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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29 Harris County, Texas

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29 (the "District"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

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

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Board of Commissioners Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and major fund of the District as of December 31, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund, the Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios and the Schedule of District Contributions be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. 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.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The supplementary information required by Harris County and the other supplementary information 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 supplementary information, excluding that portion marked "Unaudited" on which we express no opinion or provide any assurance, 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.

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Houston, Texas

July 23, 2020

Management's discussion and analysis of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29's (the "District") financial performance provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

#### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The basic financial statements include: (1) fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements and (2) notes to the financial statements. The fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements combine both: (1) the Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and (2) the Statement of Activities and Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance. This report also includes required and other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The District's annual report includes two financial statements combining the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements. The government-wide financial statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the District's overall status. Financial reporting at this level uses a perspective like that found in the private sector with its basis in full accrual accounting and elimination or reclassification of internal activities.

The Statement of Net Position includes all the District's assets, liabilities and, if applicable, deferred inflows and outflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District as a whole is improving or deteriorating. Evaluation of the overall health of the District would extend to other non-financial factors.

The Statement of Activities reports how the District's net position changed during the current fiscal year. All current year revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash is received or paid.

#### **FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The combined statements also include fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District has one governmental fund type. The General Fund accounts for resources not accounted for in another fund, property tax revenues, sales tax receipts, costs of assessing and collecting taxes and general expenditures.

#### FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Governmental funds are reported in each of the financial statements. The focus in the fund financial statements provides a distinctive view of the District's governmental funds. These statements report short-term fiscal accountability focusing on the use of spendable resources and balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. They are useful in evaluating annual financing requirements of the District and the commitment of spendable resources for the near-term.

Since the government-wide focus includes the long-term view, comparisons between these two perspectives may provide insight into the long-term impact of short-term financing decisions. The adjustments columns, the Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position, and the Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities explain the differences between the two presentations and assist in understanding the differences between these two perspectives.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying notes to the financial statements provide information essential to a full understanding of the government-wide and fund financial statements.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

In addition to the financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information ("RSI"). The budgetary comparison schedule is included as RSI for the General Fund.

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position. In the case of the District, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$10,921,988 as of December 31, 2019.

A portion of the District's net position reflects its net investment in capital assets (land, buildings, emergency vehicles, trucks, furniture and equipment less any debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding). The District uses these assets to provide firefighting and fire prevention services within the District.

The following is a comparative analysis of government-wide changes in net position:

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (Continued)

	Summary of Changes in the Statement of Net Position							
	2019	Change Positive (Negative)						
Current and Other Assets	\$ 9,210,179	\$ 12,061,014	\$ (2,850,835)					
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	11,806,063	7,236,903	4,569,160					
Total Assets	\$ 21,016,242	\$ 19,297,917	\$ 1,718,325					
Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ 106,864	\$ 170,812	\$ (63,948)					
Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 4,870,860	\$ 6,367,941	\$ 1,497,081					
Other Liabilities	2,232,845	1,111,013	(1,121,832)					
Total Liabilities	\$ 7,103,705	\$ 7,478,954	\$ 375,249					
Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 3,097,413	\$ 2,933,796	\$ (163,617)					
Net Position:								
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 5,841,420	\$ 4,433,135	\$ 1,408,285					
Unrestricted	5,080,568	4,622,844	457,724					
Total Net Position	\$ 10,921,988	\$ 9,055,979	\$ 1,866,009					

The following table provides a summary of the District's operations for the years ended December 31, 2019, and December 31, 2018.

	Summary of Changes in the Statement of Activities							
	2019 2018					Change Positive (Negative)		
Revenues:								
Property Taxes	\$	2,896,750	\$	2,806,404	\$	90,346		
Sales Tax Receipts		2,946,999		2,455,466		491,533		
Other Revenues		216,235		102,489		113,746		
Total Revenues	\$	6,059,984	\$	5,364,359	\$	695,625		
Expenses for Services		4,193,975		3,461,392		732,583		
Change in Net Position	\$	1,866,009	\$	1,902,967	\$	(36,958)		
Net Position, Beginning of Year		9,055,979		7,153,012		1,902,967		
Net Position, End of Year	\$	10,921,988	\$	9,055,979	\$	1,866,009		

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

The District's fund balance as of December 31, 2019, was \$5,209,853, a decrease of \$3,205,285 from the prior year. This decrease was primarily due to capital outlay.

#### GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Commissioners did not amend the budget during the current year. Actual revenues were \$1,106,908 more than budgeted revenues primarily due to higher than expected sales tax receipts. Actual expenditures were \$4,562,921 more than budgeted expenditures primarily due higher than expected capital outlay.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets as of December 31, 2019, total \$11,806,063 (net of accumulated depreciation) and include land, buildings, emergency vehicles, trucks, furniture and equipment. Capital asset events in the current year included the purchase a drill tower, water softener, control access system and 2019 Tahoe. Construction in progress includes costs related to the extension of utilities, construction and other costs related to the new station on Cutten Road. Deposit on equipment for the construction of a 2020 Pierce Velocity pumper truck.

Capital Assets At Year-End, Net of Accumulated Depreciation

					Change Positive	
		2019	2018		(Negative)	
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:						
Land and Land Improvements	\$	1,299,906	\$ 1,299,906	\$		
Deposit on Equipment		656,586			656,586	
Construction in Progress		4,980,107	868,927		4,111,180	
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated						
Depreciation:						
Buildings and Improvements		2,837,972	2,917,352		(79,380)	
Vehicles and Trucks		1,855,273	2,055,324		(200,051)	
Furniture and Equipment		176,219	 95,394		80,825	
Total Net Capital Assets	\$	11,806,063	\$ 7,236,903	\$	4,569,160	

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in Note 5 of this report.

#### LONG-TERM DEBT ACTIVITY

At the end of the current fiscal year, the District had long-term total debt payable of \$6,367,940. The changes in the debt position of the District during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019, are summarized as follows:

Capital Leases Payable, January 1, 2019	\$ 1,138,163
Less: Principal Paid	 149,476
Capital Leases Payable, December 31, 2019	\$ 988,687
Notes Payable, January 1, 2019	\$ 5,871,324
Less: Principal Paid	492,071
Notes Payable, December 31, 2019	\$ 5,379,253

#### CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29, 12730 Champion Forest Drive, Houston, Texas 77066.

#### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29

### STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2019

	General Fund		Adjustments		Statement of Net Position	
ASSETS	-					
Cash in Banks-Unrestricted	\$	5,404,454	\$		\$	5,404,454
Cash in Banks-Restricted		333,887				333,887
Petty Cash		213				213
Cash with Harris County		707,561				707,561
Receivables:						
Property Taxes		1,878,387				1,878,387
Sales Tax Receipts		524,256				524,256
Penalty and Interest on Delinquent Taxes				46,635		46,635
ESD No. 11				269,152		269,152
Prepaid Costs		45,634				45,634
Land				1,299,906		1,299,906
Deposit on Equipment				656,586		656,586
Construction in Progress				4,980,107		4,980,107
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated						
Depreciation)				4,869,464		4,869,464
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	8,894,392	\$	12,121,850	\$	21,016,242
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred Outflows-Pension Plan	\$	-0-	\$	106,864	\$	106,864
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED						
OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	8,894,392	\$	12,228,714	\$	21,123,106

