

**Bent Creek Community Development
District**

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District
Fort Pierce, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Bent Creek Community Development District as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to 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 an opinion 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 opinion.

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To the Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District

Opinion

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, and each major fund of Bent Creek Community Development District as of September 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the fiscal year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Governmental Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis 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 principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. 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 Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated June 2, 2022, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts.

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



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Fort Pierce, Florida

June 2, 2022

**Bent Creek Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021**

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

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

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

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

**Bent Creek Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021**

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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

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

Notes to financial statements provide additional detail concerning the financial activities and financial balances of the District. Additional information about the accounting practices of the District, investments of the District, capital assets and long-term debt are some of the items included in the *notes to financial statements*.

Financial Highlights

The following are the highlights of financial activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021.

- ◆ The District's total assets were exceeded by total liabilities by \$(268,258) (net position).
- ◆ Revenues from governmental activities totaled \$63,818 and expenses from governmental activities totaled \$332,076.

**Bent Creek Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021**

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Financial Analysis of the District

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

Net Position

	Governmental Activities
	2021
Current assets	\$ 16,839
Restricted assets	3,898,642
Total Assets	3,915,481
Current liabilities	118,411
Non-current liabilities	4,065,328
Total Liabilities	4,183,739
Net Position	
Unrestricted	\$ (268,258)

This is the initial period of the District.

**Bent Creek Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021**

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Financial Analysis of the District (Continued)

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

Change in Net Position

	Governmental Activities
	2021
Program Revenues	
Operating grants and contributions	\$ 63,795
Investment income	23
Total Revenues	63,818
Expenses	
General government	56,188
Interest and other charges	275,888
Total Expenses	332,076
Change in Net Position	(268,258)
Net Position - Beginning of Year	-
Net Position - End of Year	\$ (268,258)

This is the initial period of the District.

**Bent Creek Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021**

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The budgeted expenditures exceeded actual expenditures in the current year because audit, trustee fee and legal fee expenditures were less than anticipated.

There were no budget amendments in the current year.

Debt Management

Governmental Activities debt includes the following:

- In July 2021, the District issued \$4,050,000 Series 2021 Special Assessment Bonds. These bonds were issued to finance a portion of the cost of acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of a portion of the 2021 Project. As of September 30, 2021, the balance outstanding was \$4,050,000.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

Bent Creek Community Development District issued Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2021 in the current year and expects to commence the associated capital project in fiscal year 2022. Bent Creek Community Development District does not expect any other economic factors to have a significant effect on the financial position or results of operations of the District in fiscal year 2022.

Request for Information

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Bent Creek Community Development District's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Bent Creek Community Development District, GMS-SF, LLC, 5385 Nob Hill Road, Sunrise, Florida 33351.

Bent Creek Community Development District
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
September 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 9,021
Due from developer	7,818
Total Current Assets	16,839
Non-Current Assets	
Restricted Assets	
Investments	3,898,642
Total Assets	3,915,481
 LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	9,232
Bonds payable	85,000
Accrued interest	24,179
Total Current Liabilities	118,411
Non-Current Liabilities	
Bonds payable, net	4,065,328
Total Liabilities	4,183,739
 NET POSITION	
Unrestricted	\$ (268,258)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Bent Creek Community Development District
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues Operating Grants and Contributions	Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position
			Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities			
General government	\$ (56,188)	\$ 63,795	\$ 7,607
Interest and other charges	(275,888)	-	(275,888)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ (332,076)	\$ 63,795	(268,281)
	General Revenues		
	Investment income		23
			(268,258)
			-
			\$ (268,258)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Bent Creek Community Development District
BALANCE SHEET -
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
September 30, 2021

	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 9,021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,021
Due from Developer	7,818	-	-	7,818
Restricted assets				
Investments, at fair value	-	164,964	3,733,678	3,898,642
Total Assets	\$ 16,839	\$ 164,964	\$ 3,733,678	\$ 3,915,481
 LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 9,232	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,232
 DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenues	7,818	-	-	7,818
 FUND BALANCES				
Restricted:				
Debt service	-	164,964	-	164,964
Capital projects	-	-	3,733,678	3,733,678
Unassigned	(211)	-	-	(211)
Total Fund Balances	(211)	164,964	3,733,678	3,898,431
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ 16,839	\$ 164,964	\$ 3,733,678	\$ 3,915,481

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Bent Creek Community Development District
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
September 30, 2021

