LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

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March 18, 2024

Town of Mead Helen Migchelbrink/Town Manager P.O. Box 626 Mead, Colorado 80542

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Enclosed please find the information and documents required under Section VII. *Annual Report* of the District's Service Plan, dated April 11, 2005.

Please acknowledge your receipt of the information and documents by signing this letter below and returning to this office via email to <u>sstevens@sdmsi.com</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Shawna Stevens Assistant to Peggy Ripko District Manager

Enclosure

cc: McGeady Becher P.C. – Jennifer Pino Division of Local Government State Auditor

The above referenced information and documents were received this _____ day of , 2024.

Town of Mead

By: _____

Town of Mead Helen Migchelbrink/Town Manager P.O. Box 626 Mead, Colorado 80542

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ANNUAL INFORMATION REPORT for the year 2023 LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

As required by Section 32-1-207(3)(c), C.R.S. and Section VII of the District's Service Plan, the following report of the activities of Liberty Ranch Metropolitan District (the **"District"**) from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 is hereby submitted.

- (a) **Boundary changes**: The District did not make any boundary changes during the reporting period.
- (b) **Intergovernmental Agreements entered into or terminated**: The District did not enter into or terminate any Intergovernmental Agreements during the reporting period.
- (c) Access information to obtain a copy of rules and regulations adopted: The District has not adopted any rules and regulations as of December 31, 2023. In the event the District adopts rules and regulations in the future, such documents may be accessed at the offices of Special District Management Services, Inc., 141 Union Blvd., Suite 150, Lakewood, CO 80228, 303-987-0835, or on the District's website: https://libertyranchmd.colorado.gov/.
- (d) **Summary of litigation involving the District or the District's public improvements**: To our knowledge, the District is not involved in any litigation.
- (e) **Status of the District's construction of public improvements**: The District did not construct any public improvements during the reporting period.
- (f) **Conveyances or dedications of facilities or improvements, constructed by the District, to the county or municipality**: The District did not convey or dedicate any facilities or improvements to another jurisdiction during the reporting period.
- (g) **Final assessed valuation of the District for the report year**: A copy of the 2023 Certification of Valuation from the Weld County Assessor is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- (h) **Current Year's Budget**: A copy of the 2024 Budget is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.
- (i) Audited financial statements for the reporting year (or application for exemption from audit): A copy of the 2022 Audit is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u>. The District's 2023 Audit is in process, and will be filed upon completion.
- (j) Audited financial statements for the previous reporting year: A copy of the 2022 Audit, which was not available at the time of the 2022 Annual Report filing, is attached hereto as **Exhibit D**.
- (k) Notice of any uncured events of default by the District, which continue beyond a ninety (90) day period, under any debt instrument: To our knowledge, there are no uncured events of default by the District which continue beyond a ninety (90) day period.

(1) Any inability of the District to pay its obligations as they come due, in accordance with the terms of such obligations, which continues beyond a ninety (90) day period: To our knowledge, the District has been able to pay its obligations as they come due.

EXHIBIT A

Certification of Valuation

CERTIFICATION OF VALUATION BY WELD COUNTY ASSESSOR

Name of Jurisdiction: 1387 - LIBERTY RANCH METRO

IN WELD COUNTY ON 12/10/2023

New Entity: No

<u>\$0</u>

<u>\$0</u>

\$0

USE FOR STATUTORY PROPERTY TAX REVENUE LIMIT CALCULATIONS (5.5% LIMIT) ONLY

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 39-5-121(2)(a) AND 39-5-128(1),C.R.S. AND NO LATER THAN AUGUST 25, THE ASSESSOR CERTIFIES THE TOTALVALUATION FOR ASSESSMENT FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2023 IN WELD COUNTY. COLORADO

1.	PREVIOUS YEAR'S NET TOTAL TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION:	\$7,586,114
2.	CURRENT YEAR'S GROSS TOTAL TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION: *	\$10,758,980
3.	LESS TIF DISTRICT INCREMENT, IF ANY:	\$1,141,616
4.	CURRENT YEAR'S NET TOTAL TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUATION:	\$9,617,364
5.	NEW CONSTRUCTION: **	<u>\$0</u>
6.	INCREASED PRODUCTION OF PRODUCING MINES: #	<u>\$0</u>
7.	ANNEXATIONS/INCLUSIONS:	<u>\$0</u>
8.	PREVIOUSLY EXEMPT FEDERAL PROPERTY: #	<u>\$0</u>
9.	NEW PRIMARY OIL OR GAS PRODUCTION FROM ANY PRODUCING OIL AND GAS LEASEHOLD ## OR LAND (29-1-301(1)(b) C.R.S.):	<u>\$0</u>
10.	TAXES COLLECTED LAST YEAR ON OMITTED PROPERTY AS OF AUG. 1 (29-1-301(1))(a) C.R.S.):	\$0.00
11.	TAXES ABATED AND REFUNDED AS OF AUG. 1 (29-1-301(1)(a) C.R.S.) and (39-10-114(1)(a)(I)(B) C.R.S.):	\$2,563.36

* This value reflects personal property exemptions IF enacted by the jurisdiction as authorized by Art. X, Sec.20(8)(b),Colo.

** New construction is defined as: Taxable real property structures and the personal property connected with the structure.

Jurisdiction must submit respective certifications (Forms DLG 52 AND 52A) to the Division of Local Government in order for the values to be treated as growth in the limit calculation.

Jurisdiction must apply (Forms DLG 52B) to the Division of Local Government before the value can be treated as growth in the limit calculation.

