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# **McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District**

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**(A Component Unit of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona)**



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## Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors  
McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District

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

#### ***Opinions***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District, (District), a component unit of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District, as of June 30, 2021, 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities 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.

#### ***Change in Accounting Principle***

As described in Note 1, the District implemented the provisions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*, and Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements* (SBITAs) for the year ended June 30, 2021, which represents a change in accounting principle. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

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

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

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements. In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

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

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

### ***Other Matters***

#### ***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.

*Supplementary Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The Supplementary Budget information for the Debt Service Fund is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The Supplementary Budget information for the Debt Service Fund is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Supplementary Budget information for the Debt Service Fund information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 21, 2021, on our consideration of McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Heinfeld Meech & Co. PC*

Heinfeld, Meech & Co., P.C.  
Scottsdale, Arizona  
October 21, 2021

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# Management's Discussion and Analysis

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

As management of the McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District (District), we offer readers a narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the District. The District is one of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona's component units for financial reporting purposes for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

Formed in 1994, the District is a special purpose taxing district and separate political subdivision under Arizona statutes. As such, the District can levy taxes and issue bonds, independent of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona (City). Property owners within the District boundaries pay for District infrastructure and functions through secondary property tax assessments. City staff administers the District and the costs of their services are reimbursed by District funds. The Scottsdale City Council also serves as the District Board of Directors.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For the year ending 2020/21, the District's:

- Tax collections and beginning fund balances were sufficient to pay debt service.
- Tax rate continued to comply with the City-imposed assessment limit of \$3.00 per \$100 assessed valuation; the tax rate was \$0.64 per \$100 assessed valuation.
- Governmental funds reported an ending fund balance of \$208,521; Of this amount, \$13,453 was in the General Fund and \$195,068 was in the Debt Service Fund.
- Governmental fund revenues were more than expenditures by \$9,013, the tax rate decreased from \$0.67 in fiscal year 2019/20 to \$0.64.
- Total long-term debt decreased by \$1,280,000 due to scheduled principal payments.
- Significant bond indentures were in compliance.

## OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis introduces the District's basic financial statements. Because of its limited purpose, the District's basic financial statements are comprised of two components: (1) Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and the Statement of Activities and Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance and (2) Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

Because the District has only one governmental program, the government-wide and fund financial statements are combined.

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# Management's Discussion and Analysis

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Government-wide Financial Statements

The *Statement of Net Position* is 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 of the District's assets and liabilities, and deferred outflows/inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as useful indicators of whether or not the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The *Statement of Activities* presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. Changes in net position are reported when 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, such as revenues pertaining to uncollected taxes and expenses related to accrued interest.

## 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 the City, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the Debt Service funds are restricted as to use, and the General funds are unassigned.

The District maintains two governmental funds, general and debt service. Information is presented in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and in the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances for the General Fund and Debt Service Fund.

The District adopts an annual budget for its General Fund and Debt Service Fund. Supplementary budgetary schedules have been provided to demonstrate compliance with these budgets.

## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes to the basic financial statements provide additional information that is essential to acquire a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

## Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents as required supplementary information a comparison between budgeted and actual amounts within the General Fund.



# Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The liabilities of the District exceeded its assets at the close of the most recent fiscal year by approximately \$1.1 million (net position). The District's purpose is to acquire and improve public infrastructure in specified land areas. As a special purpose district and a separate political subdivision under the Arizona Constitution, the District can levy taxes and issue bonds independently of the City. Property owners in the designated areas are assessed for District taxes to pay the debt service over the life of the bonds. The City Council serves as the Board of Directors. However, the City has no liability for the District's debt. For financial reporting purposes, transactions of the District are combined together and included as if they were part of the City's operations and the assets financed through the District are combined with the infrastructure of the City. Because the capital assets are recorded in the City's basic financial statements, the Statement of Net Position for the District reflects a large liability without an offsetting asset.

