FALLSCHASE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

DISTRICT

September 8, 2025

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

PUBLIC HEARING
AND REGULAR
MEETING AGENDA

AGENDA LETTER

Fallschase Community Development District

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MANAGER

2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W

Boca Raton, Florida 33431

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August 29, 2025

ATTENDEES:

Please identify yourself each time you speak to facilitate accurate transcription of meeting minutes.

Board of Supervisors Fallschase Community Development District

Dear Board Members:

The Board of Supervisors of the Fallschase Community Development District will hold a Public Hearing and Regular Meeting on September 8, 2025 at 1:30 p.m., at 2810 Remington Green Circle, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. The agenda is as follows:

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. District Counsel Transition
 - A. Consideration of Fee Agreement: Kilinski | Van Wyk PLLC
- 4. Public Hearing on Adoption of Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Budget
 - A. Proof/Affidavit of Publication
 - B. Consideration of Resolution 2025-04, Relating to the Annual Appropriations and Adopting the Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025, and Ending September 30, 2026; Authorizing Budget Amendments; and Providing an Effective Date
- 5. Consideration of Resolution 2025-05, Making a Determination of Benefit and Imposing Special Assessments for Fiscal Year 2026; Providing for the Collection and Enforcement of Special Assessments, Including but Not Limited to Penalties and Interest Thereon; Certifying an Assessment Roll; Providing for Amendments to the Assessment Roll; Providing a Severability Clause; and Providing an Effective Date
- 6. Presentation of Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024, Prepared by Lanigan & Associates, P.C.
 - A. Consideration of Resolution 2025-06, Hereby Accepting the Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024
- 7. Consideration of Resolution 2025-07, Approving the Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement; Providing for Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date
- 8. Consideration of Resolution 2025-08, To Designate Date, Time and Place of Public Hearing and Authorization to Publish Notice of Such Hearing for the Purpose of Adopting Restated Rules of Procedure; and Providing an Effective Date

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- 9. Consideration of Special Districts Performance Measures and Standards Reporting FY2026
 - Authorization of Chair to Approve Findings Related to 2025 Special Districts Performance Measures and Standards Reporting
- 10. Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of July 31, 2025
- 11. Approval of April 7, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 12. Staff Reports
 - A. District Counsel: Fee Agreement: Kilinski | Van Wyk PLLC
 - B. District Engineer: Moore Bass Consulting, Inc.
 - C. District Manager: Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC
 - Property Insurance on Vertical Assets
 - Form 1 Submission and Ethics Training
 - Hard Copy Agendas vs Tablets
 - 174 Registered Voters in District as of April 15, 2025
 - NEXT MEETING DATE: October 6, 2025 at 1:30 PM
 - QUORUM CHECK

SEAT 1	WILLIAM LAMB	IN PERSON	PHONE	No
SEAT 2	RICHARD YATES	IN PERSON	PHONE	No
SEAT 3	LEWIS SINGLETARY	IN PERSON	PHONE	☐ No
SEAT 4	RICK SINGLETARY	IN PERSON	PHONE	☐ No
SEAT 5	JEFF PHIPPS	In Person	PHONE	☐ No

- 13. Supervisors' Comments/Requests
- 14. Public Comments
- 15. Adjournment

Should you have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly at (561) 346-5294 or Chris Conti at 724-971-8827.

Sincerely,

Cindy Cerbone District Manager FOR BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF TO ATTEND BY TELEPHONE

CALL-IN NUMBER: 1-888-354-0094 PARTICIPANT PASSCODE: 801 901 3513

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KILINSKI | VAN WYK PLLC FEE AGREEMENT FALLSCHASE CDD

I. PARTIES

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the following parties:

A. Fallschase Community Development District ("Client")
 c/o Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC
 2300 Glades Road 410W
 Boca Raton, FL 33431
 Attn: District Manager

and

B. Kilinski | Van Wyk PLLC ("Kilinski | Van Wyk")517 E. College AvenueTallahassee, Florida 32301

II. SCOPE OF SERVICES

In consideration of the mutual agreements contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

- A. The Client agrees to employ and retain Kilinski | Van Wyk as its general legal Counsel.
- B. Kilinski | Van Wyk accepts such employment and agrees to serve as attorney for and provide legal representation to the Client regarding those matters referenced above.

III. FEES

The Client agrees to compensate Kilinski | Van Wyk for services rendered regarding any matters covered by this Agreement according to the hourly billing rates for individual Kilinski | Van Wyk lawyers set forth herein, plus actual expenses incurred by Kilinski | Van Wyk in accordance with the attached standard Expense Reimbursement Policy (Attachment A, incorporated herein by reference). Kilinski | Van Wyk proposes hourly rates of \$350 - \$385 per hour for partners, \$300-\$365 per hour for of counsel lawyers, \$270- \$315 per hour for associates, and \$180-\$200 per hour for paralegals. Hourly rates may be increased by up to five dollars an hour each calendar year starting with the next calendar year.



The Client agrees to pay Kilinski | Van Wyk monthly billings for fees and expenses incurred within thirty (30) days following receipt of a statement from Kilinski | Van Wyk. Kilinski | Van Wyk shall not be obligated to perform further legal services under this Fee Agreement if any such billing statement remains unpaid longer than thirty (30) days after submittal to and receipt by Client. Non-payment of billing statements shall be a basis for Kilinski | Van Wyk to immediately withdraw from the representation without regard to remaining actions necessitating attention by Kilinski | Van Wyk as part of the representation.

IV. CLIENT FILES

The files and work product materials ("Client File") of the Client generated or received by Kilinski | Van Wyk will be maintained by Kilinski | Van Wyk in accordance with Florida Bar rules. At the conclusion of the representation, the Client File will be stored by Kilinski | Van Wyk for a minimum of five (5) years. After the five (5) year storage period, the Client hereby acknowledges and consents that Kilinski | Van Wyk may confidentially destroy or shred the Client File, unless Kilinski | Van Wyk is provided a written request from the Client requesting return of the Client File, to which Kilinski | Van Wyk will return the Client File at Client's expense.

V. DEFAULT

In the event of a dispute arising under this Agreement, whether a lawsuit or other proceeding is filed, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, including attorneys' fees and costs incurred in litigating entitlement to attorneys' fees and costs, as well as in determining or quantifying the amount of recoverable attorneys' fees and costs. The reasonable costs to which the prevailing party is entitled shall include costs that are taxable under any applicable statute, rule, or guideline, as well as non-taxable costs, including, but not limited to, costs of investigation, telephone charges, mailing and delivery charges, information technology support charges, consultant and expert witness fees, travel expenses, court reporter fees, and mediator fees, regardless of whether such costs are otherwise taxable. Venue of any such action shall be exclusive in the state courts of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Leon County, Florida.

VI. CONFLICTS

It is important to disclose that Kilinski | Van Wyk represents a number of special districts, builders, developers, property owners' associations and other entities throughout Florida relating to community development districts and other special districts. In the course of Kilinski | Van Wyk's representation of Client, Kilinski | Van Wyk may be asked to represent Client on transactions between Client and the developer and/or builders involved in the Client's project, when at the same time Kilinski | Van Wyk may be representing such developer and/or builders on matters unrelated to Client. By accepting this Agreement, Client agrees that (1) Client was provided with an explanation of the implications of the common representation(s) and the advantages and risks involved; (2) Kilinski | Van Wyk will be able to provide competent and diligent representation of Client, regardless of Kilinski | Van Wyk's other representations; and, (3) there is not a substantial risk that Kilinski | Van Wyk's representation of Client would be materially limited by Kilinski | Van Wyk's responsibilities to another client, a former client or a third person



or by a personal interest. Acceptance of this fee proposal will constitute your waiver of any "conflict" with Kilinski | Van Wyk's representation of various special districts, builders, developers, property owners' associations and other entities relating to community development districts and other special districts in Florida. <u>However, to the extent there is any perceived or real direct conflict of interest, Kilinski | Van Wyk agrees it shall present a separate request for conflict waiver.</u>

VII. TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this Agreement upon providing prior written notice to the other party at its regular place of business. All fees due and payable in accordance with this Agreement shall accrue and become payable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement through the date of termination.

VIII. EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be deemed fully executed upon its signing by Kilinski | Van Wyk and the Client. The contract formed between Kilinski | Van Wyk and the Client shall be the operational contract between the parties.

IX. ENTIRE CONTRACT

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties.

Accepted and agreed to by:

FALLSCHASE CDD	KILINSKI VAN WYK PLLC
	Jennifer Kilinski
Ву:	By: Jennifer Kilinski
lts:	Its: Authorized Member
Date:	Date:

ATTACHMENT A

KILINSKI | VAN WYK PLLC EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

The following is the expense reimbursement policy for the Agreement. All expenses are billed monthly. Billings ordinarily reflect expenses for the most recent month, except when there are delays in receiving bills from third party vendors.

<u>Telephone</u>. All telephone charges are billed at an amount approximating actual cost.

Facsimile. There are no charges for faxes.

<u>Postage</u>. Postage is billed at actual cost.

Overnight Delivery. Overnight delivery is billed at actual cost.

<u>Travel</u>. Travel (including airfare, rental cars, taxicabs, hotel, meals, tips, etc.) is billed at actual cost. Where air travel is required, coach class is used wherever feasible. Out-of-town mileage is billed at the IRS approved reimbursement rate.

Other Expenses. Other outside expenses, such as court reporters, agency copies, large print projects, etc., are billed at actual cost.



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FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Fallschase Community Development District ("District") will hold a public hearing on September 8, 2025 at 1:30 p.m., at 2810 Remington Green Circle, Tallahasese, Florida 32308 for the purpose of hearing comments and objections on the adoption of the proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") of the District for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026 ("Fiscal Year 2026"). A regular board meeting of the District will also be held at that time where the Board may consider any other business that may properly come before it. A copy of the agenda and Proposed Budget may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 34341, (561) 571-0010 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours, or by visiting the District's website at https://www.fallschasecdd.net/.

District's website at https://www.fallschasecdd.net/. The public hearing and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearing and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when Board Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone.

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speaker telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Each person who decides to appeal

Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearing or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based. District Manager

District Manager
PUBLICATION: 8/17, 8/24/2025

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RESOLUTION 2025-04

THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RELATING TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026; AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District Manager has, prior to the fifteenth (15th) day in June, 2025, submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Fallschase Community Development District ("District") a proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026 ("Fiscal Year 2026"), along with an explanatory and complete financial plan for each fund of the District, pursuant to the provisions of Section 190.008(2)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, at least sixty (60) days prior to the adoption of the Proposed Budget, the District filed a copy of the Proposed Budget with the local governing authorities having jurisdiction over the area included in the District pursuant to the provisions of Section 190.008(2)(b), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Board set a public hearing thereon and caused notice of such public hearing to be given by publication pursuant to Section 190.008(2)(a), *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the District Manager posted the Proposed Budget on the District's website at least two (2) days before the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Section 190.008(2)(a), Florida Statutes, requires that, prior to October 1st of each year, the Board, by passage of the Annual Appropriation Resolution, shall adopt a budget for the ensuing fiscal year and appropriate such sums of money as the Board deems necessary to defray all expenditures of the District during the ensuing fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the District Manager has prepared a Proposed Budget, whereby the budget shall project the cash receipts and disbursements anticipated during a given time period, including reserves for contingencies for emergency or other unanticipated expenditures during the fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

SECTION 1. BUDGET

a. The Board has reviewed the Proposed Budget, a copy of which is on file with the office of the District Manager and at the District's Local Records Office, and hereby approves certain amendments thereto, as shown in Section 2 below.

- b. The Proposed Budget, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, as amended by the Board, is hereby adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 190.008(2)(a), *Florida Statutes* ("**Adopted Budget**"), and incorporated herein by reference; provided, however, that the comparative figures contained in the Adopted Budget may be subsequently revised as deemed necessary by the District Manager to reflect actual revenues and expenditures.
- c. The Adopted Budget, as amended, shall be maintained in the office of the District Manager and at the District's Local Records Office and identified as "The Budget for the Fallschase Community Development District for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2026."
- d. The Adopted Budget shall be posted by the District Manager on the District's official website within thirty (30) days after adoption, and shall remain on the website for at least two (2) years.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATIONS

There is hereby appropriated out of the revenues of the District, for Fiscal Year 2026, the sum of \$1,036,282 to be raised by the levy of assessments and/or otherwise, which sum is deemed by the Board to be necessary to defray all expenditures of the District during said budget year, to be divided and appropriated in the following fashion:

TOTAL GENERAL FUND \$ 99,241

DEBT SERVICE FUND – SERIES 2021 \$ 937,041

TOTAL ALL FUNDS \$ 1,036,282

SECTION 3. BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to Section 189.016, *Florida Statutes*, the District at any time within Fiscal Year 2026 or within sixty (60) days following the end of the Fiscal Year 2026 may amend its Adopted Budget for that fiscal year as follows:

- a. A line-item appropriation for expenditures within a fund may be decreased or increased by motion of the Board recorded in the minutes, and approving the expenditure, if the total appropriations of the fund do not increase.
- b. The District Manager or Treasurer may approve an expenditure that would increase or decrease a line-item appropriation for expenditures within a fund if the total appropriations of the fund do not increase and if either (i) the aggregate change in the original appropriation item does not exceed the greater of \$15,000

- or 15% of the original appropriation, or (ii) such expenditure is authorized by separate disbursement or spending resolution.
- c. Any other budget amendments shall be adopted by resolution and consistent with Florida law.

The District Manager or Treasurer must ensure that any amendments to the budget under paragraph c. above are posted on the District's website within five (5) days after adoption and remain on the website for at least two (2) years.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025.

ATTEST:	FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	By:

Exhibit A: Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2026

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FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PROPOSED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2026

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FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT GENERAL FUND PROPOSED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2026

	Adopted	Actual	Projected	Toal	Proposed
	Budget	through	through	Actual &	Budget
	FY 2025	02/28/25	9/30/2025	Projected	FY 2026
REVENUES					
Assessment levy: on-roll - gross	\$ 12,969				\$ 23,642
Allowable discounts (4%)	(519)				(946)
Assessment levy: on-roll - net	12,450	\$ 21,482	\$ 877	\$ 22,359	22,696
Assessment levy: off-roll	88,141	-	77,842	77,842	76,542
Interest	-	245	-	245	· -
Total revenues	100,591	21,727	78,719	100,446	99,238
EXPENDITURES Professional & administrative					
Supervisors	6,459	_	3,000	3,000	4,306
Management/accounting/recording	48,000	20,000	28,000	48,000	48,000
Debt service fund accounting	5,500	2,000	3,208	5,500	5,500
_	9,000	2,292	9,000	9,000	9,000
Legal	3,500	-	3,500	3,500	3,500
Engineering Audit		-	•		
	7,500 750	-	7,500 750	7,500 750	7,500 750
Arbitrage rebate calculation		447			
Dissemination agent	1,000	417	583	1,000	1,000
Trustee	6,500	4,031	2,469	6,500	5,500
Telephone	200	83	117	200	200
Postage	600	89	511	600	600
Printing & binding	500	208	292	500	500
Legal advertising	1,200	475	1,200	1,200	1,200
Annual special district fee	175	175	-	175	175
Insurance	7,878	7,449	-	7,449	8,400
Contingencies/bank charges	400	-	400	400	1,250
Website	705	705	-	705	705
ADA website compliance	210	210	-	210	210
Property appraiser	130	-	130	130	236
Tax collector	389	643		643	709
Total expenditures	100,596	36,302	60,660	96,962	99,241
Net increase/(decrease) of fund balance	(5)	(14,575)	18,059	3,484	(3)
Fund balance - beginning (unaudited)	37,801 [°]	`51,448 [´]	36,873	51,448	54,932
Committed:					
Working capital	31,058	_	31,058	31,058	31,110
Unassigned	6,738	_	23,874	23,874	23,819
Fund balance - ending (projected)	\$ 37,796	\$ 36,873	\$ 54,932	\$ 54,932	\$ 54,929

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEFINITIONS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES

Professional & administrative	
Supervisors	\$ 4,306
Statutorily set at \$200 for each meeting of the Board of Supervisors not to exceed \$4,800 for each fiscal year.	·
Management/accounting/recording	48,000
Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC (WHA), specializes in managing community development districts by combining the knowledge, skills and experience of a team of professionals to ensure compliance with all of the District's governmental requirements. WHA develops financing programs, administers the issuance of tax exempt bond financings, operates and maintains the assets of the community.	
Debt service fund accounting	5,500
Legal	9,000
General counsel and legal representation, which includes issues relating to public finance, public bidding, rulemaking, open meetings, public records, real property dedications, conveyances and contracts.	
Engineering	3,500
The District's Engineer will provide construction and consulting services, to assist the District in crafting sustainable solutions to address the long term interests of the community while recognizing the needs of government, the environment and maintenance of the District's facilities.	2,222
Audit	7,500
Statutorily required for the District to undertake an independent examination of its books, records and accounting procedures.	7,000
Arbitrage rebate calculation	750
To ensure the District's compliance with all tax regulations, annual computations are necessary to calculate the arbitrage rebate liability.	
Dissemination agent	1,000
The District must annually disseminate financial information in order to comply with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Wrathell, Hunt & Associates serves as dissemination agent.	
Trustee	5,500
Annual fee for the service provided by trustee, paying agent and registrar.	,
Telephone	200
Telephone and fax machine.	
Postage	600
Mailing of agenda packages, overnight deliveries, correspondence, etc.	
Printing & binding	500
Letterhead, envelopes, copies, agenda packages, etc.	
Legal advertising	1,200
The District advertises for monthly meetings, special meetings, public hearings, public bids, etc.	
Annual special district fee	175
Annual fee paid to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.	

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEFINITIONS OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

Expenditures (continued)

Insurance	8,400
The District will obtain public officials and general liability insurance.	
Contingencies/bank charges	1,250
Bank charges automated AP routing and other miscellaneous expenses incurred during	
the year.	
Website	705
ADA website compliance	210
Property appraiser	236
Tax collector	709
Total expenditures	\$ 99,241

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE FUND BUDGET - SERIES 2021 FISCAL YEAR 2026

	Adopted	Actual	Projected	Toal	Proposed
	Budget	through	through	Actual &	Budget
	FY 2025	02/28/25	9/30/2025	Projected	FY 2026
REVENUES					
Assessment levy: on-roll	\$ 131,801				\$ 238,680
Allowable discounts (4%)	(5,272)				(9,547)
Net assessment levy - on-roll	126,529	\$ 213,296	\$ 8,676	\$ 221,972	229,133
Assessment levy: off-roll	803,429	27,928	676,104	704,032	704,032
Interest	-	23,303	-	23,303	-
Total revenues	929,958	264,527	684,780	949,307	933,165
EXPENDITURES					
Debt service					
Principal	350,000	_	350,000	350,000	360,000
Interest	579,069	289,534	289,535	579,069	569,881
Tax collector	3,954	6,384	209,555	6,384	7,160
Total expenditures	933,023	295,918	639,535	935,453	937,041
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Excess/(deficiency) of revenues					
over/(under) expenditures	(3,065)	(31,391)	45,245	13,854	(3,876)
Fund balance:					
Beginning fund balance (unaudited)	1,374,946	1,410,116	1,378,725	1,410,116	1,423,970
Ending fund balance (projected)	\$1,371,881	\$1,378,725	\$1,423,970	\$1,423,970	1,420,094
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Use of fund balance:					(000 000)
Debt service reserve account balance (requ	iirea)				(926,000)
Interest expense - November 1, 2026			(280,216)		
Projected fund balance surplus/(deficit) as of	of September 30	J, 2026			\$ 213,878

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SERIES 2020 AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

					Bond	
	Principal	Coupon Rate	Interest	Debt Service	Balance	
11/01/25			284,940.63	284,940.63	15,590,000.00	
05/01/26	360,000.00	2.625%	284,940.63	644,940.63	15,230,000.00	
11/01/26			280,215.63	280,215.63	15,230,000.00	
05/01/27	370,000.00	3.125%	280,215.63	650,215.63	14,860,000.00	
11/01/27			274,434.38	274,434.38	14,860,000.00	
05/01/28	380,000.00	3.125%	274,434.38	654,434.38	14,480,000.00	
11/01/28			268,496.88	268,496.88	14,480,000.00	
05/01/29	395,000.00	3.125%	268,496.88	663,496.88	14,085,000.00	
11/01/29			262,325.00	262,325.00	14,085,000.00	
05/01/30	405,000.00	3.125%	262,325.00	667,325.00	13,680,000.00	
11/01/30			255,996.88	255,996.88	13,680,000.00	
05/01/31	420,000.00	3.125%	255,996.88	675,996.88	13,260,000.00	
11/01/31			249,434.38	249,434.38	13,260,000.00	
05/01/32	430,000.00	3.375%	249,434.38	679,434.38	12,830,000.00	
11/01/32			242,178.13	242,178.13	12,830,000.00	
05/01/33	445,000.00	3.375%	242,178.13	687,178.13	12,385,000.00	
11/01/33			234,668.75	234,668.75	12,385,000.00	
05/01/34	460,000.00	3.375%	234,668.75	694,668.75	11,925,000.00	
11/01/34			226,906.25	226,906.25	11,925,000.00	
05/01/35	480,000.00	3.375%	226,906.25	706,906.25	11,445,000.00	
11/01/35			218,806.25	218,806.25	11,445,000.00	
05/01/36	495,000.00	3.375%	218,806.25	713,806.25	10,950,000.00	
11/01/36			210,453.13	210,453.13	10,950,000.00	
05/01/37	510,000.00	3.375%	210,453.13	720,453.13	10,440,000.00	
11/01/37			201,846.88	201,846.88	10,440,000.00	
05/01/38	530,000.00	3.375%	201,846.88	731,846.88	9,910,000.00	
11/01/38			192,903.13	192,903.13	9,910,000.00	
05/01/39	545,000.00	3.375%	192,903.13	737,903.13	9,365,000.00	
11/01/39			183,706.25	183,706.25	9,365,000.00	
05/01/40	565,000.00	3.375%	183,706.25	748,706.25	8,800,000.00	
11/01/40			174,171.88	174,171.88	8,800,000.00	
05/01/41	585,000.00	3.375%	174,171.88	759,171.88	8,215,000.00	
11/01/41			164,300.00	164,300.00	8,215,000.00	
05/01/42	605,000.00	4.000%	164,300.00	769,300.00	7,610,000.00	
11/01/42			152,200.00	152,200.00	7,610,000.00	
05/01/43	630,000.00	4.000%	152,200.00	782,200.00	6,980,000.00	
11/01/43			139,600.00	139,600.00	6,980,000.00	
05/01/44	660,000.00	4.000%	139,600.00	799,600.00	6,320,000.00	
11/01/44			126,400.00	126,400.00	6,320,000.00	
05/01/45	685,000.00	4.000%	126,400.00	811,400.00	5,635,000.00	

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SERIES 2020 AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