USE FOR 'TABOR' LOCAL GROWTH CALCULATIONS ONLY

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISION OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20, COLO CONST, AND 39-5-121(2)(b),C.R.S.	THE ASSESSOR CERTIFIES
THE TOTAL ACTUAL VALUATION FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2023 IN WELD COUNTY, COLORADO ON AUGUS	ST 25, 2023
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1.	CURRENT YEAR'S TOTAL ACTUAL VALUE OF ALL REAL PROPERTY:	\$120,940,083
	ADDITIONS TO TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY:	
2.	CONSTRUCTION OF TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS: !	<u>\$0</u>
3.	ANNEXATIONS/INCLUSIONS:	<u>\$0</u>
4.	INCREASED MINING PRODUCTION: %	<u>\$0</u>
5.	PREVIOUSLY EXEMPT PROPERTY:	<u>\$0</u>
6.	OIL OR GAS PRODUCTION FROM A NEW WELL:	<u>\$0</u>
7.	TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY OMITTED FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S TAX WARRANT:	<u>\$0</u>
	(If land and/or a structure is picked up as omitted property for multiple years, only the most current year's actual value can be reported as omitt	ed property.)
	DELETIONS FROM TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY:	

8. DESTRUCTION OF TAXABLE REAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS:

- 9. DISCONNECTIONS/EXCLUSION:
- 10. PREVIOUSLY TAXABLE PROPERTY:

@ This includes the actual value of all taxable real property plus the actual value of religious, private schools, and charitable real property.

! Construction is defined as newly constructed taxable real property structures.

% Includes production from new mines and increases in production of existing producing mines.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 39-5-128(1),C.R.S. AND NO LATER THAN AUGUST 25, THE ASSESSOR CERTIFIES TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS : 1. TOTAL ACTUAL VALUE OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY:>	<u>\$0</u>
NOTE: All levies must be Certified to the Board of County Commissioners NO LATER THAN DECE	MBER 15, 2023
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 39-5-128(1.5)C.R.S. THE ASSESSOR PROVIDES: HB21-1312 ASSESSED VALUE OF EXEMPT BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY (ESTIMATED): ** ** The tax revenue lost due to this exempted value will be reimbursed to the tax entity by the County Treasurer in accordance with 39-3-119 f(3). C.R.S.	<u>\$13,474</u>

EXHIBIT B

2024 Budget

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024

LIBERTY RANCH METRO DISTRICT SUMMARY 2024 BUDGET WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

1/24/24

	ACTUAL 2022		ESTIMATED 2023		В	UDGET 2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	121,724	\$	108,424	\$	89,107
REVENUES Property taxes Property Tax - URA Specific ownership taxes Interest income Other revenue		458,896 20,769 28,361 7,130 -		487,855 49,790 22,422 13,378 2,238		738,392 86,336 30,012 13,500 5,000
Total revenues		515,156		575,683		873,240
TRANSFERS IN		4,000		-		-
Total funds available		640,880		684,107		962,347
EXPENDITURES General and administrative Debt service Total expenditures		75,619 452,837 528,456		107,069 487,931 595,000		131,548 731,885 863,433
TRANSFERS OUT		4,000		-		-
Total expenditures and transfers out requiring appropriation		532,456		595,000		863,433
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	108,424	\$	89,107	\$	98,915
EMERGENCY RESERVE AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS	\$	2,200 101,919	\$	2,500 86,607	\$	3,700 95,215
TOTAL RESERVE	\$	104,119	\$	89,107	\$	98,915

LIBERTY RANCH METRO DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX SUMMARY INFORMATION 2024 BUDGET WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

1/24/24

		ACTUAL	E	STIMATED	E	BUDGET
		2022		2023		2024
ASSESSED VALUATION						
Residential	\$	6,441,770	\$	6,267,050	\$	7,907,800
Commercial		180		15,310		330
Oil & Gas		746,040		1,715,170		2,636,660
Agricultural		700		640		600
State assessed		230,520		260,910		96,270
Vacant land		113,060		113,060		117,320
		7,532,270		8,372,140		10,758,980
Adjustments		(331,418)		(786,026)		(1,141,616)
Certified Assessed Value	\$	7,200,852	\$	7,586,114	\$	9,617,364
MILLLEVY						
General		8.775		8.870		10.590
Debt Service		54.844		55.439		66.187
Total mill levy		63.619		64.309		76.777
PROPERTY TAXES						
General	\$	63,187	\$	67,289	\$	101,848
Debt Service		394,924		420,566		636,544
Levied property taxes		458,111		487,855		738,392
Budgeted property taxes	\$	458,111	\$	487,855	\$	738,392
BUDGETED PROPERTY TAXES						
General	\$	63,187	\$	67,289	\$	101,848
Debt Service	Ψ	394,924	Ψ	420,566	Ψ	636,544
	\$	458,111	\$	487,855	\$	738,392

No assurance provided. See summary of significant assumptions.

LIBERTY RANCH METRO DISTRICT GENERAL FUND 2024 BUDGET WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

1/24/24

	ACTUAL		ESTIMATED		В	UDGET
		2022		2023		2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	101,578	\$	104,119	\$	89,107
REVENUES						
Property taxes		63,295		67,289		101,848
Property Tax - URA		2,865		6,867		11,909
Specific ownership taxes		3,912		3,093		4,550
Interest income		2,148		3,500		3,500
Total revenues		72,220		80,749		121,807
Total funds available		173,798		184,868		210,914
EXPENDITURES						
General and administrative						
Accounting		15,980		17,500		17,500
Auditing		4,394		5,000		6,000
County Treasurer's fee		954		1,009		1,528
Dues and membership		-		1,000		1,000
Insurance		3,584		3,357		3,500
District management		9,956		26,500		20,000
Legal		23,277		25,000		25,000
Miscellaneous		385		200		450
Contingency		-		-		7,022
Election		7,149		1,195		-
Repay developer advance		-		15,000		30,000
Total expenditures		65,679		95,761		112,000
TRANSFERS OUT						
Transfers to other fund		4,000		-		
		1,000				
Total expenditures and transfers out						
requiring appropriation		69,679		95,761		112,000
		404.440	•	00.407	•	00.045
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	104,119	\$	89,107	\$	98,915
EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$	2,200	\$	2,500	\$	3,700
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS	ŕ	101,919		86,607		95,215
TOTAL RESERVE	\$	104,119	\$	89,107	\$	98,915

No assurance provided. See summary of significant assumptions.