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2019

	General Fund		Adjustments		Statement of Net Position	
LIABILITIES						
Accounts Payable	\$	314,702	\$		\$	314,702
Accrued Interest Payable				85,581		85,581
Retainage Payable		196,375				196,375
Net Pension Liability				139,107		139,107
Capital Leases Payable:						
Due Within One Year				988,687		988,687
Notes Payable:						
Due Within One Year				508,393		508,393
Due After One Year				4,870,860		4,870,860
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	511,077	\$	6,592,628	\$	7,103,705
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Property Taxes	\$	3,173,462	\$	(78,495)	\$	3,094,967
Deferred Inflows-Pension Plan				2,446		2,446
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	3,173,462	\$	(76,049)	\$	3,097,413
FUND BALANCE						
Nonspendable:						
Prepaid Costs	\$	45,634	\$	(45,634)	\$	
Restricted for Construction		137,512		(137,512)		
Unassigned		5,026,707		(5,026,707)		
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$	5,209,853	\$	(5,209,853)	\$	- 0 -
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS						
OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	8,894,392				
NET POSITION						
Net Investment in Capital Assets			\$	5,841,420	\$	5,841,420
Unrestricted				5,080,568		5,080,568
TOTAL NET POSITION			\$	10,921,988	\$	10,921,988

## HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2019

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ 5,209,853
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position different because:	ı are
Principal and accrued interest on long-term receivables are not due in the cur period and, therefore, are not reported as an asset in the governmental funds.	rrent 269,152
Land, construction in progress and capital assets used in governmental activities not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in governmental funds.	
Portions of the change in net pension liability that are not immediately recogn as pension expense are recorded as deferred outflows and inflows of resources.	nized 104,418
Deferred inflows of resources related to property tax revenues and penalty interest receivable on delinquent taxes for the 2018 and prior tax levies became of recognized revenues in the governmental activities of the District.	
Certain liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. These liabilities at year consist of:  Accrued Interest Payable  Net Pension Liability  (139,1)	-end 581) 107)
Capital Leases Payable Within One Year (988,6 Notes Payable Within One Year (508,3 Notes Payable After One Year (4,870,8	393)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ 10,921,988

## HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	C	1 E 4		1:4		tatement of
REVENUES	<u> </u>	eneral Fund		djustments		Activities
Property Taxes	\$	2,885,925	\$	10,825	\$	2,896,750
Sales Tax Receipts	Ψ	2,946,999	Ψ	10,023	Ψ	2,946,999
Penalty and Interest		33,665		4,179		37,844
Investment Revenues		157,991		.,175		157,991
Miscellaneous Revenues		69,556		(49,156)		20,400
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	6,094,136	\$	(34,152)	\$	6,059,984
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES		_		_		_
Service Operations:						
District Fire Operations	\$	2,888,069	\$	115,511	\$	3,003,580
Administrative, Accounting and Auditing		38,264				38,264
Appraisal District Fees		21,764				21,764
Fire Marshall Services						
Legal - General		47,490				47,490
Legal - Delinquent Tax Collections		9,685				9,685
Other Consulting Fees		40,900				40,900
Sales Tax Consultant		238,844				238,844
Tax Assessor/Collector Fees		14,343		120.265		14,343
Depreciation		5.022		439,367		439,367
Other		5,022		(5,000,527)		5,022
Capital Outlay		5,109,106		(5,008,527)		100,579
Debt Service:		140.476		(140.476)		
Capital Lease Principal Capital Lease Interest		149,476 36,508		(149,476) (4,493)		32,015
Note Principal		492,071		(4,493)		32,013
Note Interest		207,879		(492,071) $(5,757)$		202,122
	Φ.		Φ.		Φ.	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$	9,299,421	\$	(5,105,446)	\$	4,193,975
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$	(3,205,285)	\$	3,205,285	\$	
CHANGE IN NET POSITION				1,866,009		1,866,009
FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2019		8,415,138		640,841		9,055,979
FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION -						
<b>DECEMBER 31, 2019</b>	\$	5,209,853	\$	5,712,135	\$	10,921,988

# HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$ (3,205,285)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report tax revenues when collected. However, in the government-wide financial statements, revenues are recorded in the accounting period for which the taxes are levied.	10,825
Governmental funds report penalty and interest on delinquent property taxes when collected. However, in the government-wide financial statements, revenues are recorded when the penalty and interest are assessed.	4,179
Governmental funds report other participant's share of District debt as miscellaneous revenues. However, in the government-wide financial statements, the principal portion received reduces the receivable and the interest portion reduces interest expense in the Statement of Activities.	(49,156)
The changes in the net pension liability as well as deferred inflows and outflows of resources are recorded in the government-wide financial statements.	(115,511)
Governmental funds do not account for depreciation. However, in the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are depreciated and depreciation expense is recorded in the Statement of Activities.	(439,367)
Governmental funds report capital costs as expenditures in the period purchased. However, in the government-wide financial statements, capital assets are increased by new purchases that meet the District's threshold for capitalization, and are owned and maintained by the District. All other capital assets purchases are expensed in the Statement of Activities.	5,008,527
Governmental funds report principal payments on long-term debt as expenditures. However, in the government-wide financial statements, principal payments decrease long-term liabilities and the Statement of Activities is not affected.	641,547
Governmental funds report interest payments on long-term debt as expenditures in the year paid. However, in the government-wide financial statements, interest is accrued on the long-term debt through fiscal year-end.	10,250
Change in Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$ 1,866,009

#### NOTE 1. CREATION OF DISTRICT

Harris County Rural Fire Prevention District No. 29, located in Harris County, Texas was created as a political subdivision of the State of Texas under the provision of Section 48-d of Article III of the State Constitution in accordance with Title 44, Article 2351a-6 of The Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas. The District was created by order of the Harris County Court of Commissioners and held its first meeting on October 1, 1984. Effective September 1, 2003, Texas Legislature Senate Bill 1021 converted all rural fire prevention districts to emergency services districts and mandated a name change to Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29 (the "District"). The District is responsible for the protection of life and property from fire and for the conservation of natural resources within its boundaries.

Chapter 775 of the Health and Safety Code provides than an emergency services district may provide all or any one of the emergency services included in the code, including fire prevention and firefighting, but is not required to perform all emergency services.

The District is governed by a Board of Commissioners consisting of five individuals residing within the District who are elected by voters within the District. The Board of Commissioners sets the policies of the District.

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB").