### Net Position

June 30, 2021 and 2020

|                        | <b>Governmental Activities</b> |                |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
|                        | <b>2021</b>                    | <b>2020</b>    |
| <b>ASSETS</b>          |                                |                |
| Current Assets         | \$ 40,663                      | \$ 27,941      |
| Noncurrent Assets      | 1,494,038                      | 1,474,588      |
| Total Assets           | 1,534,701                      | 1,502,529      |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>     |                                |                |
| Current Liabilities    | 1,317,133                      | 1,284,599      |
| Noncurrent Liabilities | 1,357,171                      | 2,659,341      |
| Total Liabilities      | 2,674,304                      | 3,943,940      |
| <b>NET POSITION</b>    |                                |                |
| Restricted             | 204,115                        | 217,930        |
| Unrestricted           | (1,343,718)                    | (2,659,341)    |
| Total Net Position     | \$ (1,139,603)                 | \$ (2,441,411) |

During the fiscal year, the District's total net position increased by \$1,301,808.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## Changes in Net Position

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

|                                 | Governmental Activities |                |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
|                                 | 2021                    | 2020           |
| <b>REVENUES</b>                 |                         |                |
| Taxes                           | \$ 1,364,635            | \$ 1,349,607   |
| Interest                        | 81                      | 2,301          |
| Total Revenues                  | 1,364,716               | 1,351,908      |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                 |                         |                |
| General Government              | 10,362                  | 10,917         |
| Debt Service                    | 52,546                  | 87,477         |
| Total Expenses                  | 62,908                  | 98,394         |
| Change in Net Position          | 1,301,808               | 1,253,514      |
| Net Position, Beginning of Year | (2,441,411)             | (3,694,925)    |
| Net Position, End of Year       | \$ (1,139,603)          | \$ (2,441,411) |

Revenues increased in fiscal year 2020/21 due to an increase in taxes collected and expenses decreased due to the reduction in long-term debt interest, increasing the District's net position.

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with legal requirements related to special purpose districts and general obligation bonds.

## Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of resources that are available for spending. Such information is useful in assessing the District's ability to pay the debt service on the general obligation bonds it issues to fund construction or acquisition of public infrastructure.

As of the end of fiscal year 2020/21, the District's governmental funds reported revenues more than expenditures by \$9,013 and an ending fund balance of \$208,521. Of the total ending fund balance, \$13,453 is in the General Fund and \$195,068 is in the Debt Service Fund.

Revenues totaled \$1,374,091 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, of which \$1,374,010 was property tax collected and \$81 was from interest earnings.

## Capital Assets and Debt Administration

The District was formed to finance and acquire or construct amenities that are subsequently dedicated to the City for operation. The District does not own or operate infrastructure. Since formation, District bonds have been issued, and the proceeds used for the completion of Thompson Peak Parkway and other infrastructure, such as water and sewer lines necessary for the McDowell Mountain Ranch development.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

The District has issued \$18,860,000 of the \$20,000,000 authorized bonds. In fiscal years 1998/99 and 2012/2013, the City Council and the District Board approved the issuance of refunding bonds to consolidate and reduce the costs of the District debt. Refunding bonds totaling \$11,555,000 were issued.

In the event that the District Board decides at a future time to dissolve the District, State statute provides that all taxable property in the District will remain subject to the lien for the payment of the bonds until all bonds have been defeased.

The District is not engaged in any significant activities other than providing for the levy of secondary property taxes to pay debt service and administrative fees.

### Outstanding Debt

June 30, 2021 and 2020

|                          | Governmental Activities |                     |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
|                          | 2021                    | 2020                |
| General Obligation Bonds | <u>\$ 1,335,000</u>     | <u>\$ 2,615,000</u> |

The District's total long-term debt decreased by \$1,280,000 during the current fiscal year due to the payment of principal on the refunding bonds.

### Next Year's Budget and Rates

The fiscal year 2021/22 District budget includes a \$0.57 tax rate per \$100 of assessed value. This is a \$0.07 decrease from the rate used in the fiscal year 2020/21 budget. The District's long-term financial plan considers the impacts of COVID-19 and the uncertain timing of the recovery.

### Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all of those with an interest in the government's finances. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Scottsdale City Treasurer's Office at 7447 E. Indian School Road, Suite 210, Scottsdale, AZ 85251.