LIBERTY RANCH METRO DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE FUND 2024 BUDGET WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

1/24/24

	ACTUAL		ESTIMATED		UDGET
	2022	2023		В	2024
	2022		2023		2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$ 20,146	\$	4,305	\$	-
REVENUES					
Property taxes	395,601		420,566		636,544
Property Tax - URA	17,904		42,923		74,427
Specific ownership taxes	24,449		19,329		25,462
Interest income	4,982		9,878		10,000
Other revenue	-		2,238		5,000
Total revenues	 442,936		494,934		751,433
TRANSFERS IN					
Transfers from other funds	 4,000		-		-
Total funds available	 467,082		499,239		751,433
EXPENDITURES					
General and administrative					
County Treasurer's fee	5,934		6,308		9,548
Miscellaneous	6		-		-
Paying agent fees	4,000		5,000		5,000
Contingency	-		-		5,000
Debt Service					
Bond interest - Series 2021	452,837		487,931		731,885
Total expenditures	 462,777		499,239		751,433
Total expenditures and transfers out					
requiring appropriation	 462,777		499,239		751,433
	 		100,200		101,100
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$ 4,305	\$	-	\$	-

No assurance provided. See summary of significant assumptions.

Services Provided

Liberty Ranch Metropolitan District (District), a quasi-municipal corporation located entirely in Weld County, Colorado, was organized on December 23, 2005, and is governed pursuant to provisions of the Colorado Special District Act. The District was established to provide for construction and financing for street, safety protection, water, sanitation and mosquito control facilities and improvements. The street and safety control improvements will be dedicated to and maintained by the Town of Mead. Water and sanitation improvements will be dedicated to and maintained by the Longs Peak Water District and St. Vrain Sanitation District, respectively.

On November 1, 2005, the District's voters authorized total indebtedness of \$36,100,000 for the above listed facilities and \$500,000 for operations and maintenance. Additionally the District's voters authorized a total indebtedness of \$36,100,000 each for debt refunding and intergovernmental contracts. The election also approved an annual increase in property taxes of \$500,000 without limitation of rate, to pay the District's operation and maintenance costs.

Pursuant to the District's Service Plan, the District is limited to issuing a total of \$18,500,000 in bonds. The District is also limited to a maximum debt service mill levy of 50.000 mills, as adjusted for changes in the ratio of actual value to assessed value of property within the District, pursuant to the Service Plan.

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

The District prepares its budget on the modified accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with the requirements of Colorado Revised Statutes C.R.S. 29-1-105 using its best estimates as of the date of the budget hearing. These estimates are based on expected conditions and its expected course of actions. The assumptions disclosed herein are those that the District believes are significant to the budget. There will usually be differences between the budget and actual results, because events and circumstances frequently do not occur as expected, and those differences may be material.

Revenues

Property Taxes

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

The calculation of the taxes levied is displayed on the Property Tax Summary Information page of the Budget.

The District is required to impose a maximum Required Mill Levy of 76.777 mills for collection in 2024. Required Mill Levy means an ad valorem mill levy imposed upon all taxable property of the District each year in an amount to pay the principal, premium if any, and interest on the Bonds as the same become due and payable [and to make up and deficiencies in the Reserve Fund].

Revenues (continued)

Property Taxes (continued)

The calculation of the taxes levied is displayed on the Property Tax Summary page of the budget using the adopted mill levy imposed by the District.

For property tax collection year 2024, SB22-238 and SB23B-001 set the assessment rates and actual value reductions as follows:

Category	Rate	Category	Rate	Actual Value Reduction	Amount
Single-Family				Single-Family	\$55,000
Residential	6.70%	Agricultural Land	26.40%	Residential	
Multi-Family		Renewable		Multi-Family	\$55,000
Residential	6.70%	Energy Land	26.40%	Residential	
Commercial	27.90%	Vacant Land	27.90%	Commercial	\$30,000
		Personal		Industrial	\$30,000
Industrial	27.90%	Property	27.90%		
Lodging	27.90%	State Assessed	27.90%	Lodging	\$30,000
		Oil & Gas			
		Production	87.50%		

Specific Ownership Taxes

Specific ownership taxes are set by the State and collected by the County Treasurer, primarily on vehicle licensing within the County as a whole. The specific ownership taxes are allocated by the County Treasurer to all taxing entities within the County. The budget assumes that the District's share will be equal to approximately 4% of the property taxes collected by both the General Fund and the Debt Service Fund. The budget assumes that specific ownership taxes allocable to property taxes collected by the Debt Service Fund will be pledged to debt service on the bonds during the term bonds are outstanding.

Interest Income

Interest earned on the District's available funds has been estimated based on an average interest rate of approximately 4.00%.

Property Taxes – URA

A portion of the District is located in an urban renewal area. The District mill levy applied to the tax increment portion of the final certified assessed value will be remitted to the District as levied, net treasurer fees.

Expenditures

Administrative and Operating Expenditures

Administrative and operating expenditures include the estimated services necessary to maintain the District's administrative viability such as legal, management, accounting, insurance, and banking fees.

Debt and Leases

On February 30, 2021, the District issued its \$13,180,000 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A(3) (Series 2021A Bonds). The Series 2021A Bonds were issued for the purposes of (i) paying and discharging the District's Series 2017A Bonds, 2017B Bonds, and Series 2017C Bonds and (ii) paying the costs of issuance of the Series 2021A Bonds.

The Series 2021A Bonds are structured as limited tax "cash flow" bonds, meaning that there are no scheduled payments of principal or interest prior to the final maturity date. Instead, principal on the Series 2021A Bonds is payable annually on each December 1 from and to the extent of Pledged Revenue available. To the extent principal of any Series 2021A Bonds is not paid when due, such principal is to remain outstanding until the earlier of its payment or the Termination Date and is to continue to bear interest at the rate then borne by the Series 2021A Bonds. The Series 2021A Bonds mature on December 1, 2051, subject to mandatory and optional redemption prior to maturity.