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 3,898,431
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Long-term liabilities, bonds payable, \$(4,050,000), net of bond premium \$(100,328), are not due and payable in the current period, and therefore, are not reported at the fund level.	(4,150,328)
Unavailable revenues are recognized as deferred inflows at the fund level, but this amount is recognized as revenues at the government-wide level.	7,818
Accrued interest expense for long-term debt is not a current financial use, and therefore, is not reported at the fund level.	<u>(24,179)</u>
Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u><u>\$ (268,258)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Bent Creek Community Development District
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Totals Governmental Funds
Revenues				
Developer contributions	\$ 55,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,977
Investment income	-	1	22	23
Total Revenues	<u>55,977</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>56,000</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	56,188	-	-	56,188
Debt service				
Other	-	-	252,269	252,269
Total Expenditures	<u>56,188</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>252,269</u>	<u>308,457</u>
Revenues over/(under) expenditures	<u>(211)</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>(252,247)</u>	<u>(252,457)</u>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)				
Issuance of long-term debt	-	164,964	3,885,036	4,050,000
Bond premium	-	-	100,888	100,888
Transfers in	-	-	1	1
Transfers out	-	(1)	-	(1)
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>164,963</u>	<u>3,985,925</u>	<u>4,150,888</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(211)</u>	<u>164,964</u>	<u>3,733,678</u>	<u>3,898,431</u>
Fund Balances - October 1, 2020	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ (211)</u>	<u>\$ 164,964</u>	<u>\$ 3,733,678</u>	<u>\$ 3,898,431</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Bent Creek Community Development District
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$	3,898,431
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
The issuance of new debt, \$(4,050,000), net of bond premium, \$(100,888), are recognized as other financing sources/(uses) at the fund level, but increase long-term liabilities at the government-wide level.		(4,150,888)
At the government-wide level, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds; whereas at the fund level, interest expenditures are reported when due This is the change in accrued interest in the current period.		(24,179)
At the fund level bond premium is recognized as an other financing source in the year the bond is issued, however at the government-wide level bond premium increases liabilities and is amortized over the life of the bond. This is the current year amortization.		560
At the fund level, revenues are recognized when they become available, however, revenues are recognized when they are earned at the government-wide level. This is the amount of the change in earned revenue that was not available.		<u>7,818</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$	<u><u>(268,258)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Bent Creek Community Development District
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
Revenues				
Developer contributions	\$ 69,175	\$ 69,175	\$ 55,977	\$ (13,198)
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	69,175	69,175	56,188	12,987
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	-	(211)	(211)
Fund Balances - October 1, 2020	-	-	-	-
Fund Balances - September 30, 2021	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (211)</u>	<u>\$ (211)</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

1. Reporting Entity

The District was established on August 17, 2020 pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act"), by City of Fort Pierce Ordinance No 20 - 016 as a Community Development District. The District was established for the purposes of financing and managing the acquisition, construction, maintenance and operation of the infrastructure necessary for community development within its jurisdiction. The District is authorized to issue bonds for the purpose, among others, of financing, funding, planning, establishing, acquiring, constructing district roads, landscaping, and other basic infrastructure projects within or outside the boundaries of the Bent Creek Community Development District. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Supervisors. The District operates within the criteria established by Chapter 190, Florida Statutes.

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

Based upon the application of the above-mentioned criteria as set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, the District has identified no component units.

2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

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

Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

a. Government-wide Financial Statements

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

Governmental activities are supported by developer contributions. Program revenues are netted with program expenses in the statement of activities to present the net cost of each program.

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

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

b. Fund Financial Statements

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

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

Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

b. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Governmental Funds

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

The District has various policies governing the fund balance classifications.

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

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

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

Unassigned Fund Balance – This classification is the residual classification for the government's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. Unassigned fund balance is considered to be utilized first when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

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

Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2021

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

b. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Governmental Funds (Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. Interest associated with the current fiscal period is considered to be an accrual item and so has been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period.

Under the current financial resources measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The reported fund balance is considered to be a measure of “available spendable resources”.

Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of “available spendable resources” during a period.

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

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

Debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

3. Basis of Presentation

a. Governmental Major Funds

General Fund – 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.

Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

3. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

a. Governmental Major Funds (Continued)

Debt Service Fund – Accounts for debt service requirements to retire the special assessment revenue bonds which were used to finance the construction of District infrastructure improvements.

Capital Projects Fund – The Capital Projects Funds account for construction of infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the district.

b. Non-current Governmental Assets/Liabilities

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

4. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

a. Cash and Investments

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

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

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

Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

4. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity (Continued)

a. Cash and Investments (Continued)

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

b. Restricted Net Position

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

c. Unamortized Bond Premium

Bond premium associated with the issuance of revenue bonds are amortized according to the straight-line method of accounting over the life of the bonds. For financial reporting, unamortized bond premium is netted with the applicable long-term debt.

Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

4. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity (Continued)

d. Deferred Inflows of Resources

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

e. Budgets

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

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

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

“Total fund balances” of the District’s governmental funds, \$3,898,431, differs from “net position” of governmental activities, \$(268,258), reported in the Statement of Net Position. This difference primarily results from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the current financial resources focus of the governmental fund balance sheet. The effect of the differences is illustrated below:

Long-term debt transactions

Long-term liabilities applicable to the District’s governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. All liabilities (both current and long-term) are reported in the Statement of Net Position. Balances at September 30, 2021 were:

Bonds payable	\$ (4,050,000)
Bond premiums, net	<u>(100,328)</u>
Bonds payable, net	<u>\$ (4,150,328)</u>

Bent Creek Community Development District
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NOTE B – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Unavailable revenues are recognized as deferred inflows of resources at the fund level, however, revenues are recognized when earned at the government-wide level.

Unavailable revenues	\$ <u>7,818</u>
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Accrued interest

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

Accrued interest	\$ <u>(24,179)</u>
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2. Explanation of Differences Between the Governmental Fund Operating Statements and the Statement of Activities

The “net change in fund balances” for government funds, \$3,898,431, differs from the “change in net position” for governmental activities, \$(268,258), reported in the Statement of Activities. The differences arise primarily from the long-term economic focus of the Statement of Activities versus the current financial resources focus of the governmental funds. The effect of the differences is illustrated below:

Long term debt transactions

Long-term debt transactions are as other financing sources and expenditures at the fund level but affect liabilities at the government-wide level.

Issuance of long-term debt	\$ (4,050,000)
Bond premium	(100,888)
Total	<u>\$ (4,150,888)</u>

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.

Net change in accrued interest payable	\$ <u>(24,179)</u>
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Amortization of the bond premium does not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, is not reported at the fund level.

Amortization of bond premium	\$ <u>560</u>
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**Bent Creek Community Development District
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 September 30, 2021**

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

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

Deferred inflows of resources

Unavailable revenues are recognized as deferred inflows of resources at the fund level. Revenues are recognized when earned at the government-wide level.

Net change in unavailable revenues	\$ <u>7,818</u>
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NOTE C – CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a formal deposit policy for custodial credit risk; however, they follow the provisions of Chapter 280, Florida Statutes regarding deposits and investments. As of September 30, 2021, the District's bank balance and carrying value were \$9,021. Exposure to custodial credit risk was as follows. The District maintains all deposits in a qualified public depository in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 280, Florida Statutes, which means that all deposits are fully insured by Federal Depositors Insurance or collateralized under Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

Investments

As of September 30, 2021, the District had the following investments and maturities:

Investment	Maturities	Fair Value
First American Government Obligations	14 Days*	\$ 3,898,642

*Maturity is a weighted average maturity.

Bent Creek Community Development District
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NOTE C – CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Investments (Continued)

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

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

Based on the criteria in the preceding paragraph, the investment listed above is a Level 1 asset.

Interest Rate Risk

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

Credit Risk

The District's investments in treasury funds, money markets and government loans are limited by state statutory requirements and bond compliance. The District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. As of September 30, 2021, the District's investments in First American Government Obligations was rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The District places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one fund. The investments in First American Government Obligations represent 100% of District's total investments.

The types of deposits and investments and their level of risk exposure as of September 30, 2021 were typical of these items during the fiscal year then ended. The District considers any decline in fair value for certain investments to be temporary.

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NOTE D – LONG-TERM DEBT

Governmental Activities

The following is a summary of activity for long-term debt of the Governmental Activities for the year ended September 30, 2021:

Long-term debt at October 1, 2020	\$	-
Issuance of long-term debt		<u>4,050,000</u>
Long-term debt at September 30, 2021	\$	4,050,000
Plus: bond premium, net		<u>100,328</u>
Bonds Payable, Net at September 30, 2021	\$	<u><u>4,150,328</u></u>

District debt is comprised of the following at September 30, 2021:

Special Assessment Bonds

\$4,050,000 Series 2021 Special Assessment Bonds maturing through 2051, at various interest rates between 2.375% and 4.000%, payable June 15 and December 15.	\$	<u>4,050,000</u>
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Bent Creek Community Development District
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September 30, 2021

