In the opinion of Kutak Rock LLP, Bond Counsel, under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions and assuming the accuracy of certain representations and continuing compliance with certain covenants, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Bond Counsel also is of the opinion that, under existing laws of the State of Nebraska, interest on the Bonds is exempt from Nebraska state income taxation as long as it is exempt for purposes of the federal income tax. The District has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. See "LEGAL MATTERS" herein

# \$2,800,000 SANITARY AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 224 OF Sarpy COUNTY, NEBRASKA (Commerce Business Centre) GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS SERIES 2020

Dated: February 19, 2020 Due: August 15, as shown below

Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska (Commerce Business Centre), a body corporate and politic and a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska (the "District"), is issuing the above-captioned bonds (the "Bonds") pursuant to its authority under Sections 10-615 and 31-727 et seq., Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended, and a resolution of the District's Board of Trustees (the "Resolution").

The District is issuing the Bonds in fully registered form which, when initially issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will serve as securities depository for the Bonds. Purchases of the Bonds will be made in book-entry-only form, in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, through brokers and dealers who are, or who act through, DTC participants. Beneficial owners of the Bonds will not receive physical delivery of bond certificates so long as DTC or a successor securities depository acts as the security depository with respect to the Bonds. See "THE BONDS — Book-Entry Only System" herein.

Interest is payable semiannually on August 15 and February 15 of each year, commencing August 15, 2020. So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Bonds, payments of the principal or redemption price of and interest on the Bonds will be made directly to DTC. Disbursement of such payments to DTC participants is the responsibility of DTC. UMB Bank, NA, West Des Moines, Iowa will serve as paying agent and registrar (the "Paying Agent") for the Bonds. For terms relating to payments made to DTC or its nominee or in the event that the use of book-entry form is discontinued, see "THE BONDS — Book-Entry-Only System" herein.

The Bonds maturing on or after August 15, 2025 are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District, in whole or in part, at any time on or after February 15, 2025 at the principal amount thereof plus interest to the redemption date, all as described in this Official Statement.

The Bonds and the interest thereon constitute general obligations of the District, payable from ad valorem taxes, without limitation as to rate or amount, which, together with any collections of special assessments or any other funds legally available for the purpose, will be sufficient to meet the punctual payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds as such principal and interest become due.

#### MATURITY SCHEDULE\*

Type	Maturity Date (August 15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Price	Type	Maturity Date (August 15)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Price
Serial	2021	\$115,000	1.95%	100%	Serial	2031	\$145,000	2.80%	100%
Serial	2022	115,000	2.05	100	Serial	2032	150,000	2.85	100
Serial	2023	120,000	2.10	100	Serial	2033	150,000	2.90	100
Serial	2024	125,000	2.15	100	Serial	2034	155,000	2.95	100
Serial	2025	125,000	2.25	100	Serial	2035	160,000	3.00	100
Serial	2026	130,000	2.35	100	Serial	2036	20,000	3.05	100
Serial	2027	130,000	2.45	100	Serial	2037	180,000	3.10	100
Serial	2028	135,000	2.55	100	Serial	2038	185,000	3.15	100
Serial	2029	140,000	2.65	100	Serial	2039	185,000	3.20	100
Serial	2030	140,000	2.75	100	Serial	2040	195,000	3.25	100

SEE "BONDHOLDERS' RISKS" HEREIN FOR A DISCUSSION OF CERTAIN RISK FACTORS THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED (IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER MATTERS SET FORTH HEREIN) IN EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT QUALITY OF THE BONDS.

This cover page contains information for quick reference only. It is not a summary of the issue. Investors must read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued, and received by the Underwriter subject to the approval of legality of the Bonds by Kutak Rock LLP, Bond Counsel, and to certain other conditions. Kuehl Capital Corporation has provided municipal advisor services to the District in connection with the offering of the Bonds. Kutak Rock LLP, Disclosure Counsel, will provide certain legal advice to the District regarding this Official Statement. It is expected that the Bonds in definitive form will be available for delivery at DTC in New York, New York, on or about February 19, 2020.

#### AMERITAS INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC

Dated: January 9, 2020

# SANITARY AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 224 OF SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

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Kutak Rock LLP

No dealer, broker, salesperson or other person has been authorized by the District or the Underwriter to give any information or to make any representations in connection with the Bonds or the matters described herein, other than those contained in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the District or the Underwriter. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such offer, solicitation or sale. The information set forth herein has been obtained from the District and from other sources believed to be reliable, but it is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness. The information and expressions of opinion contained herein are subject to change, without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement, nor any sale made hereunder, shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the matters described herein since the date hereof. Statements contained in this Official Statement which involve estimates, forecasts or matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so described herein, are intended solely as such and are not to be construed as representations of fact. This Official Statement is submitted in connection with the sale of the Bonds referred to herein and may not be reproduced or used, in whole or in part, for any other purpose.

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THE UNDERWRITER INTENDS TO OFFER THE BONDS INITIALLY AT THE OFFERING PRICES SET FORTH ON THE COVER PAGE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT, WHICH MAY SUBSEQUENTLY CHANGE WITHOUT ANY REQUIREMENT OF PRIOR NOTICE. IN CONNECTION WITH ITS REOFFERING OF THE BONDS, THE UNDERWRITER MAY OVERALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN MARKET PRICES OF THE BONDS AT LEVELS ABOVE THOSE WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

IN MAKING AN INVESTMENT DECISION, INVESTORS MUST RELY ON THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE DISTRICT AND THE TERMS OF THE OFFERING, INCLUDING THE MERITS AND RISKS INVOLVED. THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN RECOMMENDED BY ANY FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR REGULATORY AUTHORITY, AND THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN

REGISTERED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION BY REASON OF THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 3(a)(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED. THE FOREGOING AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OR DETERMINED THE ADEQUACY OF THIS DOCUMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY MAY BE A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT CONTAINS "FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS. THESE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, STATEMENTS CONCERNING EXPECTATIONS, BELIEFS, OPINIONS, FUTURE PLANS AND STRATEGIES, ANTICIPATED EVENTS OR TRENDS AND SIMILAR EXPRESSIONS CONCERNING MATTERS THAT ARE NOT HISTORICAL FACTS. THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT ARE SUBJECT TO RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES THAT COULD CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS TO DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE EXPRESSED IN OR IMPLIED BY SUCH STATEMENTS. THE DISTRICT HAS NO DUTY OR OBLIGATION TO UPDATE ANY OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

#### OFFICIAL STATEMENT

# \$2,800,000 SANITARY AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 224 OF SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA (COMMERCE BUSINESS CENTRE) GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS SERIES 2020

#### INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement has been prepared in connection with the offer for sale of \$2,800,000 in aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds") issued by Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska (Commerce Business Centre), a body corporate and politic and a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska (the "District").

Pursuant to Sections 10-615 and 31-727 et seq., Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended (the "Act"), a sanitary and improvement district may, finance or refinance the capital costs of public improvements and public infrastructure within the boundaries of such district. Once duly established, a sanitary and improvement district possesses certain powers, including, but not limited to, the authority to issue warrants and bonds for its authorized purposes, to assess special assessments and to levy ad valorem taxes to repay its indebtedness. Commerce Business Centre LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company (the "Developer") established the District in May of 2001.

Brief descriptions of the Bonds, the security therefor and the District are included in this Official Statement together with summaries of certain provisions of the Bonds and the District's Resolution (as hereinafter defined) authorizing the issuance of the Bonds. Such descriptions do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. All references herein to the Bonds and the Resolution are qualified in their entirety by reference to the complete documents, copies of which are available for inspection at the office of Kuehl Capital Corporation, acting as municipal advisor for the District, at Suite 1, 14747 California Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68154, during normal business hours.

Prospective investors are advised to read carefully "BONDHOLDERS' RISKS" herein for a description of certain risk factors that should be considered (in addition to other matters set forth herein) in evaluating the investment quality of the Bonds.

#### THE BONDS

#### **General Description**

The Bonds will be dated February 19, 2020, and will bear interest from that date, payable August 15, 2020 and semiannually thereafter on August 15 and February 15 of each year (each an "Interest Payment Date"). The Bonds will mature on August 15 in the years and principal amounts and bear interest at the rates referred to on the cover page of this Official Statement.

Pursuant to the Resolution, the Bonds will be issued as fully registered bonds without coupons in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, not exceeding the amount of each maturity. Interest on the Bonds will be calculated based on twelve 30-day months and a 360-day year.

#### **Authority for Issuance and Use of Proceeds**

The District is issuing the Bonds pursuant to and by authority of the Act and a Bond Resolution (the "Resolution") to be adopted by the District's Board of Trustees on January 9, 2020, which Resolution will authorize the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The District previously issued its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016, dated May 15, 2016 in the original aggregate principal amount of \$550,000 (the "2016 Bonds"). The District used the proceeds of the 2016 Bonds to redeem construction fund warrants issued by the District to pay the costs of installing public improvements and public infrastructure in the District. The District previously issued its General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015, dated May 15, 2015 in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,860,000 (the "2015 Bonds"). The District used the proceeds of the 2015 Bonds to refund the District's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2008 in the original aggregate principal amount of \$3,000,000 (the "2008 Bonds"). The District used the proceeds of the 2008 Bonds to redeem construction fund warrants issued by the District to pay for the installation of public infrastructure in the District.

The 2016 Bonds maturing on May 15, 2021 are subject to redemption in whole or in part at the option of the District, at any time on or after May 15, 2018, at par plus accrued interest to the date set for redemption, with no redemption premium. The 2015 Bonds maturing on or after May 15, 2021 are subject to redemption, in whole or in part, prior to maturity at the option of the District at any time on or after May 15, 2020 at the principal amount thereof plus interest accrued thereon to the date fixed for redemption, with no redemption premium.

The District will use the proceeds of the Bonds, together with funds on deposit in the District's Bond Fund, to (i) refund on a current refunding basis on February 19, 2020 (the "2016 Bond Redemption Date") \$300,000 of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of the 2016 Bonds maturing on May 15, 2021 (the "2016 Refunded Bonds") and (ii) fund an escrow to be held by UMB Bank, N.A., as Escrow Agent (the "Escrow Agent") under an Escrow Agreement by and between the District and the Escrow Agent (the "Escrow Agreement"). The Escrow Agent will apply the proceeds held under the Escrow Agreement to refund on a current refunding basis on May 15, 2020 (the "2015 Bond Redemption Date") \$2,300,000 of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of the 2015 Bonds (the "2015 Refunded Bonds" and together with the 2016 Refunded Bonds, the "Refunded Bonds"). The District will use Bond Fund cash to pay the principal and interest payment due on the 2020 maturity of the 2015 Bonds on May 15, 2020. This payment will be excluded from the Escrow Agreement. The remaining outstanding principal amount of the 2016 Bonds (the "Parity Bonds"), which are secured on parity with the Bonds, are outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$250,000.

#### Registration, Transfer and Payment

The principal of the Bonds is payable upon presentation and surrender thereof at the principal corporate trust office of UMB Bank, NA, West Des Moines, Iowa, as Paying Agent and Registrar (the "Paying Agent"). The interest on the Bonds will be payable by check or draft mailed to registered owners appearing on the books of the Paying Agent at the close of business on the first day of the month in which an Interest Payment Date occurs (the "Record Date").

