

FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

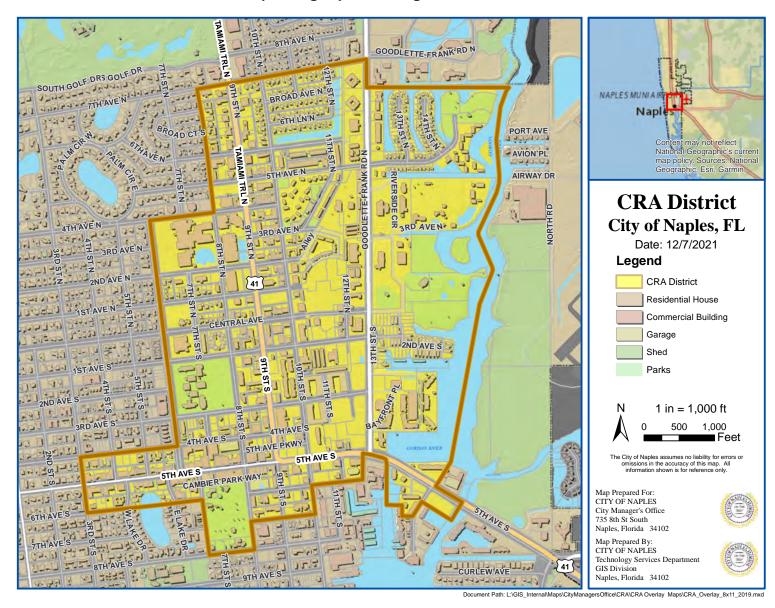
MARCH 31, 2022



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COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

This Annual Report provides a summary of the work undertaken by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) during Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021.



City of Naples Community Redevelopment Area

MISSION STATEMENT

To guide private and public initiatives in the redevelopment area to facilitate economic development, improve physical characteristics, and encourage investment, thus improving the quality of life for residents of the redevelopment area and the City of Naples.

AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The Naples CRA is a dependent special district created by the Naples City Council in 1994 for the purpose of eliminating and preventing slum and blight, and the preservation or enhancement of the tax base in the redevelopment area; Resolutions 94-7098 and 94-7099 created the CRA. On May 18,

1994, City Council adopted Resolution 94-7202 approving the original Community Redevelopment Plan. On January 15, 2014, City Council approved Resolution 14-13401 adopting the Naples Community Redevelopment Plan as amended and modified. The Plan, as amended, is designed to provide a workable program for using public resources to fund redevelopment initiatives and provide a broad vision of those initiatives. The CRA may decide to complete any activity in the Plan; however, the CRA may not undertake any activity that is not in the Plan.

The CRA consists of seven commissioners who are the same individuals as those elected to serve as the Naples City Council. The City Council selects who will serve as the CRA Chair and Vice Chair. Since April 1, 2020, the CRA Members are Chair Ray Christman, Vice Chair Mike McCabe, Mayor Teresa Heitmann, Vice Mayor Terry Hutchison, and Council Members Ted Blankenship, Paul Perry, and Gary Price.

Effective February 2022, the CRA Board Members are Chair Vice Mayor Mike McCabe, Vice Chair Council Member Terry Hutchison, Mayor Teresa Heitmann, and Council Members Ted Blankenship, Ray Christman, Paul Perry and Beth Petrunoff.

During the fiscal year, the CRA held public meetings on October 22, 2020, December 1, 2020, February 2, 2021, June 10, 2021, and August 31, 2021.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ADVISORY BOARD (CRAAB)

The CRAAB was established to assist City Council in its role as the CRA by providing public input and technical advice, and making recommendations including, but not limited to, land use, economic and cultural vitality and diversity, acquisition/ condemnation/demolition of properties, funding alternatives, and staffing needs for the CRA.

The CRAAB members are Chair Quenby Tyler, Vice Chair Antonio Dumornay, and Members Jason Andis, George Dondanville, Luke Fredrickson, David Gordley, and Gregory Palmer. Mr. Dumornay left the Board in March and Mr. Andis completed his term in May. Luke Fredrickson was elected as the Vice Chair and the two open seats remained vacant through the remainder of the fiscal year.

Effective February 2022, the CRAAB members are Chair Luke Fredrickson, Vice Chair George Dondanville, Casey Askar, Julie Domenick, David Fruscione, Jonathan Levy, and Gregory Palmer.

During FY2020-21, the CRAAB was encouraged by City Council to meet monthly, rather than on the as-needed basis it had been following, encouraging it to be more pro-active in exploring potential issues that the CRA may be able to address.

Acting on the guidance of City Council, the CRAAB held public meetings on October 26, 2020, November 23, 2020, December 28, 2020, January 25, 2021, March 22, 2021, April 26, 2021, June 28, 2021, July 26, 2021, and August 23, 2021.

CRA STAFF

During FY 2020-21, Jeff Oris, a consultant with the firm Place Planning and Design and under an agreement with the City, has served as Interim CRA Manager while the CRA considered its future staffing needs. Mr. Oris is a past president of the Florida Redevelopment Association and had previously completed several assignments for the CRA.

In May 2021, the City Council, at the request of the CRA, created the new position of CRA Administrator to help manage the agency into the future. During the search for a qualified candidate for the new position, Mr. Oris continued to fulfill the role of Interim CRA Manager.