The Series 2021A Bonds bear interest at the rate of 5.25% per annum payable annually on each December 1, beginning on December 1, 2022, but only from and to the extent of available Pledged Revenue. In the event interest on any Series 2021A Bonds is not paid when due, such interest is to compound annually on each December 1, at the rate then borne by the Series 2021A Bonds.

If any amount of principal or interest due on the Series 2021A Bonds remains unpaid on the Termination Date of December 1, 2061, such unpaid amount will be deemed discharged.

Optional Redemption

The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the District, on December 1, 2026, and on any date thereafter, upon payment of par, accrued interest, and a redemption premium equal to a percentage of the principal amount so redeemed as follows:

Date of Redemption	Redemption Premium
December 1, 2026, to November 30, 2027	3.00%
December 1, 2027, to November 30, 2028	2.00
December 1, 2028, to November 30, 2029	1.00
December 1, 2029, and thereafter	0.00

The District has no operating or capital leases.

The District has outstanding developer advances pursuant to advances made by LR Investments, LLC under the 2010-2011 Operation Funding Agreement by and between the District and LR Investments, LLC (Developer Advance). Anticipated activity is as follows:

Debt and Leases (continued)

	Balance at ecember 31, 2022	Ac	ditions *	Re	ductions *	Balance at ecember 31, 2023
2021 Limited Tax Obligation Refunding Bonds Accrued Interest - 2021 Limited Tax	\$ 13,180,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 13,180,000
Obligation Refunding Bonds	241,035		704,604		487,931	457,708
Developer Advance	215,642		-		-	215,642
Accrued Interest - Developer Advance	143,994		17,251		15,000	146,245
Total Developer Advances	\$ 13,780,671	\$	721,855	\$	502,931	\$ 13,999,595
	Balance at ecember 31, 2023	۵	ditions *	Re	ductions *	Balance at ecember 31, 2024
2021 Limited Tax Obligation Refunding	 2020					 2024
Bonds Accrued Interest - 2021 Limited Tax	\$ 13,180,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 13,180,000
Obligation Refunding Bonds	457,708		715,980		731,931	441,757
Developer Advance	215,642		-		-	215,642
Accrued Interest - Developer Advance	 146,245		17,251		30,000	 133,496
Total Developer Advances	\$ 13,999,595	\$	733,231	\$	761,931	\$ 13,970,895

* Estimates

Reserve Funds

Emergency Reserve

The District has provided for an Emergency Reserve equal to at least 3% of the fiscal year spending, defined under TABOR.

This information is an integral part of the accompanying budget.

EXHIBIT C

2022 Audit

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT Weld County, Colorado

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

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Board of Directors Liberty Ranch Metropolitan District Weld County, Colorado

Independent Auditor's Report

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Liberty Ranch Metropolitan District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, 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 accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Liberty Ranch Metropolitan District as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our 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 (GAAP), 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 the 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 GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Other Matters

Required Supplemental Information

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information as listed in the table of contents is presented for the purposes of legal compliance and additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. In our opinion, such information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

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

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Wippei LLP

Wipfli LLP Lakewood, Colorado

September 26, 2023

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2022

	-	vernmental Activities
ASSETS		
Cash and Investments	\$	108,244
Cash and Investments - Restricted		3,966
Receivable - County Treasurer		2,945
Prepaid Expense		3,021
Property Taxes Receivable		487,855
Total Assets		606,031
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Cost of Refunding		31,163
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		31,163
		01,100
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable		9,752
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Due in More Than One Year		13,780,671
Total Liabilities		13,790,423
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Property Tax Revenue		487,855
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		487,855
		407,000
NET POSITION		
Restricted for:		
Emergency Reserve		2,200
Unrestricted	(13,643,284)
Total Net Position	\$ (13,641,084)
	-	

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

			Program Revenues		Net Revenues (Expenses) and Changes in Net Position
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS Primary Government: Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 67,718	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$ (67,718)
Interest and Related Costs on Long-Term Debt	663,394	<u> </u>			(663,394)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 731,112	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	(731,112)
	GENERAL REVEN Property Taxes Property Taxes - Specific Owners Net Investment In Total Gene	URA hip Taxes			458,896 20,769 28,361 7,130 515,156
	CHANGES IN NET	F POSITION			(215,956)
	Net Position - Begi	inning of Year			(13,425,128)
	NET POSITION - E	END OF YEAR			\$ (13,641,084)

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2022

ASSETS	(General	;	Debt Service	G	Total overnmental Funds
Cash and Investments Cash and Investments - Restricted Receivable - County Treasurer Prepaid Expense Property Taxes Receivable	\$	108,244 2,200 406 3,021 67,289	\$	1,766 2,539 - 420,566	\$	108,244 3,966 2,945 3,021 487,855
Total Assets	\$	181,160	\$	424,871	\$	606,031
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES						
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable Total Liabilities	\$	9,752 9,752	\$	-	\$	9,752 9,752
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Property Tax Revenue Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		67,289 67,289		420,566 420,566		487,855 487,855
FUND BALANCES Nonspendable: Prepaid Expenditures		3,021				3,021
Restricted for: Debt Service Emergency Reserves		- 2,200		4,305		4,305 2,200
Assigned for: Subsequent Year Expenditures Unrestricted Total Fund Balances		9,365 89,533 104,119		- - 4,305		9,365 89,533 108,424
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$	181,160	\$	424,871		
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:						
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable and Developer advances, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. Developer Advance Payable Accrued Interest on Developer Advances Accrued Bond Interest Payable Bonds Payable Cost of Refunding						(215,642) (143,994) (241,035) (13,180,000) 31,163
Net Position of Governmental Activities					\$	(13,641,084)