## Basic Financial Statements

**Statement of Net Position and Governmental Funds Balance Sheet**  
June 30, 2021

|   | General<br>Fund  | Debt Service<br>Fund | Total               | Adjustments           | Statement of<br>Net Position |
|---|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>   |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Assets  |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Current Assets  |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Cash  | \$ 13,362        | \$ -                 | \$ 13,362           | \$ -                  | \$ 13,362                    |
| Taxes Receivable  | 91               | 27,210               | 27,301              | -                     | 27,301                       |
| Total Current Assets  | 13,453           | 27,210               | 40,663              | -                     | 40,663                       |
| Noncurrent Assets   |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Restricted Cash   | -                | 1,494,038            | 1,494,038           | -                     | 1,494,038                    |
| Total Assets  | <u>\$ 13,453</u> | <u>\$ 1,521,248</u>  | <u>\$ 1,534,701</u> | <u>\$ -</u>           | <u>\$ 1,534,701</u>          |
| <b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES,<br/>AND FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION</b> |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Liabilities   |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Current Liabilities   |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Matured Bonds Payable   | \$ -             | \$ 1,280,000         | \$ 1,280,000        | \$ -                  | \$ 1,280,000                 |
| Interest Payable  | -                | 37,133               | 37,133              | -                     | 37,133                       |
| Total Current Liabilities   | -                | 1,317,133            | 1,317,133           | -                     | 1,317,133                    |
| Noncurrent Liabilities  |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Due Within One Year   | -                | -                    | -                   | 1,335,000             | 1,335,000                    |
| Due After One Year  | -                | -                    | -                   | 22,171                | 22,171                       |
| Total Noncurrent Liabilities  | -                | -                    | -                   | 1,357,171             | 1,357,171                    |
| Total Liabilities   | -                | 1,317,133            | 1,317,133           | 1,357,171             | 2,674,304                    |
| Deferred Inflows of Resources   |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Unavailable Revenues  | -                | 9,047                | 9,047               | (9,047)               | -                            |
| Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources                                   | -                | 1,326,180            | 1,326,180           | 1,348,124             | 2,674,304                    |
| Fund Balances/Net Position  |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Fund Balances   |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Restricted  | -                | 195,068              | 195,068             | (195,068)             | -                            |
| Unassigned  | 13,453           | -                    | 13,453              | (13,453)              | -                            |
| Total Fund Balances   | 13,453           | 195,068              | 208,521             | (208,521)             | -                            |
| Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources,<br>and Fund Balances                | <u>\$ 13,453</u> | <u>\$ 1,521,248</u>  | <u>\$ 1,534,701</u> |                       |                              |
| Net Position  |                  |                      |                     |                       |                              |
| Restricted for Debt Service   |                  |                      |                     | 204,115               | 204,115                      |
| Unrestricted  |                  |                      |                     | (1,343,718)           | (1,343,718)                  |
| Total Net Position  |                  |                      |                     | <u>\$ (1,139,603)</u> | <u>\$ (1,139,603)</u>        |

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Statement of Activities and Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances**  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

|   | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Debt Service<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>Adjustments</b> | <b>Statement of<br/>Activities</b> |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                               |                         |                              |              |                    |                                    |
| Taxes   | \$ 23,800               | \$ 1,350,210                 | \$ 1,374,010 | \$ (9,375)         | \$ 1,364,635                       |
| Interest                                      | 15                      | 66                           | 81           | -                  | 81                                 |
| Total Revenues                                | 23,815                  | 1,350,276                    | 1,374,091    | (9,375)            | 1,364,716                          |
| <b>EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>                  |                         |                              |              |                    |                                    |
| Current                                       |                         |                              |              |                    |                                    |
| General Government                            |                         |                              |              |                    |                                    |
| City Treasurer - Finance and Accounting       | \$ 10,362               | \$ -                         | \$ 10,362    | \$ -               | \$ 10,362                          |
| Debt Service                                  |                         |                              |              |                    |                                    |
| Principal Retirement                          | -                       | 1,280,000                    | 1,280,000    | (1,280,000)        | -                                  |
| Interest and Fiscal Charges                   | -                       | 74,716                       | 74,716       | (22,170)           | 52,546                             |
| Total Expenditures/Expenses                   | 10,362                  | 1,354,716                    | 1,365,078    | (1,302,170)        | 62,908                             |
| Change in Fund Balances/Net Position          | 13,453                  | (4,440)                      | 9,013        | 1,292,795          | 1,301,808                          |
| Fund Balances/Net Position, Beginning of Year | -                       | 199,508                      | 199,508      | (2,640,919)        | (2,441,411)                        |
| Fund Balances/Net Position, End of Year       | \$ 13,453               | \$ 195,068                   | \$ 208,521   | \$ (1,348,124)     | \$ (1,139,603)                     |

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District (District), a component unit of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona (City), conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to governmental units as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. A summary of the more significant accounting policies of the District follows.