Mr. Oris continued to serve as Interim CRA Manager through December 2021. In January 2022, Anita Jenkins was selected as the new CRA Administrator, Ms. Jenkins is a long-time resident of the City of Naples. She holds a Master's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Florida and has over twenty-five years of planning and leadership experience within the public and private sectors. Her work has been recognized with multiple

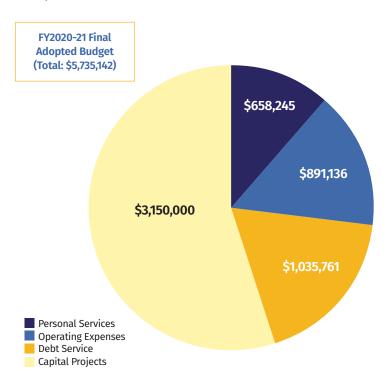


Anita Jenkins

planning awards for innovation and excellence.

ANNUAL BUDGET

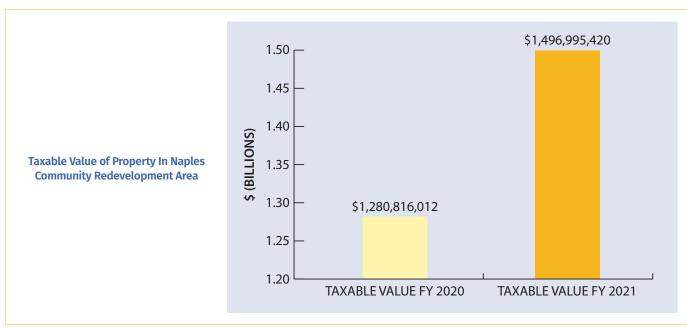
Each year the CRA and City Council adopt a budget for the agency, setting forth the goals, objectives, and workplan for the fiscal year.

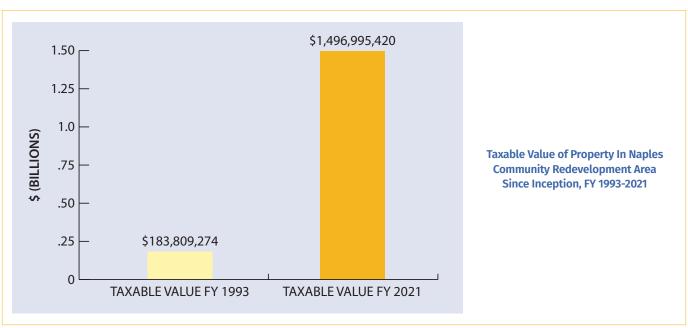


CRA CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROVED IN FY2020-21

FY2020-21 Budgeted Capital Projects

41-10 Master Plan	\$200,000
Affordable Housing Study	\$100,000
1st Ave South Improvements	\$800,000
Neighborhood Plan Improvements	\$1,050,000
Parking Garage Partnership	\$1,000,000
Total	\$3,150,000





CRA PROJECTS

41-10 Master Plan

On June 21, 2021, the CRA authorized an agreement in the amount of \$280,000 with DPZ CoDesign to provide professional services to develop a 41-10 Master Plan. The plan is intended to guide the ongoing redevelopment and revitalization of the area with specific directions to implement improvements. In July 2021 commencement of the Master Plan began with earnest. SpeakUpNaples.com an online platform launched to engage the public, solicit input and provide project information, while DPZ CoDesign conducted a series of in-person stakeholder meetings and a week-long charrette. The successful public engagement process resulted in participation of over 1,000 members of the Naples community.

The community input and charrette process created an exciting new vision for the area. The three major themes that evolved are: 1) leverage the assets by enhancing the sound urban structure and the emerging identify of the 41-10 area as a Design District, 2) enable prosperity by reinforcing the successful scale, mix of uses and other qualities that already make the area a desirable location with sensitivity to infill and redevelopment, and 3) connect the district by supporting internal walkable fabric and accessibility to the many services and amenities beyond its boundaries. Specific ideas that emerged include activating the alleys with a Design Walk, maintaining and improving the affordable housing units in the area, and redesigning 10th Street and some Avenues to improve pedestrian and bicycle access. The 41-10 Master Plan will be finalized and is schedule to be heard by the CRA in June 2022.

Elevated Park Green Market

Small and Local

Health Food Stores

I't Glitzy Up the District Don't Glitzy Up the District Walkability

Central Parking Garage

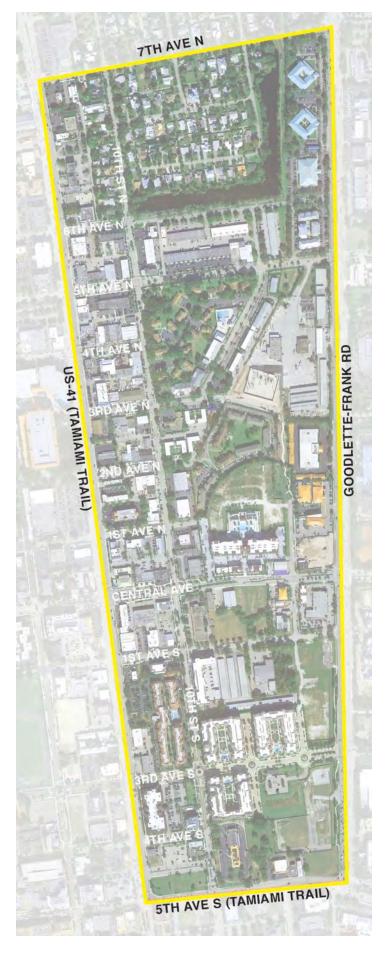
Venues for Younger Patrons

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Specialty Food Market Bike Racks Moderately Priced P. Venus Birds, Bees & Butterflies
Ethnic Cuisine