					Bond
	Principal	Coupon Rate	Interest	Debt Service	Balance
11/01/45			112,700.00	112,700.00	5,635,000.00
05/01/46	710,000.00	4.000%	112,700.00	822,700.00	4,925,000.00
11/01/46			98,500.00	98,500.00	4,925,000.00
05/01/47	740,000.00	4.000%	98,500.00	838,500.00	4,185,000.00
11/01/47			83,700.00	83,700.00	4,185,000.00
05/01/48	770,000.00	4.000%	83,700.00	853,700.00	3,415,000.00
11/01/48			68,300.00	68,300.00	3,415,000.00
05/01/49	805,000.00	4.000%	68,300.00	873,300.00	2,610,000.00
11/01/49			52,200.00	52,200.00	2,610,000.00
05/01/50	835,000.00	4.000%	52,200.00	887,200.00	1,775,000.00
11/01/50			35,500.00	35,500.00	1,775,000.00
05/01/51	870,000.00	4.000%	35,500.00	905,500.00	905,000.00
11/01/51			18,100.00	18,100.00	905,000.00
05/01/52	905,000.00	4.000%	18,100.00	923,100.00	-
Total	15,590,000.00		9,625,968.86	25,215,968.86	

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT GENERAL FUND AND DEBT SERVICE FUND ASSESSMENT SUMMARY FISCAL YEAR 2026

	On-	Roll	Assessments	S
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	Projected Fiscal Year 2026								
Number of									FY 25
Units	Unit Type		GF		DSF	GF	- & DSF	Ass	sessment
0	Multi-Family	\$	98.10	\$	729.91	\$	828.01	\$	829.67
0	Townhome		98.10		886.32		984.42		986.08
0	SF 30'		98.10		782.04		880.14		881.80
0	SF 40'		98.10		834.18		932.28		933.94
115	SF 50' - Phases II - VI		98.10		938.45		1,036.55		1,038.21
0	SF 50' - Future Phases		98.10		1,042.73		1,140.83		1,142.49
64	SF 60'		98.10		990.59		1,088.69		1,090.35
36	SF 70'		98.10		1,042.73		1,140.83		1,142.49
26	SF 90'		98.10		1,147.00		1,245.10		1,246.76
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Of	f-R	oll.	Assessments

		Projected Fiscal Year 2026							
Number of									FY 25
Units	Unit Type	GF		DSF		GF & DSF		Assessment	
288	Multi-Family	\$	91.23	\$	678.82	\$	770.05	\$	771.60
60	Townhome		91.23		824.28		915.51		917.06
36	SF 30'		91.23		727.30		818.53		820.08
36	SF 40'		91.23		775.79		867.02		868.57
15	SF 50' - Phases II - VI		91.23		872.76		963.99		965.54
411	SF 50' - Future Phases		91.23		969.74		1,060.97		1,062.52
-2	SF 60'		91.23		921.25		1,012.48		1,014.03
-5	SF 70'		91.23		969.74		1,060.97		1,062.52
0	SF 90'		91.23		1,066.71		1,157.94		1,159.49
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RESOLUTION 2025-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MAKING A DETERMINATION OF BENEFIT AND IMPOSING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PENALTIES AND INTEREST THEREON; CERTIFYING AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Fallschase Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government established pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of providing, operating and maintaining infrastructure improvements, facilities and services to the lands within the District; and

WHEREAS, the District is located in Leon County, Florida ("County"); and

WHEREAS, the District has constructed or acquired various infrastructure improvements and provides certain services in accordance with the District's adopted capital improvement plan and Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the District hereby determines to undertake various operations and maintenance and other activities described in the District's budget ("Adopted Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026 ("Fiscal Year 2026"), attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the District must obtain sufficient funds to provide for the operation and maintenance of the services and facilities provided by the District as described in the Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services, facilities, and operations is a benefit to lands within the District; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, provides that the District may impose special assessments on benefitted lands within the District; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the District to proceed with the imposition of the special assessments for operations and maintenance in the amount set forth in the Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, the District has previously levied an assessment for debt service, which the District desires to collect for Fiscal Year 2026; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, provides a mechanism pursuant to which such special assessments may be placed on the tax roll and collected by the local tax collector ("Uniform Method"), and the District has previously authorized the use of the Uniform Method by, among other things, entering into agreements with the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector of the County for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the District to adopt the assessment roll ("Assessment Roll") attached to this Resolution as Exhibit B, and to certify the portion of the Assessment Roll related to certain developed property ("Tax Roll Property") to the County Tax Collector pursuant to the Uniform Method and to directly collect the portion of the Assessment Roll relating to the remaining property ("Direct Collect Property"), all as set forth in Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the District to permit the District Manager to amend the Assessment Roll adopted herein, including that portion certified to the County Tax Collector by this Resolution, as the Property Appraiser updates the property roll for the County, for such time as authorized by Florida law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

SECTION 1. BENEFIT & ALLOCATION FINDINGS. The provision of the services, facilities, and operations as described in **Exhibit A** confers a special and peculiar benefit to the lands within the District, which benefit exceeds or equals the cost of the assessments. The allocation of the assessments to the specially benefitted lands is shown in **Exhibits A** and **B** and is hereby found to be fair and reasonable.

SECTION 2. ASSESSMENT IMPOSITION. Pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*, and using the procedures authorized by Florida law for the levy and collection of special assessments, a special assessment for operation and maintenance is hereby imposed and levied on benefitted lands within the District and in accordance with **Exhibits "A" and "B."** The lien of the special assessments for operations and maintenance imposed and levied by this Resolution shall be effective upon passage of this Resolution.

SECTION 3. COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT; PENALTIES; INTEREST.

- A. **Tax Roll Assessments.** The operations and maintenance special assessments and previously levied debt service special assessments imposed on the Tax Roll Property shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as County taxes in accordance with the Uniform Method, as set forth in **Exhibits A** and **B**.
- B. **Direct Bill Assessments.** The operations and maintenance special assessments and previously levied debt service special assessments imposed on the Direct Collect Property, as well as debt service special assessments imposed for the Series 2021

Special Assessment Bonds shall be collected directly by the District in accordance with Florida law, as set forth in Exhibits A and B. Assessments directly collected by the District are due in full on December 1, 2025; provided, however, that, to the extent permitted by law, the assessments due may be paid in several partial, deferred payments and according to the following schedule: 50% due no later than December 1, 2025, 25% due no later than February 1, 2026 and 25% due no later than May 1, 2026. In the event that an assessment payment is not made in accordance with the schedule stated above, the whole assessment - including any remaining partial, deferred payments for Fiscal Year 2026, shall immediately become due and payable; shall accrue interest, penalties in the amount of one percent (1%) per month, and all costs of collection and enforcement; and shall either be enforced pursuant to a foreclosure action, or, at the District's sole discretion, collected pursuant to the Uniform Method on a future tax bill, which amount may include penalties, interest, and costs of collection and enforcement. Any prejudgment interest on delinquent assessments shall accrue at the rate of any bonds secured by the assessments, or at the statutory prejudgment interest rate, as applicable. In the event an assessment subject to direct collection by the District shall be delinquent, the District Manager and District Counsel, without further authorization by the Board, may initiate foreclosure proceedings pursuant to Chapter 170, Florida Statutes, or other applicable law to collect and enforce the whole assessment, as set forth herein.

C. **Future Collection Methods.** The decision to collect special assessments by any particular method – e.g., on the tax roll or by direct bill – does not mean that such method will be used to collect special assessments in future years, and the District reserves the right in its sole discretion to select collection methods in any given year, regardless of past practices.

SECTION 4. ASSESSMENT ROLL. The Assessment Roll, attached to this Resolution as **Exhibit B**, is hereby certified for collection. That portion of the Assessment Roll which includes the Tax Roll Property is hereby certified to the County Tax Collector and shall be collected by the County Tax Collector in the same manner and time as County taxes. The proceeds therefrom shall be paid to the District.

SECTION 5. ASSESSMENT ROLL AMENDMENT. The District Manager shall keep apprised of all updates made to the County property roll by the Property Appraiser after the date of this Resolution and shall amend the Assessment Roll in accordance with any such updates, for such time as authorized by Florida law, to the County property roll. After any amendment of the Assessment Roll, the District Manager shall file the updates in the District records.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect upon the passage and adoption of this Resolution by the Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2025.

ATTEST:		FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/A	ssistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors
Exhibit A:	Adopted Budget for Fiscal Ye	ear 2026
Exhibit B:	Assessment Roll (Uniform M Assessment Roll (Direct Colle	•

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

FALLCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Supervisors Fallschase Community Development District Leon County, Florida

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Fallschase Community Development District (the "District") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, 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 accompanying financial statements 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, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position thereof 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 (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* (GAS), 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

The District's 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 twelve 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 GAAS and GAS 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 GAAS and GAS, 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.

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Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information as listed in the table of contents 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 18, 2025, 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 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.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

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We have also issued our report dated June 18, 2025, on our consideration of the District's compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, as required by Rule 10.556(10) of the Auditor General of the State of Florida. The purpose of that report is to provide an opinion based on our examination conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Tallahassee, Florida

June 18, 2025

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Our discussion and analysis of Fallschase Community Development District (the "District") provides a narrative overview of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024. Please read it in conjunction with the District's Independent Auditor's Report, basic financial statements, accompanying notes, and supplementary information to the basic financial statements.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the District exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year resulting in a positive net position balance of \$256,472.
- The District's total net position increased by \$468,422. The key components of the District's net position and change in net position are reflected in the table in the government-wide financial analysis.
- At September 30, 2024, the District's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balance of \$1,461,564, an increase of \$113,010 in comparison with the prior fiscal year.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as the introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial 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, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources with the residual amount being 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 government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal 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 include all governmental activities that are principally supported by Developer contributions and special assessment bond proceeds. The District does not have any business-type activities. The governmental activities of the District include the general government (management) function.

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, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The District maintains only one category of funds called governmental funds.

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 on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a District's near-term financing requirements.

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 governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The District maintains three governmental funds for external reporting. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance for the general fund and debt service fund which are major funds.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

Notes to the Financial Statements

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

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of an entity's financial position. In the case of the District, assets exceeded liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis (Continued)

Key components of the District's net position are reflected in the following table:

Net Position September 30,

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
Current and other assets	\$ 1,511,559	\$ 1,360,691
Capital assets	15,236,321	15,236,321
Total assets	16,747,880	16,597,012
Current liabilities Long-term liabilities Total liabilities	641,274 15,850,134 16,491,408	597,135 16,211,827 16,808,962
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	(963,813)	(1,315,506)
Restricted for debt service	1,410,116	1,349,037
Unrestricted	(189,831)	(245,481)
Total net position	\$ 256,472	\$ (211,950)
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The increase in total assets is related to cash and investments in the current year. The decrease in total liabilities is related to payments on special assessment bonds in the current year. The increase in net position represents the extent to which program revenues exceeded ongoing program expenses.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis (Continued)

Key elements of the change in net position are reflected in the following table:

Changes in Net Position September 30,

	2024	2023
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 1,063,265	\$ 932,554
Operating contributions	-	88,052
General revenues:		
Interest income	61,285	113,491
Total revenues	1,124,550	1,134,097
Expenses: General government Interest on long-term debt	83,546 572,582	84,694 572,584
Total expenses	656,128	657,278
Change in net position Net position - beginning	468,422 (211,950)	476,819 (688,769)
Net position - ending	\$ 256,472	\$ (211,950)

As noted above and in the statement of activities, the cost of all governmental activities during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024 was \$656,128. The District received charges for services and interest income in the amount of \$1,063,265 and \$61,285, respectively, which resulted in total revenue of \$1,124,550 during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

The financial statements present capital assets in two groups: these assets subject to depreciation, such as equipment or operations facilities, and those assets not subject to depreciation, such as land and construction in progress. The District's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of September 30, 2024 was \$15,236,321. This investment in capital assets includes construction in progress. There were no capital asset events during the fiscal year.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration (continued)

Capital Assets September 30,

	Governmental Activities						
	2024	2023					
Construction In Progress	\$ 15,236,321	\$ 15,236,321					
Total	\$ 15,236,321	\$ 15,236,321					

Long-Term Debt

As of September 30, 2024, the District's outstanding long-term debt (bonds) was \$16,200,134. Of this amount \$350,000 is considered due within one year. Listed below is a summary of the District's major debt:

• In December 2021, the District issued \$16,610,000 of Special Assessment Bonds Series 2021 maturing in May 2052 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$330,000 to \$905,000 in accordance with the redemption schedule. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year until redemption or maturity. Interest rates range from 2.625% to 4.000%.

General Budgetary Highlights

An operating budget was adopted and maintained by the governing board for the District pursuant to the requirements of Florida Statutes. The budget is adopted using the same basis of accounting that is used in preparation of the fund financial statements. The legal level of budgetary control, the level at which expenditures may not exceed budget, is in the aggregate. Any budget amendments that increase the aggregate budgeted appropriations must be approved by the Board of Supervisors. Actual general fund expenditures did not exceed appropriations for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, landowners, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the financial resources it manages and the stewardship of the facilities it maintains. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Fallschase Community Development District's Finance Department at 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida, 33431.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	_	Sovernmental Activities
ASSETS		
Cash	\$	73,515
Investments		1,438,044
Capital assets		
Construction in progress		15,236,321
Total assets	\$	16,747,880
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	260
Due to developer		21,807
Accrued interest payable		241,279
Unearned revenue		27,928
Non-current liabilities:		
Due within one year		350,000
Due in more than one year		15,850,134
Total liabilities	\$	16,491,408
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	\$	(963,813)
Restricted for debt service		1,410,116
Unrestricted		(189,831)
Total net position	\$	256,472

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

			Program Revenues					(Expenses)
Functions/Programs	<u>I</u>	Expenses		Charges for Services	Operating Contributions		Cha	venues and anges in Net Position
Primary government:								
Governmental activities:								
General government	\$	83,546	\$	131,291	\$	-	\$	47,745
Interest on long-term debt		572,582		931,974				359,392
Total governmental activities	\$	656,128	\$	1,063,265	\$	-		407,137
General revenues: Interest income Total general revenues								61,285 61,285
Change in net position								468,422
Net position - beginning of year								(211,950)
Net position - end of year							\$	256,472

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA BALANCE SHEET

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Majo	Go	Total overnmental		
	General	D	ebt Service	_	Funds
ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 73,515	\$	-	\$	73,515
Investments	-		1,438,044		1,438,044
Total assets	\$ 73,515	\$	1,438,044	\$	1,511,559
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 260	\$	-	\$	260
Due to developer	21,807		-		21,807
Unearned revenue	-		27,928		27,928
Total liabilities	22,067		27,928		49,995
FUND BALANCE					
Restricted:					
Debt Service	-		1,410,116		1,410,116
Unassigned	51,448		-		51,448
Total fund balance	51,448		1,410,116		1,461,564
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 73,515	\$	1,438,044	\$	1,511,559

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

Total fund balances of governmental funds		\$ 1,461,564
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 funds. The cost		
of the assets is \$15,236,321.		15,236,321
Bonds payable are not due and payable in the current period and		
accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. Interest on long-term		
debt is not accrued in government funds, but rather is recognized as		
an expenditure when due. The bond premium is not due within the current		
period and accordingly the amortization is not reported as fund liabilities.		
All liabilities, both current and long-term, are reported in the Statement of		
Net Position. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:		
Accrued interest payable	(241,279)	
Bond premium amortization	32,156	
Bonds payable	(16,232,290)	
		 (16,441,413)
Total net position of governmental activities		\$ 256,472

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

		Г	1	0	Total
	 Majo			Governmental	
	 General	D	ebt Service		Funds
REVENUES					
Assessment revenue	\$ 131,291	\$	931,974	\$	1,063,265
Interest income	340		60,945		61,285
Total revenues	 131,631		992,919		1,124,550
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
General government	79,700		3,846		83,546
Debt service:					
Interest	-		587,994		587,994
Principal	-		340,000		340,000
Total expenditures	79,700		931,840		1,011,540
Excess of revenues					
over expenditures	 51,931		61,079		113,010
Net changes in fund balances	51,931		61,079		113,010
Fund balance - beginning	 (483)		1,349,037		1,348,554
Fund balance - ending	\$ 51,448	\$	1,410,116	\$	1,461,564

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, 2024

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

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds

113,010

The issuance of bonds and similar long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds and thus contributes to the change in fund balance. In the Statement of Net Position, however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the Statement of Activities. Similarly, repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but reduces the liability in the Statement of Net Position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities. The amounts of the items that make up these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items are:

Principal repayments Amortization of premium on bonds is sued 340,000

11,693

351,693

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting used in governmental funds, expenditures are not recognized for transactions that are not normally paid with expendable available financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, which is presented on the accrual basis, expenses and liabilities are reported regardless of when financial resources are available. This adjustment is as follows:

Accrued interest expense

3,719

Change in net position of governmental activities

468,422

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – NATURE OF ORGANIZATION AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Fallschase Community Development District has existed since October 12, 1997. A predecessor district had been created by Leon County Ordinance 75-6. At the request of the Leon County Commission, the landowner petitioned to the county to terminate the existing district and to replace it with the Fallschase Community Development District. On October 23, 1997, the Commission replaced it with the Fallschase Community Development District (the "District") by County Ordinance 97-18, a statutory process labeled "reestablishment". Accordingly, that reestablishment ordinance did not create the District but rather established it on the property with the state-created and state-chartered community development district to operate free and clear on the proposed property, pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, otherwise known as Chapter 190, Florida Statutes. The Act provides among other things, the power to manage basic services for community development, power to borrow money and issue bonds, and to levy and assess non-ad valorem assessments for the financing and delivery of capital infrastructure.

The District was established for the purpose of financing and managing the acquisition, construction, maintenance, and operation of a portion of the infrastructure necessary for community development within the District.

The District is governed by the Board of Supervisors (the "Board"), which is composed of five members. The Supervisors are elected by the owners of the property within the District. The Board of Supervisors of the District exercise all powers granted to the District pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes.

The Board has the responsibility for:

- 1. Assessing and levying assessments.
- 2. Approving budgets.
- 3. Exercising control over facilities and properties.
- 4. Controlling the use of funds generated by the District.
- 5. Approving the hiring and firing of key personnel.
- 6. Financing improvements.

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statements. Under the provisions of those standards, the financial reporting entity consists of the primary government, organizations for which the District is considered to be financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that, if excluded, the financial statements of the District would be considered incomplete or misleading. There are no entities considered to be component units of the District; therefore, the financial statements include only the operations of the District.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The basic financial statements include both government-wide and fund financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the primary government.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment (operating-type special assessments for maintenance and debt service are treated as charges for services.) and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Other items not included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement* focus and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Assessments are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are to be recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Assessments

Assessments are non-ad valorem assessments on certain land and all platted lots within the District. Assessments are levied each November 1 on property of record as of the previous January 1 to pay for the operations and maintenance and debt service of the District. The fiscal year for which annual assessments are levied begins on October 1 with discounts available for payments through February 28 and become delinquent on April 1.

Assessments and interest associated with the current fiscal period are considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. The portion of assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

<u>General Fund</u> - The general fund is the general operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> - This fund is used to account for financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

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

Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

Deposits and Investments

The District's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand and demand deposits.

The District has elected to proceed under the Alternative Investment Guidelines as set forth in Section 218.415 (17) Florida Statutes. The District may invest any surplus public funds in the following:

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

Securities shall be invested to provide sufficient liquidity to pay obligations as they come due.

The District records all interest revenue related to investment activities in the respective funds. Investments are measured at amortized cost or reported at fair value as required by generally accepted accounting principles.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, construction in progress, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, sidewalks, and similar items) are reported in the government activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 (amount not rounded) and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market 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 assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

In the governmental fund financial statements, amounts incurred for the acquisition of capital assets are reported as fund expenditures. Depreciation expense is not reported in the governmental fund financial statements.

Unearned Revenue

Governmental funds report unearned revenue in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned.

<u>Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources</u>

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to future reporting period(s). For example, the District would record deferred outflows of resources on the statement of net position for advance refunds resulting in the defeasance of debt (i.e. when there are differences between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt).

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to future reporting period(s). For example, when an asset is recorded in the governmental fund financial statements, but the revenue is unavailable, the District reports a deferred inflow of resources on the balance sheet until such times as the revenue becomes available.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized ratably over the life of the Bonds. Bonds payable are reported net of applicable premiums or discounts. Bond issuance costs are expensed when incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures in the period the debt is issued.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Equity/Net Position

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report non-spendable and restricted fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Assignments of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

The District has established limitations on the use of fund balance as follows:

Nonspendable fund balance – Amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or they are legally or contractually required to remain intact.

<u>Assigned fund balance</u> – Includes spendable fund balance amounts established by the Board of Supervisors that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted nor committed. The Board may also assign fund balance as it does when appropriating fund balance to cover differences in estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Assignments are generally temporary and normally the same formal action need not be taken to remove the assignment.

The District first uses committed fund balance, followed by assigned fund balance and then unassigned fund balance when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

Net position is the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources. Net position in the government-wide financial statements are categorized as net investment in capital assets, restricted or unrestricted. Net investment in capital assets represents net position related to infrastructure and property, plant, and equipment. Restricted net position represents the assets restricted by the District's Bond covenants or other contractual restrictions.

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 – BUDGETARY INFORMATION

The District is required to establish a budgetary system and an approved Annual Budget. Annual Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the general fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

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

- 1. Each year the District Manager submits to the Board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following October 1.
- 2. Public hearings are conducted to obtain public comments.
- 3. Prior to October 1, the budget is legally adopted by the Board.
- 4. All budget changes must be approved by the Board.
- 5. The budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.
- 6. Unused appropriation for annually budgeted funds lapse at the end of the year.

NOTE 4 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTEMENTS

Deposits

The District's cash balances were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by a collateral pool pledged to the State Treasurer. Florida Statutes Chapter 280, "Florida Security for Public Deposits Act", requires all qualified depositories to deposit with the Treasurer or another banking institution eligible collateral equal to various percentages of the average daily balance for each month of all public deposits in excess of any applicable deposit insurance held. The percentage of eligible collateral (generally, U.S. Governmental and agency securities, state or local government debt, or corporate bonds) to public deposits is dependent upon the depository's financial history and its compliance with Chapter 280. In the event of a failure of a qualified public depository, the remaining public depositories would be responsible for covering any resulting losses.

Investments

As of September 30, 2024, the District maintained an investment of \$1,438,044 in the First American Government Obligation Fund.

<u>Credit Risk – Investments</u>

The District's investments are limited by state statutory requirements and bond compliance. As of September 30, 2024, the District's investment in First American Government Obligation Fund was rated AAAm by Standard and Poor's.

Interest Rate Risk – Investments

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.

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments

Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District does not have a formal policy to mitigate this risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The District places no limit on the amount it may invest in any one fund.