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the District evaluated Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates* and No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements* (SBITAs) and determined that they did not impact the preparation of these financial statements.

#### A. Reporting Entity

The McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District was formed by petition to the City of Scottsdale City Council in January 1994. The District's purpose is to acquire and improve public infrastructure in specified land areas. As a special purpose district and separate political subdivision under the Arizona Constitution, the District can levy taxes and issue bonds independently of the City. Property owners in the designated areas are assessed for District taxes and thus for the costs of operating the District. The City Council serves as the Board of Directors; however, the City has no liability for the District's debt. For financial reporting purposes, transactions of the McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District are included as if the District were part of the City's operations.

#### B. 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 nonfiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and miscellaneous revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. The District had no business-type activities during the fiscal year.

Financial statements are provided for major governmental funds, with an adjustments column to arrive at government-wide statement amounts.

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

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied.

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## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both earned 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 District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 31 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting, except expenditures related to claims and judgments, which are recorded only when payment is due. However, since debt service resources are provided during the current year for payment of governmental long-term principal and interest due early in the following year, the expenditures and related liabilities have been recognized in the Debt Service Fund.

Property taxes associated with the current fiscal period are considered to be susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Interest is accrued in the current fiscal period when the revenue is earned. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The *General Fund* accounts for resources accumulated and used for the payment of other operating expenses for the District, which may include insurance, legal fees and administration costs.

The *Debt Service Fund* accounts for resources accumulated and used for the payment of governmental long-term debt including principal, interest and related costs.

The spending order for the District is to use restricted funds and then unassigned funds as they are needed. Currently the District does not have any unassigned, nonspendable, committed or assigned funds.

#### **D. Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position/Fund Balance**

##### **1. Cash and Investments**

Arizona Revised Statutes authorize the District to invest public monies in the State or County Treasurers' investment pools, interest bearing savings accounts, certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements in eligible depositories; bonds or other obligations of the United States government that are guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States government; or bonds of the State of Arizona counties, cities, towns, school districts or special districts as specified by statute. As required by statute, collateral is required for demand deposits, certificates of deposit, and repurchase agreements at 100 percent of all deposits not covered by federal depository insurance.

Cash and investments held by trustee at June 30, 2021, plus accrued interest, are restricted as to usage.

##### **2. Restricted Assets**

Cash and investments held by the District's trustee are classified as restricted on the statement of net position because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants.



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## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### 3. Capital Assets

Capital assets acquired or construction of infrastructure assets by the District are dedicated to the City of Scottsdale, Arizona to maintain and operate. As a result, the District owns no capital assets.

#### 4. Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities. Bond premiums and discounts are amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are expensed when incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond 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.

#### 5. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the financial statements report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The District has no items that qualify as a deferred outflow of resources.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has only one type of this item, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the balance sheet.

#### 6. Net Position/Fund Balance

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report nonspendable portions of fund balance related to prepaids, inventories, long-term receivables, and corpus on any permanent fund. Restricted funds are constrained by outside parties (statute, grantors, bond agreements, etc.). Committed fund balances are established and modified by a resolution approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors passed a resolution authorizing the City of Scottsdale City Treasurer to assign fund balances and their intended uses. Unassigned fund balances are considered the remaining amounts. When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available, it is the District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources. When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which committed, assigned and unassigned amounts are available, it is the District's policy to use committed first, then assigned, and finally unassigned amounts.

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## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

In the government-wide financial statements, net position is reported in two categories: restricted and unrestricted. Restricted accounts for the portion of net position restricted by bond covenant. Unrestricted is the remaining net position not included in the previous category.