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	(General	 Debt Service	Total vernmental Funds
REVENUES				
Property Taxes	\$	63,295	\$ 395,601	\$ 458,896
Property Tax - URA		2,865	17,904	20,769
Specific Ownership Tax		3,912	24,449	28,361
Interest Income		2,148	 4,982	 7,130
Total Revenues		72,220	442,936	515,156
EXPENDITURES				
Accounting		15,980	-	15,980
Audit		4,394	-	4,394
County Treasurer's Fee		954	5,934	6,888
Insurance		3,584	-	3,584
District Management		9,956	-	9,956
Legal		23,277	-	23,277
Miscellaneous		385	6	391
Election		7,149	-	7,149
Paying Agent Fees		-	4,000	4,000
Bond interest - Series 2021		-	452,837	452,837
Total Expenditures		65,679	 462,777	 528,456
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		6,541	(19,841)	(13,300)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfer from (to) Other Funds		(4,000)	 4,000	 -
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(4,000)	 4,000	 -
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		2,541	(15,841)	(13,300)
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year		101,578	 20,146	 121,724
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$	104,119	\$ 4,305	\$ 108,424

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ (13,300)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, Developer advances) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long- term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.	
Amortization of Cost of Refunding	(2,033)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	
Accrued Interest on Bonds - Change in Liability Accrued Interest on Developer Advance - Change in Liability	 (241,035) 40,412
Changes in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ (215,956)

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	ar	Driginal nd Final Budget		Actual mounts	Fina P	ance with al Budget ositive egative)
REVENUES	•	00 407	•	00.005	•	400
Property Taxes	\$	63,187	\$	63,295	\$	108
Property Tax - URA		2,865		2,865		-
Specific Ownership Tax		3,303		3,912		609
Interest Income		100		2,148		2,048
Total Revenues		69,455		72,220		2,765
EXPENDITURES						
Accounting		20,000		15,980		4,020
Audit		6,250		4,394		1,856
County Treasurer's Fee		948		954		(6)
Dues		1,000		-		1,000
Insurance		3,500		3,584		(84)
District Management		15,000		9,956		5,044
Legal		20,000		23,277		(3,277)
Miscellaneous		291		385		(94)
Election		3,000		7,149		(4,149)
Total Expenditures		69,989		65,679		4,310
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(534)		6,541		7,075
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers to Debt Service Fund		-		(4,000)		(4,000)
Repay Developer Advance		(25,000)		-		25,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(25,000)		(4,000)		21,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(25,534)		2,541		28,075
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year		101,378		101,578		200
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	75,844	\$	104,119	\$	28,275

NOTE 1 DEFINITION OF REPORTING ENTITY

Liberty Ranch Metropolitan District (the District), a quasi-municipal corporation located entirely in Weld County, Colorado, was organized by order and decree of the District Court for Weld County on December 23, 2005, and is governed pursuant to provisions of the Colorado Special District Act (Title 32, Article 1, Colorado Revised Statutes). The District was established to provide for construction and financing for street, safety protection, water, sanitation, and mosquito control facilities and improvements. The street and safety control improvements have been dedicated to and are maintained by the Town of Mead. Water and sanitation improvements have been dedicated to and are maintained by the Longs Peak Water District and St. Vrain Sanitation District, respectively.

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

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

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

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

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

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

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

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

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

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Expenditures for property, plant, and equipment are shown as increases in assets and redemption of bonds and notes are recorded as a reduction in liabilities.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. The major sources of revenue susceptible to accrual are property taxes and specific ownership taxes. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District. The District determined that Developer advances are not considered as revenue susceptible to accrual. Expenditures, other than interest on long-term obligations, are recorded when the liability is incurred or the long-term obligation is due.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

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

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Budgets

In accordance with the State Budget Law, the District's Board of Directors holds public hearings in the fall each year to approve the budget and appropriate the funds for the ensuing year. The appropriation is at the total fund expenditures level and lapses at year-end. The District's Board of Directors can modify the budget by line item within the total appropriation without notification. The appropriation can only be modified upon completion of notification and publication requirements. The budget includes each fund on its basis of accounting unless otherwise indicated.

The District amended its annual budget for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Pooled Cash and Investments

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

Property Taxes

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

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

Facility Fees

On July 26, 2006, the Board of Directors of the District adopted resolutions imposing certain Facilities Fees upon the property in the District. Pursuant to the Resolutions, the District imposes a Residential Facilities Fee in the amount of \$2,000 per unit for each single-family detached or attached residential unit, and a Commercial Facilities Fee per building in the amount of \$0.50 per square foot of commercial space within the District, both payable upon the issuance of a building permit for the subject property. Any unpaid Facilities Fees constitute a statutory and perpetual lien upon the property until paid.

On December 6, 2010, the District recorded a release of lien by reason of payment in full of the Residential Facilities Fees.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Facility Fees (Continued)

On February 4, 2022, the District recorded Resolutions Regarding Termination of Imposition of Residential and Commercial Facilities Fees in the real property records of Weld County at Reception Nos. 4800099 and 4800098, respectively.

Deferred Inflow/Outflow of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditure) until that time. The District has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, *cost of refunding*, is deferred and recognized as an outflow of resources in the period that the amount is incurred.

In the government-wide financial statements the deferred cost of bond refunding is being amortized using the interest method over the life of the bonds. The amortization amount is a component of interest expense and the unamortized deferred cost is reflected as a deferred outflow of resources.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, *deferred property tax revenue*, is deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amount becomes available.

Equity

Net Position

For government-wide presentation purposes when both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's practice to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund Balance

Fund balance for governmental funds should be reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which spending can occur. Governmental funds report up to five classifications of fund balance: nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned. Because circumstances differ among governments, not every government or every governmental fund will present all of these components. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

Nonspendable Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that cannot be spent because it is either not in spendable form (such as prepaid amounts or inventory) or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Equity (Continued)

Fund Balance (Continued)

Restricted Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that is constrained to being used for a specific purpose by external parties (such as bondholders), constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.

Committed Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority, the Board of Directors. The constraint may be removed or changed only through formal action of the Board of Directors.

Assigned Fund Balance – The portion of fund balance that is constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but is neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by the Board of Directors to be used for a specific purpose. Constraints imposed on the use of assigned amounts are more easily removed or modified than those imposed on amounts that are classified as committed.