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas governed by an elected board. The GASB has established the criteria for determining whether an entity is a primary government or a component unit of a primary government. The primary criteria are that it has a separately elected governing body, it is legally separate, and it is fiscally independent of other state and local governments. Under these criteria, the District is considered a primary government and is not a component unit of any other government. Additionally, no other entities meet the criteria for inclusion in the District's financial statement as component units.

#### Financial Statement Presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards Part II, Financial Reporting ("GASB Codification").

#### **NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

The GASB Codification sets forth standards for external financial reporting for all state and local government entities, which include a requirement for a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. It requires the classification of net position into three components: Net Investment in Capital Assets; Restricted; and Unrestricted. These classifications are defined as follows:

- \* Net Investment in Capital Assets This component of net position consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.
- \* Restricted Net Position This component of net position consists of external constraints placed on the use of assets imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulation of other governments or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- \* Unrestricted Net Position This component of net position consists of assets that do not meet the definition of Restricted or Net Investment in Capital Assets.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, generally it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first.

#### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the District as a whole. The District's Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities are combined with the governmental fund financial statements. The District is viewed as a special-purpose government and has the option of combining these financial statements.

The Statement of Net Position is reported by adjusting the governmental fund types to report on the full accrual basis, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. Any amounts recorded due to and due from other funds are eliminated in the Statement of Net Position.

The Statement of Activities is reported by adjusting the governmental fund types to report only items related to current year revenues and expenditures. Items such as capital outlay are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Internal activities between governmental funds, if any, are eliminated by adjustment to obtain net total revenues and expenses in the government-wide Statement of Activities.

#### **NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

As discussed above, the District's fund financial statements are combined with the government-wide financial statements. The fund financial statements include a Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and a Governmental Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance.

#### Governmental Funds

The District has one governmental fund; therefore, this fund is a major fund.

<u>General Fund</u> - To account for resources not required to be accounted for in another fund, property tax revenues, costs of assessing and collecting taxes and general expenditures.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The District uses the modified accrual basis of accounting for governmental fund types. The modified accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues when both "measurable and available." Measurable means the amount can be determined. Available means collectable within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The District considers revenues reported in governmental funds to be available if they are collectable within 60 days after year-end. Also, under the modified accrual basis of accounting, expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on long-term debt, which are recognized as expenditures when payment is due.

Property taxes considered available by the District and included in revenue include the 2019 tax levy collections during the period October 1, 2018, to December 31, 2019, and taxes collected from January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2019, for all prior tax levies. The 2019 tax levy has been fully deferred to fund 2020 costs.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, buildings and equipment, are reported in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated assets are valued at their fair market value on the date donated. Repairs and maintenance are recorded as an expenditure in the governmental fund incurred and as an expense in the government-wide Statement of Activities. Capital asset additions, improvements and preservation costs that extend the life of an asset are capitalized and depreciated over the estimated useful life of the asset after completion.

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### <u>Capital Assets</u> (Continued)

Capital assets are capitalized if they have an individual cost of \$5,000 or more (including installation costs and professional fees) and an estimated useful life of two years or more. Bunker/turnout gear, hoses, connections and fittings are expensed in the year purchased. Depreciation on trucks and vehicles is calculated using 20 percent to 30 percent salvage value and the declining balance method of depreciation. Depreciation on all other depreciable capital assets is calculated using no salvage value and the straight-line method of depreciation. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

	Years
Buildings and Improvements	30
Furniture and Equipment	2-15
Vehicles	7-15

#### **Budgeting**

An annual unappropriated budget is adopted for the General Fund by the District's Board of Directors. The budget is prepared using the same method of accounting as for financial reporting. The original General Fund budget for the current year was not amended. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – General Fund presents the original and revised budget amounts, if revised, compared to the actual amounts of revenues and expenditures for the current year.

#### Pensions

The District makes payments into the social security system for its employees. See Note 11 for the District's pension plan. The Internal Revenue Service has determined that fees of office received by Commissioners are wages subject to federal income tax withholding for payroll tax purposes only.

#### Measurement Focus

Measurement focus is a term used to describe which transactions are recognized within the various financial statements. In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, the governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows. All assets, liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows of resources associated with the activities are reported. Fund equity is classified as net position.

#### **NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

#### Measurement Focus (Continued)

Governmental fund types are accounted for on a spending or financial flow measurement focus. Accordingly, only current assets and current liabilities are included on the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet, and the reported fund balances provide an indication of available spendable or appropriable resources. Operating statements of governmental fund types report increases and decreases in available spendable resources. Fund balances in governmental funds are classified using the following hierarchy:

*Nonspendable*: amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted*: amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation, or because of constraints that are imposed externally. The District has \$137,512 restricted for the construction of a new fire station on Cutten Road.

Committed: amounts that can be spent only for purposes determined by a formal action of the Board of Commissioners. The Board is the highest level of decision-making authority for the District. This action must be made no later than the end of the fiscal year. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by the Board. The District does not have any committed fund balances.

Assigned: amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed, but that are intended to be used for specific purposes. The District has not adopted a formal policy regarding the assignment of fund balances and does not have any assigned fund balances.

*Unassigned*: all other spendable amounts in the General Fund.

When expenditures are incurred for which restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of restricted funds, then committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds.

#### **Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE 3. TAX LEVY

On May 10, 2008, voters of the District approved to increase the maximum tax rate from \$0.05 to \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation on all taxable property within the District. During the year ended December 31, 2019, the District levied an ad valorem tax at the rate of \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation, which resulted in a tax levy of \$3,094,967 on the adjusted taxable valuation of \$3,094,859,066 for the 2019 tax year.

All property values and exempt status, if any, are determined by the appraisal district. Assessed values are determined as of January 1 of each year, at which time a tax lien attaches to the related property. Taxes are levied around October/November, are due upon receipt and are delinquent the following February 1. Penalty and interest attach thereafter.

#### NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

#### **Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of Texas statutes.

Texas statutes require that any cash balance in any fund shall, to the extent not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor, be continuously secured by a valid pledge to the District of securities eligible under the laws of Texas to secure the funds of the District, having an aggregate market value, including accrued interest, at all times equal to the uninsured cash balance in the fund to which such securities are pledged. At fiscal year-end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$5,738,341 and the bank balance was \$5,745,463. Of the bank balance, \$380,963 was covered by federal depository insurance, the balance was covered by collateral pledged in the name of the District and held in a third-party depository.

The carrying values of the deposits are included in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and the Statement of Net Position at December 31, 2019, as listed below:

 Cash

 GENERAL FUND
 \$ 5,738,341

#### **NOTE 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS** (Continued)

#### Investments

Under Texas law, the District is required to invest its funds under written investment policies that primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity and that address investment diversification, yield, maturity, and the quality and capability of investment management, and all District funds must be invested in accordance with the following investment objectives: understanding the suitability of the investment to the District's financial requirements, first; preservation and safety of principal, second; liquidity, third; marketability of the investments if the need arises to liquidate the investment before maturity, fourth; diversification of the investment portfolio, fifth; and yield, sixth. The District's investments must be made "with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances, that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived." No person may invest District funds without express written authority from the Board of Commissioners.

