

**Verano #2
Community Development District**

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Board of Supervisors
Verano #2 Community Development District
Port Saint Lucie, Florida

Report on Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Verano #2 Community Development 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 Verano #2 Community Development 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
Verano #2 Community Development 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
Verano #2 Community Development 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 May 11, 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 Verano #2 Community Development District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



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May 11, 2023

**Verano #2 Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

Management's discussion and analysis of Verano #2 Community Development District (the "District") financial performance provides an objective and easily readable analysis of the District's financial activities. The analysis provides summary financial information for the District and should be read in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

The **statement of net position** presents information on all assets and liabilities of the District, with the difference between assets and liabilities reported as net position. Assets, liabilities, and net position are reported for all Governmental activities.

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

**Verano #2 Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

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 construction in progress, are reported in the **statement of net position**. All liabilities, including principal outstanding on bonds are included. In the **statement of activities**, 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*, reconciliation is 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 year ended September 30, 2022.

- ◆ The District's total assets exceeded total liabilities by \$3,740,349 (net position). Restricted net position was \$476,598 and unrestricted net position was \$267,163. Net investment in capital assets was \$2,996,588.
- ◆ Governmental activities revenues totaled \$2,231,084 while governmental activities expenses totaled \$1,329,643.

**Verano #2 Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

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	\$ 472,244	\$ 580,012
Restricted assets	2,240,446	4,860,667
Capital assets	25,571,601	22,514,405
Total Assets	28,284,291	27,955,084
Current liabilities	939,200	898,807
Non-current liabilities	23,604,742	24,217,369
Total Liabilities	24,543,942	25,116,176
Net investment in capital assets	2,996,588	2,221,866
Net position - restricted for debt service	476,598	470,796
Net position - unrestricted	267,163	146,246
Total Net Position	\$ 3,740,349	\$ 2,838,908

The decrease in current assets relates to the decrease in assessments receivable in the current year.

The decrease in restricted assets and increase in capital assets is mainly related to the capital additions in the current year.

The increase in current liabilities is related to the increases in the current portion of long-term debt in the current year.

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

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

**Verano #2 Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Financial Analysis of the District (Continued)

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

Change In Net Position

	Governmental Activities	
	2022	2021
Program Revenues		
Charges for services	\$ 2,022,922	\$ 2,687,100
Capital grants and contributions	197,755	-
Miscellaneous revenues	45	12
Investment income	10,362	2,543
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Total Revenues	2,231,084	2,689,655
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Expenses		
General government	73,246	46,819
Physical environment	134,931	73,673
Culture/recreation	91,726	44,195
Interest and other charges	1,029,740	1,082,310
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Total Expenses	1,329,643	1,246,997
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Change in Net Position	901,441	1,442,658
Net Position - Beginning of Year	<hr/>	<hr/>
	2,838,908	1,396,250
Net Position - End of Year	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$ 3,740,349	\$ 2,838,908

The decrease in charges for services is related to the debt service prepaid special assessments received in the prior year.

The increase in general government is mainly related to increased engineering and management fees in the current year.

The increase in physical environment and culture/recreation is mainly related to the increased costs of maintaining the capital improvements in the current year.

The decrease in interest and other charges is primarily attributable to the principal payments on long-term debt.

**Verano #2 Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

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.

	Governmental Activities	
	2022	2021
Construction in progress	\$ 25,571,601	\$ 22,514,405

Current year activity consisted of additions to construction in progress of \$3,057,196.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Budgeted expenditures exceeded actual expenditures because maintenance and utility expenditures were lower than anticipated.

The budget was not amended for the year ended September 30, 2022.

Debt Management

Governmental Activities debt includes the following:

In December 2017, the District issued \$5,350,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2017 (Pod A). The Bonds were issued to provide funds for costs associated with constructing and acquiring all or a portion of Pod A Project. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2022 was \$5,070,000.

In December 2017, the District issued \$4,220,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2017 (Pod B). The Bonds were issued to provide funds for costs associated with constructing and acquiring all or a portion of Pod B Project. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2022 was \$3,985,000.

In December 2017, the District issued \$6,400,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2017 (Pod C). The Bonds were issued to provide funds for costs associated with constructing and acquiring all or a portion of Pod C Project. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2022 was \$2,855,000.

In March 2020, the District issued \$3,765,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2020 (Pod C). The Bonds were issued to provide funds for costs associated with constructing and acquiring all or a portion of Pod C Project. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2022 was \$3,620,000.