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended September 30, 2024, was as follows:

		Balance						Balance
Governmental activities	Oct	ober 01, 2023	A	Additions	Re	ductions	Sep	tember 30, 2024
Capital assets, not being depreciated:								
Construction in progress	\$	15,236,321	\$	-	\$	-	\$	15,236,321
Total governmental activities capital assets	\$	15,236,321	\$	-	\$	-	\$	15,236,321

NOTE 6 – BONDS PAYABLE

The District issued Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2021, in December 2021. The bonds were issued to finance the planning, financing, acquisition, construction, equipping, and installation of the Series 2021 project. These bonds will be repaid from special assessments levied on the property owners benefiting from this construction. Those amounts, including interest, are 100% pledged to pay the scheduled principal and interest payments on the special assessment bonds. In the event that a deficiency exists because of unpaid or delinquent special assessments at the time a debt service payment is due, the District must provide resources to cover the deficiency until other resources, for example foreclosure proceeds, are received. The bonds have stated interest rates ranging from 2.265% to 4.000%.

Bonds Payable as of September 30, 2024, consist of the following:

								2024		
Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2021, maturing May 2052 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$330,000 to \$905,000 in accordance with the redemption schedule. Interest is due semi-annually on May 1 and November 1 of each year until redemption or maturity. Interest rates range										
		5% to 4.0009	-				\$	15,940,000		
Add bond premium, net							260,134			
Te	otal long	term bonds j	payable, n	et			\$	16,200,134		
CHANGES IN BON	DS PAY	YABLE								
	Oct	Balance tober 01, 2023	Addition	ns	Rec	luctions	Sep	Balance tember 30, 2024	Due With	
Governmental activities Special assessment bond Premium	s \$	16,280,000 271,827	\$	- -	\$	(340,000) (11,693)	\$	15,940,000 260,134	\$ 350,0	00
Total	\$	16,551,827	\$		\$	(351,693)	\$	16,200,134	\$ 350,0	00

NOTE 6 – BONDS PAYABLE (CONTINUED)

DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

For the Year Ended September 30,	Principal	Interest
2025	\$ 350,000	\$ 579,069
2026	360,000	569,881
2027	370,000	560,431
2028	380,000	548,869
2029	395,000	536,994
2030-2034	2,160,000	2,489,206
2035-2039	2,560,000	2,101,831
2040-2044	3,045,000	1,627,956
2045-2049	3,710,000	979,200
2050-2052	2,610,000	211,600
Total	\$ 15,940,000	\$ 10,205,037

NOTE 7 – CONCENTRATION

The District's activity is dependent upon the continued involvement of the major Landowner, the loss of which could have a material adverse effect on the District's operations.

NOTE 8 – MANAGEMENT COMPANY

The District has contracted with Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC to perform management advisory services, which include financial and accounting services. Certain employees of the management company also serve as officers of the District. Under the agreement, the District compensates the management company for management, accounting, financial reporting, computer, and other administrative costs.

NOTE 9 – 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 has obtained commercial insurance 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 3 years.

NOTE 10 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events were evaluated through June 18, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be released. As of this date there were no subsequent events that required disclosure.

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	Budgeted Amounts							iance with l Budget -
	Original		Final		Actual Amounts		Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES								
Assessment revenue	\$	131,036	\$	131,036	\$	131,291	\$	255
Interest income						340		340
Total revenues		131,036		131,036		131,631		595
EXPENDITURES								
Current:								
General government		100,281		100,281		79,700		20,581
Excess of revenues over expenditures		30,755		30,755		51,931		21,176
over experiences		30,733		30,733		31,731		21,170
Net changes in fund balances		30,755		30,755		51,931		21,176
Fund balance - beginning						(483)		(483)
Fund balance - ending	\$	30,755	\$	30,755	\$	51,448	\$	20,693

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The District is required to establish a budgetary system and an approved Annual Budget for the general fund. The District's budgeting process is based on estimates of cash receipts and cash expenditures which are approved by the Board. The budget approximates a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (generally accepted accounting principles).

The legal level of budgetary control, the level at which expenditures may not exceed budget, is in the aggregate. Any budget amendments that increase the aggregate budgeted appropriations must be approved by the Board of Supervisors. The general fund budget for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024 allowed for revenues and expenses of \$131,036 and \$100,281, respectively. Actual general fund expenditures did not exceed appropriations for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

REPORTS REQUIRED UNDER GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS AND CHAPTER 10.550, RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Lanigan & Associates, p.c.

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

To the Board of Supervisors Fallschase Community Development District Tallahassee, 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Fallschase Community Development District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, 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 18, 2025.

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 were not identified.

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Report on Compliance and Other Matters

Lanigan & Associates, PC

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 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.

Tallahassee, Florida

June 18, 2025

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES, REQUIRED BY RULE 10.556(10) OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

To the Board of Supervisors Fallschase Community Development District Leon County, Florida

We have examined Fallschase Community Development District's (the "District") compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, in accordance with Rule 10.556(10) of the Auditor General of the State of Florida during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024. Management is responsible for the District's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the District's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

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

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

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

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

This report 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, management, and the Board of Supervisors of the District and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Tallahassee, Florida June 18, 2025

Lanigan & Associates, PC

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MANAGEMENT LETTER PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA

To the Board of Supervisors Fallschase Community Development District Leon County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Fallschase Community Development District (the "District") as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated June 18, 2025.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters based on an audit of the financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*; and Independent Accountant's Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA Professional Standards, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated June 18, 2025, 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. The preceding financial audit report did not contain any findings or recommendations.

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 official title and legal authority of the entity are disclosed in the notes to financial statements. There were no component units.

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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 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.

Special District Component Units

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.c., Rules of the Auditor General, requires, if appropriate, that we communicate the failure of a special district that is a component unit of a county, municipality, or special district, to provide the financial information necessary for proper reporting of the component unit within the audited financial statements of the county, municipality, or special district in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we did not note any special district component units that failed to provide the necessary information for proper reporting in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes.

Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Programs

As required by Section 10.554(1)(i)6.a., Rules of the Auditor General, a PACE program authorized pursuant to Section 163.081 or Section 163.082, Florida Statutes, did not operate within the District's geographical boundaries during the fiscal year under audit.

Specific Information

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)(7), Rules of the Auditor General, the District reported:

- a. The total number of district employees compensated in the last pay period of the district's fiscal year as zero (0).
- b. The total number of independent contractors to whom nonemployee compensation was paid in the last month of the district's fiscal year as one (1).
- c. All compensation earned by or awarded to employees, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency as \$0.
- d. All compensation earned by or awarded to nonemployee independent contractors, whether paid or accrued, regardless of contingency as \$63,024.

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- e. 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 of the fiscal year being reported, together with the total expenditures for such project as;
 - a. No new projects were scheduled to begin on or after October 1 of the fiscal year being reported.
- f. A budget variance base on the budget adopted under 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, is presented on page 23 of the audit report.

Specific Information (Special Assessments)

As required by Section 218.39(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and Section 10.554(1)(i)9, Rules of the Auditor General, the District reported:

- a. The rate or rates of non-ad valorem special assessments imposed by the District were between \$800 and \$1,277.
- b. The total amount of special assessments collected by or on behalf of the district as \$1,063,265.
- c. The total amount of outstanding bonds issued by the district and the terms of such bonds as;
 - 1. \$16,200,134, and
 - 2. Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2021, maturing May 2052, due in annual principal installments ranging from \$330,000 to \$905,000 in accordance with the redemption schedule. Interest is due semiannually on May 1 and November 1 of each year until redemption or maturity. Interest rates range from 2.625% to 4.000%.

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 fraud, waste, or abuse, that has occurred or is likely to have occurred, that has 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.

Tallahassee, Florida

Lanigan & Associates, PC

June 18, 2025

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RESOLUTION 2025-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT HEREBY ACCEPTING THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

WHEREAS, the District's Auditor, Lanigan & Associates, P.C., has heretofore prepared and submitted to the Board, for accepting, the District's Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT;

- 1. The Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2024, heretofore submitted to the Board, are hereby accepted for Fiscal Year 2024, for the period ending September 30, 2024; and
- 2. A verified copy of said Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2024 shall be attached hereto as an exhibit to this Resolution, in the District's "Official Record of Proceedings".

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2025.

ATTEST:	FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION 2025-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING THE FLORIDA STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the State Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, authorizes the state and its political subdivisions to develop and enter into mutual aid agreements for reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in case of emergencies too extensive to be dealt with unassisted; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Fallschase Community Development District desires to move forward and approve an agreement with the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management, concerning the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity requires an independent special district to participate in the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement to be eligible for funds under Administrative Rule 9G-1 9, Base Funding for County Emergency Management Agencies and Municipal Competitive Grant and Loan Programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THAT:

- **1. RECITALS.** The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are true and correct and are hereby ratified and confirmed by the Board of Supervisors.
- **2. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT.** The execution of the attached Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement is hereby authorized, and the Agreement is hereby approved.
- **3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2025.

ATTEST:	FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

<u>Exhibit A</u> Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement



STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



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STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT - 2023

This Agreement is an acknowledgment of receipt by the Florida Division of Emergency Management ("the Division") and the local government ("Participating Party") signing this Agreement. Execution of this agreement replaces all previous iterations and is active until a new agreement is drafted and requested by The Division.

This Agreement is based on the existence of the following conditions:

- A. The State of Florida is vulnerable to a wide range of emergencies and disasters that are likely to cause the disruption of essential services and the destruction of the infrastructure needed to deliver those services.
- B. Such emergencies and disasters often exceed the emergency response and recovery capabilities of any one county or local government.
- C. Such incidents may also give rise to unusual and unanticipated physical and technical needs which a local government cannot meet with existing resources, but that other local governments within the State of Florida may be able to provide.
- D. The Emergency Management Act, chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*, provides each local government of the state the authority to develop and enter into mutual aid agreements within the state for reciprocal emergency aid in case of emergencies too extensive to be dealt with unassisted, and through such agreements ensure the timely reimbursement of costs incurred by the local governments which render such assistance.
- E. Pursuant to chapter 252.32, *Florida Statutes*, the Division renders mutual aid among the political subdivisions of the state to carry out emergency management functions and responsibilities.
- F. Pursuant to chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*, the Division has the authority to coordinate and direct emergency management assistance between local governments and concentrate available resources where needed.

Based on the existence of the foregoing conditions, the Parties agree to the following articles:

ARTICLE I: DEFINITIONS

As used in this Agreement, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

A. The "Agreement" is this Agreement, which shall be referred to as the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement ("SMAA").





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- B. The "Division" is the Florida Division of Emergency Management.
- C. A "Requesting Party" to this Agreement is a Participating Party who requests assistance under this agreement.
- D. An "Assisting Party" to this Agreement is a Participating Party who provides assistance to a Requesting Party under this agreement.
- E. The "Period of Assistance" is the time during which an Assisting Party renders assistance to a Requesting Party under this agreement and includes the time necessary for the resources and personnel of the Assisting Party to travel to the place specified by the Requesting Party and the time necessary to return to their place of origin.
- F. A "Mission" is a documented emergency response activity performed during a Period of Assistance, usually in reference to one operational function or activity.
- G. A "local government" is any educational district, special district, or any entity that is a "local governmental entity" within the meaning of section 11.45(1)(g), *Florida Statutes*.
- H. An "educational district" is any school district within the meaning of section 1001.30, *Florida Statutes*, and any Florida College System Institution or State University within the meaning of section 1000.21, *Florida Statutes*.
- I. A "special district" is any local or regional governmental entity which is an independent special district within the meaning of section 189.012(3), *Florida Statutes*, established by local, special, or general act, or by rule, ordinance, resolution, or interlocal agreement.
- J. A "tribal council" is the respective governing bodies of the Seminole Tribe of Florida and Miccosukee Tribe of Indians recognized as special improvement district by section 285.18(1), *Florida Statutes*.
- K. An "interlocal agreement" is any agreement between local governments within the meaning of section 163.01(3)(a), *Florida Statutes*.
- L. A "Resource Support Agreement" as used in this Agreement refers to a supplemental agreement of support between a Requesting Party and an Assisting Party.
- M. "Proof of work" as used in this Agreement refers to original and authentic documentation of a single individual or group of individuals' emergency response activity at a tactical level.





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- N. "Proof of payment" as used in this Agreement refers to original and authentic documentation of an emergency response expenditure made by an Assisting Party.
- O. A "Reimbursement Package" as used in this Agreement refers to a full account of mission response documentation supported by proof of work and proof of payment.
- P. Any expressions not assigned definitions elsewhere in this Agreement shall have the definitions assigned them by the Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*.

ARTICLE II: APPLICABILITY OF THE AGREEMENT

Any Participating Party, including the Division, may request assistance under this Agreement for a "major disaster" or "catastrophic disaster" as defined in section 252.34, *Florida Statutes*, minor disasters, and other such emergencies as lawfully determined by a Participating Party.

ARTICLE III: INVOCATION OF THE AGREEMENT

In the event of an emergency or anticipated emergency, a Participating Party may request assistance under this Agreement from any other Participating Party or the Division if, in the judgement of the Requesting Party, its own resources are inadequate to meet the needs of the emergency or disaster.

- A. Any request for assistance under this Agreement may be oral, but within five (5) calendar days must be confirmed in writing by the Requesting Party. All requests for assistance under this Agreement shall be transmitted by the Requesting Party to another Participating Party or the Division. If the Requesting Party transmits its request for Assistance directly to a Participating Party other than the Division, the Requesting Party and Assisting Party shall keep the Division advised of their activities.
- B. The Division shall relay any requests for assistance under this Agreement to such other Participating Parties as it may deem appropriate and coordinate the activities of the Assisting Parties to ensure timely assistance to the Requesting Party. All such activities shall be carried out in accordance with the State's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

ARTICLE IV: RESPONSIBILITIES OF REQUESTING PARTIES

To the extent practicable, all Requesting Parties shall provide the following information to their respective county emergency management agency, the Division, and the intended Assisting Party or Parties. In providing such information, Requesting Parties should utilize Section I of the





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Resource Support Agreement (RSA) Form, available via the <u>Division approved documents</u> SharePoint site¹.

- A. A description of the Mission to be performed by the Assisting Party;
- B. A description of the resources and capabilities needed to complete the Mission successfully;
- C. The location, date, and time personnel and resources from the Assisting Party should arrive at the incident site, staging area, facility, or other location designated by the Requesting Party;
- D. A description of the health, safety, and working conditions expected for deploying personnel;
- E. Lodging and meal availability;
- F. Any logistical requirements;
- G. A description of any location or facility outside the territorial jurisdiction of the Requesting Party needed to stage incoming resources and personnel;
- H. The location date, and time for personnel of the Requesting Party to meet and receive the personnel and equipment of the Assisting Party; and
- I. A technical description of any communications equipment needed to ensure effective information sharing between the Requesting Party, any Assisting Parties, and all relevant responding entities.

ARTICLE V: RESPONSIBILITIES OF ASSISTING PARTIES

Each Party shall render assistance under this Agreement to any Requesting Party to the extent practicable that its personnel, equipment, resources, and capabilities can render assistance. If upon receiving a request for assistance under this Agreement a Party determines that it has the capacity to render some or all of such assistance, it shall provide the following information without delay to the Requesting Party, the Division, and the Assisting Party's County emergency management agency. In providing such information, the Assisting Party should utilize the Section II of the Resource Support Agreement (RSA) Form, available via the Division approved documents SharePoint site.

¹ FDEM approved documents such as activity logs and mutual aid forms can be found at: https://portal.floridadisaster.org/projects/FROC/FROC_Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?View=%7B6F3CF7BD%2DC0A4%2D4BE2%2DB809%2DC8009D7D068 6%7D





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- A. A description of the personnel, equipment, supplies, services and capabilities it has available, together with a description of the qualifications of any skilled personnel;
- B. An estimate of the time such personnel, equipment, supplies, and services will continue to be available;
- C. An estimate of the time it will take to deliver such personnel, equipment, supplies, and services to the location(s) specified by the Requesting Party;
- D. A technical description of any communications and telecommunications equipment available for timely communications with the Requesting Party and other Assisting Parties;
- E. The names and contact information of all personnel whom the Assisting Party has designated as team leaders or supervisors; and
- F. An estimated cost for the provision of assistance.

ARTICLE VI: RENDITION OF ASSISTANCE

The Requesting Party shall afford the emergency response personnel of all Assisting Parties, while operating within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Requesting Party, the same powers, duties, rights, and privileges, except that of arrest unless specifically authorized by the Requesting Party, as are afforded the equivalent emergency response personnel of the Requesting Party. Emergency response personnel of the Assisting Party will remain under the command and control of the Assisting Party, but during the Period of Assistance, the resources and responding personnel of the Assisting Party will perform response activities under the operational and tactical control of the Requesting Party.

A. Unless otherwise agreed upon between the Requesting and Assisting Party, the Requesting Party shall be responsible for providing food, water, and shelter to the personnel of the Assisting Party. For Missions performed in areas where there are insufficient resources to support responding personnel and equipment throughout the Period of Assistance, the Assisting Party shall, to the fullest extent practicable, provide their emergency response personnel with the equipment, fuel, supplies, and technical resources necessary to make them self-sufficient throughout the Period of Assistance. When requesting assistance, the Requesting Party may specify that Assisting Parties send only self-sufficient personnel and resources but must specify the length of time self-sufficiency should be maintained.





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- B. Unless the Requesting Party has specified the contrary, it shall, to the fullest extent practicable, coordinate all communications between its personnel and the responding personnel of the Assisting Parties, and shall determine and share the frequencies and other technical specifications of all communications equipment to be used, as appropriate, with the deployed personnel of the Assisting Parties.
- C. Personnel of the Assisting Party who render assistance under this Agreement shall receive the usual wages, salaries, and other compensation as are normally afforded to personnel for emergency response activities within their home jurisdiction, and shall have all the immunities, rights, interests, and privileges applicable to their normal employment. If personnel of the Assisting Party hold local licenses or certifications limited to the jurisdiction of issue, then the Requesting Party shall recognize and honor those licenses or certifications for the duration of the Period of Assistance.

ARTICLE VII: REIMBURSEMENT

After the Period of Assistance has ended, the Assisting Party shall have 45 days to develop a full reimbursement package for services rendered and resources supplied during the Period of Assistance. All expenses claimed to the Requesting Party must have been incurred in direct response to the emergency as requested by the Requesting Party and must be supported by proof of work and proof of payment.

To guide the proper documentation and accountability of expenses, the Assisting Party should utilize the Claim Summary Form, available via the <u>Division approved documents SharePoint site</u> as a guide and summary of expense to collect information to then be formally submitted for review by the Requesting Party.

To receive reimbursement for assistance provided under this agreement, the Assisting Party shall provide, at a minimum, the following supporting documentation to the Requesting Party unless otherwise agreed upon between the Requesting and Assisting Parties:

- A. A complete and authentic description of expenses incurred by the Assisting Party during the Period of Assistance;
- B. Copy of a current and valid Internal Revenue Service W-9 Form;
- C. Copies of all relevant payment and travel policies in effect during the Period of Assistance:
- D. Daily personnel activity logs demonstrating emergency response activities performed for all time claimed (for FDEM reimbursement Division approved activity logs will be required for personnel activity claims);





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- E. Official payroll and travel reimbursement records for all claimed personnel expenses;
- F. Neat and comprehensive fringe benefit calculations for each position class or category of claimed personnel;
- G. Written justification for all additional expenses/purchases incurred during the Period of Assistance;
- H. Proof of payment for additional/miscellaneous expenses incurred during the Period of Assistance
- Equipment activity logs demonstrating equipment use and operation in support of emergency response activities for all time claimed (for FDEM reimbursement Division approved forms will be required for equipment activity claims);
- J. Proof of reimbursement to all employees who incurred emergency response expenses with personal money;
- K. Justification for equipment repair expenses; and
- L. Copies of any applicable supporting agreements or contracts with justification.

If a dispute or disagreement regarding the eligibility of any expense arises, the Requesting Party, Assisting Party, or the Division may elect binding arbitration. If binding arbitration is elected, the Parties must select as an arbitrator any elected official of another Participating Party, or any other official of another Participating Party whose normal duties include emergency management, and the other Participating Party shall also select such an official as an arbitrator, and the arbitrators thus chosen shall select another such official as a third arbitrator.

The three (3) arbitrators shall convene by teleconference or videoconference within thirty (30) calendar days to consider any documents and any statements or arguments by the Division, the Requesting Party, or the Assisting Party concerning the protest, and shall render a decision in writing not later than ten (10) business days after the close of the hearing. The decision of a majority of the arbitrators shall bind the parties and shall be final.

If the Participating Parties do not elect binding arbitration, this agreement and any disputes arising thereunder shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida and venue shall be in Leon County, Florida. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create an employer-employee relationship or a partnership or joint venture between the participating parties. Furthermore, nothing contained herein shall constitute a waiver by either Party of its sovereign immunity or the provisions of section 768.28, Florida Statutes. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by either Party to be sued by third parties.





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ARTICLE VIII: COST ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT

The costs incurred by the Assisting Party under this Agreement shall be reimbursed as needed to make the Assisting Party whole to the fullest extent practicable.

- A. Employees of the Assisting Party who render assistance under this Agreement shall be entitled to receive from the Assisting Party all their usual wages, salaries, and any and all other compensation for mobilization, hours worked, and demobilization. Such compensation shall include any and all contributions for insurance and retirement, and such employees shall continue to accumulate seniority at the usual rate. As between the employees and the Assisting Party, the employees shall have all the duties, responsibilities, immunities, rights, interests, and privileges incident to their usual employment. The Requesting Party shall reimburse the Assisting Party for these costs of employment.
- B. The costs of equipment supplied by the Assisting Party shall be reimbursed at the rental rate established in FEMA's Schedule of Equipment, or at any other rental rate agreed to by the Requesting Party. In order to be eligible for reimbursement, equipment must be in actual operation performing eligible work. The labor costs of the operator are not included in the rates and should be approved separately from equipment costs. The Assisting Party shall pay for fuels, other consumable supplies, and repairs to its equipment as needed to keep the equipment in a state of operational readiness. Rent for the equipment shall be deemed to include the cost of fuel and other consumable supplies, maintenance, service, repairs, and ordinary wear and tear. With the consent of the Assisting Party, the Requesting Party may provide fuels, consumable supplies, maintenance, and repair services for such equipment at the site. In that event, the Requesting Party may deduct the actual costs of such fuels, consumable supplies, maintenance, and services from the total costs otherwise payable to the Assisting Party. If the equipment is damaged while in use under this Agreement and the Assisting Party receives payment for such damage under any contract of insurance, the Requesting Party may deduct such payment from any item or items billed by the Assisting Party for any of the costs for such damage that may otherwise be payable.
- C. The Requesting Party shall pay the total costs for the use and consumption of any and all consumable supplies delivered by the Assisting Party for the Requesting Party under this Agreement. In the case of perishable supplies, consumption shall be deemed to include normal deterioration, spoilage, and damage notwithstanding the exercise of reasonable care in its storage and use. Supplies remaining unused shall be returned to the Assisting Party in usable condition upon the close of the Period of Assistance, and the Requesting Party may deduct the cost of such returned supplies from the total costs billed by the Assisting Party for such supplies. If the Assisting Party agrees, the Requesting Party may also replace any and all used consumable supplies with like





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supplies in usable condition and of like grade, quality and quantity within the time allowed for reimbursement under this Agreement.