Affordable Housing
Housing Above Stores
Families on Weekends Food Trucks



Housing Affordability Study

In February 2021, the CRA approved an agreement in the amount of \$94,000 for affordable housing advisory services with Bright Community Trust in partnership with the Schimberg Housing Center at the University of Florida and GAI Consultants, Inc. The scope of work includes three broad phases, I) an inventory analysis of the current affordable units with a detailed financial assessment for the Gordon River Apartments aka the Cove at Naples Bay, II) assessment of households, workforce and housing stocks in the CRA and City, including context data from Collier County and the region, and III) recommendations for policy, funding and programs to address gaps by preserving existing homes and developing new ones that enhance and expand Naples' exceptional quality of life. Phases I and II are complete and have been presented to the community and CRA for comment. A Phase III draft report will be presented to the CRAAB for discussion, input and recommendations to the CRA. A public workshop will be held March 29, 2022, at the River Park Community Center, beginning at 6:00 p.m., for the public to offer comments. Bright Community Trust will then combine all comments received from the CRAAB and the public during the draft review to prepare the final presentation to the CRA scheduled for April 14, 2022. The CRA presentation and delivery of the final report will conclude the tasks of the Housing Affordability Study.





Parking Garage Partnership (Gulfshore Playhouse)

In June 2021, the CRA, City, Downtown Naples, LLC, and the Gulfshore Playhouse entered into an agreement for the CRA to construct a parking garage with a minimum of 255 spaces on 1st Avenue South and 12th Street South. Downtown Naples, LLC and Gulfshore Playhouse will exchange the land for the garage to be built upon in exchange for parking allocations in the garage. These allocations are not reserved spaces but are spaces that will count towards the required number of parking spaces that the future Gulfshore Playhouse and a future project by Downtown Naples, LLC would otherwise be required to provide. The CRA anticipates a garage similar in height and size to the two existing parking garages on 8th Street South. A conceptual design has been created and full design plans are anticipated to be complete in the 4th quarter of FY2022.

Implementing the Neighborhood Plans

On December 1, 2020, the CRA accepted and adopted the CRA Neighborhood Plans for River Park East, River Park West, Lake Park, and the Design District. The goal of the Neighborhood Planning process was to determine the capital improvements needed and desired by the community and then develop an implementation plan consistent with the Redevelopment Plan. In FY2020-21, several projects moved the CRA's goal forward including:

10th Street North Landscaping

The CRA engaged the firm of Q. Grady Minor and Associates in the amount of \$31,358 to prepare installation drawings to refresh landscaping and replace irrigation within the 10th Street North corridor of the redevelopment area. This project, which is designed to replace dead, dying, and marginal plantings, as well as replace Netafirm drip irrigation systems with a traditional pipe and irrigation head system. It is anticipated the design and construction documents will be complete in March 2022 with installation occurring in the summer planting season of 2022.

· Parking on 3rd Avenue North

With the goal of increasing available parking in the 41-10 area, the CRA allocated \$135,000 for surveying, design, and construction of approximately 20 on-street parking spaces on the north side of the 3rd Avenue North right-of-way just south of the FPL property (roughly the 1100 block). It is anticipated the project will be complete by August 2022.



· Streetlights for River Park East and West

On June 22, 2021, the City of Naples entered into an agreement with Collier County as a Subrecipient for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$183,676 for street lighting in the River Park east neighborhood. Subsequently, the agreement was amended in December 2021 to expand the new lighting to River Park west and the Design District and increase the amount of funding to \$683,676. Staff has identified approximately 150 streetlights in qualifying areas that will be replaced.

Staff has implemented the City Council direction by preparing an Invitation to Bid (ITB), meeting the scope and requirements of the CDBG grant. The ITB was posted the week of February 28, 2022. It is anticipated the lighting will be installed and the project complete by September 2022.





· Right-of-Way Improvments at 1380 5th Ave. N. in River Park East

The CRA allocated \$50,000 to replace an asphalt driveway apron in River Park East. The asphalt apron was removed, and a new and safer concrete sidewalk was installed within the right-of-way in the front of the church building to the street. Additionally, the driveway apron, which previously covered half of the church property, was significantly reduced to a 35-foot driveway with the remaining asphalt replaced by a grassy swale. A new crosswalk was also installed from the area in front of this property across 5th Avenue North to its intersection with 14th Street North.



· Naples Design District Banners

In cooperation with the Naples Design District Association, the CRA/City installed banners on 42 light poles withing the Design District Area (between Goodlette-Frank Road and US-41 to the east and west, and between 7th Avenue North and 5th Avenue South to the north and south). The Naples Design District Association provided the banners. The CRA covered the cost of hurricane-rated brackets allocated from \$50,000 for projects in the Neighborhood Plan Project Funding in the CRA's capital budget, and the City's Community Services Department installed them. Future banner changes or maintenance will be the responsibility of the Naples Design District Association.