#### **E. Estimates**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

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## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### NOTE 2 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**A. Amounts reported in the statement of net position are different because:**

|  |                              |
|--|------------------------------|
| Tax revenues not available to pay current-period expenditures are deferred inflows in the funds.   | \$ 9,047                     |
| Issuance premium is long-term in nature to be amortized over the life of the bonds, therefore, is not reported in the funds.             | (22,171)                     |
| Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period; therefore, are not reported in the funds. | <u>(1,335,000)</u>           |
| Net adjustment to reduce total fund balance to arrive at net position.   | (1,348,124)                  |
| Total Fund Balance   | <u>208,521</u>               |
| <b>Total Net Position</b>  | <b><u>\$ (1,139,603)</u></b> |

**B. Amounts reported in the statement of activities are different because:**

|   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| Tax revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.  | \$ (9,375)                 |
| The repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds; however, it has no effect on net position.                   | 1,280,000                  |
| Governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are amortized in the statement of activities. | <u>22,170</u>              |
| Net adjustments to reconcile net changes in fund balances to change in net position.  | 1,292,795                  |
| Net change in Fund Balance  | <u>9,013</u>               |
| <b>Change in Net Position</b>   | <b><u>\$ 1,301,808</u></b> |

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## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### NOTE 3 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### A. Budgetary Information

The District adopts an annual operating budget for revenues and expenditures for the General Fund and Debt Service Fund on essentially the same modified accrual basis of accounting used to record actual expenditures. Budgetary control over expenditures is exercised at the fund level.

#### B. Deficit Net Position

As described in Note 1, the District was formed to finance and acquire or construct infrastructure assets that are subsequently dedicated to the City for operation. The District does not own or operate infrastructure. Therefore, the Statement of Net Position reflects a large liability without an offsetting asset.

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# Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## NOTE 4 – DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

### A. Assets

#### 1. Deposits

**Deposits** – At June 30, 2021, the carrying amount of the District’s deposits and bank balance were \$1,507,400.

##### *Custodial Credit Risk*

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District’s deposits may not be returned to it. As of June 30, 2021, \$1,494,038 of the District’s deposits were uninsured and collateralized by securities held by the pledging bank’s trust department not in the District’s name, and therefore exposed to custodial credit risk.

#### 2. Restricted Assets

Restricted cash at June 30, 2021, as follows:

|                 | <b>Debt Service<br/>Fund</b> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Restricted Cash | <u><u>\$ 1,494,038</u></u>   |

#### 3. Property Taxes Receivable

The Maricopa County Treasurer is responsible for collecting property taxes for all governmental entities within the County. The County levies the property taxes due to the District in August. Two equal installments, payable in October and March, become delinquent after the first business days in November and May. During the year, the County also levies various personal property taxes that are due the second Monday of the month following receipt of the tax notice and become delinquent 30 days later. A lien assessed against real and personal property attaches on the first day of January preceding the assessment levy.

Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the fiscal year they are levied in the government-wide financial statements and represent a reconciling item between the government-wide and fund financial statements. In the fund financial statements, property taxes are recognized as revenues in the fiscal year they are levied and collected or if they are collected within 31 days subsequent to fiscal year-end. Property taxes not collected within 31 days subsequent to fiscal year-end or collected in advance of the fiscal year for which they are levied are reported as deferred inflows.

Property taxes receivable consist of uncollected property taxes as determined from the records of the County Treasurer’s Office, and at June 30, 2021, were as follows:

|                  | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Debt<br/>Service<br/>Fund</b> |
|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Taxes Receivable | <u><u>\$ 91</u></u>     | <u><u>\$ 27,210</u></u>          |

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## Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

### NOTE 4 – DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

At the end of the current fiscal year, unavailable revenue reported in the governmental fund was as follows:

|   | <b>Debt Service<br/>Fund</b> |
|---|------------------------------|
| Delinquent Property Taxes Receivable<br>(Unavailable) | \$ 9,047                     |

#### B. Liabilities

##### Obligations Under Long-term Debt

###### *General Obligation Bonds*

The District issues general obligation bonds to provide funds to acquire and improve public infrastructure in specified areas. General obligation bonds have been issued for governmental activities only. The bonds with interest are payable semiannually. Bonds payable at June 30, 2021, consisted of the outstanding general obligation bonds presented below:

| <b>Purpose</b>   | <b>Interest Rates (%)</b> | <b>Amount</b> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|
| 2012 McDowell Mountain Ranch Refunding Bonds due in annual installments of \$1,020,000 to \$1,335,000 beginning July 15, 2013 through July 15, 2022. Original issue amount \$11,555,000. | 2.84                      | \$ 1,335,000  |

Community facilities districts (CFDs) are created only by petition to the City Council by property owners within the District areas. As board of directors for the District, the City Council has adopted a formal policy that CFD debt will be permitted only when the ratio of the full cash value of the District property (prior to improvements being installed), when compared to proposed District debt, is a minimum of 3 to 1 prior to issuance of debt and 5 to 1 or higher after construction of improvements. These ratios are verified by an appraisal paid for by the District and administered by the City. In addition, cumulative debt of all CFDs cannot exceed 5 percent of the City's full cash valuation.