Unassigned Fund Balance – The residual portion of fund balance that does not meet any of the criteria described above.

If more than one classification of fund balance is available for use when an expenditure is incurred, it is the District's practice to use the most restrictive classification first.

The transfer from the General Fund to Debt Service Fund was the related to the payment of bond issuance costs.

NOTE 3 CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2022 are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Statement of Net Position:	
Cash and Investments	\$ 108,244
Cash and Investments - Restricted	 3,966
Total	\$ 112,210

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2022 consist of the following:

Deposits with Financial Institutions	\$ 11,527
Investments	 100,683
Total Cash and Investments	\$ 112,210

NOTE 3 CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Cash Deposits

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

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

At December 31, 2022, the District's cash deposits had a bank balance of \$18,498 and a carrying balance of \$11,527.

<u>Investments</u>

The District's formal investment policy is to follow state statutes regarding investments.

The District generally limits its concentration of investments to those noted with an asterisk (*) below, which are believed to have minimal credit risk, minimal interest rate risk, and no foreign currency risk. Additionally, the District is not subject to concentration risk or investment custodial risk disclosure requirements for investments that are in the possession of another party.

Colorado revised statutes limit investment maturities to five years or less unless formally approved by the Board of Directors. Such actions are generally associated with a debt service reserve or sinking fund requirements.

Colorado statutes specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local governments may invest which include:

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

NOTE 3 CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Investments (Continued)

As of December 31, 2022, the District had the following investments:

Investment	Maturity	 Amount
Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust	Weighted-Average	
(CSAFE)	Under 60 Days	\$ 100,683

<u>CSAFE</u>

The District invested in the Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust (CSAFE) (the Trust), which is an investment vehicle established by state statute for local government entities to pool surplus assets. The State Securities Commissioner administers and enforces all State statutes governing the Trust. The Trust currently offers two portfolios – CSAFE CASH FUND and CSAFE CORE.

CSAFE CASH FUND operations similar to a money market fund, with each share valued at \$1.00. CSAFE may invest in U.S. Treasury securities, repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities, certain money market funds and highest rated commercial paper, any security allowed under Section 24-75-601.1, C.R.S.

CSAFE CORE, a variable Net Asset Value (NAV) Local Government Investment Pool, offers weekly liquidity and is managed to approximate a \$2.00 transactional share price. CSAFE CORE may invest in securities authorized by Section 24-75-601.1, C.R.S., including U.S. Treasury securities, repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities, certain obligations of U.S. government agencies, and highest rated commercial paper.

A designated custodial bank serves as custodian for CSAFE's portfolio pursuant to a custodian agreement. The custodian acts as safekeeping agent for CSAFE's investment portfolio and provides services as the depository in connection with direct investments and withdrawals. The custodian's internal records segregate investments owned by CSAFE. CSAFE CASH FUND is rated AAAmmf and CSAFE CORE is rated AAAf/S1 by Fitch Ratings. CSAFE records its investments at amortized cost and the District records its investments in CSAFE using the amortized cost method. There are no unfunded commitments, the redemption frequency is daily and there is no redemption notice period.

NOTE 4 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is a summary of long-term obligations as of December 31, 2022:

	December 31, 2021	Additions	Reductions	December 31, 2022	Within One Year
Governmental Activities: Bonds Payable: G.O. Refunding and					
Improvement 2021A(3) Bonds Accrued and Unpaid	\$ 13,180,000	\$-	\$-	\$ 13,180,000	\$-
Interest - 2021 A(3) Bonds	-	693,872	452,837	241,035	-
Total Bonds Payable	13,180,000	693,872	452,837	13,421,035	
Governmental Activities: Bonds/Notes from Direct Borrowings/Direct Placements:					
Developer Advance Developer Advance	215,642	-	-	215,642	-
Interest Total Bonds/Notes from Direct Borrowings/Direct	126,743	17,251		143,994	
Placements	342,385	17,251		359,636	
Total Long-Term					
Obligations	\$ 13,522,385	\$ 711,123	\$ 452,837	\$ 13,780,671	\$ -

\$13,180,000 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A(3)

On November 30, 2021, the District issued its \$13,180,000 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A₍₃₎ (2021A Bonds). The 2021A Bonds were issued for the purposes of (i) paying and discharging the 2017 Bonds and (ii) paying the costs of issuance of the 2021A Bonds. The 2021A Bonds bear interest at the rate of 5.25% per annum payable annually on each December 1, beginning on December 1, 2022, but only from and to the extent of available Pledge Revenue, and mature on December 1, 2051 (Maturity Date), subject to mandatory redemption and optional redemption.

The 2021A Bonds are structured as limited tax "cash flow" general obligations of the District, secured by and payable solely from the Pledged Revenue (defined below). As cash flow bonds the interest on the 2021A Bonds is payable on each Interest Payment Date to the extent any Pledged Revenue is available. There are no scheduled payments of principal on the 2021A Bonds prior to their Maturity Date, but rather the 2021A Bonds are subject to mandatory redemption, commencing December 1, 2022, to the extent of moneys on deposit, if any, in the Mandatory Redemption Account of the Bond Fund as provided in the Indenture.

Any principal of a Bond that is not paid when due will remain outstanding until paid and any interest on a Bond that is not paid when due will compound annually on each December 1 at the interest rate then borne by such Bond. If any amount of principal or interest due on the 2021A Bonds remains unpaid after the application of all Pledged Revenue available on December 1, 2061, such unpaid amount will be deemed discharged.

NOTE 4 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

Optional Redemption

The 2021A Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the District, on December 1, 2026, and on any date thereafter, upon payment of par, accrued interest, and a redemption premium equal to a percentage of the principal amount so redeemed as follows:

Date of Redemption	Redemption Premium
	0.000/
December 1, 2026, to November 30, 2027	3.00%
December 1, 2027, to November 30, 2028	2.00
December 1, 2028, to November 30, 2029	1.00
December 1, 2029, and thereafter	0.00

Pledged Revenue

The 2021A Bonds are payable solely from and to the extent of the Pledged Revenue, consisting generally of the moneys derived from the following sources, net of any costs of collection:

- (a) all District Property Tax Revenues;
- (b) the District portion of the Specific Ownership Tax which is collected as a result of imposition of the Required Mill Levy;
- (c) revenues received from the MURA Cooperation Agreement (see Note 7); and
- (d) any other legally available moneys which the District determines, in its absolute discretion, to transfer to the Trustee for application as Pledged Revenue.