The District and the Paying Agent may treat the registered owner of any Bond as the absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of making payment thereof and for all other purposes and neither the District nor the Paying Agent shall be bound by any notice or knowledge to the contrary, whether such Bond shall be overdue or not. All payments of or on account of interest to any registered owner of any Bond and all payments of or on account of principal to the registered owner of any Bond, shall be valid and effectual and shall be a discharge of the District and the Paying Agent, in respect of the liability upon the Bond or claim for interest, as the case may be, to the extent of the sum or sums paid.

The District will cause books for the registration and transfer of the Bonds to be kept at the principal office of the Paying Agent at all times while any of such Bonds shall be outstanding. Any Bond may be transferred pursuant to its provisions at the principal office of the Paying Agent by surrender of such Bond for cancellation, accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in a form satisfactory to such Paying Agent, duly executed by the registered owner in person or by his duly authorized agent, and thereupon the Paying Agent will authenticate and deliver at the office of the Paying Agent (or send by registered mail to the owner thereof at such owner's expense), in the name of the transferee or transferees, a new Bond of the same series, interest rate, principal amount and maturity, dated so there shall result no gain or loss of interest as a result of such transfer. To the extent of denominations authorized for Bonds by the Resolution, one Bond may be transferred for several other Bonds of the same series, interest rate and maturity, and for a like aggregate principal amount and several such Bonds may be transferred for one or several such Bonds, respectively, of the same series, interest rate and maturity and for a like aggregate principal amount. As a condition of any registration or transfer, the Paying Agent may at its option require the payment of a sum sufficient to reimburse it or the District for any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed thereon. The Paying Agent may charge reasonable fees for a transfer; provided, however, the District shall not pay any such fees.

The Paying Agent shall not be required (a) to issue, transfer or exchange Bonds from the Record Date to the next Interest Payment Date; (b) to issue, register or transfer any Bonds for a period of 15 days immediately preceding any selection of Bonds for redemption or for a period of 15 days thereafter; or (c) to register, transfer or exchange any Bonds which have been designated for redemption within a period of 30 days immediately preceding the date fixed for redemption.

Transfer of interests by Beneficial Owners, so long as there is a securities depository serving, will be governed by the procedures described under "THE BONDS — Book-Entry-Only System" herein.

#### **Book-Entry-Only System**

The Bonds initially are being issued solely in book-entry form to be held in the book-entry-only system maintained by The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York. So long as such book-entry system is used, only DTC will receive or have the right to receive physical delivery of Bonds and Beneficial Owners (as hereinafter defined) will not be or be considered to be, and will not have any rights as, owners or holders of the Bonds under the Resolution. The following information about the book-entry-only system applicable to the Bonds has been supplied by DTC. Neither the District nor the Paying Agent makes any representations, warranties or guarantees with respect to its accuracy or completeness.

DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of maturity and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in

deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of "AA+." The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not affect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Paying Agent and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them. Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the District, as issuer of the Bonds, as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct

Participants to whose accounts Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments, redemption proceeds and distributions on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the District or the Paying Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with Bonds held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name", and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Paying Agent or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and interest payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the District or the Paying Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District or the Paying Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered to DTC. The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC. The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

NEITHER THE DISTRICT NOR THE PAYING AGENT WILL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT, INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OR ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OR ANY OTHER PERSON NOT SHOWN ON THE REGISTRATION BOOKS OF THE PAYING AGENT AS BEING A HOLDER WITH RESPECT TO: (1) THE BONDS; (2) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT; (3) THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT DUE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER IN RESPECT OF THE PRINCIPAL OR REDEMPTION PRICE OF OR INTEREST ON THE BONDS; (4) THE DELIVERY BY ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY NOTICE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER WHICH IS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE RESOLUTION TO BE GIVEN TO HOLDERS; (5) THE SELECTION OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENT IN THE EVENT OF ANY PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS; OR (6) ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC AS HOLDER.

Each Beneficial Owner for whom a Direct Participant or Indirect Participant acquires an interest in the Bonds, as nominee, may desire to make arrangements with such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant to receive a credit balance in the records of such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant, to have all notices of redemption, elections to tender Bonds or other communications to or by DTC which may affect such Beneficial Owner forwarded in writing by such Direct Participant or Indirect Participant, and to have notification made of all debt service payments. Beneficial Owners may be charged a sum sufficient to cover any tax, fee, or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation to any transfer or exchange of their interests in the Bonds.

THE DISTRICT AND THE PAYING AGENT CANNOT AND DO NOT GIVE ANY ASSURANCES THAT THE DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR THE INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS WILL DISTRIBUTE TO THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE BONDS (i) PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL OF

AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS, (ii) BONDS REPRESENTING AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST OR OTHER CONFIRMATION OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP INTERESTS IN THE BONDS OR (iii) REDEMPTION OR OTHER NOTICES SENT TO DTC OR CEDE & CO., ITS NOMINEE, AS THE REGISTERED OWNERS OF THE BONDS, OR THAT THEY WILL DO SO ON A TIMELY BASIS OR THAT DTC, DIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS WILL SERVE AND ACT IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT. THE CURRENT "RULES" APPLICABLE TO DTC ARE ON FILE WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, AND THE CURRENT "PROCEDURES" OF DTC TO BE FOLLOWED IN DEALING WITH DIRECT PARTICIPANTS ARE ON FILE WITH DTC.

#### **Optional Redemption**

The Bonds maturing on or after August 15, 2025 are subject to optional redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District, in whole or in part, at any time on or after February 15, 2025 at the principal amount thereof plus interest to the redemption date, with no redemption premium. The District may select the maturity of the Bonds so to be redeemed in its sole discretion.

# **Notice of Redemption**

Notice of redemption of any Bond or any portion thereof shall be given by first-class mail to the registered owner of such Bond, addressed to his or her registered address and placed in the mail not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption. Such notice shall specify the numbers of the Bonds called for redemption, the redemption date and the place where the redemption amount will be payable, and in the case of Bonds to be redeemed in part only, such notice shall specify the respective portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. A notice of optional redemption shall describe whether and the conditions under which the call for redemption shall be revoked. If the Paying Agent shall hold funds sufficient for such redemption on the date fixed for redemption and such notice shall have been given, the Bonds or the portion thereof thus called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption. If less than all the Bonds of any maturity are to be redeemed, the Paying Agent shall determine, in its sole discretion, in any manner deemed by it to be fair and equitable, the particular Bonds or portions of Bonds of such maturity so to be redeemed. Any Bond shall be subject to redemption in part in a principal amount equal to \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

#### **Security for Bonds**

Pursuant to the Resolution, the District irrevocably pledged its full faith, credit and resources and its taxing power for the prompt payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds as the same become due. The District agrees that it will cause to be levied annually upon all the taxable property in the District an ad valorem tax which, together with collections of any special assessments or any other funds legally available for the purpose, will be sufficient to meet the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, the Parity Bonds and any other bonds now or hereafter issued by the District, as such principal and interest become due. The Resolution does not limit such ad valorem tax as to rate or amount and it does not limit the ability or authority of the District to issue additional bonds in the future. See "APPENDIX A—Budget and Levy Limitations" thereunder for a discussion of challenges to Nebraska's property tax system. See also "BONDHOLDERS' RISKS—Parity Bonds."

#### Sources and Uses of Funds

The District shall provide the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (net of Underwriter's discount and other costs of issuance) to the Escrow Agent and Paying Agent, as applicable. The District will use the

net proceeds of the Bonds, together with certain other moneys on deposit in the Bond Fund and available for such purpose, to redeem the Refunded Bonds as set forth below:

#### **Sources:**

	Bond Proceeds (net of accrued interest, if any)	\$2,800,000.00
	Bond Fund Cash	1,852.92
	Total	\$2,801,852.92
Uses:		
	Redemption of 2016 Refunded Bonds	\$301,801.67
	Deposit into Escrow Fund to redeem 2015 Refunded Bonds	2,341,551.25
	Cost of Issuance (including underwriter's discount)	158,500.00
	Total	\$2,801,852.92

#### **BONDHOLDERS' RISKS**

# **Adverse Property Sale Conditions**

The development and sale of District properties are contingent upon numerous factors. Changes in general economic conditions, including fluctuations in the local real estate market, interest rates on construction loans, the availability of mortgage money, and other similar factors, may adversely affect the development of the District. Other factors influencing decisions to buy property in the District would include the overall tax levels, the convenience to local shopping and employment, accessibility to major highways and interstates, the proximity and reputation of schools and the availability and cost of utility services. Land development is subject to comprehensive federal, state and local regulations. There can be no assurance that future government policies will not adversely affect land development operations within the District. The ultimate consequence of such adverse conditions may be an inability by the District to pay its debts, including the Bonds.

#### **Challenges to Property Tax System**

The levy and collection of ad valorem taxes by taxing jurisdictions in the State of Nebraska has been the object of legislative, judicial and electoral action. Ad valorem tax revenues are the primary source of payment of the Bonds; any diminution in the legal authority to levy and collect such taxes could adversely affect the timely payment of the Bonds. See "APPENDIX A — Budget and Levy Limitations."

#### **Delinquent Special Assessments**

The District has no outstanding special assessments to collect and does not anticipate levying new special assessments. Accordingly, the District does not expect to be subject to the risk of delinquent special assessment collections. See "APPENDIX A — Special Assessments" and "APPENDIX A — Remedies for Delinquencies" herein for general information about delinquent special assessments.

# **Parity Bonds**

Other than the Parity Bonds, the District presently has no other bonds outstanding that are payable from or secured by the pledge of ad valorem taxes as permitted under the Act. However, neither the Act nor the Resolution limits the ability or the authority of the District to issue additional bonds secured by a pledge of the revenues derived from such tax. No assurance can be given that the District will not elect to issue additional bonds payable from such tax levy prior to the final maturity of the Bonds.

#### **Bankruptcy of District**

Significant delays in the development of a sanitary and improvement district after the incurrence of indebtedness for public improvements while interest on such indebtedness continues to compound can result in a debt burden and a significant tax levy that discourages sale of property and impedes the ability of the district to provide services to current residents. For such reasons, among others, several Nebraska sanitary and improvement districts over the years have filed bankruptcy petitions under Chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. Such a filing by the District would result in an automatic stay of certain District payments, including its debt service payments, and enforcement actions against the District or its property. The consequences for the District's bondholders of a Chapter 9 bankruptcy filing could include material modification of the terms of the Bonds and related documents and significant delays in the payment, or loss of all or a portion, of the principal and interest on the Bonds. The District, however, does not have significant exposure to the risks of a compounding debt burden because it does not have any construction fund warrants outstanding. The Nebraska Supreme Court has held that the payment of a district's bonds would have priority over the payment of such district's construction fund warrants.

# **Bankruptcy of Property Owners**

The payment of property owners' taxes and the ability of the District or Sarpy County to foreclose the lien of a delinquent unpaid tax, as discussed under "Remedies for Delinquencies" in Appendix A, may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws generally affecting creditors' rights or by the laws of the State of Nebraska relating to judicial foreclosure or tax certificate sales. Bond Counsel's approving legal opinion will be qualified, as to the enforceability of the various legal instruments, by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

Although personal bankruptcy proceedings would not extinguish the outstanding ad valorem taxes, the bankruptcy of a property owner could result in a delay in prosecuting foreclosure proceedings. Such delay in prosecuting foreclosure proceedings would increase the likelihood of a delay or default in payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and the possibility of partial or incomplete payments on delinquent installments of taxes. The District consists of twelve commercial lots. Due to the small number of lots in the District, each property owner does own or will own a substantial percentage of the overall taxable valuation. This concentration of ownership heightens the bankruptcy risk usually associated with debt of sanitary and improvement districts. See "APPENDIX B — Major Taxpayers".