The District's bond issuance contains the following provisions that would constitute an event of default by the District:

- Failure to pay the principal and interest when due and payable.

# Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

## NOTE 4 – DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

### *Changes in Long-term Liabilities*

| <b>Governmental Activities</b>             | <b>Beginning<br/>Balance</b> | <b>Additions</b> | <b>Reductions</b>     | <b>Ending<br/>Balance</b> | <b>Due Within<br/>One Year</b> |
|--|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Private Placement General Obligation Bonds | \$ 2,615,000                 | \$ -             | \$ (1,280,000)        | \$ 1,335,000              | \$ 1,335,000                   |
| Plus Issuance Premium                      | 44,341                       | -                | (22,170)              | 22,171                    | -                              |
| Total                                      | <u>\$ 2,659,341</u>          | <u>\$ -</u>      | <u>\$ (1,302,170)</u> | <u>\$ 1,357,171</u>       | <u>\$ 1,335,000</u>            |

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds are as follows:

| <b>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</b> | <b>Principal</b>    | <b>Interest</b>  |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 2022                               | \$ 1,335,000        | \$ 37,914        |
| Total                              | <u>\$ 1,335,000</u> | <u>\$ 37,914</u> |

## NOTE 5 – OTHER INFORMATION

### A. Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss. The District carries commercial insurance for \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 aggregate covering general liability exposures. The District also carries public entity management liability insurance for \$1,000,000 each wrongful act and \$3,000,000 aggregate to cover damages resulting from the conduct of duties by or for a public entity or its boards. There have been no known losses in any of the past three fiscal years.

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## **Required Supplementary Information**



**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance –  
Budget and Actual – General Fund**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

|   | <b>Original and<br/>Final Budget</b> | <b>Actual</b> | <b>Variance</b> |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>   |                                      |               |                 |
| Taxes   | \$ 11,500                            | \$ 23,800     | \$ 12,300       |
| Interest Income   | -                                    | 15            | 15              |
| Total Revenues  | 11,500                               | 23,815        | 12,315          |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                                       |                                      |               |                 |
| Current   |                                      |               |                 |
| General Government  |                                      |               |                 |
| City Treasurer - Finance and Accounting                   | 11,500                               | 10,362        | 1,138           |
| Total Expenditures  | 11,500                               | 10,362        | 1,138           |
| Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures | -                                    | 13,453        | 13,453          |
| Fund Balance, Beginning of Year                           | -                                    | -             | -               |
| Fund Balance, End of Year                                 | \$ -                                 | \$ 13,453     | \$ 13,453       |

## Supplementary Information

**Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance –  
Budget and Actual – Debt Service Fund**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

|                                      | <b>Original and<br/>Final Budget</b> | <b>Actual</b>     | <b>Variance</b>    |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                      |                                      |                   |                    |
| Taxes                                | \$ 1,355,288                         | \$ 1,350,210      | \$ (5,078)         |
| Interest Income                      | -                                    | 66                | 66                 |
| Total Revenues                       | 1,355,288                            | 1,350,276         | (5,012)            |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>                  |                                      |                   |                    |
| Debt Service                         |                                      |                   |                    |
| Principal Retirement                 | 1,280,000                            | 1,280,000         | -                  |
| Interest and Fiscal Charges          | 75,266                               | 74,716            | 550                |
| Total Expenditures                   | 1,355,266                            | 1,354,716         | 550                |
| Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures | 22                                   | (4,440)           | (4,462)            |
| Fund Balance, Beginning of Year      | 205,133                              | 199,508           | (5,625)            |
| Fund Balance, End of Year            | <u>\$ 205,155</u>                    | <u>\$ 195,068</u> | <u>\$ (10,087)</u> |

**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**

Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors  
McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District, a component unit of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 21, 2021. Our report included an emphasis of matter paragraph as to comparability because of the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*, and Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements* (SBITAs).

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities 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 McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities District's internal control.

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

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

#### Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Facilities 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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

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

Heinfeld Meech & Co. PC

Heinfeld, Meech & Co., P.C.  
Scottsdale, Arizona  
October 21, 2021