

# Sarasota National Community Development District

Basic Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

# Sarasota National Community Development District

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Supervisors  
Sarasota National Community Development District  
Palm Beach County, Florida

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Sarasota National Community Development District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District, as of September 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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


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

### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 7 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 we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated June 28, 2024, 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, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
June 28, 2024

Our discussion and analysis of Sarasota National Community Development District's (the "District") financial performance provides an overview of the District's financial activities for the year ended September 30, 2023 and 2022. Please read it in conjunction with the District's basic financial statements, which immediately follow this discussion.

### **Financial Highlights**

The following are the highlights of financial activity for the year ended September 30, 2023:

- The District's total assets exceeded its liabilities at September 30, 2023, by \$ 22,939,591 (net position).
- The District's total revenues were \$ 2,030,477, \$ 1,990,403 from charges for services and \$ 40,074 from interest. The District's expenses for this year were \$ 1,449,939. This resulted in a \$ 580,538 increase in net position.
- At the close of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$ 1,185,979, an increase of \$ 188,630 in comparison with the prior year.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to financial statements.

**Government-wide Financial Statements:** The government-wide financial statements, which consist of the following two statements, are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all the District's assets, liabilities, and deferred outflows/inflows of resources with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 8 and 9 of this report.

**Fund Financial Statements:** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District has only one fund type: governmental funds.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at the end of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

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Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the District's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide reconciliations to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 10 through 14 of this report.

**Notes to Basic Financial Statements:** The notes provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to basic financial statements can be found on pages 15 through 22 of this report.

**Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The following table reflects the condensed government-wide statement of net position as of September 30, 2023 and 2022:

Sarasota National Community Development District Statements of Net Position			
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023 v 2022</u>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Current and other assets	\$ 1,228,991	\$ 1,080,424	\$ 148,567
Capital assets, net	<u>39,677,899</u>	<u>40,075,681</u>	<u>(397,782)</u>
Total assets	<u>40,906,890</u>	<u>41,156,105</u>	<u>(249,215)</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Other liabilities	308,824	1,103,372	(794,548)
Long-term liabilities	<u>17,658,475</u>	<u>17,693,680</u>	<u>(35,205)</u>
Total liabilities	<u>17,967,299</u>	<u>18,797,052</u>	<u>(829,753)</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	23,880,579	23,481,260	399,319
Restricted	429,757	346,792	82,965
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(1,370,745)</u>	<u>(1,468,999)</u>	<u>98,254</u>
Total net position	\$ <u><u>22,939,591</u></u>	\$ <u><u>22,359,053</u></u>	\$ <u><u>580,538</u></u>

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**Governmental Activities:** Governmental activities for the year ended September 30, 2023, increased the District's net position by \$ 580,538 as reflected in the table below:

Sarasota National Community Development District Statements of Activities			
	2023	2022	2023 v 2022
Revenues:			
Program revenue:			
Charges for services	\$ 1,990,403	\$ 1,986,384	\$ 4,019
General revenue:			
Miscellaneous income	-	35,265	(35,265)
Interest income	40,074	2,121	37,953
Total revenues	2,030,477	2,023,770	6,707
Expenses:			
Interest expense	616,395	639,812	(23,417)
Physical environment	715,814	753,740	(37,926)
General government	117,730	111,974	5,756
Total expenses	1,449,939	1,505,526	(55,587)
Change in net position	580,538	518,244	62,294
Net Position, Beginning of Year	22,359,053	21,840,809	518,244
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 22,939,591	\$ 22,359,053	\$ 580,538

**Analysis of the Governmental Funds**

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. The General and Debt Service Funds comprise the total governmental funds. As of the end of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balance of approximately \$ 1,185,979.

**Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

The District's capital assets for its governmental activities as of September 30, 2023, amount to \$ 39,677,899, net of accumulated depreciation, and consists of land and land improvements, infrastructure, improvements, and equipment.

At the end of the year, the District had total bonded debt outstanding of \$ 17,658,475. The District's debt represents bonds secured solely by a specified revenue source (i.e., revenue bonds).

Additional information on the District's long-term debt and fixed assets can be found in Notes 4 and 5 on pages 20 through 21 of this report.



### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

There were no amendments to the fiscal year 2023 budget. Revenues were over budget and expenditures were under budget for the year resulting in a favorable \$ 115,415 actual to budget variance.

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

The fiscal year 2024 adopted budget for the General Fund consists of \$ 489,095 in both revenues and expenditures respectively.

### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Sarasota National 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 Sarasota National Community Development District, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

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Statement of Net Position  
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**Governmental  
Activities**

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**Assets:**

Current assets:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 421,461
Prepays	11,961
Restricted investments	<u>695,569</u>

Total current assets	<u>1,128,991</u>
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Noncurrent assets:

Restricted investments	100,000
Capital assets:	
Non-depreciable	34,634,698
Depreciable, net	<u>5,043,201</u>

Total noncurrent assets	<u>39,777,899</u>
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Total assets	<u>40,906,890</u>
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**Liabilities:**

Current liabilities:

Accounts payable	43,012
Accrued interest payable	<u>265,812</u>

Total current liabilities	<u>308,824</u>
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Noncurrent liabilities:

Bonds payable, due in less than one year	805,000
Bonds payable, net, due in more than one year	<u>16,853,475</u>

Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>17,658,475</u>
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Total liabilities	<u>17,967,299</u>
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**Net Position:**

Net investment in capital assets	23,880,579
Restricted for debt service	429,757
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(1,370,745)</u>

Total net position	<u>\$ 22,939,591</u>
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The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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Statement of Activities  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Governmental</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Activities</u>
					<u>Net Revenues (Expenses) and Change in Net Position</u>
<b>Functions/Programs:</b>					
Governmental activities:					
Interest expense	\$ 616,395	\$ 1,489,124	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 872,729
Physical environment	715,814	388,120	-	-	(327,694)
General government	<u>117,730</u>	<u>113,159</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,571)</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,449,939</u>	<u>\$ 1,990,403</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>540,464</u>
General revenues:					
Interest income					<u>40,074</u>
Change in net position					580,538
Net position, October 1, 2022					<u>22,359,053</u>
Net position, September 30, 2023					<u>\$ 22,939,591</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds  
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	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund 2020</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 421,461	\$ -	\$ 421,461
Prepays	11,961	-	11,961
Restricted investments		795,569	795,569
	<u>433,422</u>	<u>795,569</u>	<u>1,228,991</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>433,422</u>	\$ <u>795,569</u>	\$ <u>1,228,991</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ 43,012	\$ -	\$ 43,012
	<u>43,012</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,012</u>
Total liabilities	<u>43,012</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,012</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>			
Nonspendable:			
Prepays	11,961	-	11,961
Restricted for debt service	-	795,569	795,569
Unassigned	378,449	-	378,449
	<u>390,410</u>	<u>795,569</u>	<u>1,185,979</u>
Total fund balances	<u>390,410</u>	<u>795,569</u>	<u>1,185,979</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ <u>433,422</u>	\$ <u>795,569</u>	\$ <u>1,228,991</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Sarasota National Community Development District  
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds  
To the Statement of Net Position  
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<b>Total Fund Balances of Governmental Funds in the Balance Sheet, Page 10</b>	\$ 1,185,979
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds:	
The costs of capital assets is	47,158,181
Less accumulated depreciation	(7,480,282)
Certain liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds:	
Governmental special assessment bonds, net	(17,658,475)
Accrued interest payable	<u>(265,812)</u>
<b>Net Position of Governmental Activities, Page 8</b>	<b>\$ <u><u>22,939,591</u></u></b>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Sarasota National Community Development District  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and  
Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2023**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund 2020</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Non-ad valorem assessments	\$ 491,466	\$ 1,489,124	\$ 1,980,590
Interest income	59	40,015	40,074
Other income	45,078	-	45,078
	<u>536,603</u>	<u>1,529,139</u>	<u>2,065,742</u>
Total revenues			
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Current:			
General government	103,156	14,574	117,730
Physical environment	318,032	-	318,032
Debt service:			
Principal expense	-	780,000	780,000
Interest expense	-	661,350	661,350
	<u>421,188</u>	<u>1,455,924</u>	<u>1,877,112</u>
Total expenditures			
Net change in fund balances	115,415	73,215	188,630
<b>Fund Balances, October 1, 2022</b>	<u>274,995</u>	<u>722,354</u>	<u>997,349</u>
<b>Fund Balances, September 30, 2023</b>	<u>\$ 390,410</u>	<u>\$ 795,569</u>	<u>\$ 1,185,979</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

**Sarasota National Community Development District  
 Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues,  
 Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
 of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities  
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<b>Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds, Page 12</b>	\$	188,630
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.		780,000
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is depreciated over their estimated useful lives.		
Current year provision for depreciation		(397,782)
Revenues that are earned but not received within the availability period are recognized in the statement of activities when earned and subsequently in the governmental fund financial statements when they become available. The net difference is recorded as a reconciling item.		(35,265)
Certain items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds:		
Amortization of bond premium		35,205
Change in accrued interest payable		9,750
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<b>Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities, Page 9</b>	\$	<u><u>580,538</u></u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.



