# North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT September 30, 2022

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Board of Supervisors North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District Manatee County, Florida

#### **Report on Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2022, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District as of September 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management 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; and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



## To the Board of Supervisors North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users made on the basis of these financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

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

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



To the Board of Supervisors

North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board* who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge 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 a report dated August 23, 2023 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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Berger, Toombs, Elam, Gaines & Frank Certified Public Accountants PL

Fort Pierce, Florida

August 23, 2023

Management's discussion and analysis of North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 and developer contributions.

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, public safety, physical environment, culture and recreation, 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.

#### 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, 2022.

- ◆ The District's total assets exceeded total liabilities by \$31,449,868 (net position). Net investment in capital assets was \$32,380,321, restricted net position was \$107,680, and unrestricted net position was \$(1,038,133).
- ♦ Governmental activities revenues totaled \$22,002,222, while governmental activities expenses totaled \$3,874,149.

#### 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			
	2022	2021		
Current assets	\$ 3,849,996	\$ 2,111,579 *		
Restricted assets	1,740,238	8,914,614 *		
Capital Assets	66,602,427	50,459,442 *		
Total Assets	72,192,661	61,485,635		
Current liabilities	6,257,103	7,128,014 *		
Non-current Liabilities	34,485,690	41,035,826 *		
Total Liabilities	40,742,793	48,163,840		
Net Position				
Net investment in capital assets	32,380,321	14,608,523 *		
Restricted net position	107,680	1,476,217 *		
Unrestricted	(1,038,133)	(2,762,945) *		
Total Net Position	\$ 31,449,868	\$ 13,321,795		

<sup>\*</sup>Restated

The increase in current assets is related to the increase in due from developer in the current year.

The decrease in restricted assets is related to the capital project activity in the current year.

The increase in capital assets is related to the increase in construction in progress in the current year.

The decrease in non-current liabilities is related to the principal payments in the current year.

The increase in net position is related to revenues exceeding expenses in the current year.

#### 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**

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>			
	2022	2021		
Program Revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 7,831,997	\$ 6,574,691 *		
Grants and contributions	13,941,874	7,785,744 *		
General Revenues				
Miscellaneous revenues	228,075	138,033 *		
Investment income	276	643_ *		
Total Revenues	22,002,222	14,499,111		
Expenses				
General government	313,966	363,128 *		
Public safety	77,019	989 *		
Physical environment	1,439,543	982,596 *		
Culture/recreation	239,904	216,637 *		
Interest and other charges	1,803,717	2,738,337 *		
Total Expenses	3,874,149	4,301,687		
Change in Net Position	18,128,073	10,197,424 *		
Net Position - Beginning of Year	13,321,795	3,124,371 *		
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 31,449,868	\$ 13,321,795 *		

<sup>\*</sup>Restated

The increase in charges for services is related to the increase in special assessments in the current year.

The increase in grants and contributions is related to the increase in capital contributions by the Developer in the current year.

The increase in physical environment is related to the increase in landscape maintenance expenses in the current year.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

#### **Capital Assets Activity**

The following schedule provides a summary of the District's capital assets as of September 30, 2022 and 2021.

	Government	tal Activities
Description	2022	2021
Construction in progress	\$ 52,385,158	\$ 35,489,478 *
Infrastructure	16,072,908	16,072,908 *
Accumulated depreciation	(1,863,530)	(1,118,118) *
Capital Assets, net	\$ 66,594,536	\$ 50,444,268

<sup>\*</sup>Restated

Capital asset activity consisted of \$16,895,680 of additions to construction in progress and depreciation of \$745,412 in the current year.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Budgeted expenditures were more than the actual expenditures because engineering fees and maintenance expenditures were lower than anticipated.

There were no amendments to the September 30, 2022 budget.