CRA FY 2021-22 BUDGET

At the August 22, 2021 CRA Board meeting, the Board unanimously recommended the FY 2021-22 budget for the CRA. The City Council approved the FY 2021-22 CRA budget at two readings on September 9 and September 27, 2021, respectively. At the end of FY 2020-21, City Council reappropriated uncommitted project funds from the FY 2020-21 into FY 2021-22 adjusted budget. The tables below summarize the FY 2021-22 Approved Budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

CRA FY 2021-22 Total Budget

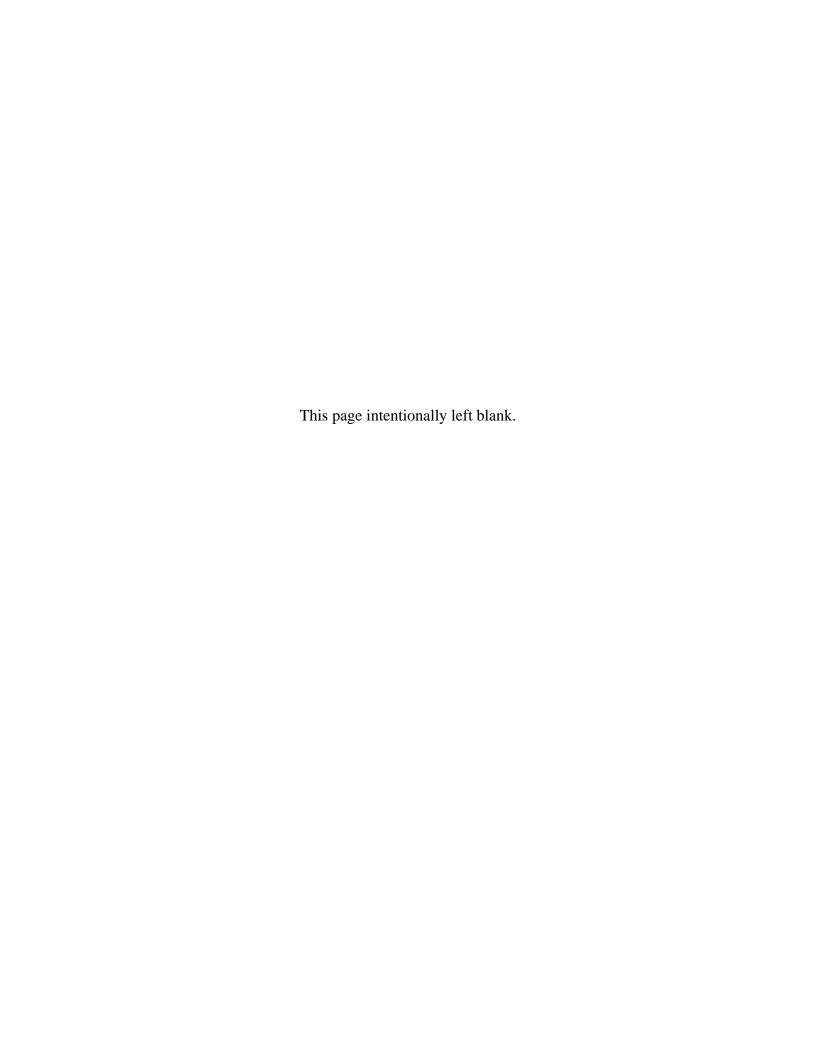
Personal Services	\$729,144
Operating Services	\$867,686
Debt Service	\$264,117
Capital Projects	\$12,515,584
Total	\$14,376,531

FY 2021-22 Capital Projects Budget

1st Ave South Improvements	\$400,000
North Garage Painting & Joint Sealing	\$350,000
41-10 Master Plan	\$500,000
Neighborhood Plan Project Funding	\$1,285,584
Parking Garage Partnership	\$9,980,000
Total	12,515,584

Note: Includes reappropriated project balances from FY 2021

The CRA FY 2021-22 revenue budget includes estimates for: tax increment revenue of \$6,233,050; interest income of \$55,000; and the potential for \$4,000,000 from loan proceeds related to the parking garage partnership project. The CRA will continue to evaluate the results of the affordable housing study initiative as the study is completed. The CRA reserves the right to entertain and project, funding, and supplemental appropriation throughout the year to accommodate its objectives.



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

NAPLES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors and Executive Director Naples Community Redevelopment Agency Naples, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund (the "General Fund") of the Naples Community Redevelopment Agency (the "CRA"), a component unit of the City of Naples, Florida, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the CRA's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, and major fund (the "General Fund") of the CRA, as of September 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3 through 7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 31, 2022, on our consideration of the CRA's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 the effectiveness of the CRA's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the CRA's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Mauldin & Jerkins, LLC

Bradenton, Florida March 31, 2022

This section of the report presents our discussion and analysis of the performance of the Naples Community Redevelopment Agency (the "CRA") during the year ended September 30, 2021. Please read it in conjunction with the CRA's financial statements, which follow this section.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the CRA exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$6,517,223 (net position). The entire net position is included in the restricted category.
- The CRA's total net position increased by \$3,369,888 over the course of this year's operations primarily caused by less than anticipated spending in redevelopment programs.
- The CRA's operating fund reported an ending fund balance of \$6,780,678, an increase of \$2,346,608 from the prior period which resulted from excess revenues over expenditures.

Overview of the Financial Statements

The financial section of this annual report consists of two parts: (1) management's discussion and analysis (this section), and (2) the basic financial statements.

Basic Financial Statements

Government-wide financial statements. The focus of the government-wide financial statements is on the overall financial position and activities of the CRA. Reporting is similar to that of a private-sector business. The government-wide financial statements report information about the CRA as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer questions about the financial health of the CRA and whether the activities of the year contributed positively or negatively to that health.