**Sarasota National Community Development District  
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund  
Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund  
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	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Non-ad valorem assessments	\$ 488,575	\$ 488,575	\$ 491,466	\$ 2,891
Miscellaneous income	-	-	45,078	45,078
Interest income	-	-	59	59
	<u>488,575</u>	<u>488,575</u>	<u>536,603</u>	<u>48,028</u>
<b>Total revenues</b>				
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Current:				
General government	112,493	112,493	103,156	9,337
Physical environment	<u>376,082</u>	<u>376,082</u>	<u>318,032</u>	<u>58,050</u>
	<u>488,575</u>	<u>488,575</u>	<u>421,188</u>	<u>67,387</u>
<b>Total expenditures</b>				
Net change in fund balance	-	-	115,415	115,415
<b>Fund Balance, October 1, 2022</b>	<u>274,995</u>	<u>274,995</u>	<u>274,995</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Fund Balance, September 30, 2023</b>	<u>\$ 274,995</u>	<u>\$ 274,995</u>	<u>\$ 390,410</u>	<u>\$ 115,415</u>

The accompanying notes to basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

### Note 1 - Organization and Operations

Sarasota National Community Development District (the "District") was created on November 1, 2006 under the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission. The District was created for the purpose of financing and managing the acquisition, construction, maintenance, and operation of the major infrastructure within the District for community development. The District is authorized to issue bonds for the purpose, among others, of financing, funding, planning, establishing, acquiring, constructing or reconstruction, enlarging or extending, equipping, operating and maintaining water management, water supply, sewer and wastewater management, bridges or culverts, roads, landscaping, street lights, and other basic infrastructure projects within or without the boundaries of the District.

The District is governed by the Board of Supervisors ("Board"), which is composed of five elected members.

### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The basic financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units. The District's more significant accounting policies are described below:

**The financial reporting entity:** The governmental reporting entity consists of the District and its component units. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the Board is financially accountable or other organizations whose nature and significant relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading. Financial accountability is defined as the appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board, and (i) either the District's ability to impose its will on the organization or (ii) there is potential for the organization to provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the District. Based upon these criteria, there were no component units.

#### **Basis of presentation:**

**Financial Statements - Government-Wide Statements:** The District's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the District as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the District's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. All of the District's activities are classified as governmental activities.

In the government-wide statement of net position, the governmental activities column is presented on a consolidated basis, if applicable, and is reported on a full-accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all noncurrent assets and receivables as well as all noncurrent debt and obligations, when and if applicable. The effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

The government-wide statement of activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the District's functions. The net costs, by function, are also supported by general revenues, other revenue, etc. The statement of activities reduces gross expenses by related program revenues, operating, and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflect capital-specific grants. For the year ended September 30, 2023, the District had \$ 1,990,403 in program revenues.

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

This government-wide focus is more on the ability to sustain the District as an entity and the change in the District's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

**Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements:** The accounts of the District are organized on the basis of funds. The operations of the funds are accounted for with separate self-balancing accounts that comprise their assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

**General Fund** - This fund is used to account for all operating activities of the District. At this time, revenues are derived principally from assessments and investment income.

**Debt Service Fund 2020** - This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for and the payment of long-term debt principal, interest, and other financing costs applicable to the Series 2020 Special Assessment Refunding Bond.

**Measurement focus, basis of accounting and presentation:** Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the basic financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied. Governmental funds use the current financial resources measurement focus and the government-wide statements use the economic resources measurement focus.

Governmental activity in the government-wide financial statements is presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

The governmental fund financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting under which revenue is recognized in the accounting period in which it becomes susceptible to accrual (i.e., when it becomes both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within sixty days of the end of the current year.

**Budget:** A budget is adopted for the General Fund and Debt Service Fund on an annual basis. Appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. Changes or amendments to the total budgeted expenditures of the District must be approved by the District Board of Supervisors.

The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. Each year the District Manager submits to the District Board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1.
- b. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

- c. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally adopted by the District Board.
- d. The budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

**Assessments:** Assessments are non-ad valorem assessments on all property within the District. Assessments are levied each November 1 on each parcel of benefitted land within the District as of the previous January 1. Certain assessments are collected upon closing on each lot sold and are used to prepay a portion of the Bonds outstanding. In addition, annual assessments are levied and collected to provide funds for the debt service on the portion of the Bonds which are not paid for from the prepaid assessments and to pay for the operations and maintenance of the District.