**Verano #2 Community Development District
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022**

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Debt Management (Continued)

In March 2020, the District issued \$4,955,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2020 (Pod D). The Bonds were issued to provide funds for costs associated with constructing and acquiring all or a portion of Pod D Project. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2022 was \$4,760,000.

In March 2020, the District issued \$3,735,000 Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2020 (Pod E). The Bonds were issued to provide funds for costs associated with constructing and acquiring all or a portion of Pod E Project. The balance outstanding at September 30, 2022 was \$3,590,000.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The District does not expect any other economic factors to have a significant effect on the financial position or results of operations of the District in fiscal year 2023.

Request for Information

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Verano #2 Community Development District's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the Verano #2 Community Development District, Governmental Management Services-SF, LLC 5385 North Nob Hill Road, Sunrise, Florida 33351.

Verano #2 Community Development District
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
September 30, 2022

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 201,224
Assessments receivable	184,125
Accounts receivable	20
Due from other governmental units	61,250
Due from developer	5,968
Prepaid expenses	16,327
Deposits	3,330
Total Current Assets	472,244
Non-Current Assets	
Restricted Assets	
Investments	2,240,446
Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	
Construction in progress	25,571,601
Total Non-Current Assets	27,812,047
Total Assets	28,284,291
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	12,961
Contracts payable	9,724
Other current liabilities	2,027
Bonds payable, current	485,000
Accrued interest	429,488
Total Current Liabilities	939,200
Non-Current Liabilities	
Bonds payable, net	23,604,742
Total Liabilities	24,543,942
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	2,996,588
Restricted for debt service	476,598
Unrestricted	267,163
Total Net Position	\$ 3,740,349

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Verano #2 Community Development District
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Net (Expense)</u>
		<u>Charges for</u> <u>Services</u>	<u>Capital Grants</u> <u>and</u> <u>Contributions</u>	<u>Revenues and</u> <u>Changes in</u> <u>Net Position</u>
Governmental Activities				<u>Governmental</u> <u>Activities</u>
General government	\$ (73,246)	\$ 102,767	\$ -	\$ 29,521
Physical environment	(134,931)	189,313	197,755	252,137
Culture/recreation	(91,726)	128,695	-	36,969
Interest and other charges	(1,029,740)	1,602,147	-	572,407
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ (1,329,643)</u>	<u>\$ 2,022,922</u>	<u>\$ 197,755</u>	<u>891,034</u>
General Revenues				
Miscellaneous revenues				45
Investment income				10,362
Total General Revenues				<u>10,407</u>
Change in Net Position				901,441
Net Position - October 1, 2021				<u>2,838,908</u>
Net Position - September 30, 2022				<u>\$ 3,740,349</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**Verano #2 Community Development District
BALANCE SHEET –
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
September 30, 2022**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS				
Cash	\$ 201,224	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 201,224
Assessments receivable	-	184,125	-	184,125
Accounts receivable	20	-	-	20
Due from other governmental units	61,250	-	-	61,250
Due from developer	-	-	5,968	5,968
Prepaid expenses	16,327	-	-	16,327
Deposits	3,330	-	-	3,330
Restricted assets				
Cash and investments, at fair value	-	1,535,149	705,297	2,240,446
Total Assets	<u>\$ 282,151</u>	<u>\$ 1,719,274</u>	<u>\$ 711,265</u>	<u>\$ 2,712,690</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ 12,961	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,961
Contracts payable	-	-	9,724	9,724
Other current liabilities	2,027	-	-	2,027
Total Liabilities	<u>14,988</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,724</u>	<u>24,712</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable Revenues	61,250	-	-	61,250
FUND BALANCES				
Nonspendable - prepaids/deposits	19,657	-	-	19,657
Restricted:				
Debt service	-	1,719,274	-	1,719,274
Capital projects	-	-	701,541	701,541
Unassigned	186,256	-	-	186,256
Total Fund Balances	<u>205,913</u>	<u>1,719,274</u>	<u>701,541</u>	<u>2,626,728</u>
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 282,151</u>	<u>\$ 1,719,274</u>	<u>\$ 711,265</u>	<u>\$ 2,712,690</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**Verano #2 Community Development District
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES
TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
September 30, 2022**