# **No Investment Rating**

None of the Bonds, Parity Bonds, or any other debt obligation of the District is rated by a securities rating agency. The District has not applied, and does not intend to apply, for any such rating. The absence of an investment rating may adversely affect the marketability of the Bonds.

# No Secondary Market Maker

The Underwriter has not agreed to maintain a secondary market for the District's bonds, including the Bonds, and the District does not anticipate that such a market will exist. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be prepared, therefore, to hold their Bonds until retired by the District.

#### **ONGOING DISCLOSURE**

Subject to the provisions of a Dissemination Agent Agreement, by and between the District and UMB Bank, NA, as dissemination agent, the District will provide a Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "Undertaking") on behalf of the Bondholders and beneficial owners requiring the District to provide

annually to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB"), in an electronic format accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB, (a) financial information about the District which the District customarily prepares and makes publicly available and (b) notices of the listed events specified by the Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Rule"). See "APPENDIX D—Form of Continuing Disclosure Undertaking."

A failure by the District to comply with the Undertaking will not constitute an event of default with respect to the Bonds, although any holder will have any available remedy at law or in equity, including seeking specific performance by court order, to cause the District to comply with its obligations under the Undertaking.

Pursuant to the Act, the District must annually file its independently audited financial statements with the Nebraska State Auditor of Public Accounts, where they are available as public records for inspection during normal business hours. See "FINANCIAL STATEMENTS."

#### MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

The District has retained the firm of Kuehl Capital Corporation, Omaha, Nebraska, to provide municipal advisor services in connection with the offering of the Bonds.

#### **LEGAL MATTERS**

# **Legal Opinion**

Kutak Rock LLP, Omaha, Nebraska ("Bond Counsel") will deliver its legal opinion approving the validity of the Bonds to the Underwriter and the District at the time of original delivery of the Bonds. Bond Counsel examined a transcript of the District's proceedings and relied thereon without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the District by its disclosure counsel, Kutak Rock LLP.

#### Tax Exemption

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. The opinion described in the preceding sentence assumes the accuracy of certain representations and compliance by the District with covenants designed to satisfy the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds. Failure to comply with such requirements could cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The District has covenanted to comply with such requirements. Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds.

The accrual or receipt of interest on the Bonds may otherwise affect the federal income tax liability of the owners of the Bonds. The extent of these other tax consequences will depend on such owners' particular tax status and other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion regarding any such consequences. Purchasers of the Bonds, particularly purchasers that are corporations (including S corporations and foreign corporations operating branches in the United States of America), property or casualty insurance companies, banks, thrifts or other financial institutions, certain recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits, taxpayers entitled to claim the earned income credit, taxpayers entitled to claim the refundable credit in Section 36B of the Code for coverage under a qualified

health plan or taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, should consult their tax advisors as to the tax consequences of purchasing or owning the Bonds.

Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that, under the existing laws of the State of Nebraska, interest on the Bonds is exempt from Nebraska state income taxation so long as it is exempt for purposes of the federal income tax. Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion regarding other tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds under the laws of the State of Nebraska or any other state or jurisdiction.

As a result of the enactment of the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005, interest on tax-exempt obligations such as the Bonds is subject to information reporting in a manner similar to interest paid on taxable obligations. Backup withholding may be imposed on payments to any owner of the Bonds that fails to provide certain required information including an accurate taxpayer identification number to any person required to collect such information pursuant to Section 6049 of the Code. The reporting requirement does not in and of itself affect or alter the excludability of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes or any other federal tax consequence of purchasing, holding or selling tax-exempt obligations.

The District has represented that it does not reasonably anticipate issuing greater than \$10,000,000 of tax-exempt obligations in the current calendar year (excluding certain private activity and refunding bonds) and that it has designed the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code. Accordingly, assuming the accuracy of such representations, Bond Counsel is of the opinion that in the case of certain banks, thrift institutions or other financial institutions owning the Bonds, a deduction is allowed for 80 percent of that portion of such institutions' interest expense allocable to interest on such bonds. Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion with respect to any deduction for federal tax law purposes of interest on indebtedness incurred or continued by an owner of the Bonds or a related person to purchase or carry such bonds.

From time to time, there are legislative proposals in the Congress and in the states that, if enacted, could alter or amend the federal and state tax matters referred to under this heading "LEGAL MATTERS" or adversely affect the market value of the Bonds. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any such proposal might be enacted or whether if enacted it would apply to bonds issued prior to enactment. In addition, regulatory actions are from time to time announced or proposed and litigation is threatened or commenced which, if implemented or concluded in a particular manner, could adversely affect the market value of the Bonds. It cannot be predicted whether any such regulatory action will be implemented, how any particular litigation or judicial action will be resolved, or whether the Bonds or the market value thereof would be impacted thereby. Purchasers of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed legislation, regulatory initiatives or litigation. The opinions expressed by Bond Counsel are based on existing legislation and regulations as interpreted by relevant judicial and regulatory authorities as of the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, and Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion as of any date subsequent thereto or with respect to any pending legislation, regulatory initiatives or litigation.

The rights of the holders of the Bonds and the priorities and enforceability thereof may be subject to valid bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, extension, compromise and other similar laws for the relief of debtors, including the District.

#### **NO LITIGATION**

No litigation is pending or, to the knowledge of the District, threatened in any court to restrain or enjoin the issuance or delivery of any of the Bonds or in any way contesting or affecting the validity or

tax-exempt status of the Bonds or the Resolution approving the Bonds or contesting the powers or authority of the District to issue the Bonds or to adopt such Resolution.

#### **UNDERWRITING**

Ameritas Investment Company, LLC is purchasing the Bonds from the District for resale at a purchase price of \$2,744,000 (principal amount of the Bonds, less an underwriting discount of \$56,000), plus accrued interest, if any. Ameritas Investment Company, LLC shall make a public offering of the Bonds at not in excess of the public offering prices set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement. The Underwriter is obligated to purchase all of the Bonds if any of such Bonds are purchased. The Bonds may be offered and sold to certain dealers at prices lower than such public offering prices and the Underwriter may change such public offering prices from time to time.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited financial statements of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 are included in this Official Statement as Part Two of Appendix B and should be read in their entirety. Audited financial statements for the District for fiscal years ending prior to June 30, 2019 are available for inspection at the offices of the attorney for the District in Omaha, Nebraska and at the offices of the State Auditor of Public Accounts in Lincoln, Nebraska. Lutz & Co., P.C., as independent auditors, audited the financial statements of the District as of June 30, 2019 included in Appendix B of this Official Statement, as stated in their report appearing therein.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

The Chair of the Board of Trustees, on behalf of the District, executed and delivered this Official Statement. At the date of this Official Statement and at the date of delivery of the Bonds, (i) the information and statements, including financial statements, of or pertaining to the District, contained in this Official Statement were and are correct in all material respects; and (ii) insofar as the District and its affairs, including its financial affairs, are concerned, this Official Statement did not and does not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The District further confirms that insofar as the descriptions and statements, including financial data, contained in this Official Statement of or pertaining to nongovernmental bodies or governmental bodies other than the District are concerned, such descriptions, statements and data have been obtained from sources believed by the District to be reliable, and that the District has no reason to believe that they are untrue or incomplete in any material respect.

The information contained in this Official Statement has been obtained from the District and other sources believed to be reliable, but said information is not warranted or guaranteed, either expressly or impliedly, as to accuracy or completeness by the Underwriter.

Any statement in this Official Statement involving matter of opinion, whether or not expressly so stated, is intended as such and not as representations of fact. The appendices attached hereto are an integral part of this Official Statement, and should be read in conjunction with the foregoing material.

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# AUTHORIZATION OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The District hereby duly authorizes the delivery of this Official Statement.

SANITARY AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 224 OF SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Ву	/s/ Steve Reeder
•	Chair

#### APPENDIX A — GENERAL INFORMATION

# SANITARY AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 224 OF SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

(Commerce Business Centre)

#### The District

Commerce Business Centre LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company (the "Developer"), established Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska commonly known as Commerce Business Centre (the "District") on May 10, 2001 pursuant to Sections 31-727 et seq., Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended (the "Act"). The District and the Developer entered into a Subdivision Agreement with Sarpy County pursuant to which Sarpy County approved the zoning and platting of the District, and the District agreed to levy special assessments with respect to the District's public improvements and to levy ad valorem taxes. The City of Omaha provides sanitary sewer services to the District. Metropolitan Utilities District and Omaha Public Power District provide water, natural gas, and electric utility services, respectively, to the District.

#### **District Development**

The District lies at the southeast corner of Interstate 80 and Highway 370 in the southwest Omahametro area. Installation of the public infrastructure in the District is complete. The District is zoned for light industrial, warehouse and commercial development and is being developed as such. The District consists of approximately 58 acres platted into 12 lots. Buildings occupy 10 of the 12 lots in the District.

The following businesses have facilities located in one of the buildings on the 10 developed lots in the District: (i) OSI Properties LLC d/b/a Omaha Steaks; (ii) Omaha Truck & Trailer Inc. d/b/a Volvo Trucks; (iii) CF South 153<sup>rd</sup> Street LLC d/b/a Cross Dillon Truck Services; (iv) Hawkeye Trucking Company; (v) ELOC - 4 LLC d/b/a Cole Bros.; (vi) Thall Back Forty LLC d/b/a Interstate Batteries; (vii) Next Phase Solutions LLC; (viii) Perco LLC d/b/a Penn Steel; (ix) Sarpy Investments LLC d/b/a Aspen Equipment; and (x) 88 Tactical Building Group LLC.

#### **Board of Trustees**

A three-member Board of Trustees (with two vacancies) governs the District. The current members are as follows:

Name	Position
Steve Reeder	Chair
Brenda Reeder	Clerk
Penny Rosso	Trustee

Steve Reeder is a principal of the Developer. Brenda Reeder is Mr. Reeder's wife. Penny Rosso is a property owner in the District. Under the Act, elections for members of the Board of Trustees occur every two years. The next election is in September 2020.

#### **Financial Information**

As of February 19, 2020, the District will have outstanding general obligation bonds in the principal amount of \$3,050,000 and no outstanding construction fund warrants.

The District's 2019/2020 Bond Fund tax levy is set at \$0.80 and the General Fund tax levy is set at \$0.15 per \$100 of taxable valuation. By the issuance of the Bonds as provided herein, the District will restructure the amount of its annual principal and interest payments, lengthen the maturity schedule for its debt service payments, and take advantage of other economic benefits, including the anticipated reduction of its annual Bond Fund tax levy.

The 2019 taxable valuation of all real property in the District is \$26,864,214. Based upon the 2019 taxable valuation, the District projects that the Bond Fund levy necessary to pay the annual principal and interest requirements on the Bonds and the Parity Bonds through maturity will not exceed \$0.69 per \$100 of taxable valuation. The actual Bond Fund levy will depend upon the actual annual taxable valuation at the time the levy is set.

#### **Description of Budget Process**

As described below, budgets of sanitary and improvement districts in existence more than five years are subject to statutory budget limitations and the property tax levies of such districts are subject to tax levy limitations.

A sanitary and improvement district is required by state law to file its budget with the county clerk and state auditor on or before September 20 of each year. The District's accountant prepares a budget draft in July of each year based on actual expenses and revenues for the three preceding fiscal years and proposed expenses and revenues for the coming fiscal year. District budgets as proposed and adopted can frequently differ substantially from actual figures reviewed after the fact, especially in those years with major changes in tax rates or valuation. Such differences are principally due to the fact that while the fiscal year for a district begins on July 1, tax dollars generated by the budget are not received by the district until the following calendar year. The first half of such tax receipts is received during the spring of the following calendar year (April 1). The second half tax receipts are not received until the late summer of the following calendar year (August 1), several weeks into the ensuing fiscal year.

