <u>9,354,741</u> | <u>9,354,741</u> | <u>2,564,560</u> | <u>6,790,181</u> |
| Net Change in Net Position | <u>\$ 1</u> | <u>\$ 1</u> | <u>\$ (149,439)</u> | <u>\$ (149,440)</u> |
| Revenues on GAAP Basis | | | \$ 2,415,121 | |
| No modifications to budgetary basis | | | <u>-</u> | |
| Revenues on Budgetary Basis | | | <u>\$ 2,415,121</u> | |
| Expenditures on GAAP Basis | | | \$ 1,805,058 | |
| Depreciation | | | (406,942) | |
| Capital expenditures | | | 1,093,339 | |
| Principal paid on debt | | | <u>73,105</u> | |
| Expenditures on Budgetary Basis | | | <u>\$ 2,564,560</u> | |

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
SEWER FUND
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023

| | Budgeted Amounts | | Actual | Variance with |
|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Original | Final | Budgetary | Final Budget |
| | | | Basis | Positive |
| | | | | (Negative) |
| Revenues and Other Financing Sources | | | | |
| Charges for services | \$ 856,000 | \$ 856,000 | \$ 930,304 | \$ 74,304 |
| Other | <u>151,500</u> | <u>151,500</u> | <u>14,654</u> | <u>(136,846)</u> |
| Total Revenues and Other | | | | |
| Financing Sources | <u>1,007,500</u> | <u>1,007,500</u> | <u>944,958</u> | <u>(62,542)</u> |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Personnel costs | 370,274 | 370,274 | 306,124 | 64,150 |
| Operating and maintenance | 375,226 | 375,226 | 263,678 | 111,548 |
| Capital outlay | 140,000 | 140,000 | 24,597 | 115,403 |
| Debt service | <u>122,000</u> | <u>122,000</u> | <u>145,542</u> | <u>(23,542)</u> |
| Total Expenditures | <u>1,007,500</u> | <u>1,007,500</u> | <u>739,941</u> | <u>267,559</u> |
| Net Change in Net Position | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 205,017</u> | <u>\$ 205,017</u> |
| Revenues on GAAP Basis | | | \$ 944,958 | |
| No modifications to budgetary basis | | | <u>-</u> | |
| Revenues on Budgetary Basis | | | <u>\$ 944,958</u> | |
| Expenditures on GAAP Basis | | | \$ 788,836 | |
| Depreciation | | | (194,693) | |
| Capital expenditures | | | 24,597 | |
| Principal paid on debt | | | <u>121,201</u> | |
| Expenditures on Budgetary Basis | | | <u>\$ 739,941</u> | |

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GOLF FUND
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023

| | <u>Budgeted Amounts</u> | | <u>Actual Budgetary Basis</u> | <u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u> |
|---|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| | <u>Original</u> | <u>Final</u> | | |
| Revenues and Other Financing Sources | | | | |
| Charges for services | \$ 522,000 | \$ 522,000 | \$ 491,955 | \$ (30,045) |
| Other | <u>17,700</u> | <u>17,700</u> | <u>74,674</u> | <u>56,974</u> |
| Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources | <u>539,700</u> | <u>539,700</u> | <u>566,629</u> | <u>26,929</u> |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Personnel costs | 300,767 | 300,767 | 302,828 | (2,061) |
| Operating and maintenance | 151,938 | 151,938 | 175,222 | (23,284) |
| Capital outlay | 86,995 | 86,995 | 55,600 | 31,395 |
| Debt service | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total Expenditures | <u>539,700</u> | <u>539,700</u> | <u>533,650</u> | <u>6,050</u> |
| Net Change in Net Position | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 32,979</u> | <u>\$ 32,979</u> |
| Revenues on GAAP Basis | | | \$ 566,629 | |
| No modifications to budgetary basis | | | <u>-</u> | |
| Revenues on Budgetary Basis | | | <u>\$ 566,629</u> | |
| Expenditures on GAAP Basis | | | \$ 518,900 | |
| Depreciation | | | (40,850) | |
| Capital expenditures | | | 55,600 | |
| Principal paid on debt | | | <u>-</u> | |
| Expenditures on Budgetary Basis | | | <u>\$ 533,650</u> | |

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FUND
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023

| | <u>Budgeted Amounts</u> | | <u>Actual Budgetary Basis</u> | <u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| | <u>Original</u> | <u>Final</u> | | |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Gain on assets sold | \$ 12,000 | \$ 12,000 | \$ 53,150 | \$ 41,150 |
| Donations | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>3,500</u> | <u>3,500</u> |
| Total Revenues | 12,000 | 12,000 | 56,650 | 44,650 |
| Expenditures | | | | |
| Operating and maintenance | <u>6,000</u> | <u>6,000</u> | <u>12,250</u> | <u>(6,250)</u> |
| Net Change in Net Position | <u>\$ 6,000</u> | <u>\$ 6,000</u> | <u>\$ 44,400</u> | <u>\$ 34,900</u> |