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 2,626,728
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets, not being depreciated, construction in progress, used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore, are not reported at the governmental fund level.	25,571,601
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, \$(23,880,000), and bond premium, net \$(209,742), are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported at the governmental fund level.	(24,089,742)
Accrued interest expense for long-term debt is not a current financial use and therefore, is not reported at the governmental fund level.	(429,488)
At the fund level, revenues are recognized when they become available, however, revenues are recognized when they are earned at the government-wide level. This is the amount of earned revenue that was not available.	<u>61,250</u>
Net Position of Governmental Activities	<u><u>\$ 3,740,349</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Verano #2 Community Development District
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022

	<u>General</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues				
Special assessments	\$ 359,525	\$ 1,602,147	\$ -	\$ 1,961,672
Developer contribution	-	-	197,755	197,755
Miscellaneous revenues	45	-	-	45
Investment income	-	6,707	3,655	10,362
Total Revenues	<u>359,570</u>	<u>1,608,854</u>	<u>201,410</u>	<u>2,169,834</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	73,246	-	-	73,246
Physical environment	134,931	-	-	134,931
Culture/recreation	91,726	-	-	91,726
Capital outlay	-	-	3,057,196	3,057,196
Debt service				
Principal	-	570,000	-	570,000
Interest	-	1,045,869	-	1,045,869
Total Expenditures	<u>299,903</u>	<u>1,615,869</u>	<u>3,057,196</u>	<u>4,972,968</u>
Revenues over/(under) expenditures	<u>59,667</u>	<u>(7,015)</u>	<u>(2,855,786)</u>	<u>(2,803,134)</u>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)				
Transfers in	-	-	1,558	1,558
Transfers out	-	(1,558)	-	(1,558)
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,558)</u>	<u>1,558</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	59,667	(8,573)	(2,854,228)	(2,803,134)
Fund Balances - October 1, 2021	<u>146,246</u>	<u>1,727,847</u>	<u>3,555,769</u>	<u>5,429,862</u>
Fund Balances - September 30, 2022	<u>\$ 205,913</u>	<u>\$ 1,719,274</u>	<u>\$ 701,541</u>	<u>\$ 2,626,728</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Verano #2 Community Development District
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ (2,803,134)

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 of capital outlay in the current period. 3,057,196

Principal payments are reported as expenditures at the fund level, however, these payments reduce bonds payable at the government wide level. This is the current year principal payment. 570,000

At the fund level interest is reported when paid, however, at the government-wide level interest is accrued on outstanding bonds. This is the change in accrued interest in the current year. 8,502

Amortization of bond premium does not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, is not reported at the fund level. This is the amount of amortization in the current period. 7,627

At the fund level, revenues are recognized when they become available, however, revenues are recognized when they are earned at the government-wide level. This is the amount of the earned revenue that was not available. 61,250

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 901,441

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Verano #2 Community Development District
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended September 30, 2022

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Special assessments	\$ 419,303	\$ 419,303	\$ 359,525	\$ (59,778)
Miscellaneous revenues	-	-	45	45
Total Revenues	<u>419,303</u>	<u>419,303</u>	<u>359,570</u>	<u>(59,733)</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General government	66,250	66,250	73,246	(6,996)
Physical environment	194,070	194,070	134,931	59,139
Culture/recreation	158,983	158,983	91,726	67,257
Total Expenditures	<u>419,303</u>	<u>419,303</u>	<u>299,903</u>	<u>119,400</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	-	59,667	59,667
Fund Balances - October 1, 2021	-	-	146,246	146,246
Fund Balances - September 30, 2022	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 205,913</u>	<u>\$ 205,913</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022

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 April 25, 2005, pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Act"), by Ordinance No. 05-19 and a name change by Ordinance No.06-09 of the City of Port Saint Lucie, Florida, as a Community Development District. The District was established for the purposes of financing and managing the acquisition, construction, maintenance and operation of the infrastructure necessary for community development within its jurisdiction. The District is authorized to issue bonds for the purpose, among others, of financing, funding, planning, establishing, acquiring, constructing district roads, landscaping, and other basic infrastructure projects within or outside the boundaries of the Verano #2 Community Development District. The District is governed by a Board of Supervisors who are elected to four year and two year terms. The District operates within the criteria established by Chapter 190, Florida Statutes.

As required by GAAP, these financial statements present the Verano #2 Community Development District (the primary government) as a stand-alone government. The reporting entity for the District includes all functions of government in which the District's Board exercises oversight responsibility including, but not limited to, financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, significant ability to influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters.