The proposed budget contains line items detailing, among other things, revenues and expenses in both the General Fund and the Bond Fund. Revenues in the General Fund cover noncapital items, i.e., operating expenses including insurance, streetlights, legal and accounting fees, and maintenance expenses. Revenues in the Bond Fund principally cover construction expenses (including associated professional fees), interest on registered construction fund warrants, principal redemption of registered construction fund warrants, and payments of principal and interest under outstanding bond issues. Revenues in the General Fund are generated primarily by ad valorem taxes, with a small amount coming from various state and local sources. Bond Fund revenues are generated in the same way, plus special assessments and interest thereon. The proposed budget compares total anticipated expenses with total anticipated revenues, other than those to be collected from property taxes, to arrive at a net amount that must be generated from ad valorem taxes.

The proposed budget is reviewed by the board of trustees of the district, in consultation with the district's attorney, accountant, and municipal advisor, if applicable. Prior to its adoption, a budget summary is published in a local legal newspaper one time at least five days prior to the budget meeting, with a copy of the meeting notice being given at least one week prior to the meeting. At the meeting, the budget is discussed in open and public session, after which it can be adopted as proposed or as modified at the meeting. If modified, a summary of the modifications must be published one time in a legal newspaper within 20 days of adoption of the budget.

While district budgets must "balance," that balance is often accomplished through the registration of warrants. Under the warrant registration process, a warrant drawn on the district is not paid when presented to the county treasurer if adequate funds are not then on hand in that particular district fund to pay the warrant. It is then registered with the date of presentment for payment determining the date when

interest begins to accrue and determining the priority of payment. Warrants are paid in the order of registration.

#### Ad valorem Taxes

Property taxes received by sanitary and improvement districts are levied and collected in the same manner as property taxes for other political subdivisions. Once all taxing authorities have submitted their budgets to the county in which they are located after any final adjustments have been made in the valuation of property within a district, the dollar requirements of each taxing authority are converted to a tax rate (based on cents per \$100 of actual taxable valuation) and total tax bills for the ensuing calendar year (not fiscal year) are compiled showing the breakdown of taxes attributable to each taxing authority and the total tax bill related to each parcel of property.

During December of each year, the Sarpy County Treasurer sends a tax statement to each owner of property within the county, which states that the property taxes for such year are due on December 31 of that year. Half of such tax amount becomes delinquent April 1 of the subsequent year and the other half delinquent August 1. Taxes not paid before the date of delinquency draw interest at the rate of 14%.

If taxes are not paid within three years of the due date, the parcel of property to which the taxes appertain is subject to foreclosure by Sarpy County, Nebraska. Prior to entry of a decree of foreclosure and sale for delinquent taxes, the county treasurer may conduct a tax certificate sale with respect to such parcel. See "Remedies for Delinquencies" below.

When the Sarpy County Treasurer receives tax payments, they allocate the payments among the various taxing authorities levying taxes. The Sarpy County Treasurer is the ex-officio treasurer for all sanitary and improvement districts within Sarpy County, Nebraska, including the District. Those funds collected pursuant to a district's tax levy are then deposited into such district's General Fund and Bond Fund, as applicable. A district's claim for its share of general ad valorem taxes is of equal priority with the tax claims of other taxing authorities, and such taxes constitute a first lien against the property, superior to purchase money mortgages, special assessments and all other liens.

Bondholders are paid the principal of and the interest on bonds issued by sanitary and improvements districts generally from ad valorem taxes and special assessments. Individual bondholders do not enjoy a lien on the real property within a district. The remedies of a tax certificate sale and foreclosure available to the county and a district, as applicable, may accrue to the benefit of the bondholders, but are not directly available to bondholders. If the payment of bond principal has been in default for over 90 days, a majority of the bondholders may petition for the appointment of an administrator in lieu of the district board of trustees. The board of trustees or the new administrator, if any, may negotiate agreements to compromise the indebtedness, including the issuance of new bonds in conjunction with a workout. This effort can include a voluntary Chapter 9 bankruptcy filing by the district. See "BONDHOLDERS' RISKS — Bankruptcy of District."

# **Budget and Levy Limitations**

The Nebraska Legislature has imposed budget limitations and property tax restrictions on Nebraska political subdivisions, including sanitary and improvement districts, intended to reduce the level of property taxation and expenditures in the State of Nebraska (the "State"). State law prohibits governmental units, including sanitary and improvement districts in existence for more than five years, from adopting budgets in excess of 102.5% of the prior fiscal year's budget plus allowable growth (which includes increases in taxable valuation for such things as new construction and annexations). However, such budgetary limitations do not apply, among other things, to revenues pledged to retire bonded indebtedness, such as the Bonds, or budgeted for capital improvements. Provision also is made for a governmental unit to exceed

the budget limit for a given fiscal year by up to an additional 1% upon the affirmative vote of at least 75% of the governing body or in such amount as is approved by a majority vote of the electorate. State law also limits the maximum rates that may be levied by each type of governmental unit. The General Fund levy of a sanitary and improvement district in existence for more than five years is limited to a maximum of 40¢ per \$100 of taxable valuation (districts in existence less than five years are not subject to any maximum General Fund levy until they reach their fifth anniversary). The levy limit does not apply to tax levies for bonded indebtedness, such as the Bonds, approved according to law and secured by a levy on property. Taxable value of motor vehicles no longer constitutes a portion of the ad valorem tax base of sanitary and improvement districts and districts do not receive motor vehicle taxes. Special assessments are not property taxes subject to the levy limitation. State law permits a political subdivision to exceed its levy limitation for a period of up to five years by majority vote of the electorate.

There can be no assurance that Nebraska's system of assessing and taxing real property will remain substantially unchanged. Such changes could materially and adversely affect the amount of property tax revenues the District could collect in future years. The District does not believe that the Nebraska Legislature, subject to constitutional restrictions, if any, would leave the District without adequate taxing resources to pay for its programs and meet its financial obligations, including the repayment of its warrants, bonds and other obligations.

# **Special Assessments**

The District has no special assessments outstanding and has no present plans to levy additional special assessments. The following discussion, accordingly, is not applicable to the District's current circumstances and is provided for information only. Under the Act, the District assesses against specially benefitted property, a portion of the costs of the work for which the District issues construction fund warrants. After the Board of Trustees of the District levies such assessments, the Sarpy County Treasurer collects them on behalf of the District. Special assessments relating to the District's improvements constitute a lien in favor of the District on the assessed property, but do not constitute a personal or corporate indebtedness of the owners of property within the District. The lien of the District is inferior only to the general taxes levied by the State and its political subdivisions, including the District. Special assessments are due without interest 50 days after the date of levy, but if not so paid they shall bear interest thereafter on a per annum basis. Interest accrues on annual installments at the interest rate per annum of the greater of (a) the rate of interest accruing on the construction fund warrants registered against the District 60 days prior to the actual levy of the special assessments or (b) the average rate of interest accruing on the District's construction fund warrants issued to pay for the improvements for which the special assessments are to be levied adjusted to the next greater ½%. Such assessments shall become delinquent in equal annual installments over such periods of years (not exceeding 20 years and typically 10 years), as the Board of Trustees determines at the time of making the levy. Delinquent installments bear interest at the rate of 2% per annum above the rate set by the District on such installments before delinquency, subject to a 14% per annum ceiling (subject to adjustment from time to time by the Legislature). If three or more annual installments become delinquent, the Board of Trustees of the District may declare all remaining annual installments due and payable and increase to 14% per annum (subject to adjustment from time to time by the Legislature) the interest rate on all installments.

#### **Remedies for Delinquencies**

Tax Certificate Sale and Tax Deed. Nebraska law provides two statutory schemes for clearing the tax liens of delinquent special assessment installments and ad valorem taxes. Both processes require several years to reach conclusion. The first method is the sale of tax certificates by the county in which the property in question is located. County treasurers are empowered to sell tax certificates for real estate on which taxes or assessments have not been paid as provided by law for an amount equal to all of the taxes and, if so requested by the levying district, special assessments. The county treasurer conducts tax certificate sales

in March following three weekly notice publications in general circulation newspapers in the county. For the tax certificate sale to occur, the county treasurer must receive a sale price at least equal to the sum of the delinquent assessments, delinquent ad valorem taxes, if any, and certain statutory expenses. If a tax certificate is sold, the liens of the special assessments and any other taxes are transferred to the purchaser, and the county treasurer will distribute to the district that portion of sale price attributable to the delinquent special assessment installments and the district's share of unpaid ad valorem taxes. Subject to the priority of outstanding bonds, the district then may retire warrants in full in the order registered to the extent of the amount of the proceeds of the tax certificate sale. The owner of the property will have three years from the tax certificates ale date to redeem the tax certificates, after which time the purchaser of the tax certificates, if not so redeemed, may obtain a tax deed pursuant to Section 77-1837, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended, or foreclose on the tax lien via a sheriff's sale as discussed below. If the purchaser exercises its right to acquire a tax deed, the district's lien for special assessments, if not so included in the tax certificate sale, will remain and the tax deed will be subject to the lien of special assessments. In order to obtain a tax deed or a sheriff's deed, the tax certificate holder must act under either method within nine months of the end of the three-year redemption period. If a tax certificate is not sold, the owner retains the property, but interest still will accrue as aforesaid. The county treasurer conducts the tax certificate sale and maintains the records.

**Foreclosure Proceedings and Sheriff's Deed.** The second statutory method for clearing liens of taxes or assessments is foreclosure against the property in question. Either the sanitary and improvement district or the county may exercise the right to foreclose; however, a district may only foreclose its tax lien in the case of delinquent special assessments.

Additionally, as mentioned above, the purchaser of a tax certificate may also obtain a sheriff's deed via the foreclosure proceedings. Upon exercising the remedy of foreclosure pursuant to its tax certificate lien, the county court may immediately confirm the sale and issue a sheriff's deed to the tax certificate purchaser.

The district's board of trustees may initiate foreclosure proceedings once special assessment installments are delinquent for three years running and may bid its tax lien in the amount of delinquent special assessments at the sheriff sale. The district will take the property if there are no other adequate bids and may resell the property, in which event the proceeds of the resale must be divided among the affected taxing jurisdictions, including the district, in proportion to their respective liens. However, the district is not entitled to any surplus unless the county treasurer has first offered the special assessments for sale via the tax certificate sale process describe above.

Alternatively, the county may foreclose the lien of delinquent taxes or special assessments against property within a district. If taxes or assessments are delinquent for three years or more, the county must foreclose in order to recapture anticipated proceeds from property taxes and special assessments. If the special assessments are not requested by a district to be included in the tax foreclosure proceeding and the county treasurer has not previously offered the delinquent special assessments for sale, then the district's special assessment lien will survive the foreclosure sale.

Confirmation of the sale of foreclosed property pursuant to a sheriff's sale is not available until the passage of a two—year redemption period (during which time the delinquent property owner may satisfy the delinquency and remove the outstanding lien of taxes or special assessments), running from the sale date. Thus, the winning bidder must wait two years before receiving clear title. However, the purchaser of a tax certificate may foreclose its lien at the conclusion of the three year redemption period specifically associated with the tax certificate sale and will not be subject to an additional two year redemption period. Under the foreclosure proceedings, there is no requirement that the auction price equal or exceed the special assessments and ad valorem taxes then owing; the recovery, if any, can be insufficient to make bondholders whole.