D. The Assisting Party shall keep records to document all assistance rendered under this Agreement. Such records shall present information sufficient to meet the audit requirements specified in the regulations of FEMA and any applicable circulars issued by the State of Florida. Upon reasonable notice, the Assisting Party shall make its records available the Requesting Party for inspection or duplication between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on all weekdays, except for official holidays.

ARTICLE IX: INSURANCE

Each Participating Party shall determine for itself what insurance to procure, if any. With the exceptions in this Article, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require any Participating Party to procure insurance.

- A. Each Participating Party shall procure employers' insurance meeting the requirements of the Workers' Compensation Act, as amended, affording coverage for any of its employees who may be injured while performing any activities under the authority of this Agreement, and shall be provided to each Participating Party.
- B. Participating Parties may elects additional insurance affording liability coverage for any activities that may be performed under the authority of this Agreement .
- C. Subject to the limits of such liability insurance as any Participating Party may elect to procure, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to waive, in whole or in part, any immunity any Participating Party may have in any judicial or quasi-judicial proceeding.
- D. Each Participating Party which renders assistance under this Agreement shall be deemed to stand in the relation of an independent contractor to all other Participating Parties and shall not be deemed to be the agent of any other Participating Party.
- E. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to relieve any Participating Party of liability for its own conduct and that of its employees.
- F. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to obligate any Participating Party to indemnify any other Participating Party from liability to third parties.





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ARTICLE X: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Agreement, all Participating Parties shall be subject to the following requirements in the performance of this Agreement:

- A. All Participating Parties shall allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other materials subject to the requirements of the Public Records Act, as amended, and made or received by any Participating Party in conjunction with this Agreement.
- B. No Participating Party may hire employees in violation of the employment restrictions in the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended.
- C. No costs reimbursed under this Agreement may be used directly or indirectly to influence legislation or any other official action by the Legislature of the State of Florida or any of its agencies.
- D. Any communication to the Division under this Agreement shall be sent via either email, the Division of Emergency Managements Enterprise System (DEMES), or mail to the Response Bureau, Florida Division of Emergency Management, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100.
- E. Any communication to a Participating Party shall be sent to the official or officials specified by that Participating Party. For the purpose of this section, any such communication may be sent by the U.S. Mail, e-mail, or other electronic platforms.

ARTICLE XI: EFFECTS OF AGREEMENT

Upon its execution by a Participating Party, this Agreement shall have the following effect with respect to that Participating Party:

- A. The execution of this Agreement by any Participating Party which is a signatory to the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement of 1994 shall terminate the rights, interests, duties, responsibilities, and obligations of that Participating Party under the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement of 1994, but such termination shall not affect the liability of the Participating Party for the reimbursement of any costs due under the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement of 1994, regardless of whether such costs are billed or unbilled.
- B. The execution of this Agreement by any Participating Party which is a signatory to the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement shall terminate the rights, interests, duties, responsibilities and obligations of that Participating Party under the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement, but such termination shall not affect the liability of the Participating Party for the reimbursement of any costs due under the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement,





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regardless of whether such costs are billed or unbilled.

- C. Upon the activation of this Agreement by the Requesting Party, this Agreement shall supersede any other existing agreement between it and any Assisting Party to the extent that the former may be inconsistent with the latter.
- D. Upon its execution by any Participating Party, this Agreement will continue in effect for one (1) year from its date of execution by that Participating Party, and it shall automatically renew each year after its execution, unless within sixty (60) calendar days before the renewal date the Participating Party notifies the Division, in writing, of its intent to withdraw from the Agreement.
- E. The Division shall transmit any amendment to this Agreement by sending the amendment to all Participating Parties not later than five (5) business days after its execution by the Division. Such amendment shall take effect not later than sixty (60) calendar days after the date of its execution by the Division and shall then be binding on all Participating Parties. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any Participating Party who objects to the amendment may withdraw from the Agreement by notifying the Division in writing of its intent to do so within that time in accordance with section F of this Article.
- F. A Participating Party may rescind this Agreement at will after providing the other Participating Party a written SMAA withdrawal notice. Such notice shall be provided at least 30 days prior to the date of withdrawal. This 30-day withdrawal notice must be: written, signed by an appropriate authority, duly authorized on the official letterhead of the Participating Party, and must be sent via email, the Division of Emergency Managements Enterprise System (DEMES), or certified mail.

ARTICLE XII: INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION OF AGREEMENT

The interpretation and application of this Agreement shall be governed by the following conditions:

- A. The obligations and conditions resting upon the Participating Parties under this Agreement are not independent, but dependent.
- B. Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement, and of the performance of all conditions, obligations, duties, responsibilities, and promises under it.
- C. This Agreement states all the conditions, obligations, duties, responsibilities, and promises of the Participating Parties with respect to the subject of this Agreement, and there are no conditions, obligations, duties, responsibilities, or promises other than those expressed in this Agreement.





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- D. If any sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of this Agreement is ruled unenforceable or invalid, every other sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, it being the intent of the Division and the other Participating Parties that every portion of the Agreement shall be severable from every other portion to the fullest extent practicable. The Division reserves the right, at its sole and absolute discretion, to change, modify, add, or remove portions of any sentence, clause, phrase, or other portion of this Agreement that conflicts with state law, regulation, or policy. If the change is minor, the Division will notify the Participating Party of the change and such changes will become effective immediately; therefore, please check these terms periodically for changes. If the change is substantive, the Participating Parties may be required to execute the Agreement with the adopted changes. Any continued or subsequent use of this Agreement following the posting of minor changes to this Agreement shall signify implied acceptance of such changes.
- E. The waiver of any obligation or condition in this Agreement by a Participating Party shall not be construed as a waiver of any other obligation or condition in this Agreement.

NOTE: This iteration of the State of Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement will replace all previous versions.

The Division shall provide reimbursement to Assisting Parties in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Article for missions performed at the direct request of the Division. Division reimbursement eligible expenses must be in direct response to the emergency as requested by the State of Florida. All required cost estimations and claims must be executed through the DEMES Mutual Aid Portal and assisting agencies must use all required <u>FDEM forms</u> for documentation and cost verification. If a Requesting Party has not forwarded a request through the Division, or if an Assisting Party has rendered assistance without being requested to do so by the Division, the Division shall not be liable for the costs of any such assistance.

FDEM reserves the right to deny individual reimbursement requests if deemed to not be in direct response to the incident for which asset was requested.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have duly executed this Agreement on the date specified below:





Ron DeSantis, Governor

Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director

FOR ADOPTION BY A COUNTY

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By: Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	Date:
ATTEST: CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA
By: Clerk or Deputy Clerk	By:
	Date:Approved as to Form:
	By: County Attorney





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Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director

FOR ADOPTION BY A CITY

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By: Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	Date:
ATTEST: CITY CLERK	CITY OF STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	By:
Title:	Title:
	Date:
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	SCHOOL DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA
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FOR ADOPTION BY STATE COLLEGE, COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR STATE UNIVERSITY

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By: Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or lan Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	Date:
ATTEST:	BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE COLLEGE, COMMUNITY COLLEGE, or STATE OF FLORIDA
	BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF UNIVERISTY, STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	By: Chairman
	Date:Approved as to Form:
	By:Attorney for Board





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By:	By:
Title:	Title:
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	Attorney for District





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FOR ADOPTION BY AN AUTHORITY

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ATTEST:	BOARD OF TRUSTEES OFAUTHORITY,
	STATE OF FLORIDA
By:	Ву:
Clerk	Chairman
	Date:
	Approved as to Form:
	By:
	Attorney for Board





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FOR ADOPTION BY A NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBE

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
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ATTEST:	TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE TRIBE OF FLORIDA
By: Council Clerk	By:Chairman
	Date:Approved as to Form:
	By:Attorney for Council





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FOR ADOPTION BY A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
By:	Date:
Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director or Ian Guidicelli, Authorized Designee	
FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, ST	TATE OF FLORIDA
By:	By:
Title:	Title:
	Date: 09/08/2025
	Approved as to Form:
	By:
	Attorney for District





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SAMPLE AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION OF STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION NO
WHEREAS, the State of Florida Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, authorizes the State and its political subdivisions to provide emergency aid and assistance in the event of a disaster or emergency; and
WHEREAS the statutes also authorize the State to coordinate the provision of any equipment, services, or facilities owned or organized by the State or it political subdivisions for use in the affected area upon the request of the duly constituted authority of the area; and
WHEREAS this Resolution authorizes the request, provision, and receipt of interjurisdictional mutual assistance in accordance with the Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, among political subdivisions within the State; and
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by
that in order to maximize the prompt, full and effective use of resources of all participating governments in the event of an emergency or disaster we hereby adopt the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.
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STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT – SAMPLE ATTACHMENT Encompassed Entities

This notice is an acknowledgment of an amendment to the 2023 SMAA by the Florida Division of Emergency Management ("the Division") which allows parent entities to include individual departments and subdivisions, within their authority, to be listed as SMAA designees eligible for SMAA request and assistance procedures.

By our authority and adoption of the attached 2023 Statewide Mutual Aid agreement, as the parent entity, the following departments and subdivisions will be included as SMAA signatories for all asset request, assistance, and applicable reimbursement processes:

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FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION 2025-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO DESIGNATE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF SUCH HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING RESTATED RULES OF PROCEDURE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Fallschase Community Development District ("**District**") is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, being situated entirely within Leon County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District ("**Board**") is authorized by Section 190.011(5), *Florida Statutes*, to adopt rules and orders pursuant to Chapter 120, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously adopted *Rules of Procedure* to govern the operation and administration of the District and now wishes to set a public hearing to consider amendments thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

9	will be held to adopt the District's Amended and Restated, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. at 2810 Remington Green Circle
SECTION 2. The District Secret with Section 120.54, <i>Florida Statute</i> .	tary is directed to publish notice of the hearing in accordance s.
SECTION 3. This Resolution sh	nall become effective immediately upon its adoption.
Passed and Adopted this 8th o	day of September, 2025.
ATTEST:	FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

Exhibit A: Proposed Amended and Restated Rules of Procedure

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Proposed Amended and Restated Rules of Procedure

RULES OF PROCEDURE FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

EFFECTIVE AS OF _____

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Rule 1.0 General.

- (1) The Fallschase Community Development District ("District") was created pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes, and was established to provide for the ownership, operation, maintenance, and provision of various capital facilities and services within its jurisdiction. The purpose of these rules ("Rules") is to describe the general operations of the District.
- (2) Definitions located within any section of these Rules shall be applicable within all other sections, unless specifically stated to the contrary.
- (3) Unless specifically permitted by a written agreement with the District, the District does not accept documents filed by electronic mail or facsimile transmission. Filings are only accepted during normal business hours, which are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
- (4) A Rule of the District shall be effective upon adoption by affirmative vote of the District Board. After a Rule becomes effective, it may be repealed or amended only through the rulemaking procedures specified in these Rules. Notwithstanding, the District may immediately suspend the application of a Rule if the District determines that the Rule conflicts with Florida law. In the event that a Rule conflicts with Florida law and its application has not been suspended by the District, such Rule should be interpreted in the manner that best effectuates the intent of the Rule while also complying with Florida law. If the intent of the Rule absolutely cannot be effectuated while complying with Florida law, the Rule shall be automatically suspended.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.1 Board of Supervisors; Officers and Voting.

- (1) <u>Board of Supervisors.</u> The Board of Supervisors of the District ("Board") shall consist of five (5) members. Members of the Board ("Supervisors") appointed by ordinance or rule or elected by landowners must be citizens of the United States of America and residents of the State of Florida. Supervisors elected or appointed by the Board to elector seats must be citizens of the United States of America, residents of the State of Florida and of the District and registered to vote with the Supervisor of Elections of the county in which the District is located and for those elected, shall also be qualified to run by the Supervisor of Elections. The Board shall exercise the powers granted to the District under Florida law.
 - (a) Supervisors shall hold office for the term specified by Section 190.006 of the Florida Statutes. If, during the term of office, any Board member(s) vacates their office, the remaining member(s) of the Board shall fill the vacancies by appointment for the remainder of the term(s). If three or more vacancies exist at the same time, a quorum, as defined herein, shall not be required to appoint replacement Board members.
 - (b) Three (3) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of conducting business, exercising powers and all other purposes. A Board member shall be counted toward the quorum if physically present at the meeting, regardless of whether such Board member is prohibited from, or abstains from, participating in discussion or voting on a particular item.
 - (c) Action taken by the Board shall be upon a majority vote of the members present, unless otherwise provided in the Rules or required by law. Subject to Rule 1.3(10), a Board member participating in the Board meeting by teleconference or videoconference shall be entitled to vote and take all other action as though physically present.
 - (d) Unless otherwise provided for by an act of the Board, any one Board member may attend a mediation session on behalf of the Board. Any agreement resulting from such mediation session must be approved pursuant to subsection (1)(c) of this Rule.
- (2) <u>Officers.</u> At the first Board meeting held after each election where the newly elected members take office, the Board shall select a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer.
 - (a) The Chairperson must be a member of the Board. If the Chairperson resigns from that office or ceases to be a member of the Board, the Board shall select a Chairperson. The Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board. The Chairperson shall be authorized to execute resolutions and contracts on the District's behalf. The Chairperson shall convene and conduct all meetings of the Board. In the event the Chairperson is unable to attend a

meeting, the Vice-Chairperson shall convene and conduct the meeting. The Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson may delegate the responsibility of conducting the meeting to the District's manager ("District Manager") or District Counsel, in whole or in part.

- (b) The Vice-Chairperson shall be a member of the Board and shall have such duties and responsibilities as specifically designated by the Board from time to time. The Vice-Chairperson has the authority to execute resolutions and contracts on the District's behalf in the absence of the Chairperson. If the Vice-Chairperson resigns from office or ceases to be a member of the Board, the Board shall select a Vice-Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson serves at the pleasure of the Board.
- (c) The Secretary of the Board serves at the pleasure of the Board and need not be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the minutes of Board meetings and may have other duties assigned by the Board from time to time. An employee of the District Manager may serve as Secretary. The Secretary shall be bonded by a reputable and qualified bonding company in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or have in place a fidelity bond, employee theft insurance policy, or a comparable product in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) that names the District as an additional insured.
- (d) The Treasurer need not be a member of the Board but must be a resident of the State of Florida. The Treasurer shall perform duties described in Section 190.007(2) and (3) of the Florida Statutes, as well as those assigned by the Board from time to time. The Treasurer shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The Treasurer shall either be bonded by a reputable and qualified bonding company in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or have in place a fidelity bond, employee theft insurance policy, or a comparable product in at least the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) that names the District as an additional insured.
- (e) In the event that both the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are absent from a Board meeting and a quorum is present, the Board may designate one of its members or a member of District staff to convene and conduct the meeting. In such circumstances, any of the Board members present are authorized to execute agreements, resolutions, and other documents approved by the Board at such meeting. In the event that the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are both unavailable to execute a document previously approved by the Board, the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may execute such document.
- (f) The Board may assign additional duties to District officers from time to time, which include, but are not limited to, executing documents on behalf of the District.

- (g) The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and any other person authorized by District Resolution may sign checks and warrants for the District, countersigned by the Treasurer or other persons authorized by the Board.
- (3) <u>Committees.</u> The Board may establish committees of the Board, either on a permanent or temporary basis, to perform specifically designated functions. Committees may include individuals who are not members of the Board. Such functions may include, but are not limited to, review of bids, proposals, and qualifications, contract negotiations, personnel matters, and budget preparation. Florida Open Meetings Laws apply to such Committees.
- (4) Record Book. The Board shall keep a permanent record book entitled "Record of Proceedings," in which shall be recorded minutes of all meetings, resolutions, proceedings, certificates, and corporate acts. The Records of Proceedings shall be located at a District office and shall be available for inspection by the public.
- (5) <u>Meetings.</u> For each fiscal year, the Board shall establish a schedule of regular meetings, which shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located and filed with the local general-purpose governments within whose boundaries the District is located. All meetings of the Board and Committees serving an advisory function shall be open to the public in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 286 of the Florida Statutes.
- (6) Voting Conflict of Interest. The Board shall comply with Section 112.3143 of the Florida Statutes, so as to ensure the proper disclosure of conflicts of interest on matters coming before the Board for a vote. For the purposes of this section, "voting conflict of interest" shall be governed by the Florida Constitution and Chapters 112 and 190 of the Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time. Generally, a voting conflict exists when a Board member is called upon to vote on an item which would inure to the Board member's special private gain or loss or the Board member knows would inure to the special private gain or loss of a principal by whom the Board member is retained, the parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal, a business associate, or a relative including only a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law.
 - (a) When a Board member knows the member has a conflict of interest on a matter coming before the Board, the member should notify the Board's Secretary prior to participating in any discussion with the Board on the matter. The Board member shall publicly announce the conflict of interest at the meeting. This announcement shall appear in the minutes.

If the Board member was elected at a landowner's election or appointed to fill a vacancy of a seat last filled at a landowner's election, the Board member may vote or abstain from voting on the matter at issue. If the Board member was elected by electors residing within the District, the Board member is prohibited from voting on the matter at issue. In the event that the Board member intends to abstain or is prohibited from voting, such Board member shall not participate in the discussion on the item subject to the vote.

The Board's Secretary shall prepare a Memorandum of Voting Conflict (Form 8B) which shall then be signed by the Board member, filed with the Board's Secretary, and provided for attachment to the minutes of the meeting within fifteen (15) days of the meeting.

- (b) If a Board member inadvertently votes on a matter and later learns he or she has a conflict on the matter, the member shall immediately notify the Board's Secretary. Within fifteen (15) days of the notification, the member shall file the appropriate Memorandum of Voting Conflict, which will be attached to the minutes of the Board meeting during which the vote on the matter occurred. The Memorandum of Voting Conflict shall immediately be provided to other Board members and shall be read publicly at the next meeting held subsequent to the filing of the Memorandum of Voting Conflict. The Board member's vote is unaffected by this filing.
- (c) It is not a conflict of interest for a Board member, the District Manager, or an employee of the District to be a stockholder, officer or employee of a landowner or of an entity affiliated with a landowner.
- (d) In the event that a Board member elected at a landowner's election or appointed to fill a vacancy of a seat last filled at a landowner's election, has a continuing conflict of interest, such Board member is permitted to file a Memorandum of Voting Conflict at any time in which it shall state the nature of the continuing conflict. Only one such continuing Memorandum of Voting Conflict shall be required to be filed for each term the Board member is in office.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 112.3143, 190.006, 190.007, Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.2 District Offices; Public Information and Inspection of Records; Policies; Service Contract Requirements; Financial Disclosure Coordination.

- (1) <u>District Offices.</u> Unless otherwise designated by the Board, the official District office shall be the District Manager's office identified by the District Manager. If the District Manager's office is not located within the county in which the District is located, the Board shall designate a local records office within such county which shall at a minimum contain, but not be limited to, the following documents:
 - (a) Agenda packages for prior twenty-four (24) months and next meeting;
 - (b) Official minutes of meetings, including adopted resolutions of the Board;
 - (c) Names and addresses of current Board members and District Manager, unless such addresses are protected from disclosure by law;
 - (d) Adopted engineer's reports;
 - (e) Adopted assessment methodologies/reports;
 - (f) Adopted disclosure of public financing;
 - (g) Limited Offering Memorandum for each financing undertaken by the District;
 - (h) Proceedings, certificates, bonds given by all employees, and any and all corporate acts;
 - (i) District policies and rules;
 - (j) Fiscal year end audits; and
 - (k) Adopted budget for the current fiscal year.

The District Manager shall ensure that each District records office contains the documents required by Florida law.

(2) Public Records. District public records include, but are not limited to, all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received in connection with the transaction of official business of the District. All District public records not otherwise restricted by law may be copied or inspected at the District Manager's office during regular business hours. Certain District records can also be inspected and copied at the District's local records office during regular business hours. All written public records requests shall be directed to the Secretary who by these rules

is appointed as the District's records custodian. Regardless of the form of the request, any Board member or staff member who receives a public records request shall immediately forward or communicate such request to the Secretary for coordination of a prompt response. The Secretary, after consulting with District Counsel as to the applicability of any exceptions under the public records laws, shall be responsible for responding to the public records request. At no time can the District be required to create records or summaries of records, or prepare opinions regarding District policies, in response to a public records request.

- (3) <u>Service Contracts.</u> Any contract for services, regardless of cost, shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws. The District Manager shall be responsible for initially enforcing all contract provisions related to a contractor's duty to comply with public records laws.
- **(4)** Fees; Copies. Copies of public records shall be made available to the requesting person at a charge of \$0.15 per page for one-sided copies and \$0.20 per page for two-sided copies if not more than 8 ½ by 14 inches. For copies of public records in excess of the sizes listed in this section and for outside duplication services, the charge shall be equal to the actual cost of reproduction. Certified copies of public records shall be made available at a charge of one dollar (\$1.00) per page. If the nature or volume of records requested requires extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance, the District may charge, in addition to the duplication charge, a special service charge that is based on the cost the District incurs to produce the records requested. This charge may include, but is not limited to, the cost of information technology resource, employee labor, and fees charged to the District by consultants employed in fulfilling the request. In cases where the special service charge is based in whole or in part on the costs incurred by the District due to employee labor, consultant fees, or other forms of labor, those portions of the charge shall be calculated based on the lowest labor cost of the individual(s) who is/are qualified to perform the labor, taking into account the nature and volume of the public records to be inspected or copied. The charge may include the labor costs of supervisory and/or clerical staff whose assistance is required to complete the records request, in accordance with Florida law. For purposes of this Rule, the word "extensive" shall mean that it will take more than 15 minutes to locate, review for confidential information, copy and re-file the requested material. In cases where extensive personnel time is determined by the District to be necessary to safeguard original records being inspected, the special service charge provided for in this section shall apply. If the total fees, including but not limited to special service charges, are anticipated to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), then, prior to commencing work on the request, the District will inform the person making the public records request of the estimated cost, with the understanding that the final cost may vary from that estimate. If the person making the public records request decides to proceed with the request, payment of the estimated cost is required in advance. Should the person fail to pay the estimate, the District is under no duty to produce the requested records. After the request has been fulfilled, additional payments or credits may be

- due. The District is under no duty to produce records in response to future records requests if the person making the request owes the District for past unpaid duplication charges, special service charges, or other required payments or credits.
- (5) <u>Records Retention.</u> The Secretary of the District shall be responsible for retaining the District's records in accordance with applicable Florida law.
- (6) <u>Policies.</u> The Board may adopt policies related to the conduct of its business and the provision of services either by resolution or motion.
- Financial Disclosure Coordination. Unless specifically designated by Board resolution otherwise, the Secretary shall serve as the Financial Disclosure Coordinator ("Coordinator") for the District as required by the Florida Commission on Ethics ("Commission"). The Coordinator shall create, maintain and update a list of the names, e-mail addresses, physical addresses, and names of the agency of, and the office or position held by, all Supervisors and other persons required by Florida law to file a statement of financial interest due to their affiliation with the District ("Reporting Individual"). The Coordinator shall provide this list to the Commission by February 1 of each year, which list shall be current as of December 31 of the prior year. Each Supervisor and Reporting Individual shall promptly notify the Coordinator in writing if there are any changes to such person's name, e-mail address, or physical address. Each Supervisor and Reporting Individual shall promptly notify the Commission in the manner prescribed by the Commission if there are any changes to such person's e-mail address.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 112.31446(3), 112.3145(8)(a)1., 119.07, 119.0701, 190.006, Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.3 Public Meetings, Hearings, and Workshops.