Based upon the application of the above-mentioned criteria as set forth in Governmental Accounting Standards 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

Verano #2 Community Development District
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September 30, 2022

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. 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.

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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 reports 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.

Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

b. Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Governmental Funds (Continued)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

3. Basis of Presentation

a. Governmental Major Funds

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

Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

3. Basis of Presentation (Continued)

a. Governmental Major Funds (Continued)

Debt Service Fund – The Debt Service Fund accounts for debt service requirements to retire special assessment bonds which were used to finance the construction of certain improvements within the District.

Capital Projects Fund – The Capital Projects Fund accounts for acquisition and construction of infrastructure improvements located within the boundaries of the District.

b. Non-current Governmental Assets/Liabilities

GASB Statement 34 requires that non-current governmental assets, such as construction in progress, and non-current governmental liabilities, such as general obligation bonds 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;

Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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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)

4. Securities and Exchange Commission, registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.

Cash and investments include time deposits, certificates of deposit, money market funds, and all highly liquid debt instruments with original maturities of three months or less.

b. Restricted Assets

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

c. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include construction in progress, are reported in the 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 one year. 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.

d. Unamortized Bond Premium

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

Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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

e. 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.

f. Budgets

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

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

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

“Total fund balances” of the District’s governmental funds, \$2,626,728, differs from “net position” of governmental activities, \$3,740,349, 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 (land, buildings and improvements, infrastructure and equipment 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	<u>\$ 25,571,601</u>
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**Verano #2 Community Development District
 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 September 30, 2022**

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

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

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	\$ (23,880,000)
Bond premiums, net	<u>(209,742)</u>
Bonds payable, net	<u>\$ (24,089,742)</u>

Accrued interest

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

Accrued interest	<u>\$ (429,488)</u>
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Deferred inflows of resources

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

Unavailable revenues	<u>\$ 61,250</u>
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**Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022**

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, \$(2,803,134), differs from the “change in net position” for governmental activities, \$901,441, 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 costs 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	<u>\$ 3,057,196</u>
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Long term debt transactions

Repayment of long-term liabilities are reported as expenditures at the fund level, but such repayments reduce liabilities at the government-wide level.

Principal payments	<u>\$ 570,000</u>
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Interest is recorded when due at the fund level, however, at the government-wide level interest is accrued on outstanding bonds payable.

Accrued interest	<u>\$ 8,502</u>
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Amortization of the bond premium does not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, is not reported at the fund level.

Amortization of bond premium	<u>\$ 7,627</u>
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Deferred inflows of resources

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

Net change in unavailable revenues	<u>\$ 61,250</u>
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**Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022**

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 \$217,520 and the carrying value was \$201,224. Exposure to custodial credit risk was as follows. The District maintains all deposits in a qualified public depository in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 280, Florida Statutes, which means that all deposits are fully insured by Federal Depositors Insurance or collateralized under Chapter 280, Florida Statutes.

Investments

As of September 30, 2022, the District had the following investments and maturities:

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
First American Government Obligation	18 days*	<u>\$ 2,240,446</u>

*Weighted average maturity

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 use the best information available under the circumstances, which includes the District's own data in measuring unobservable inputs.

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

The District's investment policy allows management to invest funds in investments permitted under Section 218.415(17) Florida Statutes. Among other investments, the policy allows the District to invest in Securities and Exchange Commission registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.

**Verano #2 Community Development District
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September 30, 2022**

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 investments in First American Government Obligation were rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The District places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one fund. The investments in First American Government Obligation represent 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 of these items during the fiscal year then ended. The District considers any decline in fair value for certain investments to be temporary.

NOTE D – CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	Balance October 1, 2021	Additions	Deletions	Balance September 30, 2022
<u>Governmental activities:</u>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress	\$ 22,514,405	\$ 3,057,196	\$ -	\$ 25,571,601

**Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022**

NOTE E – LONG-TERM DEBT

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

Long-term debt at October 1, 2021	\$ 24,450,000
Principal payments	<u>(570,000)</u>
Long-term debt at September 30, 2022	\$ 23,880,000
Plus: bond premium, net	<u>209,742</u>
Total long-term debt, net September 30, 2022	<u><u>\$ 24,089,742</u></u>

Long-term debt for Governmental Activities is comprised of the following:

Special Assessment Bonds

<p>\$5,350,000 Series 2017 Pod A Special Assessment Bonds are due in annual principal installments beginning November 2019 and maturing November 2048. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1, beginning May 2018, at various rates ranging from 3.625% to 5.000%. Current portion is \$100,000.</p>	\$ 5,070,000
<p>\$4,220,000 Series 2017 Pod B Special Assessment Bonds are due in annual principal installments beginning November 2019 and maturing November 2048. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1, beginning May 2018, at various rates ranging from 3.625% to 5.000%. Current portion is \$80,000.</p>	3,985,000
<p>\$6,400,000 Series 2017 Pod C Special Assessment Bonds are due in annual principal installments beginning November 2019 and maturing November 2048. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1, beginning May 2018, at various rates ranging from 3.750% to 5.125%. Current portion is \$55,000.</p>	2,855,000
<p>\$3,765,000 Series 2020 Pod C Special Assessment Bonds are due in annual principal installments beginning November 2020 and maturing May 2050. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1, beginning November 2020, at various rates ranging from 2.875% to 4%. Current portion is \$75,000.</p>	3,620,000
<p>\$4,955,000 Series 2020 Pod D Special Assessment Bonds are due in annual principal installments beginning November 2020 and maturing May 2050. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1, beginning November 2020, at various rates ranging from 2.875% to 4%. Current portion is \$100,000.</p>	4,760,000

**Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022**

NOTE E – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Special Assessment Bonds (Continued)

\$3,735,000 Series 2020 Pod E Special Assessment Bonds are due in annual principal installments beginning November 2020 and maturing May 2050. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1, beginning November 2020, at various rates ranging from 2.875% to 4%. Current portion is \$75,000.

3,590,000

Bonds Payable at September 30, 2022

\$ 23,880,000

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	\$ 485,000	\$ 1,026,475	\$ 1,511,475
2024	505,000	1,010,609	1,515,609
2025	520,000	993,113	1,513,113
2026	540,000	974,294	1,514,294
2027	555,000	953,831	1,508,831
2028-2032	3,120,000	4,427,444	7,547,444
2033-2037	3,870,000	3,694,825	7,564,825
2038-2042	4,795,000	2,744,184	7,539,184
2043-2047	6,000,000	1,537,284	7,537,284
2048-2050	3,490,000	237,682	3,727,682
Totals	<u>\$ 23,880,000</u>	<u>\$ 17,599,741</u>	<u>\$ 41,479,741</u>

Summary of Significant Bond Resolution Terms and Covenants

The Series 2017 Bonds (Pod A, B, and C) are subject to redemption at the option of the District prior to their maturity, in whole or in part, at any time after November 1, 2027 at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the Series 2017 Bonds to be redeemed, together with accrued interest to the date of redemption. The Series 2017 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.

**Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022**

NOTE E – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Summary of Significant Bond Resolution Terms and Covenants (Continued)

The Series 2020 Bonds (Pod C, D, and E) 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 redemption price equal to the principal amount of the Series 2020 Bonds to be redeemed, together with accrued interest to the date of redemption. The Series 2020 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 to 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.

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 Fund – The Series 2017 Pod A and B and the Series 2020 Pod C, D, and E Reserve Accounts were funded from the proceeds of the Series 2017 Pod A and B and the Series 2020 Pod C, D, and E Bonds in amounts equal to 50% of the maximum annual debt service on the Series 2017 Pod A and B and the Series 2020 Pod C, D, and E Bonds at issuance. The Series 2017 Pod C Reserve Account was funded from the proceeds of the Series 2017 Pod C Bonds in an amount equal to 75% of the maximum annual debt service on the Series 2017 Pod C. 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 deposits as of September 30, 2022:

	<u>Reserve Balance</u>	<u>Reserve Requirement</u>
Series 2017 Pod A Special Assessment Bonds	\$ 180,666	\$ 172,544
Series 2017 Pod B Special Assessment Bonds	\$ 142,538	\$ 136,131
Series 2017 Pod C Special Assessment Bonds	\$ 151,170	\$ 148,594
Series 2020 Pod C Special Assessment Bonds	\$ 107,700	\$ 107,700
Series 2020 Pod D Special Assessment Bonds	\$ 141,494	\$ 141,400
Series 2020 Pod E Special Assessment Bonds	\$ 106,819	\$ 106,819

Verano #2 Community Development District
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2022

NOTE F – ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Developers own a significant portion of land within the District. The District's activity is dependent upon the continued involvement of the Developers, the loss of which could have a material adverse effect on the District's operations. At September 30, 2022, all board members are affiliated with the Developers.