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF CONSERVATION TRUST FUND ASSETS AND FUND BALANCE
December 31, 2023**

| | | |
|---|---|--------------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 89,396 |
| Due from State | | <u>111,916</u> |
| | Total Assets | \$ <u>201,312</u> |
| Liabilities | | |
| Due to other funds | \$ | 111,916 |
| Fund Balance | | |
| Restricted | | |
| Parks, recreation and conservation projects | | <u>89,396</u> |
| | Total Liabilities and Fund Balance | \$ <u>201,312</u> |

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF CONSERVATION TRUST FUND REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023**

| | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Revenues | | |
| Intergovernmental | \$ | 127,974 |
| Investment earnings | | <u>16</u> |
| | Total Revenues | <u>127,990</u> |
| Expenditures | | |
| Current- | | |
| Parks, recreation and conservation projects | | <u>112,190</u> |
| | Total Expenditures | <u>112,190</u> |
| | Net Change in Fund Balance | 15,800 |
| Fund Balance - January 1 | | <u>73,596</u> |
| Fund Balance - December 31 | \$ | <u>89,396</u> |

COMPLIANCE SECTION

**COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
YEAR ENDED December 31, 2023**

| | Federal CFDA <u>Number</u> | Federal <u>Expenditures</u> |
|---|---|--|
| <u>Department of the Treasury</u> | | |
| Passed Through Pueblo County | | |
| Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds | 21.027 | \$ 919,322 |
| Total Passed Through Pueblo County | | <u>919,322</u> |
| Total Expenditures of Federal Awards | | <u>\$ 919,322</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

For the year ended December 31, 2023

NOTE A - BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Colorado City Metropolitan District under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2023. The information in the Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the District.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance and /or OMB Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments*, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE C - INDIRECT COSTS

The District has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE D - RISK BASED AUDIT APPROACH

The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs is \$750,000. The District does not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

**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***

January 31, 2025

Board of Directors
Colorado City Metropolitan District
Colorado City, Colorado

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 of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Colorado City Metropolitan District (the District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 31, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District’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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2023-001 and 2023-002 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from 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 financial statements. 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*.

Colorado City Metropolitan District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 District'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.

Arron, Ron | DeNardo, Inc.

**Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Program and on
Internal Control Over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**

January 31, 2025

Board of Directors
Colorado City Metropolitan District
Colorado City, Colorado

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Colorado City Metropolitan District's (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing and audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain and understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Harren, Ross & DeNardo, LLC

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

For the year ended December 31, 2023

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? x yes no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? yes x no

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? yes x no

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? yes x no
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? yes x no

Type of auditor's reported issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? yes x no

The programs tested as major programs were:

| <u>CFDA Number(s)</u> | <u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u> |
|-----------------------|---|
| 21.027 | Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds |

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$ 750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? yes x no

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

MATERIAL WEAKNESS

2023-001 General Ledger Controls

Condition and Context:

Required reporting with the Federal Audit Clearinghouse and State Auditor were delinquent.

Criteria:

The lack of year end preparation delayed the start of the audit which resulted in the filing of required reports not being done in a timely manner.

Cause:

Reconciliation and review of key financial statement accounts were not completed on a monthly basis which causes errors in the monthly financial statements and ultimately delayed the audit process at year end.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (Continued)

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

For the year ended December 31, 2023

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS (Continued)

2023-001 General Ledger Controls

Effect:

The delay in updating the accounting information did not allow the audit process to begin until after the required reporting due dates had passed.

Recommendation:

Implementing procedures to ensure that monthly processes are completed timely which will aid in year end preparation not being delayed.

Response:

The District will review procedures and, if needed, implement new procedures to ensure timely reporting.

2023-002 General Ledger Controls

(Repeat Finding 2022-001)

Condition and Context:

The accounting functions of the District should be completed on a timely basis.

Criteria:

Reconciliations of all key accounts should be prepared, working paper or other supporting documentation maintained, and any adjusting entries posted on a timely basis.

Cause:

Reconciliation and review of key financial statement accounts were not completed on a monthly basis which causes some errors in the monthly financial statements.

Effect:

In the event of discrepancies, the delay in updating the accounting information does not allow postings, reconciliations and other inquiries to occur on a timely basis.

Recommendation:

The District should continue to work on their processes to ensure key financial statement accounts are reconciled and reviewed on a monthly basis.

Response:

The District will continue to review procedures to ensure key financial statement accounts are reconciled and reviewed on a monthly basis.

SECTION III - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS-MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

None

SECTION IV - PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

None