Texas statutes include specifications for and limitations applicable to the District and its authority to purchase investments as defined in the Public Funds Investment Act. The District has adopted a written investment policy to establish the guidelines by which it may invest. This policy is reviewed annually. The District's investment policy may be more restrictive than the Public Funds Investment Act.

As of December 31, 2019, the District did not own any investments.

#### NOTE 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

	J	anuary 1, 2019		Increases	Г	Decreases	De	ecember 31, 2019
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated								
Land and Land Improvements Deposit on Equipment	\$	1,299,906	\$	656,586	\$	240.761	\$	1,299,906 656,586
Construction in Progress		868,927	_	4,351,941		240,761		4,980,107
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	\$	2,168,833	\$	5,008,527	\$	240,761	\$	6,936,599
Capital Assets Subject to Depreciation								
Buildings and Improvements Vehicles and Trucks	\$	4,545,879 3,150,290	\$	76,665 65,935	\$		\$	4,622,544 3,216,225
Furniture and Equipment		281,679		98,161				379,840
Total Capital Assets Subject to Depreciation	\$	7,977,848	\$	240,761	\$	- 0 -	\$	8,218,609
Less Accumulated Depreciation Buildings and Improvements Vehicles and Trucks	\$	1,628,527 1,094,966	\$	156,045 265,986	\$		\$	1,784,572 1,360,952
Furniture and Equipment  Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$	186,285 2,909,778	\$	17,336 439,367	\$	- 0 -	\$	203,621 3,349,145
Total Depreciable Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$	5,068,070	\$	(198,606)	\$	- 0 -	\$	4,869,464
Total Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$	7,236,903	\$	4,809,921	\$	240,761	\$	11,806,063

#### NOTE 6. CAPITAL LEASES

On September 25, 2013, the District entered into a lease-purchase agreement with Oshkosh Capital for the purchase of two 2013 Pierce Velocity Pumper trucks in the amount of \$1,088,904. The trucks were delivered in July of 2014. Assets under this lease total \$1,130,548. Accumulated amortization/depreciation through December 31, 2019, totaled \$496,079. A lease payment of interest only was due on September 25, 2014. Lease payments and related interest of \$128,322.00 are due annually beginning January 25, 2015 and ending January 25, 2024. The incremental borrowing rate is 3.56%. Subsequent to year-end, on January 27, 2020, the District paid the balance due in full.

On March 1, 2017, the District entered into a lease-purchase agreement with Wells Fargo Bank for \$500,000 toward the purchase a Pierce Dash CF PUC 100' Platform Fire Truck, in the amount of \$963,349. Assets under this lease total \$1,006,035. Accumulated amortization/depreciation through December 31, 2019 totaled \$300,984. Lease payments and related interest of \$57,662.03 are due annually beginning March 1, 2018 and ending March 1, 2027. The incremental borrowing rate is 2.68%. Subsequent to year-end, on January 27, 2020, the District paid the balance due in full.

#### **NOTE 6. CAPITAL LEASES** (Continued)

The following is a summary of transactions regarding capital leases payable for the year ended December 31, 2019:

Capital Leases Payable, January 1, 2019	\$ 1,138,163
Less: Principal Paid	 149,476
Capital Leases Payable, December 31, 2019	\$ 988,687
Capital Leases Payable:	
Due Within One Year	\$ 988,687

The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under the capital leases as of December 31, 2019.

Fiscal Year	F	Principal	Interest		 Total
2020	\$	988,687	\$	48,230	\$ 1,036,917

#### NOTE 7. NOTES PAYABLE

On February 25, 2008, the District entered into a real estate lien note agreement with Wells Fargo Brokerage Services, LLC, in the amount of \$4,000,000 for the construction of the station at 12730 Champions Forest Drive. Construction of the station was completed in June 2009. On August 29, 2013, the District refinanced the balance of \$3,200,000 with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A at an interest rate of 3.0%, until August 1, 2020 (the "Reset Date"), at which time the interest rate shall be adjusted to the Five-Year Treasury Constant Maturity Index, in effect as of the Reset Date, plus 300 basis points (3.00%) and that number shall be multiplied by .652. Payments are due and payable in annual installments of \$345,848 beginning on August 1, 2014, and continuing through to and including August 1, 2020, the Reset Date. After the Reset Date, the four remaining annual payments due August 1, 2021 through August 1, 2024, will be adjusted to reflect the new interest rate. See Note 8 for additional information.

On September 27, 2018, the District entered into a loan agreement with Capital One Public Funding, LLC, in the amount of \$4,000,000 for the construction of the station on Cutten Road. Construction of the station was in progress at year-end. Payments are due and payable in annual installments of \$354,102 beginning September 27, 2019 and continuing through to and including September 27, 2033. The interest rate is 3.774%.

#### **NOTE 7. NOTES PAYABLE** (Continued)

The following is a summary of transactions regarding notes payable for the year ended December 31, 2019:

Notes Payable, January 1, 2019	\$ 5,871,324
Less: Principal Paid	 492,071
Notes Payable, December 31, 2019	\$ 5,379,253
Notes Payable:	
Due Within One Year	\$ 508,393
Due After One Year	 4,870,860
Notes Payable, December 31, 2019	\$ 5,379,253

As of December 31, 2019, the debt service requirements on the note are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$ 508,393	\$ 191,556	\$ 699,949
2021	525,533	174,418	699,951
2022	543,120	156,830	699,950
2023	561,303	138,648	699,951
2024	580,710	119,877	700,587
2025-2029	1,367,964	402,548	1,770,512
2030-2033	1,292,230	124,179	1,416,409
	\$ 5,379,253	\$ 1,308,056	\$ 6,687,309

#### NOTE 8. CONTRACTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

#### Construction, Financing and Cost-Sharing Agreement

On December 19, 2007, the District entered into a Construction, Financing, and Cost Sharing Agreement with Harris County Emergency Services District No. 11 ("ESD No. 11") for ESD No. 11 to obtain a fractional ownership interest (16.8%) of the facility located at 12730 Champion Forest Drive.

#### NOTE 8. CONTRACTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES (Continued)

Construction, Financing and Cost-Sharing Agreement (Continued)

ESD No. 11 will house emergency service equipment and personnel in the station. ESD No. 11 agrees to reimburse the District for 16.8% of the construction costs and interest on the construction loan. The District shall hold legal title to the facilities and the site, subject to the ESD No. 11's 16.8% interest. ESD No. 11 will reimburse the District for monthly operating and maintenance fees for an amount equal to 16.8% of the total monthly operating costs incurred. Unless terminated by mutual agreement of the parties, this agreement shall continue in force and effect for 40 years from the date executed. As of December 31, 2019, \$265,785 was receivable from ESD No. 11 for note principal and \$3,367 for accrued interest. The District bills ESD No. 11 prior to the payments becoming due. See Note 7.