#### **Debt Management**

Governmental Activities debt includes the following:

- In June 2019, the District issued \$9,910,000 Series 2019A-1 and \$3,355,000 Series 2019A-2 Capital Improvement Bonds. These bonds were issued to finance a portion of the cost of acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of a portion of the Series 2019A Project. As of September 30, 2022, the balance outstanding was \$9,460,000.
- In November 2019, the District issued \$5,530,000 Series 2019A-1 (Morgan's Glen) and \$5,045,000 Series 2019A-2 (Morgan's Glen) Capital Improvement Bonds. These bonds were issued to finance a portion of the cost of acquisition, construction, installation and equipping of a portion of the Series 2019A Project. As of September 30, 2022, the balance outstanding was \$7,945,000.
- In December 2020, the District issued \$7,670,000 Series 2020A-1, \$5,010,000 Series 2020A-2, and \$4,215,000 Series 2020A-3 Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds. These bonds were issued to finance a portion of the cost of the Phase 1 Project. As of September 30, 2022, the balance outstanding was \$16,755,000.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

#### **<u>Debt Management</u>** (Continued)

• In May 2021, the District issued \$4,130,000 Series 2021B Capital Improvement Bonds. These bonds were issued to finance a portion of the Cost of the Phase 1C/1D (West) Project. As of September 30, 2022, the balance outstanding was \$740,000.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

Subsequent to year end, North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District issued Series 2023A-1 Special Assessment Revenue Bonds and 2023A-2 Special Assessment Revenue Refunding Bonds for \$10,395,000 and \$21,865,000, respectively. The District cannot determine the affect this will have on the financial position or results of operations of the District in fiscal year 2023.

#### **Request for Information**

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District, PFM Group Consulting, LLC, 3501 Quadrangle Boulevard, Suite 270, Orlando, Florida 32817.

#### North River Ranch Improvemnet Stewardship District STATEMENT OF NET POSITION September 30, 2022

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 222,919
Accounts receivable	5,044
Interest receivable	8
Due from developer	3,615,264
Prepaid expenses	4,202
Deposits	2,559
Total Current Assets	3,849,996
Non-Current Assets	
Restricted investments, fair value	1,740,238
Capital Assets, not being depreciated	
Construction in progress	52,385,158
Capital Assets, being depreciated	
Infrastructure	16,072,908
Right-to-use leased equipment, net	7,891
Accumulated depreciation	(1,863,530)
Total Non-current Assets	68,342,665
Total Assets	72,192,661
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued expenses Contracts/retainage payable Lease payable Bonds payable Accrued interest Total Current Liabilities Non-Current Liabilities Lease payable Bonds payable	3,777,636 1,372,220 7,899 415,000 684,348 6,257,103
Total Non-current Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	34,485,690
TOTAL FIANIILIES	40,742,793
NET POSITION  Net investment in capital assets  Restricted for debt service  Unrestricted  Total Net Position	32,380,321 107,680 (1,038,133)
Total Net Position	\$ 31,449,868

# North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2022

					Progi	ram Revenu	es		Reve Ch	Expenses) enues and anges in : Position
			_			perating		apital	_	
Functions/Programs		Expenses		harges for		rants and		nts and		ernmental
Governmental Activities		-xperises		Services	Cor	ntributions	Cont	ributions	A	ctivities
General government	\$	(313,966)	\$	251,204	\$	79,488	\$	_	\$	16,726
Public safety	Ψ	(77,019)	Ψ	61,623	Ψ	19,499	*	_	*	4,103
Physical environment		(1,439,543)		609,729		192,935	13	3,608,258	1	2,971,379
Culture/recreation		(239,904)		131,765		41,694		- -		(66,445)
Interest and other charges		(1,803,717)		6,777,676		_				4,973,959
Total Governmental Activities	\$	(3,874,149)	\$	7,831,997	\$	333,616	\$ 13	3,608,258	1	7,899,722
	Gei	neral Revenu	es							
	M	liscellaneous	reve	nues						228,075
	Ir	nvestment inco	ome							276
		Total Genera	l Re	venues						228,351
		Change in	Net	Position					1	8,128,073
	Net	Position - Oc	tobe	er 1, 2021					1	3,321,795
	Net	Position - Se	pten	nber 30, 202	2				\$ 3	1,449,868