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and statement of activities.

• The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on the assets held and liabilities owed by the CRA, both long- and short-term. Assets are reported when acquired and liabilities are reported when they are incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows to acquire these assets or liquidate such liabilities.

The difference between the CRA's total assets and total liabilities is *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the CRA is improving or deteriorating. Although the purpose of the CRA is not to accumulate net position in general, as this amount increases, it indicates that the financial position of the CRA is improving over time.

• The Statement of Activities presents the revenues and expenses of the CRA. The items presented on the statement of activities are measured in a manner like the approach used in the private sector in that revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are reported when incurred. Accordingly, revenues are reported even when they may not be collected for several months after the end of the accounting period and expenses are recorded even though they may not have used cash during the current period.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the CRA that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenue (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the CRA are mainly economic environment activities.

Fund financial statements. The focus of fund financial statements is directed to specific activities of the CRA. The CRA, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental fund. The CRA has only one governmental fund, a General Fund. Financial statements consist of a balance sheet and a statement of revenue, expenditures, and change in fund balance. These statements are prepared on an accounting basis that is significantly different from that used to prepare the government-wide financial statements.

In general, these financial statements have a short-term emphasis and, for the most part, measure and account for cash and other assets that can easily be converted to cash. For example, amounts reported on the balance sheet include items such as cash and receivables but do not include capital assets such as land and buildings. The difference between a fund's total assets and total liabilities is the fund balance, and generally indicates the amount that can be used to finance the next fiscal year's activities. The operating statement for governmental funds reports only those revenues that were collected during the current period or very shortly after the end of the year. Expenditures are generally recorded when incurred.

For the most part, the balances and activities accounted for in governmental funds are also reported in the governmental activities columns of the government-wide financial statements. However, because different accounting bases are used to prepare governmental fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements, there are often significant differences between the totals presented. For this reason, there is an analysis after the governmental fund balance sheet that reconciles the total fund balance for the governmental fund to the amount of net position presented in the governmental activities column on the statement of net position. Also, there is an analysis after the statement of revenue, expenditures, and changes in fund balance that reconciles the total change in fund balance for the General Fund to the change in net position as reported in the governmental activities column in the statement of activities.

Notes to the basic financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

The table below presents a summary of net position as of September 30, 2021 and 2020, derived from the government-wide statement of net position:

Statement of Net Position

	 2021	2020	Change
Current and other assets	\$ 6,834,042	5,451,280	1,382,762
Total assets	\$ 6,834,042	5,451,280	1,382,762
Long-term liabilities	\$ 263,355	1,284,889	(1,021,534)
Other liabilities	 53,464	1,019,056	(965,592)
Total liabilities	\$ 316,819	2,303,945	(1,987,126)
Restricted	\$ 6,517,223	3,147,335	3,369,888
Total net position	\$ 6,517,223	3,147,335	3,369,888

As noted earlier, net position may serve, over time, as a useful indication of the CRA's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, the CRA's assets exceeded its liabilities by \$6,517,223. The entire net position of the CRA is restricted for Community Redevelopment.

The table below presents a summary of changes in net position for the years ended September 30, 2021 and 2020 as derived from the government-wide statement of activities:

Statement of Activities

	2021		2020	Change	
Revenues	·				
Property tax assessments	\$	1,434,656	1,228,623	206,033	
Intergovernmental		4,446,809	3,711,379	735,430	
Investment income		49,043	180,743	(131,700)	
Total revenues		5,938,273	5,120,745	817,528	
Expenses					
Economic environment		2,568,385	4,002,371	(1,433,986)	
Total expenses		2,568,385	4,002,371	(1,433,986)	
Change in net position		3,369,888	1,118,374	2,251,514	
Beginning net position		3,147,335	2,028,961	1,118,374	
Ending net position	\$	6,517,223	3,147,335	3,369,888	

Governmental activities

Governmental activities increased the CRA's net position by \$3,369,888, while in 2020 there was an increase of \$1,118,374. This was primarily caused by an increase in property tax assessment revenue of \$206,033 and an increase intergovernmental revenue from Collier County of \$735,430 offset by a reduction in investment income of \$131,700.

Financial Analysis of the CRA General Fund

As noted earlier, the CRA uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The focus of the CRA's *General Fund* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the CRA's financing requirements. In particular, the *fund balance* at year-end provides the resources available for spending.

Budgetary Highlights

The difference between the CRA's original budget and the final amended budget is solely due to reappropriated fund balance for projects that were not completed by September 30, 2020 and supplemental appropriations of \$300,000 for the 41-10 Master Plan and \$100,000 for an Affordable Housing Study within the CRA. During the fiscal year, the CRA budget included \$437,166 related to community policing, \$495,806 for landscape and other maintenance, and \$556,138 administrative costs. The combined expenditure in these budgeted items was \$1,262,060 as identified as economic environment on the financial statements. In addition, the CRA expensed \$14,415 for neighborhood projects, \$20,000 related to the garage partnership project preliminary design concepts, \$30,000 related to the 41-10 Master Plan design, and \$31,333 on the Affordable Housing Study within the CRA.

Capital Assets and Long-Term Liabilities

Capital assets. As of September 30, 2021 and 2020, the CRA did not report any capital assets.