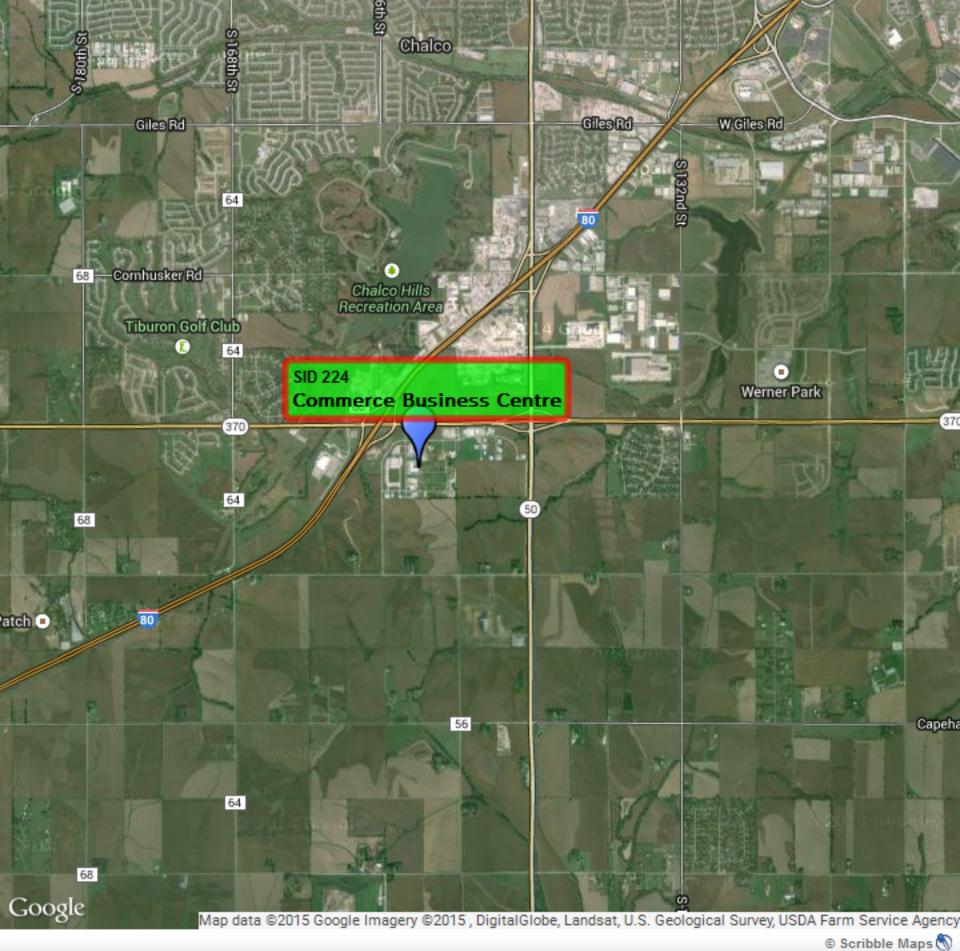
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# DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The annual debt service requirements on the Bonds and the Parity Bonds are shown below.

For Year Ending December 31	Debt Service on Parity Bonds	Principal (August 15)	February 15 Interest	August 15 Interest	Total
2020	\$ 125,755.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 37,250.89	\$163,005.89
2021	9,375.00	115,000.00	38,097.50	38,097.50	200,570.00
2022	9,375.00	115,000.00	36,976.25	36,976.25	198,327.50
2023	· ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· ·	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
	9,375.00	120,000.00	35,797.50	35,797.50	200,970.00
2024	9,375.00	125,000.00	34,537.50	34,537.50	203,450.00
2025	9,375.00	125,000.00	33,193.75	33,193.75	200,762.50
2026	9,375.00	130,000.00	31,787.50	31,787.50	202,950.00
2027	9,375.00	130,000.00	30,260.00	30,260.00	199,895.00
2028	9,375.00	135,000.00	28,667.50	28,667.50	201,710.00
2029	9,375.00	140,000.00	26,946.25	26,946.25	203,267.50
2030	9,375.00	140,000.00	25,091.25	25,091.25	199,557.50
2031	9,375.00	145,000.00	23,166.25	23,166.25	200,707.50
2032	9,375.00	150,000.00	21,136.25	21,136.25	201,647.50
2033	9,375.00	150,000.00	18,998.75	18,998.75	197,372.50
2034	9,375.00	155,000.00	16,823.75	16,823.75	198,022.50
2035	9,375.00	160,000.00	14,537.50	14,537.50	198,450.00
2036	254,687.50	20,000.00	12,137.50	12,137.50	298,962.50
2037	0.00	180,000.00	11,832.50	11,832.50	203,665.00
2038	0.00	185,000.00	9,042.50	9,042.50	203,085.00
2039	0.00	185,000.00	6,128.75	6,128.75	197,257.50
2040	0.00	195,000.00	3,168.75	3,168.75	201,337.50
TOTAL	<u>\$521,067.50</u>	\$2,800,000.00	<u>\$458,327.50</u>	<u>\$495,578.39</u>	<u>\$4,274,973.39</u>

# **LOCATION MAP**



# SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CALLED 2015 REFUNDED BONDS AS OF 5/15/2020		
SERIES 2015 BONDS TO BE REFUNDED	2,300,000.00	
INTEREST TO CALL DATE (5/15/2020)	41,551.25	
TOTAL REFUNDING PROCEEDS REQUIRED		2,341,551.25
CALLED 2016 REFUNDED BONDS AS OF 2/19/2020		
SERIES 2016 BONDS TO BE REFUNDED	300,000.00	
INTEREST TO CALL DATE (2/19/2020)	1,801.67	
TOTAL REFUNDING PROCEEDS REQUIRED		301,801.67
BOND ISSUE SERIES 2020		
REFUNDED BOND PRINCIPAL & INTEREST TO CALL DATE	2,643,352.92	
PLUS: UNDERWRITER'S DISCOUNT (2.00%)	56,000.00	
PLUS: MUNICIPAL ADVISOR (3.00%)	84,000.00	
PLUS: COST OF ISSUANCE	18,500.00	
LESS: CASH FROM THE BOND FUND	1,852.92	
SERIES 2020 BOND ISSUE		2,800,000.00
BOND FUND AS OF 10/31/2019		
CASH	213,967.17	
INVESTMENTS	0.00	
TOTAL CASH & INVESTMENTS		213,967.17
USE OF BOND FUND CASH		
LESS: CASH FROM THE BOND FUND ON 2/19/2020	1,852.92	
SERIES 2015 BOND INTEREST PAYMENT ON 11/15/2019	42,931.25	
SERIES 2016 BOND INTEREST PAYMENT ON 11/15/2019	8,137.50	
SERIES 2015 BOND P&I PAYMENT ON 5/15/2020	116,380.00	
BOND FUND BALANCE UPON ISSUANCE OF 2020 BONDS		44,665.50
COST OF ISSUANCE PAID WITH BOND PROCEEDS		
BOND COUNSEL	11,200.00	
SID ATTORNEY	7,000.00	
REGISTRAR & PAYING AGENT	300.00	
TOTAL COST OF ISSUANCE		18,500.00
UNCOLLECTED SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AS OF 10/31/2019		0.00
REMAINING DEBT (estimated as of 2/19/2020)		
WARRANT BALANCE	0.00	
BOND BALANCE	3,050,000.00	
TOTAL DEBT		3,050,000.00

# APPENDIX B — FINANCIAL INFORMATION & ANNUAL AUDIT

# SANITARY AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 224 OF SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA—

Part One

Selected District Financial Information

# STATEMENT OF DEBT AND DEBT RATIOS

Direct Debt	
Construction Fund Warrants	\$ -
General Obligation Bonds Series 2016	250,000
General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2020	 2,800,000
Total Direct Debt	\$ 3,050,000
District Assets	
Bond Fund Cash (Upon the Issuance of the Bonds)	\$ 44,666
Uncollected Special Assessments	 
Net District Assets	\$ 44,666
Net Direct Debt (Direct Debt, less Bond Fund Cash and Uncollected Special Assessments):	\$ 3,005,335
Overlapping General Obligation Debt	
Springfield Public School District	\$ 78,316
Sarpy County	14,858
Gretna Fire District	 21,379
Total Overlapping General Obligation Debt	\$ 114,553
Total Direct & Overlapping General Obligation Debt	\$ 3,164,552
Total Net Direct & Overlapping General Obligation Debt	\$ 3,119,887
Ratios of Debt to Taxable Valuations	
2018 Taxable Valuation	\$ 26,735,919
2019 Taxable Valuation	\$ 26,864,214
Ratio of Direct Debt to 2018 Taxable Valuation	11.41%
Ratio of Direct Debt to 2019 Taxable Valuation	11.35%
Ratio of Direct Debt and Overlapping Debt to 2018 Taxable Valuation	11.84%
Ratio of Direct Debt and Overlapping Debt to 2019 Taxable Valuation	11.78%
Ratio of Net Direct Debt to 2018 Taxable Valuation	11.24%
Ratio of Net Direct Debt to 2019 Taxable Valuation	11.19%
Ratio of Net Direct Debt & Overlapping Debt to 2018 Taxable Valuation	11.67%
Ratio of Net Direct Debt & Overlapping Debt to 2019 Taxable Valuation	11.61%

Source: Sarpy County Treasurer; Sarpy County Assessor & Nebraska State Auditor Website

# **OVERLAPPING DEBT**

	2018 <u>Taxable Valuation</u>	Outstanding <b>Bonds as of 12/31/18</b>	Outstanding Bonds Applicable to SID No. 224
Springfield Public School District	\$1,572,082,638	\$4,605,000	\$78,316
Sarpy County	\$15,511,549,423	\$8,620,000	14,858
Gretna Fire District	\$2,069,700,222	\$1,655,000	21,379
Total			\$114,553

Source: Sarpy County Assessor & Nebraska State Auditor Website

# TOTAL PROPERTY TAX LEVIES

# Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 Of Sarpy County, Nebraska

(Levy rates are dollars per \$100 of actual valuation)

	2019/2020	2018/2019	2017/2018
SID No. 224 Tax Levy			<del></del>
Bond Fund	0.80000	0.80000	0.83000
General Fund	0.15000	0.15000	0.15000
Total	0.95000	0.95000	0.98000
Other Taxing Entities			
Sarpy County	0.29690	0.29690	0.29690
Ag. Society	0.00276	0.00274	0.00259
Metro Community College	0.09500	0.09500	0.09500
Papio/Missouri NRD	0.03738	0.03759	0.03780
ESU No. 3	0.01500	0.01500	0.01500
Learning Community	0.01605	0.01625	0.01625
Gretna Fire District	0.04450	0.04179	0.04351
Springfield School District	1.01500	1.02617	1.04967
	1.52259	1.53145	1.55671
Total Levy SID No. 224	2.47259	2.48145	2.53671

Source: Sarpy County Clerk

#### PROPERTY TAX COLLECTIONS

Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska (as of October 31, 2019)

				Percent
<u>Year</u>	<u>Due *</u>	<b>Levied</b>	<b>Collected</b>	<b>Collected</b>
2019/2020	12/31/2019	\$250,106	\$0	0.00%
2018/2019	12/31/2018	\$248,911	\$221,102	88.83%
2017/2018	12/31/2017	\$252 384	\$252 384	100.00%

<sup>\*</sup>Taxes are due on December 31 of the year levied, but may be paid in two equal installments due April 1 and August 1 of the following year. The taxes for the 2019/2020 year, accordingly, are due on December 31, 2019, but the first installment of such taxes will not become delinquent until April 1, 2020 and the second installment will not become delinquent until August 1, 2019.