# North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS September 30, 2022

	(	General	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash	\$	222,919	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 222,919
Accounts receivable		5,044	7	1	5,052
Due from developer		152,314	-	3,462,950	3,615,264
Due from other funds		-	2,433	159,236	161,669
Prepaid expenses		4,202	-	-	4,202
Deposits		2,559	-	-	2,559
Restricted investments, fair value		-	1,476,071	264,167	1,740,238
Total Assets	\$	387,038	\$1,478,511	\$ 3,886,354	\$ 5,751,903
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES Accounts payable and accrued expenses Retainage payable Due to other funds Total Liabilities	\$	167,411 - 161,669 329,080	\$ - - - -	\$ 3,610,225 1,372,220 - 4,982,445	\$ 3,777,636 1,372,220 161,669 5,311,525
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Unavailable revenues		107,681		1,076,502	1,184,183
FUND BALANCES  Nonspendable - prepaid expenses/deposits		6,761	-	-	6,761
Restricted for debt service		-	1,478,511	-	1,478,511
Unassigned		(56,484)		(2,172,593)	(2,229,077)
Total Fund Balances		(49,723)	1,478,511	(2,172,593)	(743,805)
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$	387,038	\$1,478,511	\$ 3,886,354	\$ 5,751,903

# North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES September 30, 2022

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$	(743,805)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Capital assets, construction in progress, \$52,385,158, and infrastucture, \$16,072,908, net of accumulated depreciation, \$(1,863,530), and right to use leased equipment, net, \$7,891, used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore, are not reported at the fund level.		66,602,427
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, \$(34,900,000), and leases payable, \$(8,589), do not use current resources, and therefore, are not recognized at the fund level, however, all liabilities are recognized at the government-wide level.	(	(34,908,589)
Interest on long-term debt is recognized when paid at the fund level, however, at the government-wide level interest is recognized as incurred.		(684,348)
Unavailable revenues are recognized as deferred inflows of resources at the fund level. Revenues are recognized when earned at the government-wide		4 404 400
level.		1,184,183

\$ 31,449,868

Net Position of Governmental Activities

# North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2022

				Total
		Debt	Capital	Governmental
	General	Service	Projects	Funds
Revenues				
Special assessments	\$ 1,054,321	\$ 6,777,676	\$ -	\$ 7,831,997
Developer contributions	238,193	-	13,148,008	13,386,201
Investment income	81	125	70	276
Miscellaneous revenues	643		227,432	228,075
	1,293,238	6,777,801	13,375,510	21,446,549
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	313,966	-	-	313,966
Public safety	77,019	-	-	77,019
Physical environment	762,066	-	-	762,066
Culture/recreation	164,686	-	-	164,686
Capital outlay	-	-	16,895,680	16,895,680
Debt Service				
Principal	7,237	6,505,000	-	6,512,237
Interest	1,103	1,892,022	-	1,893,125
Other debt service		7	26,724	26,731
Total Expenditures	1,326,077	8,397,029	16,922,404	26,645,510
Net change in fund balances	(32,839)	(1,619,228)	(3,546,894)	(5,198,961)
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)				
Transfers in	-	-	40	40
Transfers out	(1)	(39)		(40)
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(1)	(39)	40	
Net change in fund balances	(32,840)	(1,619,267)	(3,546,854)	(5,198,961)
Fund Balances - October 1, 2021, Restated	(16,883)	3,097,778	1,374,261	4,455,156
Fund Balances - September 30, 2022	\$ (49,723)	\$ 1,478,511	\$(2,172,593)	\$ (743,805)

# North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2022

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds

\$ (5,198,961)

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

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation. This is the amount that capital outlay, \$16,895,680, exceeded depreciation, \$(745,412), and right to use leased equipment amortization, \$(7,283), in the current year.

16,142,985

Repayments of bond principal, \$6,505,000, and lease principals, \$7,237, are expenditures at the fund level, but the repayments reduce long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.

6,512,237

In the Statement of Activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds; whereas in governmental funds, interest expenditures are reported when due. This is the net amount between the prior year and current year accruals.

116,139

Unavailable revenues are reflected as deferred inflows of resources at the fund level, however they are recogized when earned at the government-wide level. This is the current year change.