- (1) Notice. Except in emergencies, or as otherwise required by statute or these Rules, at least seven (7) days' public notice shall be given of any public meeting, hearing or workshop of the Board. Public notice shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and in the county in which the District is located. "General circulation" means a publication that is printed and published at least once a week for the preceding year, offering at least 25% of its words in the English language, qualifies as a periodicals material for postal purposes in the county in which the District is located, is for sale to the public generally, is available to the public generally for the publication of official or other notices, and is customarily containing information of a public character or of interest or of value to the residents or owners of property in the county where published, or of interest or of value to the general public. The annual meeting notice required to be published by Section 189.015 of the Florida Statutes, shall be published in a newspaper not of limited subject matter, which is published at least five days a week, unless the only newspaper in the county is published less than five days a week, and shall satisfy the requirement to give at least seven (7) days' public notice stated herein. Each Notice shall state, as applicable:
 - (a) The date, time and place of the meeting, hearing or workshop;
 - (b) A brief description of the nature, subjects, and purposes of the meeting, hearing, or workshop;
 - (c) The District office address for the submission of requests for copies of the agenda, as well as a contact name and telephone number for verbal requests for copies of the agenda; and
 - (d) The following or substantially similar language: "Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting/hearing/workshop is asked to advise the District Office at least three (3) business days before the meeting/hearing/workshop by contacting the District Manager at Cindy Cerbone, cerbonec@whhassociates.com, Wrathell Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, FL 33431 (561) 571-0010. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1 (800) 955-8770 or 1 (800) 955-8771, who can aid you in contacting the District Office."
 - (e) The following or substantially similar language: "A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the meeting/hearing/workshop with respect to any matter considered at the meeting/hearing/workshop is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based."

(f) The following or substantially similar language: "The meeting [or hearing or workshop] may be continued in progress without additional notice to a time, date, and location stated on the record."

The date, time, and place of each meeting, hearing, or workshop of the Board shall additionally be posted on the District's website at least seven (7) days before each meeting, hearing, or workshop.

- (2) <u>Mistake.</u> In the event that a meeting is held under the incorrect assumption that notice required by law and these Rules has been given, the Board at its next properly noticed meeting shall cure such defect by considering the agenda items from the prior meeting individually and anew.
- (3) Agenda. The District Manager, under the guidance of District Counsel and the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson, shall prepare an agenda meeting/hearing/workshop. The agenda and any meeting materials available in an electronic format, excluding any confidential and any confidential and exempt information, shall be available to the public at least seven days before the meeting/hearing/workshop, except in an emergency. Meeting materials shall be defined as, and limited to, the agenda, meeting minutes, resolutions, and agreements of the District that District staff deems necessary for Board approval ("Meeting Materials"). Inclusion of additional materials for Board consideration other than those defined herein as "meeting materials" shall not convert such materials into Meeting Materials. For good cause, which includes but is not limited to emergency situations, time-sensitive matters, or newly discovered information essential for Board consideration, the agenda may be changed after it is first made available for distribution, and additional materials may be added or provided under separate cover at the meeting. The requirement of good cause shall be liberally construed to allow the District to efficiently conduct business and to avoid the expenses associated with special meetings.

The District may, but is not required to, use the following format, or similar format, in preparing its agenda for its regular meetings:

Call to order
Roll call
Public comment
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- (4) <u>Minutes.</u> The Secretary shall be responsible for preparing and keeping the minutes of each meeting of the Board. Minutes shall be corrected and approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting. The Secretary may work with other staff members in preparing draft minutes for the Board's consideration.
- (5) <u>Special Requests.</u> Persons wishing to receive, by mail, notices or agendas of meetings, may so advise the District Manager or Secretary at the District Office. Such persons shall furnish a mailing address in writing and shall be required to prepay the cost of the copying and postage.
- (6) Emergency Meetings. The Chairperson, or Vice-Chairperson if the Chairperson is unavailable, upon consultation with the District Manager and District Counsel, if available, may convene an emergency meeting of the Board without first having complied with sections (1) and (3) of this Rule, to act on emergency matters that may affect the public health, safety, or welfare. Whenever possible, the District Manager shall make reasonable efforts to provide public notice and notify all Board members of an emergency meeting twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Reasonable efforts may include telephone notification. Notice of the emergency meeting must be provided both before and after the meeting on the District's website, including the specific reasons for the emergency meeting. Whenever an emergency meeting is called, the District Manager shall be responsible for notifying at least one newspaper of general circulation in the District. After an emergency meeting, the Board shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, the time, date and place of the emergency meeting, the reasons why an emergency meeting was necessary, and a description of the action taken. Actions taken at an emergency meeting may be ratified by the Board at a regularly noticed meeting subsequently held.
- (7) <u>Public Comment.</u> The Board shall set aside a three (3) minutes per person, unless extended or reduced by the Chairperson based on the number of speakers and meeting agenda and other reasonable factors reasonable amount of time at each meeting for public comment and members of the public shall be permitted to provide comment on any proposition before the Board. The portion of the meeting generally reserved for public comment shall be identified in the agenda. Policies governing public comment may be adopted by the Board in accordance with Florida law.
- (8) <u>Budget Hearing.</u> Notice of hearing on the annual budget(s) shall be in accord with Section 190.008 of the Florida Statutes. Once adopted in accord with Section 190.008 of the Florida Statutes, the annual budget(s) may be amended from time to

time by action of the Board. Approval of invoices by the Board in excess of the funds allocated to a particular budgeted line item shall serve to amend the budgeted line item.

- (9) <u>Public Hearings.</u> Notice of required public hearings shall contain the information required by applicable Florida law and by these Rules applicable to meeting notices and shall be mailed and published as required by Florida law. The District Manager shall ensure that all such notices, whether mailed or published, contain the information required by Florida law and these Rules and are mailed and published as required by Florida law. Public hearings may be held during Board meetings when the agenda includes such public hearing.
- (10) Participation by Teleconference/Videoconference. District staff may participate in Board meetings by teleconference or videoconference. Board members may also participate in Board meetings by teleconference or videoconference if in the good judgment of the Board extraordinary circumstances exist; provided however, at least three Board members must be physically present at the meeting location to establish a quorum. Such extraordinary circumstances shall be presumed when a Board member participates by teleconference or videoconference, unless a majority of the Board members physically present determines that extraordinary circumstances do not exist. Extraordinary circumstances may include, but are not limited to, illness, family emergencies, or other significant schedule conflicts which prevent in-person meeting attendance.
- (11) <u>Board Authorization.</u> The District has not adopted Robert's Rules of Order. For each agenda item, there shall be discussion permitted among the Board members during the meeting. Unless such procedure is waived by the Board, approval or disapproval of resolutions and other proposed Board actions shall be in the form of a motion by one Board member, a second by another Board member, an opportunity for final board discussion and an affirmative vote by the majority of the Board members present. Any Board member, including the Chairperson, can make or second a motion.
- (12) <u>Continuances.</u> Any meeting or public hearing of the Board may be continued without re-notice or re-advertising provided that:
 - (a) The Board identifies on the record at the original meeting a reasonable need for a continuance;
 - (b) The continuance is to a specified date, time, and location publicly announced at the original meeting; and
 - (c) The public notice for the original meeting states that the meeting may be continued to a date and time and states that the date, time, and location of any continuance shall be publicly announced at the original meeting and posted at the District Office immediately following the original meeting.

- (13)Attorney-Client Sessions. An Attorney-Client Session is permitted when the District's attorneys deem it necessary to meet in private with the Board to discuss pending litigation to which the District is a party before a court or administrative agency or as may be authorized by law. The District's attorney must request such session at a public meeting. Prior to holding the Attorney-Client Session, the District must give reasonable public notice of the time and date of the session and the names of the persons anticipated to attend the session. The session must commence at an open meeting in which the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson announces the commencement of the session, the estimated length of the session, and the names of the persons who will be attending the session. The discussion during the session is confined to settlement negotiations or strategy related to litigation expenses or as may be authorized by law. Only the Board, the District's attorneys (including outside counsel), the District Manager, and the court reporter may attend an Attorney-Client Session. During the session, no votes may be taken and no final decisions concerning settlement can be made. Upon the conclusion of the session, the public meeting is reopened, and the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson must announce that the session has concluded. The session must be transcribed by a court-reporter and the transcript of the session filed with the District Secretary within a reasonable time after the session. The transcript shall not be available for public inspection until after the conclusion of the litigation.
- (14) Security and Fire safety Board Discussions. Portions of a meeting which relate to or would reveal a security or fire safety system plan or portion thereof made confidential and exempt by section 119.071(3)(a), Florida Statutes, are exempt from the public meeting requirements and other requirements of section 286.011, Florida Statutes, and section 24(b), Article 1 of the State Constitution. Should the Board wish to discuss such matters, members of the public shall be required to leave the meeting room during such discussion. Any records of the Board's discussion of such matters, including recordings or minutes, shall be maintained as confidential and exempt records in accordance with Florida law.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 189.069(2)(a)16, 190.006, 190.007, 190.008, 286.0105, 286.011, 286.0113, 286.0114, Fla. Stat.

Rule 1.4 Internal Controls to Prevent Fraud, Waste and Abuse

- (1) <u>Internal Controls.</u> The District shall establish and maintain internal controls designed to:
 - (a) Prevent and detect "fraud," "waste" and "abuse" as those terms are defined in section 11.45(1), *Florida Statutes*; and
 - (b) Promote and encourage compliance with applicable laws, rules contracts, grant agreements, and best practices; and
 - (c) Support economical and efficient operations; and
 - (d) Ensure reliability of financial records and reports; and
 - (e) Safeguard assets.
- (2) Adoption. The internal controls to prevent fraud, waste and abuse shall be adopted and amended by the District in the same manner as District policies.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 218.33(3), Fla. Stat.

Rule 2.0 Rulemaking Proceedings.

(1) Commencement of Proceedings. Proceedings held for adoption, amendment, or repeal of a District rule shall be conducted according to these Rules. Rulemaking proceedings shall be deemed to have been initiated upon publication of notice by the District. A "rule" is a District statement of general applicability that implements, interprets, or prescribes law or policy, or describes the procedure or practice requirements of the District ("Rule"). Nothing herein shall be construed as requiring the District to consider or adopt rules unless required by Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes. Policies adopted by the District which do not consist of rates, fees, rentals or other monetary charges may be, but are not required to be, implemented through rulemaking proceedings.

(2) <u>Notice of Rule Development.</u>

- (a) Except when the intended action is the repeal of a Rule, the District shall provide notice of the development of a proposed rule by publication of a Notice of Rule Development in a newspaper of general circulation in the District before providing notice of a proposed rule as required by section (3) of this Rule. Consequently, the Notice of Rule Development shall be published at least seven (7) days before the notice of rulemaking described in Section 2.0(3), infra., and at least thirty-five (35) days prior to the public hearing on the proposed rule. The Notice of Rule Development shall indicate the subject area to be addressed by rule development, provide a short, plain explanation of the purpose and effect of the proposed rule, cite the grant of rulemaking authority for the proposed rule and law being implemented, include the proposed rule number, and include a statement of how a person may promptly obtain, without cost, a copy of any preliminary draft, if available.
- (b) All rules as drafted shall be consistent with Sections 120.54(1)(g) and 120.54(2)(b) of the Florida Statutes.

(3) Notice of Proceedings and Proposed Rules.

(a) Prior to the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any rule other than an emergency rule, the District shall give notice of its intended action, including: a short, plain explanation of the purpose and effect of the proposed action, the proposed rule number (if applicable), a reference to the specific rulemaking authority pursuant to which the rule is adopted, a reference to the section or subsection of the Florida Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific, and the name, e-mail address, and telephone number of the staff member who may be contacted regarding the intended action. The notice shall include a summary of the District's statement of estimated regulatory costs and the website address where the complete statement of estimated regulatory costs may be viewed, if such a

statement has been prepared pursuant to Section 120.541(2), *Florida Statutes*, and a statement that any person who wishes to provide the District with a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), must do so in writing within twenty-one (21) days after publication of the notice. The notice shall additionally include a statement that any affected person may request a public hearing by submitting a written request within twenty-one (21) days after the date of publication of the notice. Except when intended action is the repeal of a rule, the notice shall include a reference to both the date on which and the place where the Notice of Rule Development required by section (2) of this Rule appeared.

- (b) The notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and each county in which the District is located not less than twenty-eight (28) days prior to the intended action. The proposed rule and any material proposed to be incorporated by reference shall be available for inspection and copying by the public at the time of the publication of notice.
- (c) The notice shall be mailed, delivered electronically to all persons named in the proposed rule and to all persons who, at least fourteen (14) days prior to publication of the notice, have made requests of the District for advance notice of its rulemaking proceedings. Any person may file a written request with the District Manager to receive notice by mail of District proceedings to adopt, amend, or repeal a rule. Such persons must furnish a mailing address and may be required to pay the cost of copying and mailing.
- (4) <u>Rule Development Workshops.</u> Whenever requested in writing by any affected person, the District must either conduct a rule development workshop prior to proposing rules for adoption or the Chairperson must explain in writing why a workshop is unnecessary. The District may initiate a rule development workshop but is not required to do so.
- (5) Petitions to Initiate Rulemaking. All Petitions to Initiate Rulemaking proceedings must contain the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner, the specific action requested, the specific reason for adoption, amendment, or repeal, the date submitted, the text of the proposed rule, and the facts showing that the petitioner is regulated by the District or has a substantial interest in the rulemaking. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days following the date of filing a petition, the Board shall initiate rulemaking proceedings or deny the petition with a written statement of its reasons for the denial. If the petition is directed to an existing policy that the District has not formally adopted as a rule, the District may, in its discretion, notice and hold a public hearing on the petition to consider the comments of the public directed to the policy, its scope and application, and to consider whether the public interest is served adequately by the application of the policy on a case-by-case basis, as contrasted with its formal adoption as a rule. However, this section shall not be construed as requiring the District to adopt a rule to replace a policy.

- (6) <u>Rulemaking Materials.</u> After the publication of the notice referenced in section (3) of this Rule, the Board shall make available for public inspection and shall provide, upon request and payment of the cost of copies, the following materials:
 - (a) The text of the proposed rule, or any amendment or repeal of any existing rules;
 - (b) A detailed written statement of the facts and circumstances justifying the proposed rule;
 - (c) A copy of the statement of estimated regulatory costs if required by Section 120.541 of the Florida Statutes; and
 - (d) The published notice.
- (7) Hearing. The District may, or, upon the written request of any affected person received within twenty-one (21) days after the date of publication of the notice described in section (3) of this Rule, shall, provide a public hearing for the presentation of evidence, argument, and oral statements, within the reasonable conditions and limitations imposed by the District to avoid duplication, irrelevant comments, unnecessary delay, or disruption of the proceedings. The District shall publish notice of the public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the District either in the text of the notice described in section (3) of this Rule or in a separate publication at least seven (7) days before the scheduled public hearing. The notice shall specify the date, time, and location of the public hearing, and the name, address, and telephone number of the District contact person who can provide information about the public hearing. Written statements may be submitted by any person prior to or at the public hearing. All timely submitted written statements shall be considered by the District and made part of the rulemaking record.
- (8) Emergency Rule Adoption. The Board may adopt an emergency rule if it finds that it is necessitated by immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare which requires immediate action, or if the Legislature authorizes the Board to adopt emergency rules. Prior to the adoption of an emergency rule, the District Manager shall make reasonable efforts to notify a newspaper of general circulation in the District. Notice of the emergency rules together with the Board's findings of immediate danger, necessity, and procedural fairness or a citation to the grant of emergency rulemaking authority shall be published as soon as possible in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. The District may use any procedure which is fair under the circumstances in the adoption of an emergency rule provided that such procedure protects the public interest and complies with applicable law and these provisions.
- (9) <u>Negotiated Rulemaking.</u> The District may use negotiated rulemaking in developing and adopting rules pursuant to Section 120.54(2)(d) of the Florida Statutes, except that any notices required under Section 120.54(2)(d) of the Florida Statutes, may

be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located.

- (10) <u>Rulemaking Record.</u> In all rulemaking proceedings, the District shall compile and maintain a rulemaking record. The record shall include, if applicable:
 - (a) The texts of the proposed rule and the adopted rule;
 - (b) All notices given for a proposed rule;
 - (c) Any statement of estimated regulatory costs for the rule;
 - (d) A written summary of hearings, if any, on the proposed rule;
 - (e) All written comments received by the District and responses to those written comments; and
 - (f) All notices and findings pertaining to an emergency rule.
- (11) Petitions to Challenge Existing Rules.
 - (a) Any person substantially affected by a rule may seek an administrative determination of the invalidity of the rule on the ground that the rule is an invalid exercise of the District's authority.
 - (b) The petition seeking an administrative determination must state with particularity the provisions alleged to be invalid with sufficient explanation of the facts or grounds for the alleged invalidity and facts sufficient to show that the person challenging a rule is substantially affected by it.
 - (c) The petition shall be filed with the District. Within ten (10) days after receiving the petition, the Chairperson shall, if the petition complies with the requirements of subsection (b) of this section, designate any member of the Board (including the Chairperson), District Manager, District Counsel, or other qualified person as a hearing officer who shall conduct a hearing within thirty (30) days thereafter, unless the petition is withdrawn or a continuance is granted by agreement of the parties. The failure of the District to follow the applicable rulemaking procedures or requirements in this Rule shall be presumed to be material; however, the District may rebut this presumption by showing that the substantial interests of the petitioner and the fairness of the proceedings have not been impaired.
 - (d) Within thirty (30) days after the hearing, the hearing officer shall render a decision and state the reasons therefor in writing.

- (e) Hearings held under this section shall be de novo in nature. The petitioner has a burden of proving by a preponderance of the evidence that the existing rule is an invalid exercise of District authority as to the objections raised. The hearing officer may:
 - (i) Administer oaths and affirmations;
 - (ii) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;
 - (iii) Regulate the course of the hearing, including any pre-hearing matters;
 - (iv) Enter orders; and
 - (v) Make or receive offers of settlement, stipulation, and adjustment.
- (f) The petitioner and the District shall be adverse parties. Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors on appropriate terms which shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- (12) <u>Variances and Waivers.</u> A "variance" means a decision by the District to grant a modification to all or part of the literal requirements of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule. A "waiver" means a decision by the District not to apply all or part of a rule to a person who is subject to the rule. Variances and waivers from District rules may be granted subject to the following:
 - (a) Variances and waivers shall be granted when the person subject to the rule demonstrates that the purpose of the underlying statute will be or has been achieved by other means by the person, and when application of the rule would create a substantial hardship or would violate principles of fairness. For purposes of this section, "substantial hardship" means a demonstrated economic, technological, legal, safety-related, or other significant type of hardship to the person requesting the variance or waiver. For purposes of this section, "principles of fairness" are violated when the literal application of a rule affects a particular person in a manner significantly different from the way it affects other similarly situated persons who are subject to the rule.
 - (b) A person who is subject to regulation by a District Rule may file a petition with the District, requesting a variance or waiver from the District's Rule. Each petition shall specify:
 - (i) The rule from which a variance or waiver is requested;
 - (ii) The type of action requested;

- (iii) The specific facts that would justify a waiver or variance for the petitioner; and
- (iv) The reason why the variance or the waiver requested would serve the purposes of the underlying statute.
- (c) The District shall review the petition and may request only that information needed to clarify the petition or to answer new questions raised by or directly related to the petition. If the petitioner asserts that any request for additional information is not authorized by law or by Rule of the District, the District shall proceed, at the petitioner's written request, to process the petition.
- (d) The Board shall grant or deny a petition for variance or waiver and shall announce such disposition at a publicly held meeting of the Board, within ninety (90) days after receipt of the original petition, the last item of timely requested additional material, or the petitioner's written request to finish processing the petition. The District's statement granting or denying the petition shall contain a statement of the relevant facts and reasons supporting the District's action.
- (13) <u>Rates, Fees, Rentals and Other Charges.</u> All rates, fees, rentals, or other charges shall be subject to rulemaking proceedings. Policies adopted by the District which do not consist of rates, fees, rentals or other charges may be, but are not required to be, implemented through rulemaking proceedings.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.035, Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 120.54, 190.011(5), 190.035(2), Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.0 Competitive Purchase.

- (1) <u>Purpose and Scope.</u> In order to comply with Sections 190.033(1) through (3), 287.055 and 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, the following provisions shall apply to the purchase of Professional Services, insurance, construction contracts, designbuild services, goods, supplies, and materials, Contractual Services, and maintenance services.
- (2) <u>Board Authorization.</u> Except in cases of an Emergency Purchase, a competitive purchase governed by these Rules shall only be undertaken after authorization by the Board.

(3) <u>Definitions.</u>

- (a) "Competitive Solicitation" means a formal, advertised procurement process, other than an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, or Invitation to Negotiate, approved by the Board to purchase commodities and/or services which affords vendors fair treatment in the competition for award of a District purchase contract.
- (b) "Continuing Contract" means a contract for Professional Services entered into in accordance with Section 287.055 of the Florida Statutes, between the District and a firm, whereby the firm provides Professional Services to the District for projects in which the costs do not exceed two million dollars (\$2,000,000), for a study activity when the fee for such Professional Services to the District does not exceed two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), or for work of a specified nature as outlined in the contract with the District, with no time limitation except that the contract must provide a termination clause (for example, a contract for general District engineering services). Firms providing Professional Services under Continuing Contracts shall not be required to bid against one another.
- (c) "Contractual Service" means the rendering by a contractor of its time and effort rather than the furnishing of specific commodities. The term applies only to those services rendered by individuals and firms who are independent contractors. Contractual Services do not include auditing services, Maintenance Services, or Professional Services as defined in Section 287.055(2)(a) of the Florida Statutes, and these Rules. Contractual Services also do not include any contract for the furnishing of labor or materials for the construction, renovation, repair, modification, or demolition of any facility, building, portion of building, utility, park, parking lot, or structure or other improvement to real property entered into pursuant to Chapter 255 of the Florida Statutes, and Rules 3.5 or 3.6.
- (d) "Design-Build Contract" means a single contract with a Design-Build Firm for the design and construction of a public construction project.