Source: Sarpy County Treasurer

#### **MAJOR TAXPAYERS**

Largest District Property <u>Taxpayer(s)</u>	2019 Taxable <u>Valuation</u>	Percent of 2019 Taxable <u>Valuation</u>
OSI PROPERTIES LP	\$7,287,000.00	27.13%
CF SOUTH 153RD STREET LLC	\$3,806,500.00	14.17%
88 TACTICAL BUILDING GROUP LLC	\$3,400,000.00	12.66%
NEXT PHASE SOLUTIONS LLC	\$2,177,280.00	8.10%
OMAHA TRUCK & TRAILER INC	\$2,058,500.00	7.66%
PERCO LLC	\$1,572,480.00	5.85%
SARPY INVESTMENTS LLC	\$1,536,192.00	5.72%
HAWKEYE TRUCKING COMPANY	\$828,576.00	3.08%
ELOC-4 LLC	\$786,240.00	2.93%
COMMERCE BUSINESS CENTRE LLC	\$655,444.00	2.44%
THALL BACK FORTY LLC	\$520,128.00	1.94%

Source: Sarpy County Assessor

# DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT

 $\begin{array}{c|cccc} & & & & & & & & & & & & \\ \textbf{District Build Out} & & & & & & & & & \\ \textbf{Commercial Lots} & & & & & & & & & \\ \textbf{Commercial Lots} & & & & & & & & \\ \textbf{10} & & & & & & & & \\ \textbf{12} & & & & & & & \\ \textbf{83.33\%} \\ \end{array}$ 

Source: Sarpy County Assessor

# Part Two of Appendix B

Independent Auditor's Report and Combined Financial Statements fiscal year ending June 30, 2019									

# Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska

**Basic Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report** 

June 30, 2019



# Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska

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Accordance with Government Auditing Standards



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the index.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

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 Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information included in Schedules 1 and 2 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, 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.

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a required 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. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

#### Other Information

We were engaged to audit the financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying other supplementary information included in Schedules 3 and 4 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management. The information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements. Accordingly, it is inappropriate to and we do not express an opinion on the other supplementary information referred to above.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 13, 2019, on our consideration of Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska'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 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 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.

Lutz & Company, P.C.

# Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska

# **Governmental Funds Balance Sheet/Statement of Net Position**

June 30, 2019

	(	General	eral Debt Service				Statement of		
		<u>Fund</u>		<u>Fund</u>		<u>Total</u>	Re	<u>conciliation</u>	<b>Net Position</b>
ASSETS									
Cash on Deposit									
County Treasurer	\$	86,290	\$	141,646	Ş	227,936	\$	-	\$ 227,936
Receivables									
Property Taxes		14,445		74,658		89,103		-	89,103
Capital Assets, Net of									
Accumulated Depreciation		-		-		-		835,385	835,385
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	100,735	\$	216,304	\$	317,039	\$	835,385	\$ 1,152,424
LIABILITIES									
Accounts Payable	\$	13,140	Ś	_	\$	13,140	\$	_	\$ 13,140
Accrued Interest on	,		*		т.	,	7		7/
Bonds		_		12,767		12,767		_	12,767
Bonds Payable				, -		, -			, -
Due Within One Year		_		_		_		115,000	115,000
Due After One Year		_		_		_		2,850,000	2,850,000
Total Liabilities		13,140		12,767		25,907		2,965,000	2,990,907
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		-		-		-		89,103	89,103
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)/NET POSITIO	N								
Unassigned, Reported in									
General Fund		87,595		-		87,595		(87,595)	-
Restricted, Debt Service Fund		-		203,537		203,537		(203,537)	-
Total Fund Balance (Deficit)		87,595		203,537		291,132		(291,132)	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES DEFENDED							-		
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND									
FUND BALANCE	Ś	100,735	\$	216,304	\$	317,039			
TOND BREAKCE	<u> </u>	100,733	<u> </u>	210,504	<u> </u>	317,033	=		
NET POSITION									
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of									
Related Debt								(2,129,615)	(2,129,615)
Unrestricted								73,150	73,150
Restricted for Debt Service								128,879	128,879
TOTAL NET POSITION							\$	(1,927,586)	\$(1,927,586)

Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances/Statement of Activities

Year Ended June 30, 2019

		eneral Fund	De	ebt Service Fund		Total	Rec	onciliation	Statement of Activities
REVENUES/RECEIPTS				<u></u>		<u></u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Property Taxes	\$	40,104	\$	213,888	\$	253,992	\$	35,157	\$ 289,149
Interest on	·	•	·	,	·	•		•	
Property Taxes		153		846		999		-	999
State Motor Vehicle Tax Allocation		99		533		632		-	632
Collection in District		-		14,765		14,765		-	14,765
Total Revenue/Receipts		40,356		230,032		270,388		35,157	305,545
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES									
Current:									
Collection Fees- County Treasurer		876		4,746		5,622		-	5,622
Depreciation		-		-		-		57,278	57,278
Fiscal Agent Fees		7,250		_		7,250		-	7,250
Insurance		3,449		-		3,449		-	3,449
Maintenance		555		-		555		-	555
Professional Fees		14,630		-		14,630		-	14,630
Utilities		11,150		-		11,150		-	11,150
Street Signs		320		-		320		-	320
Bonds Payable									
Principal		-		115,000		115,000		(115,000)	-
Interest		-		104,351		104,351		-	104,351
Total Expenditures/Expenses		38,230		224,097		262,327		(57,722)	204,605
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues/Receipt	S								
Over Expenditures/Expenses		2,126		5,935		8,061		92,879	100,940
Change in Net Position								100,940	100,940
Fund Balance (Deficit)/Net Position									
Beginning of Year		85,469		197,602		283,071		-	(2,028,526)
Fund Balance Net Position,									
End of Year	\$	87,595	\$	203,537	\$	291,132	\$	-	\$ (1,927,586)

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

June 30, 2019

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the District's significant policies.

## Reporting Entity

Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska (the District), was formed on May 21, 2001, and is a governmental subdivision authorized under the statutes of the State of Nebraska. The District operates under an elected Board of Trustees, which governs all activities related to streets, utility systems, and other public improvements within the jurisdiction of the District. The accompanying basic financial statements present the District's primary government unit and no component units because the District does not have any component units.

## **Basic Financial Statements**

The basic financial statements include the government-wide and fund financial statements and provide reports on the financial condition and results of operations for the District. The government-wide financial statements are based on the District as a whole, while the fund financial statements provide information about the District's individual funds.

The District's government-wide financial statements include a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Position. The accompanying Statement of Net Position presents all of the assets and deferred inflows over liabilities and deferred outflows. The Statement of Activities presents changes in net position from governmental activities. Governmental activities include programs supported primarily by taxes, special assessments and other intergovernmental revenues. The District has no fiduciary activities or business type activities that rely, to a significant extent, on fees and charges for support.

The District's governmental fund financial statements include the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and Governmental Fund Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. The District reports the two major governmental funds' financial condition and results of operations in separate columns.

## **Fund Accounting**

The District used funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The District only used governmental funds.

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

June 30, 2019

## **Governmental Funds**

Governmental funds are those through which most general governmental functions of the District are financed. The measurement focus is upon determination of changes in financial position, rather than upon net income determination. Only current assets and liabilities are included on the balance sheets, and the operating statements present sources and uses of available financial resources during a given period. The following major governmental funds are used by the District:

## - General Fund

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.

## Debt Service Fund

The debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, long-term debt principal, interest and related costs anticipated to be settled during the next fiscal year.

## Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide financial statements are presented using the *economic resources* measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned while expenses are recognized in the period in which the liability is incurred.

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 thirty-one days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

## **Net Position/Fund Balances**

The net position of the District is classified as follows:

## - Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt

This category consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the current balances of any outstanding borrowings used to finance the purchase or construction of those assets as well as deferred outflows or inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

## June 30, 2019

## - Restricted

This category consists of noncapital assets that must be used for a particular purpose, as specified by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations external to the District. The District's restricted net position presents amounts restricted for the repayment of principal and interest on long-term debt and related costs.

## - Unrestricted

This category consists of remaining net assets that do not meet the definitions of net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt or restricted net position as described above.

The governmental funds report up to five categories of fund balances as described below:

## - Nonspendable Fund Balance

Nonspendable fund balances consist of amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The District had no nonspendable fund balance as of June 30, 2019.

## - Restricted Fund Balance

Restricted fund balances consist of amounts that are constrained by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments, or limitations that are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

## - Committed Fund Balance

Committed fund balances consist of amounts that are only to be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by the highest level of decision making, which is the Board of Trustees. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government removes the restrictions through resolution. The District had no committed fund balance as of June 30, 2019.

## Assigned Fund Balance

Assigned fund balances consist of amounts that are constrained by the government intended to be used for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. The authority for making the assignment is not required to be the government's highest decision making authority and the nature of the actions necessary to remove or modify the assignment is not as prescriptive as it is with regards to committed fund balances. The District had no assigned fund balance as of June 30, 2019.

## - Unassigned Fund Balance

Unassigned fund balances consist of the residual classification for the general fund.

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

## June 30, 2019

The District first applies restricted resources when an expense/expenditure is incurred for a purpose for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available.

## **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

The District is required to adopt an annual operating budget for all the funds over which the District controls. The budget is adopted using a cash basis of accounting which differs significantly from generally accepted accounting principles. Under the cash basis of accounting, revenues and expenditures are recorded when cash is received or paid, respectively. Payment is deemed to have been made when warrants are issued.

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

- (1) In September of each year, the District submits a proposed operating budget for all funds to the real estate owners of the District.
- (2) Notice of place and time of public hearings must be published prior to the public hearings.
- (3) Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comment.
- (4) After publication and hearing, the budget is legally adopted by majority vote of the Board. The District is required to file a copy of the adopted budget with the County Clerk and the Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts in accordance with the Nebraska Budget Act.
- (5) The budget is adopted on a per-fund basis and budgetary control is exercised at the fund level.
- (6) The Board of Trustees may authorize supplementary appropriations during the year. (No such appropriations were made during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.)

## **Investments**

Excess funds may be invested by the District in accordance with the statutes of the State of Nebraska. Allowable investments generally include U.S. government obligations, certificates of deposit, and time deposits. The District does not have a formal investment policy but all investments have consisted of short-term U.S. Treasury bills.

All investment activities are conducted through the County Treasurer. Treasury bills are bought and held in safekeeping by the County Treasurer in the District's name. The District does not have a policy for custodial credit risk beyond compliance with state statutes.

GASB Statement No. 72 on Fair Value Measurements establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

U.S. government obligations are liquid and have quoted market prices. Fair value of U.S. government obligations is based on live trading data. U.S. government obligations are categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

The District had no investments at June 30, 2019.

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

June 30, 2019

## **Property Taxes**

Property taxes receivable are recognized when a legal and enforceable claim is assessed against the property. Delinquent taxes are considered fully collectible; therefore, no allowance for uncollectible taxes is provided.

## **Capital Assets**

Capital assets are stated at cost in accordance with construction contracts and other costs applicable thereto in the government-wide financial statements. Interest accrued on warrants issued for the construction of improvements is capitalized during the period of construction. Capital assets are classified as construction in progress until construction is complete or special assessments are levied. No depreciation expense is reported for capital assets classified as construction in progress. The costs of improvements disposed and the related accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the accounts in the year of disposal. Gains or losses from property disposals are recognized in the year of disposal. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Storm Sewer Systems	50
Street Improvements	20

## Credit Risk

The District's credit risk relates to receivables for property taxes which are due from property owners within the boundaries of the District and cash on deposit with the Sarpy County Treasurer. The District's investments are also exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risk.