555,673

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ 18,128,073

# North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Special assessments	\$1,048,827	\$1,048,827	\$ 1,054,321	\$ 5,494
Developer contributions	749,375	749,375	238,193	(511,182)
Investment income	-	-	81	81
Miscellaneous revenues			643	643
Total Revenues	1,798,202	1,798,202	1,293,238	(504,964)
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	598,287	598,287	313,966	284,321
Public Safety	115,000	115,000	77,019	37,981
Physical environment	902,200	902,200	762,066	140,134
Culture/recreation	182,715	182,715	164,686	18,029
Debt Service				
Principal	-	-	7,237	(7,237)
Interest		<u> </u>	1,103	(1,103)
Total Expenditures	1,798,202	1,798,202	1,326,077	472,125
Excess of Revenues over/(under)				
Expenditures	-	-	(32,839)	(32,839)
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)				
Transfer out			(1)	(1)
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	-	(32,840)	(32,840)
Fund Balances - October 1, 2021			(16,883) *	(16,883)
Fund Balances - September 30, 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (49,723)	\$ (49,723)

<sup>\*</sup>Restated

#### 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 June 9, 2020, pursuant to the Chapter 2020-191, Laws of Florida as an Improvement Stewardship District. In October 2021, pursuant to Manatee County Board of County Commissioners Ordinances No 21-39 and 21-40 Fieldstone Community Development District and North River Ranch Community Development District merged with North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District. The District is governed by a five member Board of Supervisors. All the Supervisors are employed by the Developer.

As required by GAAP, these financial statements present the North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 in Governmental Accounting Standards Board, The Financial Reporting Entity, 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

#### 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 special assessments, developer contributions and interest. 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.

#### 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.

#### 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

<u>General Fund</u> – 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.

#### NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### 3. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

#### a. Governmental Major Funds (Continued)

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> – The Debt Service Fund accounts for debt service requirements to retire the outstanding Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds.

<u>Capital Projects Fund</u> – The Capital Projects Fund accounts for the construction of infrastructure improvements within the District.

#### b. Non-current Governmental Assets/Liabilities

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

#### 4. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, 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

#### NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### 4. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, 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. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include construction in progress and infrastructure assets, are reported in the applicable governmental activities column.

The District defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. The valuation basis for all assets is historical cost.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend its useful life are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Depreciation of capital assets is computed and recorded by utilizing the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable capital assets are as follows:

Infrastructure 20-30

#### c. Leases

The District determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception. Lessee arrangements for governmental funds are included as right-to-use lease assets and lease liabilities in the Statement of Net Position, however, these leases are not reflected in the fund financial statements since they are not payable from available resources.

Payment for short-term leases with a lease term of twelve months or less are recognized as expenses as incurred. The District has a \$5,000 threshold, for total annual payments, for leases subject to GASB 87. Short-term leases and leases under the threshold are not included as lease liabilities or right-to-use lease assets on the Statement of Net Position. The right-to-use assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the terms of the related leases.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## 4. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position or Equity (Continued)

#### c. Leases

#### **Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 87**

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 87, Leases, which changes the accounting and financial reporting for leases. GASB Statement No. 87 defines a lease as a contract that conveys the right to use another entity's nonfinancial asset as specified in the contract for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Under GASB Statement No. 87, leases other than short-term leases, defined as having a maximum possible term of twelve months or less, are required to be recognized on the Statement of Net Position in the financial statements of the District. A lessee should recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use leased asset, and a lessor should recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources.

For the one year look back at implementation, October 1, 2020, the District, as lessee, recognized a lease liability of \$22,457 along with corresponding right-to-use leased assets of \$22,457.

Additional information regarding leases is present in subsequent notes.

#### 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 time 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. A formal budget is adopted for the general fund. 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, \$(743,805), differs from "net position" of governmental activities, \$31,449,868, 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.

#### Capital related items

When capital assets (that are to be used in governmental activities) are purchased or constructed, the cost of those assets is reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, the Statement of Net Position included those capital assets among the assets of the District as a whole.

Construction in progress	\$ 52,385,158
Infrastructure	16,072,908
Right to use, leased equipment, net	7,891
Accumulated Depreciation	 (1,863,530)
Total	\$ 66,602,427

#### **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, 2022 were:

Bonds payable	\$ (34,900,000)
Lease payable	 (8,589)
Total	\$ (34,908,589)

#### **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	<b>¢</b>	(684.348)
Accided interest	D D	1004.340

#### **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	\$	1,184,183
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## 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

The "net change in fund balances" for government funds, \$(5,198,961), differs from the "change in net position" for governmental activities, \$18,128,073, 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:

#### Capital related items

When capital assets that are to be used in governmental activities are purchased or constructed, the resources expended for those assets are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation. As a result, fund balances decrease by the amount of financial resources expended, whereas net position decrease by the amount of depreciation charged for the year.