#### Radio Channel Communications Dispatch System

Effective February 1, 2016, the District entered into an Interlocal Agreement for a Combined Radio Channel Communications Dispatch System. Harris County Emergency Services District Nos. 7, 13, 16, 17 and 28 (the "ESD Members"), Ponderosa Volunteer Fire Association, Spring Volunteer Fire Department, Cypress Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Klein Volunteer Fire Department, and Little York Volunteer Fire Department (the "VFD Members"), are parties to the agreement, collectively referred to as Radio Communications Consortium Members. The agreement sets out the understanding regarding the purchase, acquisition and maintenance of the radio channel communications dispatch system for the use and benefit of the Members and the related cost-sharing. The term of the agreement is through December 31, 2019 and will automatically renew every year for one-year terms unless agreed upon otherwise by the Members. The agreement may be terminated by a two-thirds vote by the Members. Any party to this agreement may exit and terminate its obligation under this agreement and remove itself from any further obligations by giving 90 days written notice to the other Members prior to the renewal date.

The combined fire department dispatch channels will be used to dispatch fire, first responder and emergency medical services to the Members. Initially three sites will maintain the three analog channels. The channels will be monitored for integrity in accordance with Insurance Services Organization ("ISO") requirements. Each host department will: allow any and all of their facilities to be used for the term of this agreement; promptly pay for any and all utility costs related to operation of the channels and will not seek reimbursements from other Members for these costs; maintain insurance coverage sufficient to replace, at full replacement value, any and all equipment owned or maintained by the host department, name other parties to this agreement as additional insured on such policies; and maintain adequate backup power to the equipment.

The Members agree the initial equipment and installation costs will be shared equally between the six ESD Members and their respective Department's. The estimated cost is \$271,456.38, each ESD or corresponding department will pay to Northwest Communications, Inc. ("NWC") one-sixth of the total cost of the equipment, \$45,242.73. There will be initial as well as reoccurring costs paid as follows: 1) Spring VFD will invoice the six

#### NOTE 8. CONTRACTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES (Continued)

Radio Channel Communications Dispatch System (Continued)

ESD Members their pro- rata share of the rental cost for the Plum Creek Tower, \$9,816 per year; 2) NWC will invoice the six ESD Members their pro-rata share of the rental cost for the NWC Tower and the Greenspoint No. 4 site, \$8,400 each site per year. Maintenance, repair, replacement and upgrade costs, recurring costs, and Cypress Creek VFD administrator and project manager costs for the system operations will be shared equally between the six ESD Members or their corresponding department. Initially, it is not anticipated that there would be any cost to the Members for the administrative work.

During a prior year, the District paid \$41,897 to NWC for the District's share of the equipment and installation.

#### NOTE 9. RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; and errors and omissions; for which the District carries commercial insurance. The District participates in the Texas Political Subdivisions Joint Self-Insurance Fund ("TPS") to provide workers compensation insurance coverage. The District, along with other participating entities, contribute annual amounts determined by TPS' management. As claims arise, they are submitted and paid by TPS. The District has not significantly reduced insurance coverage or had settlements which exceeded coverage amounts in the past three years.

#### NOTE 10. SALES AND USE TAX ELECTION

In accordance with Chapter 775 of the Health and Safety Code, the District is authorized to adopt and impose a sale and use tax if authorized by a majority of the qualified voters of the District. The election to adopt sales and use tax is governed by the provision of Subchapter E, Chapter 323 of the Tax Code.

On May 11, 2013, the voters of the District approved the establishment and adoption of a sales and use tax of up to a maximum of one percent. On May 22, 2013, the Board set a local sales and use tax of one percent on all applicable sales and uses within the boundaries of the District, excluding any territory in the District where sales and use tax is currently two percent (2.0%) effective October 1, 2013. During the current year, the District recorded \$2,946,999 in sales tax receipts, of which \$524,256 was due from the State Comptroller at December 31, 2019.

#### NOTE 11. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

#### Plan Description

The District provides retirement, disability, and death benefits for all full-time and part-time non temporary employees through a non-traditional defined benefit pension plan in the statewide Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS). The Board of Trustees of TCDRS is responsible for the administration of the statewide, agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system consisting of nearly 800 non-traditional defined benefit pension plans. TCDRS issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) which includes financial statements, notes and required supplementary information which can be obtained at TCDRS, Finance Division, Barton Oaks Plaza IV Suite 500, 901 S. MoPac Expressway, Austin, Texas or at <a href="https://www.tcdrs.org">www.tcdrs.org</a>.

#### Benefits Provided

Benefit provisions are adopted by the District, within the options available in the Texas state statutes governing TCDRS (TCDRS Act). Members can retire at ages 60 and above with 8 or more years of service, with 20 years of service regardless of age, or when the sum of their age and years of service equals 75 or more. Members are vested after 8 years of service but must leave their accumulated contributions in the plan to receive any employer-financed benefit. Members who withdraw their personal contributions in a lump sum are not entitled to any amounts contributed by the District.

Benefit amounts are determined by the sum of the employee's deposits to the plan, with interest, and employer-financed monetary credits. The level of these monetary credits is adopted by the District within the actuarial constraints imposed by the TCDRS Act so that the resulting benefits can be expected to be adequately financed by the employer's commitment to contribute. At retirement, death, or disability, the benefit is calculated by converting the sum of the employee's accumulated deposits and the employer-financed monetary credits to a monthly annuity using annuity purchase rates prescribed by the TCDRS Act.

At the valuation and measurement date, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	-0-
Inactive employees entitled but not yet receiving benefits	2
Active employees	61
Total	63

#### NOTE 11. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

#### Contributions

The plan is funded by monthly contributions from both employee members and the employer based on the covered payroll of employee members. Under the TCDRS Act, the contribution rate of the employer is actuarially determined annually. The employer contributed using the actuarially determined rate of for 2019% for calendar year 2019. The deposit rate payable by the employee members for calendar year 2019 is for 2019% as adopted by the governing body of the District. The employee deposit rate and the employer contribution rate may be changed by the governing body of the District within the options available in the TCDRS Act.

The District's contributions to TCDRS for the year ended December 31, 2019, were \$; and were equal to the required contributions. The employee's contributions to TCDRS for the year ended December 31, 2019, were \$123,723.

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability in the December 31, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumption:

	Actuarial Valuation Information
Actuarial valuation date	12/31/18
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age
Amortization method	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Remaining Amortization period	18.4
Asset Valuation Method	5-year smoothed market
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment return <sup>1</sup>	8.0%
Projected salary increases <sup>1</sup>	4.9%
Inflation	2.75%
Cost-of-living adjustments	0.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Includes inflation at the stated rate

The actuarial assumptions that determined the total pension liability as of were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2016, except where required to be different by GASB 68.