Property Tax Revenues

"Property Tax Revenues" means the ad valorem property taxes derived from the District's imposition of the Required Mill Levy, net of the costs of collection of the County and any tax refunds or abatements authorized by or on behalf of the County.

Required Mill Levy

The Indenture provides a Required Mill Levy be imposed in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the 2021A Bonds each year, but not in excess of 50 mills (subject to adjustment for changes in the method of calculating assessed valuation on or after April 11, 2005).

The annual debt service requirements of the 2021A Bonds are not currently determinable since they are payable only from available Pledged Revenue.

NOTE 4 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

Debt Service Requirements

The District's long-term obligations regarding the Series 2021A Bonds will mature as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ -	\$ 691,950	\$ 691,950
2024	-	691,950	691,950
2025	-	691,950	691,950
2026	-	691,950	691,950
2027	-	691,950	691,950
2028-2032	-	3,459,750	3,459,750
2033-2037	2,004,000	3,288,285	5,292,285
2038-2042	3,526,000	2,596,756	6,122,756
2043-2047	5,352,000	1,491,157	6,843,157
2048-2049	2,298,000	169,522	2,467,522
Total	\$ 13,180,000	\$ 14,465,220	\$ 27,645,220

Authorized Debt

On November 1, 2005, a majority of the qualified electors of the District authorized the issuance of indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$108,800,000 at an interest rate not to exceed 18% per annum. At December 31, 2022, the District had the following remaining authorized but unissued indebtedness:

	Authorized November 1 2005 Election	2006 Authorization Used	2017A-C Authorization Used	2021A Authorization Used	Remaining at December 31, 2021	
Streets	\$ 9,900,00	0 \$ 1,950,000	\$ 3,156,218	\$ -	\$ 4,793,782	
Water Facilities	14,800,00	0 2,175,000	1,950,538	-	10,674,462	
Sanitation Facilities	10,300,00	0 810,000	1,866,465	-	7,623,535	
Mosquito Control	100,00	- 0	-	-	100,000	
Safety Protection	1,000,00	- 0	-	-	1,000,000	
Operations and Maintenance	500,00	- 0	-	-	500,000	
Debt Refunding	36,100,00	- 0	4,253,779	13,180,000	18,666,221	
Intergovernmental Agreement	36,100,00	<u> </u>	-	-	36,100,000	
Total	\$ 108,800,00	\$ 4,935,000	\$ 11,227,000	\$ 13,180,000	\$ 79,458,000	

Pursuant to the District's Service Plan, the District is limited to issuing a total of \$18,500,000 in bonds. Such limitation shall not be applicable to refunding of bonds. The District is also limited to a maximum debt service mill levy of 50 mills, as adjusted for changes in the ratio of actual value to assessed value of property within the District, pursuant to the Service Plan. In 2019, the residential assessment rate changed from 7.20% to 7.15%; therefore, the maximum mill levy for debt service is 54.642 mills as of December 31, 2021. In December 2022, the District certified an adjusted debt service mill levy of 55.439 mills for collection in budget year 2023.

In the future, the District may issue a portion or all of the remaining authorized but unissued debt for purposes of providing public improvements to support development as it occurs within the District's service area.

NOTE 4 LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

Developer Advances

Facilities Acquisition Agreement(s)

On October 28, 2021, the District entered into a Facilities Acquisition Agreement with LR Investment, LLC (LR) whereby LR will construct or cause the construction of certain Improvements (defined therein) to be conveyed to the District and the District will accept the Improvements benefitting the development within the District (2021 FAA). The District agrees to make payment to the Developer for costs of the Improvements, including but not limited to, all costs of design, testing, engineering, acquisition, construction, related consultant fees, and construction management (Construction Costs). LR and the District agree that a condition to the District's acquisition of the Improvements and obligation to reimburse LR for the Construction Costs is the District's receipt of a written certification of an independent engineer stating the Construction Costs are reasonable and comparable to the costs of similar public improvements constructed in the Town and in the greater Weld County area (Certified Construction Costs). The District agrees to reimburse LR for Certified Construction Costs up to a maximum amount of \$1,500,000 together with interest thereon, at an annual rate of 8%. Repayment of the advances is subject to annual appropriation by the District's Board of Directors. During 2021, the District accepted no Improvements. As of December 31, 2022, there were no outstanding advances under the 2021 FAA.

Operations Funding Agreements

On March 1, 2006, the District and Centex entered into an Operations Funding Agreement (2006 OFA) in which Centex agreed to advance amounts to a maximum stated amount to fund operations and maintenance expenditures of the District in the event District revenues are not sufficient. The District agreed to repay Centex for such advances plus accrued interest at the rate of 8%. Additionally, the District entered into Operation Funding Agreements (hereinafter referred to as 2007 OFA, 2008 OFA, 2009 OFA, and 2010 OFA and, collectively with the 2006 OFA, the 2006-2010 OFAs) with similar terms and provisions for 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010.

On December 1, 2010, the District terminated the 2006-2010 OFAs with Centex and entered into a 2010-2011 Operation Funding Agreement (2010-2011 OFA) with LR. Pursuant to the 2010-2011 OFA, LR agrees to advance up to \$30,000 for operations and maintenance for the period beginning December 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011. Previous advances made by Centex and the accrued interest on those advances have been transferred to LR through the simultaneous execution of the Termination of 2006-2010 OFAs with Centex and the 2010-2011 OFA with LR.

On November 2, 2011, the District entered into a 2012 Operation Funding Agreement with LR (2012 OFA). Under the 2012 OFA, LR agreed to advance up to \$14,000 through December 31, 2012. No amounts were advanced under the 2012 OFA.