Capital outlay	\$ 16,895,680
Amortization right to use leased equipment	(7,283)
Depreciation	 (745,412)
Net Change	\$ 16,142,985

#### 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.

Principal payments	\$ 6,505,000
Lease payments	 7,237
Total	\$ 6,512,237

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	\$	116,139
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#### **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	\$ 555.673

#### 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, 2022, the District's bank balance was \$310,449 and the carrying value was \$222,919. 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.

#### <u>Investments</u>

As of September 30, 2022, the District had the following investments.

Investment	<u>Maturities</u>	Fair Value			
U.S. Bank Money Market	N/A	\$ 1,740,238			

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy recently 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 reliable and is based on quoted price for identical assets, or liabilities, in an active market. Level 2 uses significant other observable inputs when obtaining 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 investments listed above are level 1 assets.

#### NOTE C - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### 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 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, 2022, the District's investment in U.S. Bank Money Market was not rated.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The District places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one fund. The investments in U.S. Bank Money Market are 100% of the District's total investments.

The types of deposits and investments and their level of risk exposure as of September 30, 2022 were typical. The District considers any decline in fair value for certain investments to be temporary.

#### **NOTE D - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022 was as follows:

	Balance October 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Balance September 30, 2022
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress	\$ 35,489,478	\$ 16,895,680	\$ -	\$ 52,385,158
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Infrastructure	16,072,908	-	-	16,072,908
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Infrastructure	(1,118,118)	(745,412)		(1,863,530)
Capital assests, depreciated, net	14,954,790	(745,412)	_	14,209,378
Capital Assets, net	\$ 50,444,268	\$ 16,150,268	\$ -	\$ 66,594,536

Depreciation was charged to physical environment, \$670,194, and culture/recreation, \$75,218.

#### **NOTE E – LONG-TERM DEBT**

The following is a summary of debt activity for the District for the year ended September 30, 2022:

	(	Balance October 1,					Balance September 30,		
		2021	,	Additions Reductions		2022			
Governmental Activites:			•						
Series 2019A-1	\$	9,615,000	\$	-	\$	(155,000)	\$	9,460,000	
Series 2019A-2		715,000		-		(715,000)		-	
Series 2019A-1 (Morgan's Glen)		5,350,000		-		(90,000)		5,260,000	
Series 2019A-2 (Morgan's Glen)		4,700,000		-		(2,015,000)		2,685,000	
Series 2020A-1		7,670,000		-		(140,000)		7,530,000	
Series 2020A-2		5,010,000		-		-		5,010,000	
Series 2020A-3		4,215,000		-		-		4,215,000	
Series 2021B		4,130,000		- (3,390,000)		,390,000) 740,			
Bonds Payable, Net	\$	41,405,000	\$		\$	(6,505,000)	\$	34,900,000	

District debt is comprised of the following at September 30, 2022:

#### **Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds**

•	
\$9,910,000 Series 2019A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds maturing through 2049, at various interest rates between 4.75% and 5.35%, payable May 1 and November 1.	\$ 9,460,000
\$5,530,000 Series 2019A-1 (Morgan's Glen Project) Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds maturing through 2049, at various interest rates between 4.60% and 5.20%, payable May 1 and November 1.	5,260,000
\$5,045,000 Series 2019A-2 (Morgan's Glen Project) Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds maturing May 1, 2029, at an interest rate of 5.20%, payable May 1 and November 1.	2,685,000
\$7,670,000 Series 2020A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds maturing through 2051, at various interest rates between 3.00% and 4.25%, payable May 1 and November 1.	7,530,000
\$5,010,000 Series 2020A-2 Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds maturing May 1, 2035, at an interest rate of 4.20%, payable May 1 and November 1.	5,010,000

#### NOTE E - LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Totals

\$4,215,000 Series 2020A-3 Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds maturing May 1, 2040, at an interest rate of 4.75%, payable May 1 and November 1.

4,215,000

\$4,130,000 Series 2021B Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds maturing May 1, 2031, at an interest rate of 4.00%, payable May 1 and November 1.