NOTE D – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

The annual requirements to amortize the principal and interest of bonded debt outstanding as of September 30, 2021 are as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2022	\$ 85,000	\$ 122,047	\$ 207,047
2023	85,000	136,148	221,148
2024	90,000	134,129	224,129
2025	90,000	131,991	221,991
2026	95,000	129,854	224,854
2027-2031	505,000	609,915	1,114,915
2032-2036	585,000	530,273	1,115,273
2037-2041	685,000	431,835	1,116,835
2042-2046	825,000	302,800	1,127,800
2047-2051	1,005,000	123,600	1,128,600
Totals	<u>\$ 4,050,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,652,592</u>	<u>\$ 6,702,592</u>

Summary of Significant Bonds Resolution Terms and Covenants

Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2021

Significant Bond Provisions

The Series 2021 Bonds are subject to redemption at the option of the District prior to their maturity, in whole or in part, at any time after June 15, 2031 a price equal to the par amount of the Series 2021 Bonds thereof, together with accrued interest to the date of redemption. The Series 2021 Bonds are subject to extraordinary mandatory redemption prior to maturity in the manner determined by the Bond Registrar if certain events occurred as outlined in the Trust Indenture.

The Trust Indenture established certain amounts be maintained in a reserve account. In addition, the Trust Indenture has certain restrictions and requirements relating principally to the use of proceeds to pay for the infrastructure improvements and the procedures to be followed by the District on assessments to property owners. The District agrees to levy special assessments in annual amounts adequate to provide payment of debt service and to meet the reserve requirements.

**Bent Creek Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE D – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Depository Funds

The bond resolution establishes certain funds and determines the order in which revenues are to be deposited into these funds. A description of the significant funds, including their purposes, is as follows:

Reserve Funds – The Series 2021 Reserve Account was funded from the proceeds of the Series 2021 Bonds in an amount equal to 50% of the maximum annual debt service required for Series 2021 Bonds at the date of issue until the Reserve Account Release Conditions have been satisfied as established in the Trust Indenture. Once the Release Conditions have been satisfied as established in the Trust Indenture the Reserve Account shall be reduced to an amount equal to 10% of the maximum annual debt service with respect to the then outstanding principal amount. Monies held in the reserve accounts will be used only for the purposes established in the Trust Indenture.

The following is a schedule of required reserve balances as of September 30, 2021:

	<u>Reserve Balance</u>	<u>Reserve Requirement</u>
Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2021	\$ 112,000	\$ 112,000

NOTE E – ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

A significant portion of the District's activity is dependent upon continued involvement of the Developer, the loss which could have a material adverse effect on the District's operations. All voting members of the Board of Supervisors are employed by the Developer or a related entity. The District received \$55,977 in operating contributions from the Developer for the year ended September 30, 2021.

NOTE F – RISK MANAGEMENT

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



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

To the Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District
Fort Pierce, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Bent Creek Community Development District, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 2, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

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



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MANAGEMENT LETTER

To the Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District
Fort Pierce, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Bent Creek Community Development District as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 2, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and our Independent Auditor's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professionals Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 2, 2022, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report. This is the initial period of operations for the District.

Financial Condition and Management

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

To the Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for Bent Creek Community Development District. It is management's responsibility to monitor the Bent Creek Community Development District's financial condition; our financial condition assessment was based in part on the representations made by management and the review of the financial information provided by the same as of September 30, 2021.

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

Specific Information

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

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

- 1) The total number of district employees compensated in the last pay period of the District's fiscal year: 0
- 2) The total number of independent contractors to whom nonemployee compensation was paid in the last month of the District's fiscal year: 0
- 3) All compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: N/A
- 4) All compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: N/A
- 5) Each construction project with a total cost of at least \$65,000 approved by the District that is scheduled to begin on or after October 1, 2020, together with the total expenditures for such project: The District had no construction projects during the year.
- 6) A budget variance based on the budget adopted under Section 189.016(4), Florida Statutes, before the beginning of the fiscal year being reported if the District amends a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes: The budget was not amended.

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

- 7) The rate or rates of non-ad valorem special assessments imposed by the District: The District did not have special assessments.
- 8) The amount of special assessments collected by or on behalf of the District: Total Special Assessments collected was N/A.
- 9) The total amount of outstanding bonds issued by the District and the terms of such bonds: Series 2021 Bonds, \$4,050,000 maturing May 2051.



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To the Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District

Additional Matters

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

Purpose of this Letter

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

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

To the Board of Supervisors
Bent Creek Community Development District
Fort Pierce, Florida

We have examined Bent Creek Community Development District's compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. Management is responsible for Bent Creek Community Development District's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Bent Creek Community Development District's compliance based on our examination.

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

In our opinion, Bent Creek Community Development District complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021.

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June 2, 2022