Long-term liabilities. As of year-end, the CRA had \$263,355 in long-term debt, which consist of a 2013 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note which matures in fiscal year 2022.

The debt position of the CRA is summarized below. Additional information can be found in Note 4 Long-Term Liabilities:

	2021		2020	Change
Notes Payable	\$	263,355	1,284,889	(1,021,534)

Economic Factors and Next Year Budget and Rates

In September 2021, the CRA Board and City Council approved a \$12.4 million budget for fiscal year 2021-2022, approximately \$7.0 million more than the fiscal year 2020-2021 original budget. The budget includes \$1.5 million for community policing, landscape and other maintenance, and administrative costs. The budget included \$10.5 million in additional capital improvement within the CRA including, \$10.0 million toward design and construction of a new parking garage and \$1.3 million in neighborhood plan project funding within the CRA (including reappropriating unused funds from fiscal year 2020-21). The fiscal year 2022 CRA budget was balanced using a millage rate of 1.15 unchanged from fiscal year 2020. This was possible as property values within the CRA for fiscal year 2022 was \$1,575,495,830 up 5.5% from fiscal year 2021. The total CRA revenue estimate resulting from the total tax increment for fiscal year 2022 of \$1,391,686,557, using a tax rate of 1.15 from the City and 3.5645 from the County, to bring in \$1,520,447 and \$4,712,633, respectively. In addition, the budget reflects potential borrowing of \$4.0 million related to the parking garage. In addition, the CRA is budgeted to receive approximately \$55,000 in interest income. The CRA fiscal year 2022 budget expects a net increase in fund balance of \$2,072,837 for fiscal year 2022 as approved in the original budget.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide residents, taxpayers, customers and creditors with a general overview of the CRA's finances and to demonstrate the CRA's accountability. For questions concerning the information in this report or requests for additional financial information, contact the City's Chief Financial Officer at 735 8th Street South, Naples, Florida 34102-6796.

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(A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida) STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,819,886
Accrued interest receivable	14,156
Total assets	6,834,042
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	53,364
Accrued interest	100
Noncurrent liabilities	
Due within one year	263,355
Total liabilities	316,819
NET POSITION	
Restricted	6,517,223
Total net position	\$ 6,517,223

NAPLES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida) STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Functions/Programs		Expenses		Program arges for ervices	Revenues Opera Grants Contrib	and	R (N	et (Expense) Levenue and Changes in Met Position overnmental Activities
Governmental activities								
Economic environment	\$	2,555,904	\$	7,765	\$	-	\$	(2,548,139)
Interest and other fiscal charges		12,481						(12,481)
Total governmental activities	\$	2,568,385	\$	7,765	\$			(2,560,620)
	P	neral revenues roperty taxes ntergovernmen	tal reve	nue (not rest	ricted to			1,434,656
		specific progra		ide (not rest	neted to			4,446,809
		Inrestricted inv		earnings				49,043
	Tota	al general reve	nues					5,930,508
	Cha	inge in net pos	ition					3,369,888
	Net	position, begi	nning					3,147,335
	Net	position, endi	ng				\$	6,517,223

(A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida) BALANCE SHEET GENERAL FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,819,886
Accrued interest receivable		14,156
Total assets	\$	6,834,042
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$	47,174
Accrued payroll		6,190
Total liabilities	_	53,364
FUND BALANCE		
Restricted for:		
Community redevelopment		6,780,678
Total fund balance		6,780,678
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	6,834,042

(A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida) RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Total fund balance, General Fund		\$ 6,780,678
Amounts reported for the governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the General Fund.		
2013 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note	\$ (263,355)	
Accrued interest expense	 (100)	
		 (263,455)
Total net position, governmental activities		\$ 6,517,223

(A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GENERAL FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

REVENUES		
Property taxes	\$	1,434,656
Permits, fees and assessments	Ψ	7,765
Intergovernmental - tax increment financing		4,446,809
Interest		49,043
Total revenues		5,938,273
EXPENDITURES		
Current		
Economic environment		1,262,060
Debt service		
Principal		1,021,534
Interest		14,227
Capital outlay		1,293,844
Total expenditures		3,591,665
Net change in fund balance		2,346,608
Fund balance, beginning		4,434,070
Fund balance, ending	\$	6,780,678

(A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida)

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE-GENERAL FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Net change in fund balance, General Fund	\$ 2,346,608
The issuance of long-term debt 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. Current year includes	
principal paid on long-term debt.	 1,021,534
Under the modified accrual basis of accounting used in the governmental funds, expenditures are not recognized for transactions that are not normally paid with expendable available financial resources. In the statement of activities, however, which is presented on the accrual basis, expenses and liabilities are reported regardless of when financial resources are used. The net change associated with these expenses/expenditures is as follows:	
Change in accrued interest	1,746
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ 3,369,888

(A Component Unit of the City of Naples, Florida)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL-GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