740,000

Bonds payable <u>\$ 34,900,000</u>

The annual requirements to amortize the principal and interest of bonded debt outstanding as of September 30, 2022 are as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal Interest					Total		
2023	\$	415,000		\$	1,642,438	;	\$ 2,057,438	
2024		425,000			1,625,405		2,050,405	
2025		445,000			1,607,993		2,052,993	
2026		460,000			1,589,725		2,049,725	
2027		480,000			1,570,040		2,050,040	
2028-2032		6,200,000			7,059,358		13,259,358	
2033-2037		8,510,000			5,525,018		14,035,018	
2038-2042		8,675,000			3,566,013		12,241,013	
2043-2047		5,715,000			1,744,875		7,459,875	
2048-2051		3,575,000			333,065		3,908,065	

\$ 26,263,930

\$ 61,163,930

\$ 34,900,000

#### NOTE E - LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Summary of Significant Bonds Resolution Terms and Covenants

#### **Capital Improvement Bonds**

#### Significant Bond Provisions

The Series 2019A-1 and Series 2019A-1 (Morgan's Glen) Bonds are subject to redemption at the option of the District prior to their maturity, in whole or in part, at any time after May 1, 2029, at a price equal to the par amount of the respective Bonds thereof, together with accrued interest to the date of redemption. The Series 2020A-1 and Series 2020A-2 Bonds are subject to redemption at the option of the District prior to their maturity, in whole or in part, at any time after May 1, 2030, at a price equal to the par amount of the respective Bonds thereof, together with accrued interest to the date of redemption. The Series 2020A-3 Bonds are subject to redemption at the option of the District prior to their maturity, in whole or in part, on any date at a price equal to the par amount of the Series 2020A-3 Bonds thereof, together with accrued interest to the date of redemption. The Series 2019A-2, Series 2019A-2 (Morgan's Glen) and Series 2021B Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District. The Series 2019A-1, Series 2019A-2, Series 2019A-1 (Morgan's Glen), Series 2019A-2 (Morgan's Glen), Series 2020A-1, Series 2020A-2, Series 2020-A3 and Series 2021B 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.

#### NOTE E - 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 2019A-1 and Series 2019A-1 (Morgan's Glen) Reserve Accounts are funded from the proceeds of the Bonds in an amount equal to twenty-five percent of the maximum annual debt service required for the respective bond. The Series 2020A-1, 2020A-2, and 2020A-3 Reserve Accounts are funded from the proceeds of the Bonds in an amount equal to fifty percent of the maximum annual debt service required for the respective bond. 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, 2022:

	Reserve		F	Reserve
	I	Balance		quirement
Series 2019A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond	\$	166,058	\$	166,058
Series 2019A-1 (Morgan's Glen) Capital Improvement				
Revenue Bond	\$	91,059	\$	91,059
Series 2020A-1 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond	\$	224,050	\$	224,050
Series 2020A-2 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond	\$	105,210	\$	105,210
Series 2020A-3 Capital Improvement Revenue Bond	\$	100,106	\$	100,106

#### **NOTE F – INTERFUND BALANCES**

Interfund balances at September 30, 2022, consisted of the following:

	Pay	Payable Fund		
Receivable Fund	Ger	neral Fund		
Debt Service Fund	\$	2,433		
Capital Projects Fund		159,236		
Total	\$	161,669		

Interfund balances are due to receipts and disbursements collected and paid by one fund on behalf of another fund and were not repaid as of year-end.

#### **NOTE G - LEASES**

In October 2019, the District entered into an agreement to lease equipment for four years. Monthly payments under this agreement are \$695 with the exception of the first monthly payment that requires an advance totaling \$11,687. The agreement qualifies as a lease under GASB 87 and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of future minimum lease payments as of the date of inception. In addition, in accordance with the implementation of GASB 87, the District has recorded a right-to-use asset for equipment. The lease liability was measured at a discount rate of 8.78%, which is the lease's effective rate.