- (e) "Design-Build Firm" means a partnership, corporation or other legal entity that:
 - (i) Is certified under Section 489.119 of the Florida Statutes, to engage in contracting through a certified or registered general contractor or a certified or registered building contractor as the qualifying agent; or
 - (ii) Is certified under Section 471.023 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice engineering; certified under Section 481.219 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice architecture; or certified under Section 481.319 of the Florida Statutes, to practice or to offer to practice landscape architecture.
- (f) "Design Criteria Package" means concise, performance-oriented drawings or specifications for a public construction project. The purpose of the Design Criteria Package is to furnish sufficient information to permit Design-Build Firms to prepare a bid or a response to the District's Request for Proposals, or to permit the District to enter into a negotiated Design-Build Contract. The Design Criteria Package must specify performancebased criteria for the public construction project, including the legal description of the site, survey information concerning the site, interior space requirements, material quality standards, schematic layouts and conceptual design criteria of the project, cost or budget estimates, design and construction schedules, site development requirements, provisions for utilities, stormwater retention and disposal, and parking requirements applicable to the project. Design Criteria Packages shall require firms to submit information regarding the qualifications, availability, and past work of the firms, including the partners and members thereof.
- (g) "Design Criteria Professional" means a firm who holds a current certificate of registration under Chapter 481 of the Florida Statutes, to practice architecture or landscape architecture, or a firm who holds a current certificate as a registered engineer under Chapter 471 of the Florida Statutes, to practice engineering, and who is employed by or under contract to the District to provide professional architect services, landscape architect services, or engineering services in connection with the preparation of the Design Criteria Package.
- (h) "Emergency Purchase" means a purchase necessitated by a sudden unexpected turn of events (for example, acts of God, riot, fires, floods, hurricanes, accidents, or any circumstances or cause beyond the control of the Board in the normal conduct of its business), where the Board finds that the delay incident to competitive purchase would be detrimental to the interests of the District. This includes, but is not limited to, instances where

the time to competitively award the project will jeopardize the funding for the project, will materially increase the cost of the project, or will create an undue hardship on the public health, safety, or welfare.

- (i) "Invitation to Bid" is a written or electronically posted solicitation for sealed bids with the title, date, and hour of the public bid opening designated specifically and defining the commodity or service involved. It includes printed instructions prescribing conditions for bidding, qualification, evaluation criteria, and provides for a manual signature of an authorized representative. It may include one or more bid alternates.
- (j) "Invitation to Negotiate" means a written or electronically posted solicitation for competitive sealed replies to select one or more vendors with which to commence negotiations for the procurement of commodities or services.
- (k) "Negotiate" means to conduct legitimate, arm's length discussions and conferences to reach an agreement on a term or price.
- (l) "Professional Services" means those services within the scope of the practice of architecture, professional engineering, landscape architecture, or registered surveying and mapping, as defined by the laws of Florida, or those services performed by any architect, professional engineer, landscape architect, or registered surveyor and mapper, in connection with the firm's or individual's professional employment or practice.
- (m) "Proposal (or Reply or Response) Most Advantageous to the District" means, as determined in the sole discretion of the Board, the proposal, reply, or response that is:
 - (i) Submitted by a person or firm capable and qualified in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, who has the integrity and reliability to assure good faith performance;
 - (ii) The most responsive to the Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation as determined by the Board; and
 - (iii) For a cost to the District deemed by the Board to be reasonable.
- (n) "Purchase" means acquisition by sale, rent, lease, lease/purchase, or installment sale. It does not include transfer, sale, or exchange of goods, supplies, or materials between the District and any federal, state, regional or local governmental entity or political subdivision of the State of Florida.

- (o) "Request for Proposals" or "RFP" is a written or electronically posted solicitation for sealed proposals with the title, date, and hour of the public opening designated and requiring the manual signature of an authorized representative. It may provide general information, applicable laws and rules, statement of work, functional or general specifications, qualifications, proposal instructions, work detail analysis, and evaluation criteria as necessary.
- (p) "Responsive and Responsible Bidder" means an entity or individual that has submitted a bid that conforms in all material respects to the Invitation to Bid and has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance. "Responsive and Responsible Vendor" means an entity or individual that has submitted a proposal, reply, or response that conforms in all material respects to the Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation and has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance. In determining whether an entity or individual is a Responsive and Responsible Bidder (or Vendor), the District may consider, in addition to factors described in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, the following:
 - (i) The ability and adequacy of the professional personnel employed by the entity/individual;
 - (ii) The past performance of the entity/individual for the District and in other professional employment;
 - (iii) The willingness of the entity/individual to meet time and budget requirements;
 - (iv) The geographic location of the entity's/individual's headquarters or office in relation to the project;
 - (v) The recent, current, and projected workloads of the entity/individual;
 - (vi) The volume of work previously awarded to the entity/individual, provided that for a public works project as defined in Section 255.0992, Florida Statutes, the District may not penalize a bidder for performing a larger volume of construction work for the District or reward a bidder for performing a smaller volume of construction work for the District;

- (vii) Whether the cost components of the bid or proposal are appropriately balanced; and
- (viii) Whether the entity/individual is a certified minority business enterprise as defined in Section 287.0943, *Florida Statutes*.
- (q) "Responsive Bid," "Responsive Proposal," "Responsive Reply," and "Responsive Response" all mean a bid, proposal, reply, or response which conforms in all material respects to the specifications and conditions in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation document and these Rules, and the cost components of which, if any, are appropriately balanced. A bid, proposal, reply or response is not responsive if the person or firm submitting it fails to meet any material requirement relating to the qualifications, financial stability, or licensing of the bidder.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 190.033, 255.0992, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.1 Procedure Under the Consultants' Competitive Negotiations Act.

- (1) Scope. The following procedures are adopted for the selection of firms or individuals to provide Professional Services exceeding the thresholds herein described, for the negotiation of such contracts, and to provide for protest of actions of the Board under this Rule. As used in this Rule, "Project" means that fixed capital outlay study or planning activity when basic construction cost is estimated by the District to exceed the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FIVE, or for a planning study activity when the fee for Professional Services is estimated by the District to exceed the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO, as such categories may be amended or adjusted from time to time.
- (2) <u>Qualifying Procedures.</u> In order to be eligible to provide Professional Services to the District, a consultant must, at the time of receipt of the firm's qualification submittal:
 - (a) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (b) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (c) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the consultant is a corporation; and
 - (d) Meet any qualification requirements set forth in the District's Request for Qualifications.

Evidence of compliance with this Rule may be submitted with the qualifications, if requested by the District. In addition, evidence of compliance must be submitted any time requested by the District.

(3) Public Announcement. Except in cases of valid public emergencies as certified by the Board, the District shall announce each occasion when Professional Services are required for a Project or a Continuing Contract by publishing a notice providing a general description of the Project, or the nature of the Continuing Contract, and the method for interested consultants to apply for consideration. The notice shall appear in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the District and in such other places as the District deems appropriate. The notice must allow at least fourteen (14) days for submittal of qualifications from the date of publication. The District may maintain lists of consultants interested in receiving such notices. These consultants are encouraged to submit annually statements of qualifications and performance data. The District shall make reasonable efforts to provide copies of any notices to such consultants, but the failure to do so shall not give such consultants any bid protest or other rights or otherwise disqualify any otherwise valid procurement process. The Board has the right to reject any and all

qualifications, and such reservation shall be included in the published notice. Consultants not receiving a contract award shall not be entitled to recover from the District any costs of qualification package preparation or submittal.

(4) <u>Competitive Selection.</u>

- (a) The Board shall review and evaluate the data submitted in response to the notice described in section (3) of this Rule regarding qualifications and performance ability, as well as any statements of qualifications on file. The Board shall conduct discussions with, and may require public presentation by consultants regarding their qualifications, approach to the Project, and ability to furnish the required services. The Board shall then select and list the consultants, in order of preference, deemed to be the most highly capable and qualified to perform the required Professional Services, after considering these and other appropriate criteria:
 - (i) The ability and adequacy of the professional personnel employed by each consultant;
 - (ii) Whether a consultant is a certified minority business enterprise;
 - (iii) Each consultant's past performance;
 - (iv) The willingness of each consultant to meet time and budget requirements;
 - (v) The geographic location of each consultant's headquarters, office and personnel in relation to the project;
 - (vi) The recent, current, and projected workloads of each consultant; and
 - (vii) The volume of work previously awarded to each consultant by the District.
- (b) Nothing in these Rules shall prevent the District from evaluating and eventually selecting a consultant if less than three (3) Responsive qualification packages, including packages indicating a desire not to provide Professional Services on a given Project, are received.
- (c) If the selection process is administered by any person or committee other than the full Board, the selection made will be presented to the full Board with a recommendation that competitive negotiations be instituted with the selected firms in order of preference listed.
- (d) Notice of the rankings adopted by the Board, including the rejection of some or all qualification packages, shall be provided in writing to all consultants

by United States Mail, hand delivery, electronic mail, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's ranking decisions under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

(5) <u>Competitive Negotiation.</u>

- (a) After the Board has authorized the beginning of competitive negotiations, the District may begin such negotiations with the firm listed as most qualified to perform the required Professional Services at a rate or amount of compensation which the Board determines is fair, competitive, and reasonable.
- (b) In negotiating a lump-sum or cost-plus-a-fixed-fee professional contract for more than the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, the firm receiving the award shall be required to execute a truth-in-negotiation certificate stating that "wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current at the time of contracting." In addition, any professional service contract under which such a certificate is required, shall contain a provision that "the original contract price and any additions thereto, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the Board determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or noncurrent wage rates and other factual unit costs."
- (c) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the firm determined to be the most qualified at a price deemed by the District to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, then negotiations with that firm shall be terminated and the District shall immediately begin negotiations with the second most qualified firm. If a satisfactory agreement with the second firm cannot be reached, those negotiations shall be terminated and negotiations with the third most qualified firm shall be undertaken.
- (d) Should the District be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with one of the top three (3) ranked consultants, additional firms shall be selected by the District, in order of their competence and qualifications. Negotiations shall continue, beginning with the first-named firm on the list, until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.
- (6) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.

- (7) <u>Continuing Contract.</u> Nothing in this Rule shall prohibit a Continuing Contract between a consultant and the District.
- (8) <u>Emergency Purchase.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these Rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.011(3), 190.033, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.2 Procedure Regarding Auditor Selection.

In order to comply with the requirements of Section 218.391 of the Florida Statutes, the following procedures are outlined for selection of firms or individuals to provide Auditing Services and for the negotiation of such contracts. For audits required under Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes but not meeting the thresholds of Chapter 218 of the Florida Statutes, the District need not follow these procedures but may proceed with the selection of a firm or individual to provide Auditing Services and for the negotiation of such contracts in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District.

(1) <u>Definitions.</u>

- (a) "Auditing Services" means those services within the scope of the practice of a certified public accounting firm licensed under Chapter 473 of the Florida Statutes, and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy.
- (b) "Committee" means the auditor selection committee appointed by the Board as described in section (2) of this Rule.
- (2) Establishment of Auditor Selection Committee. Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Board shall establish an auditor selection committee ("Committee"), the primary purpose of which is to assist the Board in selecting an auditor to conduct the annual financial audit required by Section 218.39 of the Florida Statutes. The Committee shall include at least three individuals, at least one of which must also be a member of the Board. The establishment and selection of the Committee must be conducted at a publicly noticed and held meeting of the Board. The Chairperson of the Committee must be a member of the Board. An employee, a chief executive officer, or a chief financial officer of the District may not serve as a member of the Committee; provided however such individual may serve the Committee in an advisory capacity.
- (3) Establishment of Minimum Qualifications and Evaluation Criteria. Prior to a public announcement under section (4) of this Rule that Auditing Services are required, the Committee shall meet at a publicly noticed meeting to establish minimum qualifications and factors to use for the evaluation of Auditing Services to be provided by a certified public accounting firm licensed under Chapter 473 of the Florida Statutes, and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy.
 - (a) <u>Minimum Qualifications.</u> In order to be eligible to submit a proposal, a firm must, at all relevant times including the time of receipt of the proposal by the District:

- (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
- (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the proposer is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any pre-qualification requirements established by the Committee and set forth in the RFP or other specifications.

If requested in the RFP or other specifications, evidence of compliance with the minimum qualifications as established by the Committee must be submitted with the proposal.

- (b) Evaluation Criteria. The factors established for the evaluation of Auditing Services by the Committee shall include, but are not limited to:
 - (i) Ability of personnel;
 - (ii) Experience;
 - (iii) Ability to furnish the required services; and
 - (iv) Such other factors as may be determined by the Committee to be applicable to its particular requirements.

The Committee may also choose to consider compensation as a factor. If the Committee establishes compensation as one of the factors, compensation shall not be the sole or predominant factor used to evaluate proposals.

- (4) <u>Public Announcement.</u> After identifying the factors to be used in evaluating the proposals for Auditing Services as set forth in section (3) of this Rule, the Committee shall publicly announce the opportunity to provide Auditing Services. Such public announcement shall include a brief description of the audit and how interested firms can apply for consideration and obtain the RFP. The notice shall appear in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the District and the county in which the District is located. The public announcement shall allow for at least seven (7) days for the submission of proposals.
- (5) Request for Proposals. The Committee shall provide interested firms with a Request for Proposals ("RFP"). The RFP shall provide information on how proposals are to be evaluated and such other information the Committee determines is necessary for the firm to prepare a proposal. The RFP shall state the time and

place for submitting proposals.

(6) Committee's Evaluation of Proposals and Recommendation. The Committee shall meet at a publicly held meeting that is publicly noticed at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting to evaluate all qualified proposals and may, as part of the evaluation, require that each interested firm provide a public presentation where the Committee may conduct discussions with the firm, and where the firm may present information, regarding the firm's qualifications. At the public meeting, the Committee shall rank and recommend in order of preference no fewer than three firms deemed to be the most highly qualified to perform the required services after considering the factors established pursuant to subsection (3)(b) of this Rule. If fewer than three firms respond to the RFP or if no firms respond to the RFP, the Committee shall recommend such firm as it deems to be the most highly qualified. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may recommend that any and all proposals be rejected.

(7) Board Selection of Auditor.

- (a) Where compensation was not selected as a factor used in evaluating the proposals, the Board shall negotiate with the firm ranked first and inquire of that firm as to the basis of compensation. If the Board is unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the first ranked firm at a price deemed by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, then negotiations with that firm shall be terminated and the Board shall immediately begin negotiations with the second ranked firm. satisfactory agreement with the second ranked firm cannot be reached, those negotiations shall be terminated and negotiations with the third ranked firm shall be undertaken. The Board may reopen formal negotiations with any one of the three top-ranked firms, but it may not negotiate with more than one firm at a time. If the Board is unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with any of the selected firms, the Committee shall recommend additional firms in order of the firms' respective competence and qualifications. Negotiations shall continue, beginning with the first-named firm on the list, until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.
- (b) Where compensation was selected as a factor used in evaluating the proposals, the Board shall select the highest-ranked qualified firm or document in its public records the reason for not selecting the highest-ranked qualified firm.
- (c) In negotiations with firms under this Rule, the Board may allow the District Manager, District Counsel, or other designee to conduct negotiations on its behalf.

- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may reject any or all proposals. The Board shall not consider any proposal, or enter into any contract for Auditing Services, unless the proposed agreed-upon compensation is reasonable to satisfy the requirements of Section 218.39 of the Florida Statutes, and the needs of the District.
- (8) <u>Contract.</u> Any agreement reached under this Rule shall be evidenced by a written contract, which may take the form of an engagement letter signed and executed by both parties. The written contract shall include all provisions and conditions of the procurement of such services and shall include, at a minimum, the following:
 - (a) A provision specifying the services to be provided and fees or other compensation for such services;
 - (b) A provision requiring that invoices for fees or other compensation be submitted in sufficient detail to demonstrate compliance with the terms of the contract;
 - (c) A provision setting forth deadlines for the auditor to submit a preliminary draft audit report to the District for review and to submit a final audit report no later than June 30 of the fiscal year that follows the fiscal year for which the audit is being conducted;
 - (d) A provision specifying the contract period, including renewals, and conditions under which the contract may be terminated or renewed. The maximum contract period including renewals shall be five (5) years. A renewal may be done without the use of the auditor selection procedures provided in this Rule but must be in writing.
 - (e) Provisions required by law that require the auditor to comply with public records laws.
- (9) Notice of Award. Once a negotiated agreement with a firm or individual is reached, or the Board authorizes the execution of an agreement with a firm where compensation was a factor in the evaluation of proposals, notice of the intent to award, including the rejection of some or all proposals, shall be provided in writing to all proposers by United States Mail, hand delivery, electronic mail, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests regarding the award of contracts under this Rule shall be as provided for in Rule 3.11. No proposer shall be entitled to recover any costs of proposal preparation or submittal from the District.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 218.33, 218.391, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.3 Purchase of Insurance.

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> The purchases of life, health, accident, hospitalization, legal expense, or annuity insurance, or all of any kinds of such insurance for the officers and employees of the District, and for health, accident, hospitalization, and legal expenses upon a group insurance plan by the District, shall be governed by this Rule. This Rule does not apply to the purchase of any other type of insurance by the District, including but not limited to liability insurance, property insurance, and directors and officers insurance. Nothing in this Rule shall require the District to purchase insurance.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> For a purchase of insurance within the scope of these Rules, the following procedure shall be followed:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared a Notice of Invitation to Bid.
 - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District. The notice shall allow at least fourteen (14) days for submittal of bids.
 - (c) The District may maintain a list of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid. The District shall make reasonable efforts to provide copies of any notices to such persons, but the failure to do so shall not give such consultants any bid protest or other rights or otherwise disqualify any otherwise valid procurement process.
 - (d) Bids shall be opened at the time and place noted in the Invitation to Bid.
 - (e) If only one (1) response to an Invitation is received, the District may proceed with the purchase. If no response to an Invitation to Bid is received, the District may take whatever steps are reasonably necessary in order to proceed with the purchase.
 - (f) The Board has the right to reject any and all bids and such reservations shall be included in all solicitations and advertisements.
 - (g) Simultaneously with the review of the submitted bids, the District may undertake negotiations with those companies that have submitted reasonable and timely bids and, in the opinion of the District, are fully qualified and capable of meeting all services and requirements. Bid responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the specifications and criteria contained in the Invitation to Bid; in addition, the total cost to the District, the cost, if any, to the District officers, employees, or their dependents, relevant business presence and capability to service the District's needs, and the ability of the company to guarantee premium stability may be considered. A contract to purchase insurance shall be

awarded to that company whose response to the Invitation to Bid best meets the overall needs of the District, its officers, employees, and/or dependents.

(h) Notice of the intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, shall be provided in writing to all bidders by United States Mail, by hand delivery, or by overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's procurement of insurance under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 112.08, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.4 Pre-qualification

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> In its discretion, the District may undertake a pre-qualification process in accordance with this Rule for vendors to provide construction services, goods, supplies, and materials, Contractual Services, and maintenance services.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When the District seeks to pre-qualify vendors, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared a Request for Qualifications.
 - (b) For construction services exceeding the thresholds described in Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, the Board must advertise the proposed prequalification criteria and procedures and allow at least seven (7) days' notice of the public hearing for comments on such pre-qualification criteria and procedures. At such public hearing, potential vendors may object to such pre-qualification criteria and procedures. Following such public hearing, the Board shall formally adopt pre-qualification criteria and procedures prior to the advertisement of the Request for Qualifications for construction services.
 - (c) The Request for Qualifications shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of qualifications for goods, supplies and materials, Contractual Services, maintenance services, and construction services under two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of qualifications for construction services estimated to cost over two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) and thirty (30) days for construction services estimated to cost over five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).
 - (d) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Requests for Qualifications. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any pre-qualification determination or contract awarded in accordance with these Rules and shall not be a basis for a protest of any pre-qualification determination or contract award.
 - (e) If the District has pre-qualified vendors for a particular category of purchase, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies or responses in response to the applicable Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

- (f) In order to be eligible to submit qualifications, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the qualifications:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
 - (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Request for Qualifications.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the qualifications if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the qualifications.

- (g) Qualifications shall be presented to the Board, or a committee appointed by the Board, for evaluation in accordance with the Request for Qualifications and this Rule. Minor variations in the qualifications may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature.
- (h) All vendors determined by the District to meet the pre-qualification requirements shall be pre-qualified. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the requirements contained in a Request for Qualifications, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion and revision of qualifications. For construction services, any contractor pre-qualified and considered eligible by the Department of Transportation to bid to perform the type of work the project entails shall be presumed to be qualified to perform the project.
- (i) The Board shall have the right to reject all qualifications if there are not enough to be competitive or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of qualification preparation or submittal from the District.
- (j) Notice of intent to pre-qualify, including rejection of some or all qualifications, shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall

include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's prequalification decisions under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11; provided however, protests related to the pre-qualification criteria and procedures for construction services shall be resolved in accordance with section (2)(b) of this Rule and Section 255.20(1)(b) of the Florida Statutes.

(3) Suspension, Revocation, or Denial of Qualification

- (a) The District, for good cause, may deny, suspend, or revoke a prequalified vendor's pre-qualified status. A suspension, revocation, or denial for good cause shall prohibit the vendor from bidding on any District construction contract for which qualification is required, shall constitute a determination of non-responsibility to bid on any other District construction or maintenance contract, and shall prohibit the vendor from acting as a material supplier or subcontractor on any District contract or project during the period of suspension, revocation, or denial. Good cause shall include the following:
 - i. One of the circumstances specified under Section 337.16(2), *Florida Statutes*, has occurred.
 - ii. Affiliated contractors submitted more than one proposal for the same work. In this event the pre-qualified status of all of the affiliated bidders will be revoked, suspended, or denied. All bids of affiliated bidders will be rejected.
 - iii. The vendor made or submitted false, deceptive, or fraudulent statements, certifications, or materials in any claim for payment or any information required by any District contract.
 - iv. The vendor or its affiliate defaulted on any contract or a contract surety assumed control of financial responsibility for any contract of the vendor.
 - v. The vendor's qualification to bid is suspended, revoked, or denied by any other public or semi-public entity, or the vendor has been the subject of a civil enforcement proceeding or settlement involving a public or semi-public entity.
 - vi. The vendor failed to comply with contract or warranty requirements or failed to follow District direction in the performance of a contract.
 - vii. The vendor failed to timely furnish all contract documents required by the contract specifications, special provisions, or by any state or federal statutes or regulations. If the vendor fails to furnish any of the subject contract documents by the expiration of the period of suspension,

- revocation, or denial set forth above, the vendor's pre-qualified status shall remain suspended, revoked, or denied until the documents are furnished.
- viii. The vendor failed to notify the District within 10 days of the vendor, or any of its affiliates, being declared in default or otherwise not completing work on a contract or being suspended from qualification to bid or denied qualification to bid by any other public or semi-public agency.
- ix. The vendor did not pay its subcontractors or suppliers in a timely manner or in compliance with contract documents.
- x. The vendor has demonstrated instances of poor or unsatisfactory performance, deficient management resulting in project delay, poor quality workmanship, a history of payment of liquidated damages, untimely completion of projects, uncooperative attitude, contract litigation, inflated claims or defaults.
- xi. An affiliate of the vendor has previously been determined by the District to be non-responsible, and the specified period of suspension, revocation, denial, or non-responsibility remains in effect.
- xii. The vendor or affiliate(s) has been convicted of a contract crime.
 - 1. The term "contract crime" means any violation of state or federal antitrust laws with respect to a public contract or any violation of any state or federal law involving fraud, bribery, collusion, conspiracy, or material misrepresentation with respect to a public contract.
 - 2. The term "convicted" or "conviction" means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a contract crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
- xiii. Any other circumstance constituting "good cause" under Section 337.16(2), *Florida Statutes*, exists.
- (b) The pre-qualified status of a contractor found delinquent under Section 337.16(1), *Florida Statutes*, shall be denied, suspended, or revoked. A denial, suspension, or revocation shall prohibit the vendor from being a subcontractor on District work during the period of denial, suspension, or revocation, except when a prime contractor's bid has used prices of a subcontractor who becomes disqualified after the bid, but before the request for authorization to sublet is presented.