#### NOTE 11. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Mortality rates were based on the following:

Depositing members – 90% of the RP-2014 Active Employee Mortality Table for males and 90% of the RP-2014 Active Employee Mortality Table for females projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate Scale after 2014.

Service retirees, beneficiaries, and non-depositing members – 130% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for males and 110% of the RP-2014 of the Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for females, both projected with 110% Ultimate Scale after 2014.

Disabled retirees – 130% of the RP-2014 Disabled Annuitant Mortality Table for males and 115% of the RP-2014 Disabled Annuitant Mortality Table for females, both projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate Scale after 2014.

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8.1%. There was no change in the discount rate since the previous year.

To determine the discount rate to be used, the actuary used an alternative method to determine the sufficiency of the fiduciary net position in all future years. This alternative method reflects the funding requirements under the funding policy and the legal requirements under the TCDRS Act:

- 1) TCDRS has a funding policy where the Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAAL) shall be amortized as a level percent of pay over 20-year closed layered periods.
- 2) Under the TCDRS Act, the District is legally required to make the contributions specified in the funding policy.
- 3) The employer's assets are projected to exceed its accrued liabilities in 20 years or less. When this point is reached, the employer is still required to contribute at least the normal cost.
- 4) Any increased cost due to the adoption of a cost-of-living adjustment is required to be funded over a period of 15 years, if applicable.

Based on the above, the projected fiduciary net position is determined to be sufficient compared to projected benefit payments. Based on the expected level of cash flows and investment returns to the system, the fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability is projected to increase from its current level in future years.

#### NOTE 11. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

#### Discount Rate (Continued)

Since the projected fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay projected benefit payments in all future years, the discount rate for purposes of calculation the total pension liability and net pension liability is equal to the long-term assumed rate of return on investments. This long-term assumed rate of return should be net of investment expenses, but gross of administrative expenses. Therefore, the actuary has used a discount rate of 8.10%. This rate reflects the long-term assumed rate of return on assets for funding purposes of 8.0%, net of all expenses, increased by 0.10% to be gross of administrative expenses.

#### Long-Term Expected Rate of Return

The long-term expected rate of return on TCDRS assets is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions and information shown below are provided by TCDRS' investment consultant, Cliffwater LLC. The numbers shown are based on January 2019 information for a 10-year time horizon.

Note that the valuation assumption for long-term expected return is re-assessed at a minimum of every four years and is set based on a 30-year time horizon; the most recent analysis was performed in 2017 for the period January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2016. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the target asset allocation are summarized below:

		Geometric Real Rate
		of Return (Expected
Asset Class	Target Allocation	minus Inflation)
US Equities	10.50 %	5.40 %
Private Equity	18.00	8.40
Global Equities	2.50	5.70
International Equities-Developed Markets	10.00	5.40
International Equities-Emerging Markets	7.00	5.90
Investment-Grade Bonds	3.00	1.60
Strategic Credit	12.00	4.39
Direct Lending	11.00	7.95
Distressed Debt	2.00	7.20
REIT Equities	2.00	4.15
Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs)	3.00	5.35
Private Real Estate Partnerships	6.00	6.30
Hedge Funds	13.00	3.90
	100.00 %	

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2019

### NOTE 11. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

### Changes in Net Pension Liability/(Asset)

Changes in Net Pension Liability/(Asset) for the measurement year ended December 31, 2018 are as follows:

	Increase (Decrease)					
	Total Pension Liability			n Fiduciary et Position		et Pension pility/(Asset)
		(a)		(b)		(a)-(b)
Balances of December 31, 2017	\$	210,761	\$	123,439	\$	87,322
Changes for the year:						
Service Cost		130,022				130,022
Interest on total pension liability		27,603				27,603
Effect of plan changes		44,751				44,751
Effect of economic/demographic		ŕ				ŕ
gains or losses		22,118				22,118
Administrative expenses				(238)		238
Member contributions				102,231		(102,231)
Net investment income				(419)		419
Employer contributions				66,109		(66,109)
Other		1		5,027		(5,026)
Balances of December 31, 2018	\$	435,256	\$	296,149	\$	139,107

### Sensitivity Analysis

The following presents the net pension liability/(asset) of the District, calculated using the discount rate of 8.10%, as well as what the District net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (7.10%) or 1 percentage point higher (9.10%) than the current rate.

	1%			Current	1%	
	Decrease		Discount Rate		Increase	
		7.10%		8.10%		9.10%
Total Pension Liability	\$	518,758	\$	435,256	\$	367,784
Fiduciary Net Position		296,149		296,149		296,149
Net Pension Liability/(asset)	\$	222,609	\$	139,107	\$	71,635

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2019

### **NOTE 11. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

### Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources

As of December 31, 2019, the deferred inflows and deferred outflows of resources are as follows:

	ed Outflows Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 20,418	\$		
Changes of assumptions			2,446	
Net differences between projected and actual earnings	15,571			
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	 70,875			
Total	\$ 106,864	\$	2,446	

Amounts currently reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, excluding contributions made subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended December 31:				
2019	\$	5,672		
2020		5,672		
2021		5,672		
2022		5,091		
2023		1,634		
Thereafter		9,802		

### NOTE 12. UNCERTAINTIES

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 virus a global pandemic. As a result, economic uncertainties have arisen which could have an impact on the operations of the District. The District is 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, as the potential financial impact of this pandemic is unknown at this time.

# HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DECEMBER 31, 2019

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

DENTENTIE	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
REVENUES	Φ 2 0 60 000	Φ 2005025	Φ 25.025
Property Taxes	\$ 2,860,000	\$ 2,885,925	\$ 25,925
Sales Tax Receipts	2,050,000	2,946,999	896,999
Penalty and Interest	15,000	33,665	18,665
Investment Revenues	600	157,991	157,391
Miscellaneous Revenues	61,628	69,556	7,928
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 4,987,228	\$ 6,094,136	\$ 1,106,908
EXPENDITURES			
Service Operations:			
District Fire Operations	\$ 3,255,000	\$ 2,888,069	\$ 366,931
Administrative, Accounting and Auditing	60,000	38,264	21,736
Appraisal District Fees	22,800	21,764	1,036
Legal - General	50,000	47,490	2,510
Legal - Delinquent Tax Collections		9,685	(9,685)
Other Consulting Fees		40,900	(40,900)
Sales Tax Consultant	50,000	238,844	(188,844)
Tax Assessor/Collector Fees	14,000	14,343	(343)
Other	20,100	5,022	15,078
Capital Outlay	377,500	5,109,106	(4,731,606)
Debt Service:			
Capital Lease Principal	149,476	149,476	
Capital Lease Interest	36,624	36,508	116
Note Principal	492,070	492,071	(1)
Note Interest	208,930	207,879	1,051
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,736,500	\$ 9,299,421	\$ (4,562,921)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ 250,728	\$ (3,205,285)	\$ (3,456,013)
<b>FUND BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2019</b>	8,415,138	8,415,138	
FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2019	\$ 8,665,866	\$ 5,209,853	\$ (3,456,013)