**Cash and cash equivalents:** Cash and cash equivalents are defined as demand deposits, money market accounts, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

**Investments:** Investments, if held, are stated at their fair value, which is based on quoted market prices. Unrealized gains and losses in fair value are recognized. Certain money market investments are stated at amortized cost if they have a remaining maturity of one year or less when purchased.

**Capital assets:** Capital assets, which include land and land improvements, infrastructure and improvements and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. The government defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$ 750 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. The estimated useful lives of the District's capital assets range from ten to thirty years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

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

**Deferred outflows/inflows of resources:** In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The District does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**Equity classifications:**

**Government-wide statements:** Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets - consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted - consists of net position with constraints placed on the use either by 1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or 2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted - all other net position that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

**Fund statements:** GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions* requires that governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

Nonspendable: This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The District classifies prepaid items and deposits as nonspendable since they are not expected to be converted to cash or are not expected to be converted to cash within the next year.

Restricted: This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through a debt covenant), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed: This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the District's Board. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) that was employed when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

**Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

Assigned: This classification includes amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent can be expressed by the Board or through the Board delegating this responsibility to the District Manager through the budgetary process. This classification also includes the remaining positive fund balance for all governmental funds except for the General Fund. The District classifies existing fund balance to be used in the subsequent year's budget for elimination of a deficit as assigned.

Unassigned: This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund.

The District would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed fund balances, assigned fund balances and, finally, unassigned fund balances.

**Date of management review**: Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 28, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Use of estimates**: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Note 3 -Deposits and Investments**

**Deposits**: The District's deposits must be placed with banks and savings and loans which are qualified as public depositories prior to receipt of public monies under Chapter 280, Florida Statutes. These deposits are insured by the FDIC up to \$ 250,000 per depositor per insured bank. Monies deposited in amounts greater than the insurance coverage are secured by the banks pledging securities with the State Treasurer in the collateral pool. At year end, the carrying amount of the District's deposits were \$ 411,648 and the bank balance was \$ 437,788.

**Investments**: The District did not adopt a formal investment policy nor does it possess or control any investments that fall under Section 218.415, Florida Statutes. The District's investments are money market funds that are held by a Trustee and are governed by the Series 2020 Bond Indenture.

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**Note 4 - Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2023, was as follows:

	Balance at October 1, 2022	Additions	Deletions	Balance at September 30, 2023
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land and land improvements	\$ 34,634,698	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,634,698
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>34,634,698</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,634,698</u>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Infrastructure	10,262,390	-	-	10,262,390
Improvements	2,247,263	-	-	2,247,263
Equipment	13,830	-	-	13,830
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>12,523,483</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,523,483</u>
Total capital assets	<u>47,158,181</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,158,181</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Infrastructure	5,153,713	357,849	-	5,511,562
Improvements	1,914,957	39,933	-	1,954,890
Equipment	13,830	-	-	13,830
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>7,082,500</u>	<u>397,782</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,480,282</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	<u>5,440,983</u>	<u>(397,782)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,043,201</u>
Governmental capital assets, net	<u>\$ 40,075,681</u>	<u>\$ (397,782)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 39,677,899</u>

Provision for depreciation was charged to functions as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
Physical environment	\$ <u>397,782</u>

**Note 5 - Long-Term Debt**

a. Summary of Long-Term Debt of Governmental Activities

Long-term debt of the governmental activities at September 30, 2023, is comprised of the following bond issue:

\$ 19,350,000 Special Assessment Refunding Bonds, Series 2020; due in annual installments commencing May 2021 through May 2039; interest payable semi-annually at rates that range from 3.00% to 4.00% (net of unamortized bond premium of \$ 598,475). \$ 17,658,475

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**Note 5 - Long-Term Debt (continued)**

The following is a summary of changes in governmental activities long-term debt for the year ended September 30, 2023:

	Balance October 1, 2022	Additions	Deletions	Amortization	Balance September 30, 2023	Due Within One Year
Direct borrowings and private placements:						
Special Assessment Refunding Bond, Series 2020	\$ 17,840,000	\$ -	\$ 780,000	\$ -	\$ 17,060,000	\$ 805,000
Bond premium	633,680	-	-	35,205	598,475	-
	<u>\$ 18,473,680</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 780,000</u>	<u>\$ 35,205</u>	<u>\$ 17,658,475</u>	<u>\$ 805,000</u>

b. Summary of Significant Debt Terms of Governmental Activities

**\$ 19,350,000 Special Assessment Refunding Bonds, Series 2020** - In October 2020, the District issued \$ 19,350,000 Special Assessment Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 for the purpose of refunding the Series 2007 Bonds. The Series 2020 Bonds bear interest at a rate that ranges from 3.00% to 4.00% and mature in May 2039. Interest is paid semiannually on the first day of May and November.