## **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the District's Trustees 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 basic financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Subsequent Events

Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet/Statement on Net Assets date, but before the financial statements are available to be issued and may require potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Management has considered such events or transactions through December 13, 2019, noting no items requiring disclosure.

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

June 30, 2019

## 2. **Property Taxes**

Property taxes are levied in September and attached as an enforceable lien on the assessed property as of December 31. The first half payment becomes delinquent April 1 of the following year and the second half payment becomes delinquent August 1 of the following year. The Sarpy County Treasurer bills and collects all property taxes for the District.

For 2018-2019, the District levied taxes at the rate of \$.95 (\$.15 in the general fund and \$.80 in the debt service fund) per \$100 based on a property valuation of \$26,735,919.

## 3. Capital Assets

Capital assets at June 30, 2019 consist of the following:

		Costs at		A dditions		Deletions		Costs at
Charma Carray Creatana	jui	ne 30, 2018	4	Additions	۲.	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>jun</u>	e 30, 2019
Storm Sewer System	Ş	969,753	\$	-	Ş	-	Ş	969,753
Street Improvements		757,659		-		-		757,659
Outlots		62,934						62,934
	\$	1,790,346	\$	-	\$	-		1,790,346
Less Accumulated Depre	ciation							954,961
Capital Assets, Net of Accu	mulate	ed Depreciatio	n				\$	835,385

## 4. Warrants Payable

Warrants registered with Sarpy County accrue interest from the date of registration to the date they are called for payment.

General fund warrants are due 3 years from the date of issuance. Debt service fund warrants are due 5 years from the date of issuance.

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The following is a summary of warrant transactions during the year ended June 30, 2019:

	General <u>Fund</u>	Service Fund
Balance, June 30, 2018	\$ -	\$ -
Warrants Issued	39,657	-
Warrants Retired	(39,657)	<u> </u>
Balance, June 30, 2019	\$ -	\$ -

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

June 30, 2019

## 5. Long-Term Debt

The District's long-term debt consists of general obligation bonds which are reflected in the debt service fund.

General obligation refunding bonds totaling \$2,860,000 issued May 15, 2015, with a balance of \$2,415,000 at June 30, 2019, are due serially beginning May 15, 2016, through May 15, 2035. Interest is payable semiannually on this issue at 2.40% to 4.15% per annum.

General obligation refunding bonds totaling \$550,000 issued May 15, 2016, with a balance of \$550,000 at June 30, 2019, are due serially beginning May 15, 2021, through May 15, 2036. Interest is payable semiannually on this issue at 2.30% to 3.75% per annum.

The following is a summary of bonds payable transactions of the District for the year ended June 30, 2019:

Bonds Outstanding, June 30, 2018	\$ 3,080,000
Bonds Retired	(115,000)
Bonds Outstanding, June 30, 2019	\$ 2,965,000

Aggregate maturities of long-term debt and interest due on long-term debt are as follows:

Year Ending June 30:	<u>Principal</u>		<u>Interest</u>	<u>est</u>		<u>Total</u>
2020	\$ 115,000		\$ 102,138		\$	217,138
2021	420,000		99,378			519,378
2022	125,000		89,358			214,358
2023	125,000		85,858			210,858
2024	130,000		82,170			212,170
2025-2029	725,000		343,245			1,068,245
2030-2034	875,000		197,075			1,072,075
2035-2036	 450,000	_	27,050			477,050
	\$ 2,965,000	_	\$ 1,026,272		\$	3,991,272

## **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

## June 30, 2019

6.	Reconciliation of Net Position and Changes in Net Position		
	Net Position  Total fund balance per balance sheet	\$	291,132
	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.		835,385
	Some liabilities, including bonds payable are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.	(2	2,965,000)
	Property tax revenue not yet earned at year end is reported as deferred inflows of resources.		(89,103)
	Net position of governmental activities	\$ (2	L <u>,927,586)</u>
	<u>Changes in Net Position</u> Net change in fund balance	\$	8,061
	Current year property tax levy not yet earned at year end.		35,157
	Certain expenses do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in the funds.		(57,278)
	Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.		115,000
	Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	100,940

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance-Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) – General Fund

Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance-Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) – Debt Service Fund

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Information Required by Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 31-740,

**District Trustees and Related Bonds** 

Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* 

Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) – General Fund

Schedule 1

Year Ended June 30, 2019

	(	tual on GAAP <u>Basis</u>	justments Budgetary <u>Basis</u>		aı	Original nd Final Budget	Fa	ariance- vorable avorable)
REVENUES/RECEIPTS								
Property Taxes	\$	40,104	\$ 4,958	\$ 45,062	\$	39,318	\$	5,744
Interest on								
Property Taxes		153	-	153		40		113
State Motor Vehicle Tax Allocation		99	-	99		95		4
Total Revenues/Receipts		40,356	4,958	45,314		39,453		5,861
EXPENDITURES/DISBURSEMENTS								(2-2)
Collection Fees- County Treasurer		876	-	876		-		(876)
Engineering		-	636	636		300		(336)
Fiscal Agent Fees		7,250	500	7,750		1,390		(6,360)
Insurance		3,449	-	3,449		3,300		(149)
Maintenance		555	(555)	-		200		200
Professional Fees		14,630	3,034	17,664		15,000		(2,664)
Utilities		11,150	(992)	10,158		9,000		(1,158)
Street Signs		320	(320)	-		-		-
Total Expenditures/Disbursements		38,230	2,303	40,533		29,190		(11,343)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues/Receipts over Expenditures/Disbursements		2,126	2,655	4,781		10,263		(5,482)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Warrants Issued		-	39,657	39,657		29,100		10,557
Warrants Retired		-	(39,657)	(39,657)		(29,100)		(10,557)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		-		-		=		<u>-</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES/ RECEIPTS AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES/DISBURSEMENTAND OTHER USES	ΓS	2,126	2,655	4.781	Ś	10,263	\$	(5,482)
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Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year		85,469	(3,960)	81,509				
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$	87,595	\$ (1,305)	\$ 86,290	•			

Schedule of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) – Debt Service Fund

Schedule 2

Year Ended June 30, 2019

		Actual on GAAP <u>Basis</u>		AAP to Budgetary		Actual on Budgetary <u>Basis</u>	Original and Final <u>Budget</u>	Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)	
REVENUES/RECEIPTS		242.000		20.400	_	244.006	4 200 502		24202
Property Taxes	\$	213,888	\$	30,198	\$	244,086	\$ 209,693	\$	34,393
Interest on									
Property Taxes		846		-		846	200		646
State Motor Vehicle Tax Allocation		533		-		533	530		3
Collection in District		14,765				14,765	<del>-</del>		14,765
Total Revenues/Receipts		230,032		30,198		260,230	210,423		49,807
EXPENDITURES/DISBURSEMENTS									()
Collection Fees- County Treasurer		4,746		-		4,746	-		(4,746)
Bonds Payable									
Principal		115,000		-		115,000	115,000		-
Interest		104,351		317		104,668	104,668		
Total Expenditures/Disbursements		224,097		317		224,414	219,668		(4,746)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues/Receipts over Expenditures/Disbursements		5,935		29,881		35,816	(9,245)		45,061
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES/ RECEIPTS AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES/DISBURSEMEN	ITS								
AND OTHER USES		5,935		29,881		35,816	\$ (9,245)	\$	45,061
Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year		197,602		(91,772)		105,830			
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$	203,537	\$	(61,891)	\$	141,646			

Information Required by Nebraska Revised Statutes Section 31-740

Schedule 3

June 30, 2019

Total Receipts From All Sources	\$ 305,544
Amount Spent for Sewage Disposal	None
Amount Expended on Water System	None
Gross Amount of Sewage Processed	None
Cost Per Thousand Gallons of Processing Sewage	None
Amount Expended For Maintenance and Repair New Equipment New Construction Work Property Purchased	\$ 555 None None None
Number of Employees	None
Total Amount of Taxes Levied Upon the Property Within the District	\$ 253,992

**District Trustees and Related Bonds** 

Schedule 4

June 30, 2019

Trustees		Bonds						
<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Insurer</u>	<u>Amount</u>					
Steven Reeder	Chairman	Western Surety Company	\$	5,000				
Brenda Reeder	Clerk	Western Surety Company	\$	20,000				
Penny Rosso	Trustee							



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

Board of Trustees Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, which collectively comprise Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 13, 2019. 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.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska's internal control over financial reporting.

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 over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, as summarized below, we identified a deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed certain instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*, summarized below.

## **Findings and Responses**

## Significant Deficiency Identified:

## Criteria

Internal controls should be in place that provide reasonable assurance of the District's ability to report financial information reliably in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Condition

The Board of Trustees has engaged the outside audit firm to prepare the financial statements and related footnotes in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Cause

The District has a limited number of administrative personnel available to prepare the financial statements and related footnotes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Effect**

The District does not on its own comply with regulatory requirements to prepare annual financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Recommendation

We recommend the District have a heightened awareness of the required oversight and monitoring of the transactions being reported.

## Response

This is not an uncommon situation for a governmental entity of the District's size. The Board of Trustees has determined it would not be cost-beneficial to establish a system of internal controls that would allow the District to prepare its own financial statements. Accordingly, the District engaged the audit firm to assist in the preparation of the statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Board of Trustees will oversee and monitor the transactions being reported and will accept responsibility for the financial statements prepared by the audit firm.

## Instances of Noncompliance Identified:

#### Criteria

Internal controls should be in place that monitor the District's activities for consistency with budgeted amounts.

## Condition

The District exceeded budgeted disbursements by approximately \$16,400.

#### Cause

Due to unanticipated events that occurred subsequent to the adoption of the budget, the District exceeded the budgeted amount of expenditures/expenses.

#### Effect

The District did not amend the budget to account for the exceeded expenditures/expenses.

#### Recommendation

We recommend the Board of Trustees monitor the District's activities for consistency with budgeted amounts.

## Response

The District's activities were not consistent with budgeted amounts due to unexpected circumstances. The Board of Trustees will monitor the District's activities in order to effectively budget in the future.

We did not audit and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the District's responses to the findings identified above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees, management, the Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts and other audit agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Lutz & Company, P.C.

December 13, 2019



## APPENDIX C — SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA INFORMATION

The following information about Sarpy County, Nebraska is included because the District is located within the County. The Bonds are not a debt of, nor are they payable by, Sarpy County.

## **General Description of the County**

The County encompasses approximately 249 square miles, or 159,360 acres in area, and is located on the eastern border of Nebraska. Sarpy County is surrounded by Douglas County on the north, Saunders County on the west, and Cass County on the south, and borders with the State of Iowa on the east. The Missouri River separates Iowa and Nebraska on Sarpy County's eastern edge. Papillion, the county seat of Sarpy County, is located ten miles from Omaha, Nebraska, and 45 miles from Lincoln, Nebraska. The current population of the County is estimated at 184,459.

Sarpy County, unlike most of Nebraska, does not have an agriculturally oriented economy. Offutt Air Force Base is located in the County, making the U.S. military the County's largest employer. Offutt is the headquarters for the Strategic Command ("STRATCOM").