NOTE G – RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The District is covered by commercial insurance obtained by the Verano Center Community Development District from independent third parties to mitigate the costs of these risks; coverage may not extend to all situations. There were no settled claims during the past three years.

NOTE H – INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

The District is part of The Verano Community Development Districts which is a combination of six separate Districts. In a prior year, the Districts entered into an Interlocal Agreement allowing Verano Center Community Development District to have the power and authority to act on behalf of all of the Districts to finance, acquire, construct, operate, and maintain community infrastructure benefiting only the property within a single District with the overall objective to assure compliance of community-wide infrastructure and maintenance. The Interlocal Agreement has since been amended to allow for any of the Districts to become the issuer of debt to finance the infrastructure with Verano Center remaining the administrative entity. In the prior year, the agreement was further amended to transfer the administrative responsibilities from Verano Center to Verano #5 Community Development District.

The Districts have also entered into an Interlocal Agreement to provide maintenance of stormwater management for The Verano Community Development Districts with the City of Port Saint Lucie. The City agrees to pay Verano Center a sum equal to 75% of the stormwater utility fees collected by the City from within the District area (as define in the Agreement). The Verano Districts agree that all monies paid pursuant to this agreement shall be used solely and exclusively for maintenance, construction, and administration of the Verano Stormwater System and not for any other purpose. This Agreement shall run for perpetuity provided that each party shall have the right to terminate the Agreement, with or without cause, by written notice sent six months prior to such termination. In fiscal year 2019, the agreement was amended to transfer the administrative responsibilities from Verano Center to Verano #5 Community Development District.



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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
Verano #2 Community Development District
Port Saint Lucie, 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 Verano #2 Community Development 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 May 11, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Verano #2 Community Development District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Verano #2 Community Development District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Verano #2 Community Development District's internal control.

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

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

To the Board of Supervisors
Verano #2 Community Development District

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Verano #2 Community Development District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

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



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MANAGEMENT LETTER

To the Board of Supervisors
Verano #2 Community Development District
Port Saint Lucie, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Verano #2 Community Development District as of and for the year ended September 30, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated May 11, 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 those reports, which are dated May 11, 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 taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding financial audit report.

Financial Condition and Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not Verano #2 Community Development District has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific conditions met. In connection with our audit, we determined that Verano #2 Community Development District did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1) Florida Statutes.

To the Board of Supervisors
Verano #2 Community Development District

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures for Verano #2 Community Development District. It is management's responsibility to monitor the Verano #2 Community Development District's financial condition; our financial condition assessment was based in part on the representations made by management and the review of the financial information provided by the same as of September 30, 2022.

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 Verano #2 Community Development District reported:

- 1) The total number of district employees compensated in the last pay period of the District's fiscal year: 0
- 2) The total number of independent contractors to whom nonemployee compensation was paid in the last month of the District's fiscal year: 9
- 3) All compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: N/A
- 4) All compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency: \$301,379
- 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 had Series 2020 construction projects during the year; Stormwater management, \$680,367, water/sewer \$2,296,031, landscaping, \$12,460 and professional fees, \$68,339.
- 6) A budget variance based on the budget adopted under Section 189.016(4), Florida Statutes, before the beginning of the fiscal year being reported if the District amends a final adopted budget under Section 189.016(6), Florida Statutes: The budget was not amended.

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)8, Rules of the Auditor General, the Verano #2 Community Development District reported:

- 1) The rate or rates of non-ad valorem special assessments imposed by the District: The General Fund, \$1,048.15 - \$1,068.66 and the Debt Service Fund, \$.80 - \$1,810.87
- 2) The amount of special assessments collected by or on behalf of the District: Total Special Assessments collected was \$1,961,672.
- 3) The total amount of outstanding bonds issued by the District and the terms of such bonds: Series 2017 Bonds, \$11,910,000 maturing November 1, 2048 and Series 2020 Bonds, \$11,970,000 maturing May 1, 2050.

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Additional Matters

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

Purpose of this Letter

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



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

To the Board of Supervisors
Verano #2 Community Development District
Port Saint Lucie, Florida

We have examined Verano #2 Community Development District's compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes during the year ended September 30, 2022. Management is responsible for Verano #2 Community Development District's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Verano #2 Community Development District's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about Verano #2 Community Development District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on Verano #2 Community Development District's compliance with the specified requirements.

In our opinion, Verano #2 Community Development District complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the year ended September 30, 2022.

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May 11, 2023