The District is required by the Bond Indenture to levy and collect special assessments pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 190.022. The collection of these assessments are restricted and applied to the debt service requirements of the Bond issue. Further, the District covenants to levy special assessments in annual amounts adequate to provide for payment of principal and interest on the Bonds as it becomes due.

The Bonds are subject to mandatory redemption at par on a schedule of annual redemptions through November 2039, the maturity date. The District is required to redeem the Bonds at par prior to schedule from the proceeds of any assessments prepaid in full or if certain events occur as outlined in the Bond Indenture. The Bonds are subject to redemption at the option of the District at par on or after May 1, 2030.

The Bond Indenture requires a reserve fund equal to \$ 100,000. As of September 30, 2023, the reserve fund account balance was sufficient to satisfy this requirement.

The annual debt service requirements for the Series 2020 Special Assessment Bonds consist of:

Year Ending September 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2024	\$ 805,000	\$ 637,950	\$ 1,442,950
2025	830,000	613,800	1,443,800
2026	855,000	588,900	1,443,900
2027	890,000	558,975	1,448,975
2028	920,000	527,825	1,447,825
2029-2033	5,120,000	2,127,900	7,247,900
2034-2038	6,235,000	1,049,200	7,284,200
2039	1,405,000	56,200	1,461,200
	<u>\$ 17,060,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,160,750</u>	<u>\$ 23,220,750</u>



**Note 6 - 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. These risks are covered by commercial insurance from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in the previous three years.

OTHER REPORTS OF  
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

**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***

To the Board of Supervisors  
Sarasota National Community Development District  
Palm Beach 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 of the governmental activities and each major fund of Sarasota National Community Development District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 28, 2024.

**Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

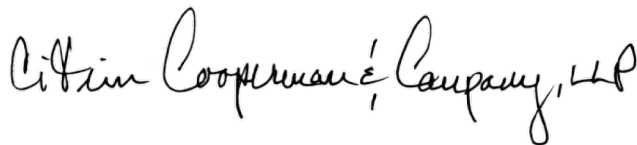
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## Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
June 28, 2024

## MANAGEMENT LETTER REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 10.550 OF THE RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

To the Board of Supervisors  
Sarasota National Community Development District  
Palm Beach County, Florida

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Sarasota National Community Development District, Florida, (the "District"), as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated June 28, 2024.

### Auditor's Responsibility

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

### Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Disclosures in that report, which is dated June 28, 2024, 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.

### Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The District was established on November 1, 2006 by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190, of the laws of the State of Florida. The District does not have any component units.

### Financial Condition and Management

Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require us to apply appropriate procedures and communicate the results of our determination as to whether or not the District has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and to identify the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the 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 condition assessment procedures for the District. It is management's responsibility to monitor the District's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by 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

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Sections 10.554(1)(i)6 and 10.554(1)(i)7, Rules of the Auditor General, the District reported the specific information in Exhibit 1 accompanying this report. The information for compliance with Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes and Sections 10.554(1)(i)6 and 10.554(1)(i)7, Rules of the Auditor General, has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

### 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 and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Fort Lauderdale, Florida  
June 28, 2024

**Sarasota National Community Development District of the City of Sarasota, Florida**  
**Exhibit 1**  
**Data Elements Required By Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes and**  
**Sections 10.554(1)(i)6 and 10.554(1)(i)7, Rules of the Auditor General**  
**(Unaudited)**

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Data Element	Comments
Number of district employees compensated at 9/30/2023	0
Number of independent contractors compensated in September 2023	1
Employee compensation for FYE 9/30/2023 (paid/accrued)	\$0
Independent contractor compensation for FYE 9/30/2023 (paid/accrued)	\$11,831
Each construction project to begin on or after October 1; (>\$65K)	0
Budget variance report	Page 14
Ad valorem taxes:	
Millage rate FYE 9/30/2023	Not applicable
Ad valorem taxes collected FYE 9/30/2023	Not applicable
Outstanding Bonds	Not applicable
Non ad valorem special assessments:	
Special assessment rate FYE 9/30/2023	Operations and maintenance - \$299.12 - \$321.64 Debt service - \$568.43 - \$1,592.20
Special assessments collected FYE 9/30/2023	\$1,990,403
Outstanding Bonds:	
Series 2020, due May 1, 2039	\$17,060,000 - see Note 5