The major highways serving Sarpy County include Interstate 80 running from the north-center County line to the southwest corner of the County and connecting Omaha with Lincoln. U.S. Routes 73/75, and 6, and the Kennedy Freeway run north-south along with Nebraska Routes 50 and 85. The major eastwest thoroughfare is Nebraska Route 370.

Rail facilities serving the County include the Union Pacific Railroad and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. Residents of the County use Omaha's Eppley Airfield for air transportation.

Source: US Census (www.quickfacts.census.gov)

Source: Sapry County (for Offutt information and size of county)

## The Economy

The economy of Sarpy County can be described as follows:

**Labor Force**. According to the Nebraska Department of Labor, the average monthly civilian labor force in Sarpy County in April 2019 was 95,891. According to Offutt Air Force Base, as of 2017 there are 16,753 military and civilian personnel employed on the base in Bellevue.

Source: State of Nebraska, <a href="http://neworks.nebraska.gov">http://neworks.nebraska.gov</a> (for civilian labor)

Offutt Economic Impact Statement Fiscal Year 2017 (for military and civilian assigned).

**Per Capita Personal Income**. In 2017, the per capita personal income of Sarpy County residents was \$48,129 which was 94.7% of the Nebraska average per capita income of \$50,809. The lower per capita income is explained by Sarpy County's 27.6% population under age 18.

Source: http://quickfacts.census.gov (for population under 18) http://bea.gov (for per capita personal income by County)

*Median Household Income*. In 2017 the median income of households in Sarpy County was \$75,752.

Source: http://quickfacts.census.gov - most recent info available

## Sales

Net taxable sales (excluding motor vehicles) within the County increased from \$1,743,450,920 in 2016 to \$1,835,611,916 in 2017, representing a 5.3% increase over the prior year.

Source: Sarpy County

## **Employers**

The ten largest employers located in the County and the nature of their businesses are as follows:

Company	Industry
Offutt Air Force Base	Government
PayPal, Inc.	Service
Infogroup, Inc.	Data/Marketing
Oriental Trading Company	Warehouse/ Distribution
Papillion-La Vista Public Schools	Education
Bellevue Public Schools	Education
Werner Enterprises	Trucking
Wal-Mart Stores & Sam's Club	Retail
Bellevue University	Education
Hillcrest Health Systems	Healthcare

Source: Sarpy County Economic Development Corporation, 2018

## **Indebtedness**

The County by law may assess taxes in an amount not to exceed \$0.50 per \$100 of actual valuation without an approving vote of the citizens of the County. The County's total tax levy for fiscal year 2018-2019 is 29.690 cents per \$100 of actual valuation.

Source: Sarpy County

## **Actual Value of Taxable Property**

Tax Year	Actual Valuation	Percentage of Increase
2014	\$11,995,964,919.00	3.40
2015	\$12,785,158,397.00	6.58
2016	\$13,565,438,185.00	6.10
2017	\$14,493,101,695.00	6.84
2018	\$15,511,549,423.00	7.03
2016 2017	\$13,565,438,185.00 \$14,493,101,695.00	6.10 6.84

Source: Sarpy County Assessor

## **10 Largest Taxpayers**

The largest taxpayers located in the County, the actual taxes of their properties and the types of their businesses include the following:

Business Name	2018 Taxes	Nature of Business
Shadow Lake Towne Center LLC	\$2,250,821	Retail Businesses
Omaha Outlets LLC	\$1,610,493	Retail Business
JQH La Vista Conference/CY Dev/III Dev	\$1,375,430	Conference Center & Hotel
Offutt AFB America	\$1,295,102	Base Housing
Walmart Real Estate/Stores/Business Trust/Neighborhood	\$1,243,659	Retail Business
Market		
Edward Rose Development	\$989,363	Apartments
PayPal	\$956,289	Commercial Business
MFR Partners IX/XVI LLC	\$851,689	Apartments
Werner Enterprises	\$784,679	Trucking
Harrison Hills Apartments	\$783,330	Apartments

<sup>\*</sup>Totals based on names on file.

Source: Sarpy County Treasurer's Office.

## **History of County Tax Levies (Cents per \$100 of Assessed Valuation)**

Year	Amount
2014	29.990
2015	29.690
2016	29.690
2017	29.690
2018	29.690

Source: Sarpy County

## **Tax Levies and Collections**

Tax Certified by the Assessor

	2015	2016	2017
Real Estate	\$266,992,173	\$284,736,799	\$304,381,624
Personal	6,923,756	7,045,338	7,428,978
Centrally Assessed	1,515,907	1,641,119	1,747,151
	\$275,431,836	\$293,423,256	\$313,557,753

Source: Sarpy County Unaudited Financial Statements

## **Sarpy County Population**

July 2014 (estimate)	172,193
July 2015 (estimate)	175,692
July 2016 (estimate)	179,023
July 2017 (estimate)	181,439
July 2018 (estimate)*	184,459

Source: U.S. Census (\*Based on Census Bureau Vintage 2018 Population Estimate)

## **Sarpy County Building Permits\***

Single Family			Multi Family			
Year	Permits		Value	Permits		Value
2014	320	\$	76,495,447	1	\$	4,535,687
2015	330	\$	79,457,683	1	\$	1,966,328
2016	276	\$	68,739,432	0	\$	-
2017	342	\$	84,666,636	0	\$	-
2018	329	\$	81,169,710	0	\$	-

Year Commercial/Industrial Year Permits Value					
2014	9	\$23,277,076			
2015	28	\$36,792,946			
2016	52	\$33,244,920			
2017	57	\$34,262,992			
2018	87	\$20,185,899			

Source: Sarpy County Building and Planning Department

<sup>\*</sup>Includes only areas outside city zoning jurisdictions

## APPENDIX D — FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING

Following is the form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate that will be entered into by the District pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12(d)(2).

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate, dated on or about February 19, 2020 is executed and delivered by Sanitary and Improvement District No. 224 of Sarpy County, Nebraska (the "District") in connection with the issuance by the District of \$2,800,000 in aggregate principal amount of its General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are being issued pursuant to a resolution dated January 9, 2020 (the "Resolution") authorizing the issuance of the Bond and authorizing the District to enter into this Undertaking. In consideration of the purchase of such Bonds by the owners thereof, the District hereby covenants and agrees as follows:

- (a) The District does hereby covenant and agree and enters into this written undertaking (the "Undertaking") for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds required by Section (d)(2) of Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (17 C.F.R. § 240.15c2-12) (the "Rule"). Capitalized terms used in this Undertaking and not otherwise defined in this Undertaking shall have the meanings assigned such terms in subsection (f) hereof. It being the intention of the District that there be full and complete compliance with the Rule, this Undertaking shall be construed in accordance with the written interpretative guidance and no-action letters published from time to time by the Securities and Exchange Commission and its staff with respect to the Rule.
- (b) The District represents and warrants that the aggregate amount of its outstanding municipal securities, including the Bonds, does not exceed \$10,000,000.
- (c) The District undertakes to provide, on or before the Record Date, Financial Information about the District to the MSRB, via UMB Bank, NA, as Dissemination Agent pursuant to a Dissemination Agent Agreement between the District and UMB Bank, NA (the "Dissemination Agent"), in an electronic format accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB, to the extent that the District customarily prepares such Financial Information and makes it publicly available. The District shall provide any information or notice required by this Undertaking to the Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent will not be responsible for compiling any of the information required to be provided by this Undertaking.
- (d) The District designates as the person from whom its Financial Information and Listed Event Notices can be obtained: Ms. Minda Barr, UMB Bank, NA, as Dissemination Agent, 7155 Lake Drive, West Des Moines, IA 50265.
- (e) If a Listed Event occurs while any Bonds are outstanding, the District, through the Dissemination Agent, shall provide a Listed Event Notice in a timely manner, not in excess of 10 business days after the occurrence of the event, to the MSRB. Each Listed Event Notice shall be so captioned and shall prominently state the date and title of the Bonds.
- (f) The following are the definitions of the capitalized terms used in this Undertaking and not otherwise defined in this Undertaking:
  - (1) "Financial Information" means the financial information or operating data with respect to the District presented in the Official Statement related to the Bonds, which is customarily prepared by the District and is publicly available. The District

- customarily prepares and makes publicly available its Audited Financial Statements. In connection with its issues of warrants and bonds, the District from time to time prepares and makes publicly available its offering documents containing, among other things, financial information and operating data about the District.
- (2) "Audited Financial Statements" means the District's annual financial statements, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") for governmental units as prescribed by the Government Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"), which financial statements shall have been audited by such auditor as shall then be required or permitted by the laws of the State of Nebraska.
- (3) "Listed Event" means any of the following events with respect to the Bonds:
  - (i) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
  - (ii) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
  - (iii) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (iv) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
  - (v) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
  - (vi) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701–TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
  - (vii) Modifications to rights of Bondholders, if material;
  - (viii) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers;
  - (ix) Defeasances;
  - (x) Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
  - (xi) Rating changes;
  - (xii) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the District;
  - (xiii) The consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
  - (xiv) Appointment of a successor or additional paying agent or the change of name of a paying agent, if material;
  - (xv) Incurrence of a financial obligation of the District, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms

- of a financial obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (xvi) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (4) "Listed Event Notice" means an electronic notice of a Listed Event.
- (5) "MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. As of July 1, 2009, the MSRB is the sole repository to which the District must electronically submit Financial Information, Audited Financial Statements, if any, and Listed Event Notices pursuant to this Undertaking. Reference is made to Commission Release No. 34-59062, December 8, 2008 (the "Release") relating to the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system for municipal securities disclosure that became effective on July 1, 2009. To the extent applicable to its Undertakings, the District shall comply with the Release and with EMMA.
- (6) "Record Date" means March 31 of each year, or such later date as the information comprising the Financial Information is customarily prepared and made publicly available.
- (g) The continuing obligation hereunder of the District to provide Financial Information, Audited Financial Statements, if any, and Listed Event Notices shall terminate immediately once the Bonds no longer are outstanding. This Undertaking, or any provision hereof, shall be null and void in the event that the District obtains an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel to the effect that those portions of the Rule which require this Undertaking, or any such provision, are invalid, have been repealed retroactively or otherwise do not apply to the Bonds, provided that the District shall have provided notice of such delivery and the cancellation of this Undertaking to the MSRB.
- (h) This Undertaking may be amended, without the consent of the Bondholders, but only upon the District obtaining an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel to the effect that such amendment, and giving effect thereto, will not adversely affect the compliance of this Undertaking with the Rule, provided that the District shall have provided notice of such delivery and of the amendment to the MSRB. Any such amendment shall satisfy, unless otherwise permitted by the Rule, the following conditions:
  - (1) The amendment may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law or change in the identity, nature or status of the District or type of business conducted;
  - (2) This Undertaking, as amended, would have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the primary offering, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and
  - (3) The amendment either (i) is approved by the Bondholders in the same manner as provided in the Resolution for amendments thereto with the consent of Bondholders, or (ii) does not, in the opinion of the Dissemination Agent or nationally recognized bond counsel, materially impair the interests of the Bondholders.

- (i) The initial Financial Information after the amendment shall explain, in narrative form, the reasons for the amendment and the effect of the change, if any, in the type of financial information being provided.
- (j) Any failure by the District to perform in accordance with this Undertaking shall not constitute an event of default with respect to the Bonds. If the District fails to comply herewith, any Bondholder or beneficial owner may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking specific performance by court order, to cause the District to comply with its obligations hereunder.

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## THIS CERTIFICATE IS EXECUTED AND DATED February 19, 2020

SANITARY DISTRICT COUNTY, N	NO.	224		
By:Chair, l	Board (	of Trus	stees	