The future minimum payments under this lease agreement and the present value of the minimum payments as of September 30, 2022, are as follows:

		Govern	ımenta	l			
Year Ending	Activities						
September 30,	Principal		Interest		Total		
2023	\$	7,899	\$	441	\$	8,340	
2024		690		5		695	
Totals	\$	8,589	\$	446	\$	9,035	

The District recorded a right-to-use leased asset for equipment. Right-to-use asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2022, was as follows:

		Balance ctober 1,	Δ.	J-1:4:	Dala	4:		Balance tember 30,
	2021		Additions		<u>Deletions</u>		2022	
Governmental Activities		_		_		_		_
Right-to-use assets								
Equipment	\$	38,958	\$	-	\$	-	\$	38,958
Less accumulated amortization:								
Equipment		(23,784)		(7,283)		-		(31,067)
Right-to-use Assets, Net	\$	15,174	\$	(7,283)	\$	-	\$	7,891

#### NOTE H – RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND 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 \$333,616 in operating contributions and \$13,608,258 in capital contributions from the Developer for the year ended September 30, 2022.

#### **NOTE I – RISK MANAGEMENT**

The government 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. These risks are covered by commercial insurance from independent third parties. There were no claims or settled claims from these risks for each of the past three years.

#### **NOTE J - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent to year end, the District made prepayments totaling \$670,000, \$795,000, and \$525,000 on the Series 2019 A-2 (Morgan's Glen), Series 2020A-2, and Series 2021B Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, respectively.

Additionally, in April 2023, the District issued Series 2023A-1 Special Assessment Revenue Bonds of \$10,395,000 and 2023A-2 Special Assessment Revenue Refunding Bonds of \$21,865,000, in part to currently refund all of the outstanding North River Ranch Community Development District Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds (Phase 1 Project), Series 2020A-3.

#### NOTE K - MERGER AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION

In October 2021, two Districts (Fieldstone Community Development District and North River Ranch Community Development District) located within the boundaries of North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District merged with North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District, the surviving entity.

Additionally, during the year, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, which changes the accounting and financial reporting for leases.

Governmental fund balances and net position were restated as a result of the merger and implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, as follows:

#### Fund Balance Restatements:

Governmental Fund Balances, October 1, 2021, as previously reported	\$ (17,091)
Merger of Fieldstone Community Development District	368,861
Merger of North River Ranch Community Development District	 4,103,386
Governmental Fund Balances, October 1, 2021, Restated	\$ 4,455,156

#### Governmental Activities Net Position Restatements:

Net Position, October 1, 2021, as previously reported	\$	5,001
GASB 87, leases		(652)
Merger of Fieldstone Community Development District	•	14,749,824
Merger of North River Ranch Community Development District		(1,432,378)
Net Position, October 1, 2021, Restated	\$ 1	13,321,795



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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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District Manatee County, 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, as listed in the table of contents, of North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 23, 2023.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.



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#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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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August 23, 2023



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#### MANAGEMENT LETTER

To the Board of Supervisors North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District Manatee County, Florida

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated August 23, 2023.

#### **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 that report, which is dated August 23, 2023, 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 made to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report. The following finding and recommendation was include in the prior audit report for Fieldstone Community Development District:

#### 2021-01

Finding: The actual expenditures in the General Fund exceeded the budget which

is a violation of Section 189.016, Florida Statutes.

Recommendation: Management should review spending to ensure that expenditures do not

exceed appropriations in the future.

Response: Management will review spending to ensure that expenditures do not

exceed appropriations in the future.

Current Status: The finding was corrected in the current year.



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#### **Financial Condition and Management**

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, requires us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 the North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District 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 conditions assessment procedures as of September 30, 2022 for the North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District. It is management's responsibility to monitor the North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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.

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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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: 13
- 3) All compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: \$0
- 4) All compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: \$577,432
- 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, 2021, together with the total expenditures for such project: The District expended \$16,895,680 in capital 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.



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As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)8, Rules of the Auditor General, the North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District reported:

- 1) The rate or rates of non-ad valorem special assessments imposed by the District. The special assessments for FY 22 was \$860.14 \$1,474.53.
- 2) The amount of special assessments collected by or on behalf of the District: \$7,831,997
- 3) The total amount of outstanding bonds issued by the District and the terms of such bonds. See Note E.

#### **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 noted no 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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District Manatee County, Florida

We have examined North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District's compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022. Management is responsible for North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship 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 North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, North River Ranch Improvement Stewardship District's complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022.

Berger, Toombs, Elam, Gaines & Frank Certified Public Accountants PL

Fort Pierce, Florida

August 23, 2023