	Original	Final	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
	Budget	Budget	Amount	Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Property taxes	\$ 1,434,656	1,434,656	1,434,656	-
Permits, fees and assessments	· · · · · -	- -	7,765	7,765
Intergovernmental	4,446,809	4,446,809	4,446,809	· -
Interest	25,000	25,000	49,043	24,043
Total revenues	5,906,465	5,906,465	5,938,273	31,808
Expenditures				
Current				
Economic environment	1,489,111	1,849,381	1,262,060	587,321
Debt service				
Principal	1,021,534	1,021,534	1,021,534	-
Interest	14,227	14,227	14,227	-
Capital outlay	2,850,000	4,119,946	1,293,844	2,826,102
Total expenditures	5,374,872	7,005,088	3,591,665	3,413,423
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over				
(under) expenditures	531,593	(1,098,623)	2,346,608	3,445,231
Other financing sources				
Transfers in	230,176	230,176	-	230,176
Total other financing sources	230,176	230,176	-	230,176
Change in fund balances	761,769	(868,447)	2,346,608	3,215,055
Fund balances, beginning	4,434,070	4,434,070	4,434,070	
Fund balances, ending	\$ 5,195,839	3,565,623	6,780,678	3,215,055

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The Naples Community Redevelopment Agency (the "CRA") is governed by a board consisting of seven commissioners who are the same individuals as those serving as the City of Naples (the "City") City Council. The terms of office of the commissioners are concurrent with the terms of the Mayor and the members of the City Council Chair and Vice-Chair are designated by a majority vote of the City Council. The CRA was created in 1994 by Resolutions 94-7098 and 94-7099, as adopted by the City Council on January 5, 1994, in accordance with Section 163.356 of the Florida Statutes. The boundaries of the CRA district were determined at the time it was created and are shown on the CRA District Map. On January 15, 2014, the City Council adopted Resolution 14-13401 approving a modified Redevelopment Plan.

Florida State Statute Chapter 163 allows a community redevelopment agency to be created for one or more of the following purposes: the elimination and prevention of blight; the reduction or prevention of crime; the provision of affordable housing; or the rehabilitation and revitalization of coastal resort and tourist areas that are deteriorating and economically distressed. The primary goal of the CRA is to provide a tool that will guide private and public initiatives for creating economic development, improved physical characteristics, encourage investment in Downtown Naples, improve the quality of life for residents, and establish a framework for the proper evolution of the CRA District.

The CRA was established in accordance with the Community Redevelopment Act of 1969. This state act allows municipalities to use increases in property tax revenue to finance the necessary public investments in the project area. In accordance with provisions of this act, the CRA developed and implemented a Community Redevelopment Plan to remove the conditions of slum and blight that existed within a large portion of the City's core and the adjacent residential areas.

Funding for redevelopment and restoration projects that are essential for the reduction of slum and blight and the stimulation of private sector revitalization efforts is provided primarily from the tax increment generated by the increased valuation of properties within the community redevelopment area. Increases in property tax revenue above the baseline assessment that was established upon adoption of the Community Redevelopment Plan is set aside in the Community Redevelopment Trust Fund and can be utilized only for projects identified in the plan.

The CRA is a separate entity from the City. However, the City Council of the City of Naples serves as the CRA Board and performs the legislative functions, governing duties and corporate responsibilities of the agency. The City Manager serves as the executive director of the agency, performs the administrative duties and oversees the day to day operations of the agency. Several City departments, including Community Services, Developmental Services, Finance, and Engineering, provide assistance in planning and implementing project activities that are designed to revitalize and restore the identified blighted areas.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The basic financial statements consist of the government-wide financial statements and fund financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements include a statement of net position and a statement of activities. These statements report on the CRA as a whole and provide a complete financial picture of the CRA.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The government-wide statement of net position reports all financial and capital resources of the CRA's governmental activities. Governmental activities are those supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenue. The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Although there were none, program revenues include charges for services that are recovered directly from customers for services rendered. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Since the CRA fund financial statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the government-wide financial statements, reconciliations are provided that briefly explain the adjustments necessary to reconcile the governmental fund financial statements to the government-wide governmental activities financial statements.

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

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses reported when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Tax increment financing from property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year when levied.

The governmental fund financial statements (the "General Fund") are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are generally recognized in the accounting period in which they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the CRA considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment is due.

D. Deposits

The CRA considers cash on hand, cash with fiscal agents, and overnight investments with original maturities of less than three months to be cash and cash equivalents. The CRA also maintains its own bank account which is used for the majority of CRA transactions.

E. Receivables

Receivables consist of trade receivables and amounts due from other governments and are recorded net of any allowance for uncollectible amounts, if applicable.

Activity between the CRA and the City that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year (if any) are reported as "advances to/from the primary government." All other outstanding balances between the CRA and City (if any) are reported as "due to/from the primary government."

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Capital Assets

There are no capital assets reported by the CRA as of September 30, 2021.

G. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position.

H. Fund Balance/Net Position

In fund financial statements, the General Fund reports fund classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the CRA is bound to honor constraints imposed on the use of resources reported. Amounts that are restricted to specific purposes either by: (a) constraints placed on the use of resources by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation are classified as restricted fund balances. Amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by the Board of Directors through a resolution are classified as committed fund balances. These constraints remain binding unless removed or changed in the same manner employed to commit those resources by resolution. Amounts that are constrained by the CRA's intent to be used for specific purposes, however, are neither restricted, nor committed are classified as assigned fund balances. Assignments are approved by the Executive Director.

Non-spendable fund balances include amounts that cannot be spent because they are either: (a) not in spendable form, or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Unassigned fund balance represents an amount that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. When both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available for use, it is the CRA's policy to use restricted fund balance first, then unrestricted fund balance. Furthermore, committed fund balances are reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used.

Net position of the government-wide financial statements are categorized as net investment in capital assets, restricted or unrestricted. The first category represents capital assets net of accumulated depreciation, less outstanding debt related to the acquisition or construction of the capital assets.