- (c) The District shall inform the vendor in writing of its intent to deny, suspend, or revoke its pre-qualified status and inform the vendor of its right to a hearing, the procedure which must be followed, and the applicable time limits. If a hearing is requested within ten (10) days after the receipt of the notice of intent, the hearing shall be held within thirty (30) days after receipt by the District of the request for the hearing. The decision shall be issued in writing within fifteen (15) business days after the hearing.
- (d) Such suspension or revocation shall not affect the vendor's obligations under any preexisting contract.
- (e) If a contractor's pre-qualified status is revoked, suspended, or denied and the contractor receives an additional period of revocation, suspension, or denial of its pre-qualified status, the time periods will run consecutively.
- (f) In the case of contract crimes, the vendor's pre-qualified status under this Rule shall be revoked indefinitely. For all violations of Rule 3.4(3)(a) other than for the vendor's conviction for contract crimes, the revocation, denial, or suspension of a vendor's pre-qualified status under this Rule shall be for a specific period of time based on the seriousness of the deficiency.

Examples of factors affecting the seriousness of a deficiency are:

- i. Impacts on project schedule, cost, or quality of work;
- ii. Unsafe conditions allowed to exist;
- iii. Complaints from the public;
- iv. Delay or interference with the bidding process;
- v. The potential for repetition;
- vi. Integrity of the public contracting process;
- vii. Effect on the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- (g) The District shall deny or revoke the pre-qualified status of any contractor and its affiliates for a period of 36 months when it is determined by the District that the contractor has, subsequent to January 1, 1978, been convicted of a contract crime within the jurisdiction of any state or federal court. Any such contractor shall not act as a prime contractor, material supplier, subcontractor, or consultant on any District contract or project during the period of denial or revocation.

(4) Reapplication and Reinstatement

(a) A contractor whose qualification to bid has been revoked or denied because of

contract crime may, at any time after revocation or denial, file a petition for reapplication or reinstatement. However, a contractor may not petition for reapplication or reinstatement for a period of 24 months after revocation or denial for a subsequent conviction occurring within 10 years of a previous denial or revocation for contract crime.

- (b) If the petition for reapplication or reinstatement is denied, the contractor cannot petition for a subsequent hearing for a period of nine months following the date of the final order of revocation or denial.
- (c) If the petition for reapplication or reinstatement is granted, the contractor must file a current Application for Qualification with the Contracts Administration Office. Reinstatement shall not be effective until issuance of a Certificate of Qualification.

(5) Emergency Suspension and Revocation

- (a) The District may summarily issue an emergency suspension of a contractor's qualification to bid if it finds that imminent danger exists to the public health, safety, or welfare.
- (b) The written notice of emergency suspension shall state the specific facts and reasons for finding an imminent danger to the public health, safety, or welfare exists.
- (c) The District, within 10 days of the emergency suspension, shall initiate formal suspension or revocation proceedings in compliance with Rule 3.4(3), except the 10-day notice requirement shall not be construed to prevent a hearing at the earliest time practicable upon request of the aggrieved party.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 190.033, 255.0525, 255.20, Fla. Stat.; §§ 14-22.012, 14-22.0121, 14-22.014, Fla. Admin. Code.

Rule 3.5 Construction Contracts, Not Design-Build.

- (1) Scope. All contracts for the construction or improvement of any building, structure, or other public construction works authorized by Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes, the costs of which are estimated by the District in accordance with generally accepted cost accounting principles to be in excess of the threshold amount for applicability of Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, as that amount may be indexed or amended from time to time, shall be let under the terms of these Rules and the procedures of Section 255.20 of the Florida Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time. A project shall not be divided solely to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of construction services is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
 - Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to (b) Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the District and in the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of sealed bids, proposals, replies, or responses, unless the Board, for good cause, determines a shorter period of time is appropriate. Any project projected to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) must be noticed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses. If the Board has previously pre-qualified contractors pursuant to Rule 3.4 and determined that only the contractors that have been pre-qualified will be permitted to submit bids, proposals, replies, and responses, the Notice of Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation need not be published. Instead, the Notice of Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be sent to the pre-qualified contractors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service.
 - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.

- (d) If the District has pre-qualified providers of construction services, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, or responses to Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations.
- (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the bidder is a corporation; and
 - (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Any contractor that has been found guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction of any violation of federal labor or employment tax laws regarding subjects including but not limited to, reemployment assistance, safety, tax withholding, worker's compensation, unemployment tax, social security and Medicare tax, wage or hour, or prevailing rate laws within the past five (5) years shall be deemed ineligible by the District to submit a bid, response, or proposal for a District project.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply, or response, if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

(f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses, or the portions of which that include the price, shall be publicly opened at a meeting noticed in accordance with Rule 1.3, and at which at least one district representative is present. The name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid shall be announced at such meeting and shall be made available upon request. Minutes should be taken at the meeting and maintained by the District. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or

Competitive Solicitation and these Rules. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, or responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board, provided such corrections do not result in a material change to the bid amount or create an unfair advantage. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.

- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder in response to an Invitation to Bid shall be accepted. In relation to a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, the Board shall select the Responsive Proposal, Reply, or Response submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Vendor which is most advantageous to the District. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, and responses.
- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No contractor shall be entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, response, or reply preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require potential contractors to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses, shall be provided in writing to all contractors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's purchase of construction services under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.

- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase construction services or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of construction services, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the construction services without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) Sole Source; Government. Construction services that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Construction services provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. This Rule shall not apply to the purchase of construction services, which may include goods, supplies, or materials, that are purchased under a federal, state, or local government contract that has been competitively procured by such federal, state, or local government in a manner consistent with the material procurement requirements of these Rules. A contract for construction services is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process.
- (4) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (5) Emergency Purchases. The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules only when there exists an immediate and serious need for construction services that cannot be met through normal procurement methods and the lack of such services would seriously threaten: (i) the District's ability to perform essential services; (ii) the preservation or protection of property or improvements; or (iii) the health, safety, or welfare of any person. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary, along with a detailed description of the basis for the emergency determination, shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board Meeting.
- (6) <u>Exceptions.</u> This Rule is inapplicable when:
 - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
 - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;
 - (c) The District has competitively awarded a project and the contractor has abandoned the project or the District has terminated the contract; or

(d) The District, after public notice, conducts a public meeting under Section 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, and finds by a majority vote of the Board that it is in the public's best interest to perform the project using its own services, employees, and equipment.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 189.053, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.6 Construction Contracts, Design-Build.

(1) <u>Scope.</u> The District may utilize Design-Build Contracts for any public construction project for which the Board determines that use of such contract is in the best interest of the District. When letting a Design-Build Contract, the District shall use the following procedure:

(2) Procedure.

- (a) The District shall utilize a Design Criteria Professional meeting the requirements of Section 287.055(2)(k) of the Florida Statutes, when developing a Design Criteria Package, evaluating the proposals and qualifications submitted by Design-Build Firms, and determining compliance of the project construction with the Design Criteria Package. The Design Criteria Professional may be an employee of the District, may be the District Engineer selected by the District pursuant to Section 287.055 of the Florida Statutes, or may be retained pursuant to Rule 3.1. The Design Criteria Professional is not eligible to render services under a Design-Build Contract executed pursuant to the Design Criteria Package.
- (b) A Design Criteria Package for the construction project shall be prepared and sealed by the Design Criteria Professional. If the project utilizes existing plans, the Design Criteria Professional shall create a Design Criteria Package by supplementing the plans with project specific requirements, if any.
- (c) The Board may either choose to award the Design-Build Contract pursuant to the competitive proposal selection process set forth in Section 287.055(9) of the Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the qualifications-based selection process pursuant to Rule 3.1.
 - (i) <u>Qualifications-Based Selection.</u> If the process set forth in Rule 3.1 is utilized, subsequent to competitive negotiations, a guaranteed maximum price and guaranteed completion date shall be established.
 - (ii) <u>Competitive Proposal-Based Selection.</u> If the competitive proposal selection process is utilized, the Board, in consultation with the Design Criteria Professional, shall establish the criteria, standards and procedures for the evaluation of Design-Build Proposals based on price, technical, and design aspects of the project, weighted for the project. After a Design Criteria Package and the standards and procedures for evaluation of proposals have been developed, competitive proposals from qualified firms shall be solicited pursuant to the design criteria by the following procedure:

- 1. A Request for Proposals shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the District is located. The notice shall allow at least twenty-one (21) days for submittal of sealed proposals, unless the Board, for good cause, determines a shorter period of time is appropriate. Any project projected to cost more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) must be noticed at least thirty (30) days prior to the date for submittal of proposals.
- 2. The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Requests for Proposals. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
- 3. In order to be eligible to submit a proposal, a firm must, at the time of receipt of the proposals:
 - a. Hold the required applicable state professional licenses in good standing, as defined by Section 287.055(2)(h) of the Florida Statutes;
 - b. Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;
 - c. Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the proposer is a corporation;
 - d. Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Request for Proposals and Design Criteria Package.

Any contractor that has been found guilty by a court of any violation of federal labor or employment tax laws regarding subjects including but not limited to reemployment assistance, safety, tax withholding, worker's compensation, unemployment tax, social security and Medicare tax, wage or hour, or prevailing rate laws within the past five (5) years may be considered ineligible by the District to submit a bid, response, or proposal for a District project.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the proposal if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the proposal.

- The proposals, or the portions of which that include the 4. price, shall be publicly opened at a meeting noticed in accordance with Rule 1.3, and at which at least one district representative is present. The name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid shall be announced at such meeting and shall be made available upon request. Minutes should be taken at the meeting and maintained by the In consultation with the Design Criteria District. Professional, the Board shall evaluate the proposals received based on evaluation criteria and procedures established prior to the solicitation of proposals, including but not limited to qualifications, availability, and past work of the firms and the partners and members thereof. The Board shall then select no fewer than three (3) Design-Build Firms as the most qualified.
- 5. The Board shall have the right to reject all proposals if the proposals are too high, or rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of proposal preparation or submittal from the District.
- 6. If less than three (3) Responsive Proposals are received, the District may purchase design-build services or may reject the proposals for lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Proposals are received, the District may proceed with the procurement of design-build services in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the design-build services without further competitive selection processes.
- 7. Notice of the rankings adopted by the Board, including the rejection of some or all proposals, shall be provided in writing to all consultants by United States Mail, hand delivery, electronic mail, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the

- District's rankings under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- 8. The Board shall negotiate a contract with the firm ranking the highest based on the evaluation standards and shall establish a price which the Board determines is fair, competitive and reasonable. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. The Board shall then undertake negotiations with the second most qualified firm, based on the ranking by the evaluation standards. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the second most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm must be terminated. The Board shall then undertake negotiations with the third most qualified firm. Should the Board be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the third most qualified at a price considered by the Board to be fair, competitive, and reasonable, negotiations with that firm Should the Board be unable to must be terminated. negotiate a satisfactory contract with any of the selected firms, the Board shall select additional firms in order of their rankings based on the evaluation standards and continue negotiations until an agreement is reached or the list of firms is exhausted.
- 9. After the Board contracts with a firm, the firm shall bring to the Board for approval, detailed working drawings of the project.
- 10. The Design Criteria Professional shall evaluate the compliance of the detailed working drawings and project construction with the Design Criteria Package and shall provide the Board with a report of the same.
- (3) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (4) <u>Emergency Purchase.</u> The Board may, in case of public emergency, declare an emergency and immediately proceed with negotiations with the best qualified Design-Build Firm available at the time. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

- (5) <u>Exceptions.</u> This Rule is inapplicable when:
 - (a) The project is undertaken as repair or maintenance of an existing public facility;
 - (b) The funding source of the project will be diminished or lost because the time required to competitively award the project after the funds become available exceeds the time within which the funding source must be spent;
 - (c) The District has competitively awarded a project and the contractor has abandoned the project or the District has terminated the contractor; or
 - (d) The District, after public notice, conducts a public meeting under Section 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, and finds by a majority vote of the Board that it is in the public's best interest to perform the project using its own services, employees, and equipment.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 189.053, 190.033, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 287.055, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.7 Payment and Performance Bonds.

- (1) <u>Scope.</u> This Rule shall apply to contracts for the construction of a public building, for the prosecution and completion of a public work, or for repairs upon a public building or public work and shall be construed in addition to terms prescribed by any other Rule that may also apply to such contracts.
- (2) Required Bond. Upon entering into a contract for any of the services described in section (1) of this Rule in excess of \$200,000, the Board should require that the contractor, before commencing the work, execute and record a payment and performance bond in an amount equal to the contract price. Notwithstanding the terms of the contract or any other law, the District may not make payment to the contractor until the contractor has provided to the District a certified copy of the recorded bond.
- (3) <u>Discretionary Bond.</u> At the discretion of the Board, upon entering into a contract for any of the services described in section (1) of this Rule for an amount not exceeding \$200,000, the contractor may be exempted from executing a payment and performance bond.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 255.05, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.8 Goods, Supplies, and Materials.

- (1) Purpose and Scope. All purchases of goods, supplies, or materials exceeding the amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR, shall be purchased under the terms of this Rule. Contracts for purchases of "goods, supplies, and materials" do not include printing, insurance, advertising, or legal notices. A contract involving goods, supplies, or materials plus maintenance services may, in the discretion of the Board, be treated as a contract for maintenance services. However, a purchase shall not be divided solely in order to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of goods, supplies, or materials is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
 - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
 - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
 - (d) If the District has pre-qualified suppliers of goods, supplies, and materials, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
 - (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;

- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply or response if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

Any firm or individual whose principal place of business is outside the State of Florida must also submit a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that foreign state to business entities whose principal places of business are in that foreign state, in the letting of any or all public contracts. Failure to submit such a written opinion or submission of a false or misleading written opinion may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

- (f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be publicly opened at the time and place noted on the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, and this Rule. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, or responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.
- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid, after taking into account the preferences provided for in this subsection, submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder in response to an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be accepted. If the lowest Responsive Bid is submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder whose principal place of business is located in a foreign state which does not grant a preference in competitive purchase to businesses whose principal place of business are in that foreign state, the lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder whose

principal place of business is in the State of Florida shall be awarded a preference of five percent (5%). If the lowest Responsive Bid is submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder whose principal place of business is located in a foreign state which grants a preference in competitive purchase to businesses whose principal place of business are in that foreign state, the lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder whose principal place of business is in the State of Florida shall be awarded a preference equal to the preference granted by such foreign state.

To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, and responses.

- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No vendor shall be entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, reply, or response preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require bidders and proposers to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's purchase of goods, supplies, and materials under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase goods, supplies, or materials, or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of goods, supplies, and materials, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the goods, supplies, and materials without further competitive selection processes.

- Goods, Supplies, and Materials included in a Construction Contract Awarded Pursuant to Rule 3.5 or 3.6. There may be occasions where the District has undergone the competitive purchase of construction services which contract may include the provision of goods, supplies, or materials. In that instance, the District may approve a change order to the contract and directly purchase the goods, supplies, and materials. Such purchase of goods, supplies, and materials deducted from a competitively purchased construction contract shall be exempt from this Rule.
- (4) Exemption. Goods, supplies, and materials that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Goods, supplies, and materials provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for goods, supplies, or materials is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process. This Rule shall not apply to the purchase of goods, supplies or materials that are purchased under a federal, state, or local government contract that has been competitively procured by such federal, state, or local government in a manner consistent with the material procurement requirements of these Rules.
- (5) <u>Renewal.</u> Contracts for the purchase of goods, supplies, and/or materials subject to this Rule may be renewed for a maximum period of five (5) years.
- (6) <u>Emergency Purchases.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: §§ 189.053, 190.033, 287.017, 287.084, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.9 Maintenance Services.

- (1) Scope. All contracts for maintenance of any District facility or project shall be set under the terms of this Rule if the cost exceeds the amount provided in Section 287.017 of the Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY FOUR. A contract involving goods, supplies, and materials plus maintenance services may, in the discretion of the Board, be treated as a contract for maintenance services. However, a purchase shall not be divided solely in order to avoid the threshold bidding requirements.
- (2) <u>Procedure.</u> When a purchase of maintenance services is within the scope of this Rule, the following procedures shall apply:
 - (a) The Board shall cause to be prepared an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.
 - (b) Notice of the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the District and within the county in which the District is located. The notice shall also include the amount of the bid bond, if one is required. The notice shall allow at least seven (7) days for submittal of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
 - (c) The District may maintain lists of persons interested in receiving notices of Invitations to Bid, Requests for Proposals, Invitations to Negotiate, and Competitive Solicitations. The District shall make a good faith effort to provide written notice, by electronic mail, United States Mail, or hand delivery, to persons who provide their name and address to the District Manager for inclusion on the list. However, failure of a person to receive the notice shall not invalidate any contract awarded in accordance with this Rule and shall not be a basis for a protest of any contract award.
 - (d) If the District has pre-qualified suppliers of maintenance services, then, at the option of the District, only those persons who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit bids, proposals, replies, and responses.
 - (e) In order to be eligible to submit a bid, proposal, reply, or response, a firm or individual must, at the time of receipt of the bids, proposals, replies, or responses:
 - (i) Hold all required applicable state professional licenses in good standing;
 - (ii) Hold all required applicable federal licenses in good standing, if any;

- (iii) Hold a current and active Florida corporate charter or be authorized to do business in the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes, if the vendor is a corporation; and
- (iv) Meet any special pre-qualification requirements set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation.

Evidence of compliance with these Rules must be submitted with the bid, proposal, reply, or response if required by the District. Failure to submit evidence of compliance when required may be grounds for rejection of the bid, proposal, reply, or response.

- (f) Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be publicly opened at the time and place noted on the Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation. Bids, proposals, replies, and responses shall be evaluated in accordance with the respective Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, and these Rules. Minor variations in the bids, proposals, replies, and responses may be waived by the Board. A variation is minor if waiver of the variation does not create a competitive advantage or disadvantage of a material nature. Mistakes in arithmetic extension of pricing may be corrected by the Board. Bids and proposals may not be modified or supplemented after opening; provided however, additional information may be requested and/or provided to evidence compliance, make non-material modifications, clarifications, or supplementations, and as otherwise permitted by Florida law.
- (g) The lowest Responsive Bid submitted in response to an Invitation to Bid by a Responsive and Responsible Bidder shall be accepted. In relation to a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate or Competitive Solicitation the Board shall select the Responsive Proposal, Reply, or Response submitted by a Responsive and Responsible Vendor which is most advantageous to the District. To assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements contained in a Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, discussions may be conducted with qualified vendors. Vendors shall be accorded fair treatment prior to the submittal date with respect to any opportunity for discussion, preparation, and revision of bids, proposals, replies, or responses.
- (h) The Board shall have the right to reject all bids, proposals, replies, or responses because they exceed the amount of funds budgeted for the purchase, if there are not enough to be competitive, or if rejection is determined to be in the best interest of the District. No Vendor shall be

- entitled to recover any costs of bid, proposal, reply, or response preparation or submittal from the District.
- (i) The Board may require bidders and proposers to furnish bid bonds, performance bonds, and/or other bonds with a responsible surety to be approved by the Board.
- (j) Notice of intent to award, including rejection of some or all bids, proposals, replies, or responses shall be provided in writing to all vendors by United States Mail, electronic mail, hand delivery, , or overnight delivery service. The notice shall include the following statement: "Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Rule 3.11 of the Rules of the District shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under those Rules," or wording to that effect. Protests of the District's procurement of maintenance services under this Rule shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Rule 3.11.
- (k) If less than three (3) Responsive Bids, Proposals, Replies, or Responses are received, the District may purchase the maintenance services or may reject the bids, proposals, replies, or responses for a lack of competitiveness. If no Responsive Bid, Proposal, Reply, or Response is received, the District may proceed with the procurement of maintenance services, in the manner the Board determines is in the best interests of the District, which may include but is not limited to a direct purchase of the maintenance services without further competitive selection processes.
- (3) Exemptions. Maintenance services that are only available from a single source are exempt from this Rule. Maintenance services provided by governmental agencies are exempt from this Rule. A contract for maintenance services is exempt from this Rule if state or federal law prescribes with whom the District must contract or if the rate of payment is established during the appropriation process.
- (4) <u>Renewal.</u> Contracts for the purchase of maintenance services subject to this Rule may be renewed for a maximum period of five (5) years.
- (5) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract entered into pursuant to this Rule shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.
- (6) <u>Emergency Purchases.</u> The District may make an Emergency Purchase without complying with these rules. The fact that an Emergency Purchase has occurred or is necessary shall be noted in the minutes of the next Board meeting.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.033, Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.033, 287.017, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.10 Contractual Services.

- (1) Exemption from Competitive Purchase. Pursuant to Section 190.033(3) of the Florida Statutes, Contractual Services shall not be subject to competitive purchasing requirements. If an agreement is predominantly for Contractual Services, but also includes maintenance services or the purchase of goods and services, the contract shall not be subject to competitive purchasing requirements. Regardless of whether an advertisement or solicitation for Contractual Services is identified as an Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Negotiate, or Competitive Solicitation, no rights or remedies under these Rules, including but not limited to protest rights, are conferred on persons, firms, or vendors proposing to provide Contractual Services to the District.
- (2) <u>Contracts; Public Records.</u> In accordance with Florida law, each contract for Contractual Services shall include provisions required by law that require the contractor to comply with public records laws.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 119.0701, 190.011(3), 190.033, Fla. Stat.

Rule 3.11 Protests with Respect to Proceedings under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, and 3.9.

The resolution of any protests with respect to proceedings under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, and 3.9 shall be in accordance with this Rule.