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2016		2017	,	2018
Total Pension Liability					
Service Cost	N/A	\$	177,129	\$	130,022
Interest on total pension liability	N/A		14,347		27,603
Effect of plan changes	N/A		22,006		44,751
Effect of assumption changes or inputs	N/A		(2,890)		
Effect of economic/demographic					
(gains) or losses	N/A		169		22,118
Other	N/A				1
Net change in total pension liability	N/A	\$	210,761	\$	224,495
Total pension liability, beginning	N/A		-0-		210,761
Total pension liability, ending (a)	N/A	\$	210,761	\$	435,256
Fiduciary Net Position					
Employer contributions	N/A	\$	47,090	\$	66,109
Member contributions	N/A		72,894		102,231
Investment income net of					
investment expenses	N/A		1,930		(419)
Benefit payments/refunds of contributions	N/A				
Administrative Expense	N/A		(82)		(238)
Other	N/A		1,607		5,027
Net change in fiduciary net position	N/A	\$	123,439	\$	172,710
Fiduciary net position, beginning	N/A		-0-		123,439
Fiduciary net position, ending (b)	N/A	\$	123,439	\$	296,149
Net pension liability/(asset), ending = (a) - (b)	N/A	\$	87,322	\$	139,107
Fiduciary net position as a percentage					
of total pension liability	N/A		58.57%		68.04%
Pensionable covered payroll	N/A	\$	1,455,436	\$	1,703,847
Net pension liability as a percentage of					
covered payroll	N/A		6.00%		8.16%

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Fiscal Year Ending		ctuarially etermined		Actual mployer		ntribution eficiency	Pensionable Covered	Actual Contribution as a Percentage of
December 31	Con	tribution <sup>(1)</sup>	Con	tribution <sup>(1)</sup>	(l	Excess)	Payroll <sup>(2)</sup>	Covered Payroll
2017 2018 2019	\$ \$ \$	47,090 66,109 123,723	\$ \$ \$	47,090 66,109 123,723	\$ \$ \$	- 0 - - 0 - - 0 -	\$ 1,455,436 \$ 1,690,900 \$ 1,012,514	3.2% 3.9% 12.2%

<sup>(1)</sup> TCDRS calculates actuarially determined contributions on a calendar year basis. GASB Statement No. 68 indicates the employer should report employer contribution amounts on a fiscal year basis.

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Valuation Date: Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated each December 31,

two years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates:

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age

Amortization Method Level percentage of payroll, closed

Remaining Amortization Period 18.4 years (based on contribution rate calculated in December

31, 2018 valuation)

Asset Valuation Method 5-year smoothed market

Inflation 2.75%

Salary Increases Varies by age and service. 4.9% average over career including

inflation.

Investment Rate of Return 8.00%, net of administrative and investment expenses, including

inflation.

Retirement Age Members who are eligible for service retirement are assumed to

commence receiving benefit payments based on age. The average age at service retirement for recent retirees is 61.

Mortality 130% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table for

males and 110% of the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Table for females, both projected with 110% of the MP-2014 Ultimate

scale after 2014.

Change in Assumptions and Methods Reflected in the Schedule of Employer

Contributions\*

2015: New Inflation, mortality and other assumptions were reflected.

2017: New mortality assumptions were reflected.

Changes in Plan Provisions Reflected in the Schedule of Employer Contributions\* 2015: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule. 2016: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.

2017: New Annuity Purchase Rates were reflected for benefits earned

after 2017.

2018: No changes in plan provisions were reflected in the Schedule.

\* Only changes that affect the benefit amount and that are effective 2015 and later are shown in the Notes to the Schedule.

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

# HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY HARRIS COUNTY DECEMBER 31, 2019

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 COMPUTATION OF NET LONG-TERM DEBT PER CAPITA DECEMBER 31, 2019 (UNAUDITED)

Long-Term Debt at December 31, 2019	\$	6,367,940
Less: Amount in Debt Service Fund		
Net Long-Term Debt at December 31, 2019	<u>\$</u>	6,367,940
Estimated District Population*		32,000
Net Long-Term Debt Per Capita at December 31, 2019	<u>\$</u>	199.00

<sup>\*</sup> Per 2018 update to comprehensive review

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29

### LISTING OF THE NUMBER OF EMERGENCY RESPONSES MADE WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 (UNAUDITED)

Number of Emergency Responses made Within the District	1,016
Number of Emergency Responses made Outside of the District	107
Total Emergency Responses	1,123

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 SCHEDULE OF INSURANCE AND BONDING COVERAGE DECEMBER 31, 2019

Type of Coverage	From To	Amount of Coverage	Insurer/Name
POSITION SCHEDULE COVERAGE Treasurer	05/17/19 05/17/20	\$ 100,000	Arch Insurance Company
UMBRELLA LIABILITY General Aggregate Each Occurrence	05/17/19 05/17/20	\$ 4,000,000 2,000,000	Arch Insurance Company
AUTOMOBILE Liability - Combined Single Limit Deductible Property Damage – Per Accident	05/17/19 05/17/20	\$ 1,000,000 1,000 Scheduled Vehicles	Arch Insurance Company
INLAND MARINE  Deductible	05/17/19 05/17/20	Blanket Unlimited Coverage \$ 250	Arch Insurance Company
PROPERTY AND TERRORISM Buildings Contents Building and Content Deductible	05/17/19 05/17/20	\$ 6,030,431 402,029 2,500	Arch Insurance Company
ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS  Accidental Death and Dismemberment Group Life Accident and Health/Death Benefit	08/07/19 08/07/20	\$ 100,000 50,000 100,000	Provident Insurance
WORKERS COMPENSATION Bodily Injury by Accident Bodily Injury by Disease Disease Policy Limit	09/05/19 09/05/20	\$ 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000	Texas Political Subdivisions
GENERAL LIABILITY, INCLUDING MANAGEMENT, FIREFIGHTER AND EMS LIABILITY/CRIME General Aggregate Each Occurrence	05/17/19 05/17/20	\$ 10,000,000 1,000,000	Arch Insurance Company



## HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DECEMBER 31, 2019

## HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	Maintenance Taxes			axes
TAXES RECEIVABLE - JANUARY 1, 2019 Adjustments to Beginning Balance	\$	1,811,315 (34,378)	\$	1,776,937
Original 2019 Tax Levy Adjustment to 2019 Tax Levy	\$	2,997,245 97,722		3,094,967
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR			\$	4,871,904
TAX COLLECTIONS:				
Prior Years Current Year	\$	1,698,442 1,295,075		2,993,517
TAXES RECEIVABLE - DECEMBER 31, 2019			\$	1,878,387
TAXES RECEIVABLE BY YEAR:			•	4 = 22 22 =
2019			\$	1,799,892
2018				30,216
2017 2016				7,863
2016				6,998 6,297
2014				4,515
2013				3,949
2012				3,754
2011				4,408
2010				3,555
2009				3,379
2008				1,033
2007				423
2006				410
2005				280
2004				307
2003				350
2002				152
2001				22
2000				20
1999				165
1998				399
TOTAL			\$	1,878,387



## HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 TAXES LEVIED AND RECEIVABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

	2019	2018	2017	2016
PROPERTY VALUATIONS	\$ 3,094,859,066	\$ 2,930,584,836	\$ 2,842,357,704	\$ 2,850,155,882
TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION	\$ 0.10000	\$ 0.10000	\$ 0.10000	\$ 0.08923
ADJUSTED TAX LEVY*	\$ 3,094,967	\$ 2,931,128	\$ 2,842,490	\$ 2,543,598
PERCENTAGE OF TAXES COLLECTED TO TAXES LEVIED	<u>41.84</u> %	<u>98.97</u> %	<u>99.72</u> %	<u>99.72</u> %

<sup>\*</sup> Based upon the adjusted levy at the time of the audit for the fiscal year in which the tax was levied.

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND – FIVE YEARS

			Amounts
	2019	 2018	 2017
REVENUES Property Taxes Sales Tax Receipts Penalty and Interest Investment Revenues Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 2,885,925 2,946,999 33,665 157,991 69,556	\$ 2,813,586 2,455,466 35,770 67,256 60,261	\$ 2,507,147 1,789,884 30,414 1,276 60,260
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 6,094,136	\$ 5,432,339	\$ 4,388,981
EXPENDITURES  District Fire Operations Administrative, Accounting and Auditing Appraisal District Fees Fire Marshall Services Legal - General Legal - Delinquent Tax Collections Other Consulting Fees Sales Tax Consultant Tax Assessor/Collector Fees Other Capital Outlay Debt Service: Capital Lease Principal Capital Lease Interest Note Principal Note Interest	\$ 2,888,069 38,264 21,764 47,490 9,685 40,900 238,844 14,343 5,022 5,109,106 149,476 36,508 492,071 207,879	\$ 2,589,936 46,041 21,656 60,469 10,094 800 134,505 14,041 2,317 837,000 144,714 41,270 280,400 65,448	\$ 2,210,416 47,871 18,793 4,025 34,171 6,703 29,250 48,064 15,007 3,747 1,374,543 97,018 31,304 271,951 73,897
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 9,299,421	\$ 4,248,691	\$ 4,266,760
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	\$ (3,205,285)	\$ 1,183,648	\$ 122,221
Capital Lease Proceeds Note Proceeds	\$ 	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 500,000
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	\$ - 0 -	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 500,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (3,205,285)	\$ 5,183,648	\$ 622,221
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	 8,415,138	 3,231,490	 2,609,269
ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 5,209,853	\$ 8,415,138	\$ 3,231,490

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

			Percentage of Total Revenues					_			
2016	2015	2019		2018		2017		2016	_	2015	_
\$ 2,439,294 1,394,587 39,685 731	\$ 2,340,548 1,261,500 22,102 543	47.4 48.4 0.5 2.6	%	51.8 45.2 0.7 1.2	%	57.1 40.8 0.7	%	61.6 35.2 1.0	%	63.4 34.1 0.6	%
 88,125	 69,570	1.1		1.1		1.4		2.2		1.9	
\$ 3,962,422	\$ 3,694,263	100.0	%	100.0	%	100.0	%	100.0	%	100.0	%
\$ 2,052,439 26,109 18,447	\$ 1,832,356 24,347 18,710	47.4 0.6 0.4	%	47.7 0.8 0.4	%	50.4 1.1 0.4	%	51.8 0.7 0.5	%	49.6 0.7 0.5	%
37,234 12,248	27,693 5,791	0.8 0.2 0.7		1.1 0.2		0.1 0.8 0.1 0.7		0.9 0.3		0.7 0.2	
13,430 12,356 20,471 1,408,956	21,948 14,633 24,069 30,324	3.9 0.2 0.1 83.8		2.5 0.3		1.1 0.3 0.1 31.3		0.3 0.3 0.5 35.5		0.6 0.4 0.7 0.8	
93,644 34,658 263,863 81,984	186,955 17,019 256,481 89,367	2.4 0.6 8.1 3.4		2.7 0.8 5.2 1.2		2.2 0.7 6.2 1.7		2.4 0.9 6.7 2.1		5.1 0.5 6.9 2.4	
\$ 4,075,839	\$ 2,549,693	152.6	%	78.3	%	97.2	%	102.9	%	69.1	%
\$ (113,417)	\$ 1,144,570	(52.6)	) %	21.7	%	2.8	%	(2.9)	%	30.9	%
\$	\$										
\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -										
\$ (113,417)	\$ 1,144,570										
 2,722,686	 1,578,116										
\$ 2,609,269	\$ 2,722,686										

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

### HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND CONSULTANTS DECEMBER 31, 2019

District Mailing Address - Harris County Emergency Services District No. 29

12730 Champion Forest Drive

Houston, TX 77066

District Telephone Number - (281) 444-2014

Commissioners	Term of Office (Appointed or Elected)	fo year	of Office or the ended er 31, 2019	Reim ye	bursements for the ar ended lber 31, 2019	Title	
Scott Morgan	06/01/18 05/31/22 (Elected)	\$	-0-	\$	1,522	President	
Richard Escott	06/01/18 05/31/22 (Elected)	\$	-0-	\$	2,420	Vice President	
David J. Parker	06/01/16 05/31/20 (Elected)	\$	-0-	\$	462	Secretary	
Kenneth Latimer	06/01/16 05/31/20 (Elected)	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	Treasurer/ Investment Officer	
William Hogue, III	01/05/17 05/31/20 (Appointed)	\$	-0-	\$	-0-	Assistant Secretary/ Assistant Treasurer	

The limit on fees of office that a Commissioner may receive during a year is set by the Health and Safety Code-Chapter 775. Effective September 1, 2017, a Commissioner is entitled to receive compensation in the same manner and amount as are provided by Section 49.060 of the Texas Water Code, currently \$7,200 per fiscal year. The above fees of office and expense reimbursements are the amounts paid to a Commissioner during the District's current fiscal year.

## HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 29 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND CONSULTANTS DECEMBER 31, 2019

Consultants:	Date Hired	y	ees for the ear ended heer 31, 2019*	Title
Coveler & Peeler, P.C.		\$	47,490	General Counsel
McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC	01/22/09	\$	20,750	Auditor
Myrtle Cruz, Inc.	05/01/17	\$	23,603	Bookkeeper
Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP		\$	9,685	Delinquent Tax Attorney
Sales Tax Assurance LLC	02/26/15	\$	238,844	Sales Tax Consultant
Harris County Tax Assessor/Collector	Legislative Action	\$	14,343	Tax Assessor/ Collector

<sup>\*</sup> Accrual basis