The restricted category, if any, represents the balance of assets restricted by requirements of revenue bonds and other externally imposed constraints or by legislation. Unrestricted net position represents resources that are available for spending.

I. Budgetary Data

On or before September 1 each year, the Naples Community Redevelopment Manager submits to the City Council a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing October 1. A public hearing is conducted at City Hall to obtain taxpayer comments. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance. Annual budgets are adopted for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. All annual appropriations lapse at the end of each fiscal year for these funds.

Budgetary control is maintained at the department level. The CRA Manager is permitted to transfer appropriations between line items within the General Fund. All other types of budget transfers or amendments must be approved by the City Council. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the department level.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

J. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

K. Risk Management

The CRA is insured, through the City's self-insurance program, for general liability, health, directors and officers, and property damage. There are no outstanding general liability claims related to the CRA.

NOTE 2 – TAX INCREMENT REVENUE

The primary source of revenue is tax increment funds received through the City of Naples and Collier County. The revenue from the City is treated as property taxes, while the remainder is recorded as intergovernmental revenue – tax increment financing.

NOTE 3 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

At September 30, 2021, the bank balances, net of reconciling items, of the CRA's deposits was \$6,819,886. All of the CRA's public deposits are held in qualified public depositories pursuant to Florida Statutes, Chapter 280, Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. Under the Act, all qualified public depositories are required to pledge eligible collateral having a market value equal to or greater than the average daily or monthly balance of all public deposits, times the depository's collateral pledging level. The pledging level may vary depending upon the depository's financial condition and establishment period. All collateral must be deposited with an approved financial institution. Any losses to public depositors are covered by applicable deposit insurance, sale of securities pledged as collateral and, if necessary, assessments against other qualified public depositories of the same type as the depository in default. When public deposits are made in accordance with Chapter 280, no public depositor shall be liable for any loss thereof.

NOTE 4 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

<u>Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note, Series 2013</u> – Funds borrowed by the CRA, as a portion of a larger City of Naples issuance, in the amount of \$6,801,222 to currently refund the outstanding principal amount of the Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note, Series 2010; monthly principal and interest payments range from \$79,842 to \$86,313 through December 1, 2021. Interest rate is 1.73%. The outstanding balance as of September 30, 2021, is \$263,355.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

The following is a summary of long-term liabilities for the year ended September 30, 2021:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Notes Payable:					
2013 Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Note	\$ 1,284,889		(1,021,534)	263,355	263,355
Total governmental activities					
long-term liabilities	\$ 1,284,889		(1,021,534)	263,355	263,355

A summary of annual debt service requirements as of September 30, 2021 is as follows:

Fiscal Year				
Ending	P	rincipal	Interest	Total
2022	\$	263,355	762	264,117
	\$	263,355	762	264,117

NOTE 5 – CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The CRA sometimes receives revenues from various federal grants. These grants would be for specific purposes and would be subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could result in disallowed expenditures under the terms of the grants. No such grants were received during the year ended September 30, 2021. Based upon prior experience, CRA management believes such disallowances, if any, would be immaterial.

NOTE 6 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The CRA is exposed to various risks of loss, including general liability, personal injury, workers compensation, and errors and ommissions. To manage its risks, the CRA has purchased commercial insurance.

NOTE 7 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The CRA has evaluated all subsequent events through March 31, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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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

Board of Directors and Executive Director Naples Community Redevelopment Agency Naples, 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 the governmental activities and major fund of the Naples Community Redevelopment Agency (the "CRA"), (a component unit of the City of Naples, Florida), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the CRA's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2022.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

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.

Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

Bradenton, Florida March 31, 2022

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

SECTION I SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

<u>Financial Statements</u>		
Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP:	Unmodified	d
Internal control over financial reporting:	Vac	V No
Material weaknesses identified?	res	<u>X</u> No
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	Yes	X None reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	Yes	<u>X</u> No
Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Projects		
The Naples Community Redevelopment Agency did not expend \$750, fiscal year ended September 30, 2021.	000 in federal	or state funds during its
SECTION II FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS AND) RESPONSES	S
None reported.		-

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

None.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT LETTER

Board of Directors and Executive Director Naples Community Redevelopment Agency Naples, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Naples Community Redevelopment Agency (the "CRA"), (a component unit of the City of Naples, Florida) as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated March 31, 2022.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the 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 Standard* and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with *AICPA Professional 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 March 31, 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. There were no findings or recommendations in the preceding annual financial report requiring correction.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The CRA has made these disclosures in the notes to the financial statements. There are no component units.

Financial Condition and Management

Sections 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 the CRA has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the CRA did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures. It is management's responsibility to monitor the CRA's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by the same.

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.

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 which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have 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 Trustees and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Mauldin & Jerkins, LLC

Bradenton, Florida March 31, 2022



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Board of Directors and Executive Director Naples Community Redevelopment Agency Naples, Florida

We have examined the Naples Community Redevelopment Agency (the "CRA"), (a component unit of the City of Naples, Florida) compliance with Sections 218.415, 163.387(6), and 163.387(7), Florida Statutes, during the year ended September 30, 2021. Management of the CRA is responsible for the CRA's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the CRA's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the CRA complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the CRA complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgement, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the CRA's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the CRA complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the year ended September 30, 2021.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the CRA and the Auditor General, State of Florida, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

Bradenton, Florida March 31, 2022 This page intentionally left blank.





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