(1) <u>Filing.</u>

- With respect to a protest regarding qualifications, specifications, (a) documentation, or other requirements contained in a Request for Qualifications, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Bid, or Competitive Solicitation issued by the District, the notice of protest shall be filed in writing within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the first advertisement of the Request for Qualifications, Request for Proposals, Invitation to Bid, or Competitive Solicitation. A formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days (including Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the initial notice of protest was filed. For purposes of this Rule, wherever applicable, filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District. Failure to file a notice of protest shall constitute a waiver of all rights to protest the District's intended decision. Failure to file a formal written protest shall constitute an abandonment of the protest proceedings and shall automatically terminate the protest proceedings.
- (b) Except for those situations covered by subsection (1)(a) of this Rule, any firm or person who is affected adversely by a District's ranking or intended award under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, or 3.9 and desires to contest the District's ranking or intended award, shall file with the District a written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after receipt of the notice of the District's ranking or intended award. A formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days (including Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays) after the initial notice of protest was filed. For purposes of this Rule, wherever applicable, filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District. Failure to file a notice of protest shall constitute a waiver of all rights to protest the District's ranking or intended award. Failure to file a formal written protest shall constitute an abandonment of the protest proceedings and shall automatically terminate the protest proceedings.
- (c) If the requirement for the posting of a protest bond and the amount of the protest bond, which may be expressed by a percentage of the contract to be awarded or a set amount, is disclosed in the District's competitive solicitation documents for a particular purchase under Rules 3.1, 3.2, 3.3,

- 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.8, or 3.9, any person who files a notice of protest must post the protest bond. The amount of the protest bond shall be determined by District staff after consultation with the Board and within the limits, if any, imposed by Florida law. In the event the protest is successful, the protest bond shall be refunded to the protestor. In the event the protest is unsuccessful, the protest bond shall be applied towards the District's costs, expenses, and attorney's fees associated with hearing and defending the protest. In the event the protest is settled by mutual agreement of the parties, the protest bond shall be distributed as agreed to by the District and protestor.
- (d) The District does not accept documents filed by electronic mail or facsimile transmission. Filings are only accepted during normal business hours, which are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
- (2) <u>Contract Execution.</u> Upon receipt of a notice of protest which has been timely filed, the District shall not execute the contract under protest until the subject of the protest is resolved. However, if the District sets forth in writing particular facts and circumstances showing that delay incident to protest proceedings will jeopardize the funding for the project, will materially increase the cost of the project, or will create an immediate and serious danger to the public health, safety, or welfare, the contract may be executed.
- (3) <u>Informal Proceeding.</u> If the Board determines a protest does not involve a disputed issue of material fact, the Board may, but is not obligated to, schedule an informal proceeding to consider the protest. Such informal proceeding shall be at a time and place determined by the Board. Notice of such proceeding shall be sent via certified mail, hand delivery, or email with delivery confirmation to the protestor and any substantially affected persons or parties not less than three (3) calendar days prior to such informal proceeding. Within thirty (30) calendar days following the informal proceeding, the Board shall issue a written decision setting forth the factual, legal, and policy grounds for its decision.
- (4) <u>Formal Proceeding.</u> If the Board determines a protest involves disputed issues of material fact or if the Board elects not to use the informal proceeding process provided for in section (3) of this Rule, the District shall schedule a formal hearing to resolve the protest. The Chairperson shall designate any member of the Board (including the Chairperson), District Manager, District Counsel, or other qualified person as a hearing officer to conduct the hearing. The hearing officer may:
 - (a) Administer oaths and affirmations;
 - (b) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;
 - (c) Regulate the course of the hearing, including any pre-hearing matters;

- (d) Enter orders; and
- (e) Make or receive offers of settlement, stipulation, and adjustment.

The hearing officer shall, within thirty (30) days after the hearing or receipt of the hearing transcript, whichever is later, file a recommended order which shall include a caption, time and place of hearing, appearances entered at the hearing, statement of the issues, findings of fact and conclusions of law, separately stated, and a recommendation for final District action. The District shall allow each party fifteen (15) calendar days from receipt of the recommended order in which to submit written exceptions to the recommended order. The District shall issue a final order within sixty (60) days after the filing of the recommended order.

- (5) <u>Intervenors.</u> Other substantially affected persons may join the proceedings as intervenors by filing a motion to intervene within 10 calendar days of the initial protest filing, on terms that shall not unduly delay the proceedings.
- Rejection of all Qualifications, Bids, Proposals, Replies and Responses after Receipt of Notice of Protest. If the Board determines there was a violation of law, defect, or an irregularity in the competitive solicitation process, the Bids, Proposals, Replies, and Responses are too high, or if the Board determines it is otherwise in the District's best interest, the Board may reject all qualifications, bids, proposals, replies, and responses and start the competitive solicitation process anew. If the Board decides to reject all qualifications, bids, proposals, replies, and responses and start the competitive solicitation process anew, any pending protests shall automatically terminate.
- (7) <u>Settlement.</u> Nothing herein shall preclude the settlement of any protest under this Rule at any time.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

Law Implemented: § 190.033, Fla. Stat.

Rule 4.0 Effective Date.

These Rules shall be effective_______, 2025, except that no election of officers required by these Rules shall be required until after the next regular election for the Board.

Specific Authority: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat. Law Implemented: §§ 190.011(5), 190.011(15), Fla. Stat.

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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Fallschase Community Development District Performance Measures/Standards & Annual Reporting Form October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026

1. Community Communication and Engagement

Goal 1.1: Public Meetings Compliance

Objective: Hold regular Board of Supervisor meetings to conduct CDD-related business and discuss community needs.

Measurement: Number of public board meetings held annually as evidenced by meeting minutes and legal advertisements.

Standard: A minimum of two board meetings were held during the Fiscal Year or more as may be necessary or required by local ordinance and establishment requirements.

Achieved: Yes □ No □

Goal 1.2: Notice of Meetings Compliance

Objective: Provide public notice of each meeting at least seven days in advance, as specified in Section 190.007(1), *Florida Statues*, using at least two communication methods.

Measurement: Timeliness and method of meeting notices as evidenced by posting to CDD website, publishing in local newspaper and via electronic communication.

Standard: 100% of meetings were advertised with 7 days' notice per statute by at least two methods (i.e., newspaper, CDD website, electronic communications, annual meeting schedule).

Achieved: Yes \square No \square

Goal 1.3: Access to Records Compliance

Objective: Ensure that meeting minutes and other public records are readily available and easily accessible to the public by completing monthly CDD website checks.

Measurement: Monthly website reviews will be completed to ensure meeting minutes and other public records are up to date as evidenced by District Management's records.

Standard: 100% of monthly website checks were completed by District Management.

Achieved: Yes □ No □

2. Infrastructure and Facilities Maintenance

Goal 2.1: Engineer or Field Management Site Inspections

Objective: Engineer or Field Manager will conduct inspections to ensure safety and proper functioning of the District's infrastructure.

Measurement: Field Manager and/or District Engineer visits were successfully completed per agreement as evidenced by Field Manager and/or District Engineer's reports, notes or other record keeping method.

Standard: 100% of site visits were successfully completed as described within the applicable services agreement

Achieved: Yes □ No □

Goal 2.2: District Infrastructure and Facilities Inspections

Objective: District Engineer will conduct an annual inspection of the District's infrastructure and related systems.

Measurement: A minimum of one inspection completed per year as evidenced by District Engineer's report related to district's infrastructure and related systems.

Standard: Minimum of one inspection was completed in the Fiscal Year by the District's Engineer.

Achieved: Yes □ No □

3. Financial Transparency and Accountability

Goal 3.1: Annual Budget Preparation

Objective: Prepare and approve the annual proposed budget by June 15 and adopt the final budget by September 30 each year.

Measurement: Proposed budget was approved by the Board before June 15 and final budget was adopted by September 30 as evidenced by meeting minutes and budget documents listed on CDD website and/or within district records.

Standard: 100% of budget approval & adoption were completed by the statutory deadlines and posted to the CDD website.

Achieved: Yes \square No \square

Goal 3.2: Financial Reports

Objective: Publish to the CDD website the most recent versions of the following documents: Annual audit, current fiscal year budget with any amendments, and most recent financials within the latest agenda package.

Measurement: Annual audit, previous years' budgets, and financials are accessible to the public as evidenced by corresponding documents on the CDD's website.

Standard: CDD website contains 100% of the annual audit, most recently adopted/amended financials.	C
Achieved: Yes □ No □	
Goal 3.3: Annual Financial Audit	
Objective: Conduct an annual independent find publish the results to the CDD website for publishing.	* * *
Measurement: Timeliness of audit completion minutes showing board approval and annual autransmitted to the State of Florida.	•
Standard: Audit was completed by an independent requirements and results were posted to the CD Florida.	
Achieved: Yes □ No □	
Chair/Vice Chair:	Date:
Print Name:	
Fallschase Community Development District	
District Manager:	Date:
Print Name: <u>Cindy Cerbone</u>	
Fallschase Community Development District	

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FALLSCHASE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
UNAUDITED
JULY 31, 2025

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET JULY 31, 2025

ACCETO	General	Debt Service Fund Series 2021	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS Cash	\$ 29,722	\$ -	\$ 29,722
Investments	Ψ 25,122	Ψ -	Ψ 25,722
Revenue	_	527,140	527,140
Reserve	_	929,005	929,005
Sinking	_	, 1	, 1
Due from RMDC Inc.	74,873	-	74,873
Undeposited fund	2,969		2,969
Total assets	\$107,564	\$ 1,456,146	\$ 1,563,710
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Due to Developer Total liabilities	\$ 21,806 21,806	\$ -	\$ 21,806 21,806
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred receipts	74,873		74,873
Total deferred inflows of resources	74,873		74,873
Fund balances: Restricted for Debt service		1,456,146	1,456,146
Unassigned	10,885	1,430,140	10,885
Total fund balances	10,885	1,456,146	1,467,031
Total faria balariood	10,000	1,400,140	1,407,001
Total liabilities & fund balances	\$107,564	\$ 1,456,146	\$ 1,563,710

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GENERAL FUND FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JULY 31, 2025

	Current Month	Year to Date	Adopted Budget	% of Budget
REVENUES				
Assessment levy: on-roll - net	\$ -	\$ 23,271	\$ 12,450	187%
Assessment levy: off-roll	2,969	2,969	88,141	3%
Interest	17	343	-	0%
Total revenues	2,986	26,583	100,591	26%
EXPENDITURES				
Supervisors	-	-	6,000	0%
FICA	-	-	459	0%
Management fees	4,000	40,000	48,000	83%
Debt service fund accounting	458	4,583	5,500	83%
Legal	-	-	9,000	0%
Engineering	-	270	3,500	8%
Audit	7,500	7,500	7,500	100%
Arbitrage rebate calculation	-	-	750	0%
Dissemination agent	83	833	1,000	83%
Trustee	-	4,031	6,500	62%
Telephone	16	167	200	84%
Postage	-	113	600	19%
Printing & binding	42	417	500	83%
Legal advertising	-	-	1,200	0%
Annual district filing fee	-	175	175	100%
Insurance	-	7,449	7,878	95%
Contingencies	-	, -	400	0%
ADA website compliance	-	210	210	100%
Website	_	705	705	100%
Tax collector	-	693	519	134%
Total expenditures	12,099	67,146	100,596	67%
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues				
over/(under) expenditures	(9,113)	(40,563)	(5)	
Fund balance - beginning Committed:	19,998	51,448	37,801	
Working capital	30,752	30,752	30,752	
Unassigned	(19,867)	(19,867)	7,044	
Fund balance - ending	\$ 10,885	\$ 10,885	\$ 37,796	

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES DEBT SERVICE FUND SERIES 2021 BONDS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JULY 31, 2025

	Currer Month			ar To ate		Adopted Budget	% of Budget
REVENUES	1						
Assessment levy: on-roll - net	\$	-	\$ 23	31,054	\$	126,529	183%
Assessment levy: off-roll		-	70	04,032		803,429	88%
Interest	4,6	317_	4	16,897		-	N/A
Total revenues	4,6	617	98	31,983		929,958	106%
EXPENDITURES							
Debt service			0.1	-0.000		0.40.000	4000/
Principal		-		50,000		340,000	103%
Interest		<u> </u>		79,069		579,069	100%
Total debt service		<u> </u>	92	29,069		919,069	101%
Other fees & charges							
Tax collector		-		6,884		3,954	174%
Total other fees and charges		-		6,884		3,954	174%
Total expenditures			93	35,953		923,023	101%
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues							
over/(under) expenditures	4,6	617	2	16,030		6,935	
Fund balances - beginning	1,451,	529	1,4 ²	10,116	1	1,374,946	
Fund balances - ending	\$ 1,456,	146	\$ 1,45	56,146	\$ 1	1,381,881	

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

MINUTES

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1 2 3	MINUTES O FALLSO COMMUNITY DEVE	CHASE
4 5	The Board of Supervisors of the Fallsc	hase Community Development District held a
6	Regular Meeting on April 7, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.	, at 2810 Remington Green Circle, Tallahassee,
7	Florida 32308.	
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9 10	Present:	
11 12 13 14 15	Richard Yates Rick Singletary Lewis Singletary William Lamb Jeffrey "Jeff" Phipps	Chair Vice Chair Assistant Secretary Assistant Secretary Supervisor-Elect
17 18	Also present:	
19 20 21 22 23 24 25	Cindy Cerbone Chris Conti Kenza van Assenderp (via telephone) Roger Wynn (via telephone) Jessica McGrew Susan Platt	District Manager Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC District Counsel District Engineer RMDC, Inc. RMDC, Inc.
26 27 28	FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS	Call to Order/Roll Call
29	Ms. Cerbone called the meeting to order	at 1:32 p.m.
30 31	All Supervisors were present.	
32 33	SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS	Public Comments
34	No members of the public spoke.	
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36 37 38 39 40	THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS	Consideration of Resolution 2025-01, Approving a Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Setting a Public Hearing Thereon Pursuant to Florida Law; Addressing Transmittal, Posting and Publication Requirements; Addressing

42 Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

Ms. Cerbone presented Resolution 2025-01. She confirmed with Mr. Yates prior to the meeting that the existing Maintenance Agreement with the HOA to maintain CDD improvements will remain in effect, which is why there are no field operations expenses in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget. The HOA will budget, fund, collect and service and take care of any required repairs and maintenance for CDD improvements.

In response to a question, Ms. Cerbone stated she does not know the process the HOA uses to collects fees from the homeowner. The CDD's budget is comprised of Professional & Administrative expenses only.

Mr. Yates and others agreed it was not necessary to transition the field operations budget from the HOA to the CDD. Mr. van Assenderp stated that the purpose of the District is to manage, at sustained levels of quality, the infrastructure provided by the District that happens to be funded by the bonds and the assessments, it is not financing. However, Districts are being viewed more as a financing mechanism than they are for its legal purpose of managing the infrastructure. If the District Manager and District Engineer believe the HOA is not meeting the District's standard, which exceeds the standards of any County or State requirements, then the CDD can take it back. He advised the District to take charge of its responsibilities sooner than later.

In response to a question about calculating assessments if the decision was made to increase the budget to offset inflation costs, Ms. Cerbone stated that the assessments for the Profesisonal and Administrative portion of the budget are the same amount for all property owners; however, if the Board decides to transfer and incorporate Field Operations into the budget, she recommends using the same calculation on a front footage basis, used for the Debt Service Fund. This would require setting a public hearing to establish that method. Mr. van Assenderp agreed with Ms. Cerbone's explanation and that the District must be consistent with its initial process of apportioning the special benefits that flow peculiar to the various parcels and the various sizes of parcels.

Discussion ensued regarding comments about the HOA Board enhancing its rules on how things are managed, the bonds were raised upon express showing at the validation proceeding that the District is going to manage its improvements and Management's office receiving and conveying HOA related calls to the Property Manager's office, who have responded phenomenally.

Mr. van Assenderp asked if the CDD Agreement with the HOA, provides that the District can take over, criticize/stop/overcome mistakes. Mr. Yates stated he thinks so; it will probably need to be enhanced as activities forces them to make adjustments to deal with the drama that goes along with managing this.

Ms. Cerbone reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget, highlighting increases, decreases and adjustments, compared to the Fiscal Year 2025 budget, and explained the reasons for any changes. She reviewed the Assessment Summary Table on Page 7, depicting the assessments slightly decreasing.

Discussion ensued regarding the intent is for the Clubhouse to be private instead of open to the public and who is building the pool for the Clubhouse.

The Public Hearing date on the Resolution will be changed to September 8, 2025.

On MOTION by Mr. Phipps and seconded by Mr. Rick Singletary, with all in favor, Resolution 2025-01, as amended, Approving a Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Setting a Public Hearing Thereon Pursuant to Florida Law for September 8, 2025 at 1:30 p.m., at 2810 Remington Green Circle, Tallahassee, Florida 32308; Addressing Transmittal, Posting and Publication Requirements; Addressing Severability; and Providing an Effective Date, was adopted.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2025-02, Designating Dates, Times and Locations for Regular Meetings of the Board of Supervisors of the District for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Providing for an Effective Date

Ms. Cerbone presented Resolution 2025-02. She proposed scheduling certain meetings on the first and second Monday of certain months and not scheduling a meeting for January 2026. Meetings will only be held as needed.

The following will be inserted into the Fiscal Year 2026 Meeting Schedule:

FALLSCHASE CDD	DRAFT	April 7, 2025

108	l	DATES: October 6, 2025; November 3, 2	025; December 8, 2025; January 5, 2026;
109	Februar	ry 2, 2026; March 2, 2026; April 6, 2026;	May 4, 2026; June 1, 2026; July 13, 2026;
110	August	3, 2026; and September 14, 2026	
111	-	TIME: 1:30 PM	
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113 114 115 116 117	1	On MOTION by Mr. Phipps and secondon Resolution 2025-02, Designating Dates, Meetings of the Board of Supervisors of the samended, and Providing for an Effective	Times and Locations for Regular ne District for Fiscal Year 2025/2026,
118 119 120 121 122 123		PRDER OF BUSINESS	Consideration of Resolution 2025-03, Electing Chris Conti as Assistant Secretary of the District, and Providing for an Effective Date
124		·	. The purpose of this Resolution is to appoint
125		·	prior appointments by the Board remain
126	unchan	ged by this Resolution.	
127 128 129 130 131 132	1	On MOTION by Mr. Phipps and seconder favor, Resolution 2025-03, Electing Chris District, and Providing for an Effective Date	Conti as Assistant Secretary of the e, was adopted.
133 134 135 136 137 138		ORDER OF BUSINESS Ms. Cerbone presented the Leon County Pr	Ratification of Leon County Property Appraiser Agreement Electing to Use the Uniform Collection Method for Non-Ad Valorem Assessments Toperty Appraiser Agreement Electing to Use
139		•	em Assessments. Leon County requires the
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CDD enter into an Agreement with the Property Appraiser each year for placing assessments on the tax bill utilizing the services of the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector.

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A Board Member asked if the CDD funds and HOA fees are collected monthly or annually. Ms. Cerbone stated the Tax Collector remits the debt and O&M on-roll assessment funds for platted lots to the CDD on a periodic basis, whereas Management's office creates the debt and O&M off-roll assessment invoices for un-platted lots and submits them to the landowner. In response to a question as to what the HOA fees are, Ms. Cerbone stated this is not a CDD matter and did not know. Ms. McGrew thinks the annual assessment amount is about \$310 or \$320 per lot.

In response to a question about the tax roll, Ms. Cerbone discussed the process involved in preparing the CDD tax rolls. Mr. van Assenderp noted the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector are no longer part of the County government, which is the reason for the Agreement. He reviewed the roles of each party in placing assessments on the tax bill and thinks the process needs to be streamlined and that Ms. Cerbone would be a great expert witness before the legislature.

On MOTION by Mr. Phipps and seconded by Mr. Lamb, with all in favor, the Leon County Property Appraiser Agreement Electing to Use the Uniform Collection Method for Non-Ad Valorem Assessments, was ratified.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of February 28, 2025

On MOTION by Mr. Phipps and seconded by Mr. Lewis Singletary, with all in favor, the Unaudited Financial Statements as of February 28, 2025, were accepted.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of September 23, 2024 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes

On MOTION by Mr. Phipps and seconded by Mr. Rick Singletary, with all in favor, the September 23, 2024 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented, were approved.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

A. Attorney: van Assenderp Law

Mr. van Assenderp announced his intent to resign as Legal Counsel for the District, due to his schedule taking him out of state. It will go into effect once the CDD engages new District Counsel. Mr. Yates and others conveyed accolades to Mr. van Assenderp.

184		On	MOTION by Mr. Phipps and	seconded by Mr. Rick Singletary, with all in
185		favor, the resignation of van Assenderp Law/Mr. van Assenderp as District		
186		Counsel, subject to the District entering into an agreement for District Counsel		
187		with	another individual/firm, was	accepted.
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189 190	В.	Engi	neer: Moore Bass Consulting,	Inc.
191		Ther	e was no report.	
192	C.	Man	ager: Wrathell, Hunt and Ass	ociates, LLC
193		>	June 2, 2025 at 1:30 PM	
194		>	August 4, 2025 at 1:30 PM	[Adoption of FY 2026 Budget]
195		•	NEXT MEETING DATE: TBD	
196		0	QUORUM CHECK	
197		The	June 2, 2025 meeting will be c	ancelled. The next meeting will be held on September
198	8, 202	25 inst	ead of August 4, 2025.	
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200	TENTI	H ORD	ER OF BUSINESS	Supervisors' Comment/Requests
201 202		Ther	e were no Supervisors' comme	ents or requests.
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204	ELEVE	NTH (ORDER OF BUSINESS	Public Comments
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206		No r	nembers of the public spoke.	
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208 209	TWEL	FTH O	RDER OF BUSINESS	Adjournment
210		On	MOTION by Mr. Phinns and	seconded by Mr. Rick Singletary, with all in
211			r, the meeting adjourned at 2	
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FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

STAFF REPORTS



April 16, 2025

Fallschase Community Development District ATTN: Daphne Gillyard 2300 Glades Road, Ste. 410W Boca Raton, Florida 33431

Sent via email

Dear Ms. Gillyyard:

Our office received your request for the number of registered voters who reside within the Fallschase Community Development District as of April 15, 2025.

The number of active registered voters residing within the Fallschase Community Development District as of April 15, 2025 is 174.

I hope you have found this information to be helpful. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at Vote@LeonVotes.gov or (850) 606-8683.

Sincerely,

Mark S. Earley

Leon County Supervisor of Elections

FALLSCHASE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 MEETING SCHEDULE

LOCATION

2810 Remington Green Circle, Tallahassee, Florida 32308

DATE	POTENTIAL DISCUSSION/FOCUS	TIME
October 6, 2025	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
November 3, 2025	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
December 8, 2025*	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
January 5, 2026	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
February 2, 2026	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
March 2, 2026	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
April 6, 2026	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
May 4, 2026	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
June 1, 2026	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
July 13, 2026**	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
August 3, 2026	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM
September 14, 2026***	Regular Meeting	1:30 PM

Exception

^{*}The December meeting date is one (1) week later to accommodate the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend

^{**}The July meeting date is one (1) week later to accommodate the Fourth of July Holiday weekend

^{***}The September meeting date is one (1) week later to accommodate the Labor Day Holiday