As of December 31, 2022, the outstanding advances under the 2010-2011 OFA totaled \$215,642 and accrued interest totaled \$143,994.

NOTE 5 NET POSITION

The District has net position consisting of two components – restricted and unrestricted.

Restricted assets include net position that are restricted for use either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District had restricted net position as of December 31, 2022, as follows:

Restricted Net Position:	
TABOR Emergency Reserve	\$ 2,200
Total Restricted Net Position	\$ 2,200

The District has a deficit in unrestricted net position. The deficit was a result of the District being responsible for the repayment of bonds issued for the refunding of the District's debt.

NOTE 6 RELATED PARTY

Certain owners of the majority of the undeveloped property within the District are LR and Lorson South Land Corporation (LSLC). Certain members of the Board of Directors are associated with LR and/or LSLC, and/or may have conflicts of interest in dealing with the District.

NOTE 7 AGREEMENTS

St. Vrain Intergovernmental Agreement

The District and the St. Vrain Sanitation District (SVSD) entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (the St. Vrain IGA) on February 15, 2006, pursuant to which SVSD consented to the formation of the District and authority of the District to construct and finance certain on-site sanitary sewer system improvements as necessary within the development. Upon completion and acceptance of the sewer improvements by SVSD, the District dedicated and conveyed such sewer improvements to SVSD, at which time SVSD was assigned the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the sewer improvements.

The District agrees to request a meeting of SVSD to discuss and implement steps to dissolve the District when all of the financial obligations issued by the District have been repaid or when adequate provisions for payment in full have been made and there are not further operational requirements for District improvements which the District is responsible for.

NOTE 7 AGREEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Longs Peak Intergovernmental Agreement

The District and Longs Peak Water District (LPWD) entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (the Longs Peak IGA) on April 20, 2006, pursuant to which LPWD consented to the formation of the District and authority of the District to construct and finance certain limited water system improvements as may be necessary within the Development. Upon completion and acceptance of the water improvements by LPWD, the District dedicated and conveyed such water improvements to LPWD, at which time LPWD assumed the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the water improvements.

The District is required to obtain the consent of LPWD prior to including any property into the boundaries of the District or amending its Service Plan. In addition, the District also agrees to notify LPWD to request a meeting to discuss and implement steps to dissolve the District when all of the financial obligations issued by the District have been repaid or when adequate provisions for payment have been made and there are no further operational requirements for District improvements for which the District is responsible.

Mead Urban Renewal Authority Cooperation Agreement

The District entered into a Cooperation Agreement on January 30, 2017, with the town of Mead, Colorado, and the Mead Urban Renewal Authority (MURA). Under the terms of the agreement, MURA agrees to deposit all of the increase in property tax revenues allocated to MURA as a result of the levy of the District upon taxable property within the Urban Renewal Area. MURA then agrees to remit those funds to the District. The District received \$20,769 from MURA under the agreement for year ended December 31, 2022.

NOTE 8 RISK MANAGEMENT

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

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

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

NOTE 9 TAX, SPENDING, AND DEBT LIMITATIONS

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

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

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

On November 1, 2005, District voters passed an election question to increase property taxes \$500,000 annually, without limitation of rate, to pay the District's operational and maintenance costs. The voters also authorized the District to retain and spend all revenue from sources other than property taxes without regard to any limitations under TABOR.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE FUND SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

	Budget					Actual		Variance with Final Budget Positive	
	Original			Final		Amounts	(Negative)		
REVENUES							· · · · ·		
Property Taxes	\$	394,924	\$	395,601	\$	395,601	\$	-	
Property Tax - URA		17,904		17,904		17,904		-	
Specific Ownership Tax		20,641		24,449		24,449		-	
Interest Income		200		4,982		4,982		-	
Other Revenue		10,000		-		-		-	
Total Revenues		443,669		442,936		442,936		-	
EXPENDITURES									
County Treasurer's Fee		5,924		5,934		5,934		-	
Paying Agent Fees		5,000		4,000		4,000		-	
Bond Interest - Series 2021		422,745		452,837		452,837		-	
Miscellaneous		-		6		6		-	
Contingency		10,000		3,223		-		3,223	
Total Expenditures		443,669		466,000		462,777		3,223	
EXCESS OF REVENUES UNDER									
EXPENDITURES		-		(23,064)		(19,841)		(3,223)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Transfers from General Fund		-		4,000		4,000		-	
Total Other Financing Sources		-		4,000		4,000		-	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		-		(19,064)		(15,841)		3,223	
Fund Balance - Beginning of year		-		20,146		20,146			
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$		\$	1,082	\$	4,305	\$	3,223	

OTHER INFORMATION

LIBERTY RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SUMMARY OF ASSESSED VALUATION, MILL LEVY, AND PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED DECEMBER 31, 2022

Prior Year Assessed Valuation for		Mills Levied for				Total Property Taxes					
	С	urrent Year	Refunds			_				Percent	
Year Ended	d Property		Debt		and					Collected to)
December 31,		Tax Levy	General	Service	Abatements		Levied	Collected		Levied	
2018 2019 2020 2021 2022	\$	9,241,217 8,954,995 7,124,732 6,766,410 7,200,852	8.000 8.000 8.690 8.743 8.775	55.277 55.277 55.571 55.571 54.642	0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000	\$	584,757 566,645 457,842 428,889 456,656	\$	585,645 487,293 457,841 428,597 458,896	100.15 % 86.00 100.00 99.93 100.49	% (1)
Estimated for Calendar Year Ending <u>December 31,</u>											
2023	\$	7,586,114	8.870	55.439	0.000	\$	487,855				

⁽¹⁾ Collections in 2019 are net of an abatement of \$125,465 in the District.

NOTE: Property taxes collected in any one year include collection of delinquent property taxes assessed in prior years, as well as reductions for property tax refunds or abatements. Information received from County Treasurer does not permit identification of specific year of assessment.