Northside Fire District

Financial Statements
SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

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Financial Section

Independent Auditor's Report

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Commissioners
Northside Fire District
Ponderay, Idaho

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of Northside Fire District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and major fund of Northside Fire District, as of September 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Northside Fire District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of 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.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary information on page 25 and the GASB 68 pension information on page 26 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 the management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) 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 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 financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 21, 2025, on our consideration of Northside Fire District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions, 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 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.

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May 21, 2025

Financial Section

Basic Financial Statements

Northside Fire District

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
September 30, 2024

ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$	556,316
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		480,192
Property taxes receivable		18,748
Accounts receivable - other		66,107
Prepaid expenses		10,915
Land		126,608
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		619,037
Total assets		1,877,923
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES:		
Deferred pension outflows		76,786
Total deferred outflows of resources		76,786
LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable		29,304
Accrued payroll and related liabilities		15,800
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Accrued compensated absences		26,967
Long-term debt - due within 1 year		8,813
Long-term debt - due after 1 year		62,625
Net pension liability		316,810
Total liabilities		460,319
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:		
Deferred pension inflows		5,751
Total deferred inflows of resources		5,751
NET POSITION:		
Net investment in capital assets		745,645
Restricted - Development Impact Fees for Capital Projects		480,192
Unrestricted		262,802
Total net position	$	1,488,639

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and Independent Auditor's Report

Northside Fire District

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended September 30, 2024

EXPENSES:	
Public safety - fire protection:	
Salaries and wages	$ 446,676
Employee benefits and retirement	188,885
Vehicle maintenance and repair	68,337
Payroll taxes	34,934
Utilities	20,345
Supplies and small equipment	19,088
Vehicle fuel	15,969
Building and equipment maintenance and repairs	18,348
Office and administrative	24,920
Workmans compensation insurance	14,789
Legal and professional	9,950
Training and education	3,390
Uniforms and PPE	5,781
Depreciation	76,574
Liability insurance	10,376
Travel	2,269
Contract services	8,750
Interest expense	1,535
Miscellaneous	93
Total program expenses	971,009
PROGRAM REVENUES:	
Wildland fire revenues	61,551
Fees and permits	230
Total program revenues	61,781
Net program expense	909,228
GENERAL REVENUES:	
Property taxes	636,887
State sales taxes	32,228
Impact fees	83,930
Interest income	22,611
Donations and miscellaneous income	217
Loss from disposal of assets	(93,307)
Total general revenues	682,566
Change in net position	(226,662)
Net position- beginning	1,715,301
Net position- ending	$ 1,488,639

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Northside Fire District

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 2024

ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$	556,316
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		480,192
Property taxes receivable		18,748
Accounts receivable - other		66,107
Prepaid expenses		10,915
Total assets	$	1,132,278
LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	$	29,304
Accrued payroll and related liabilities		15,800
Total liabilities		45,104
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:		
Unavailable revenue- property taxes		16,881
Total deferred inflows of resources		16,881
FUND BALANCES:		
Nonspendable- prepaids		10,915
Restricted - Development Impact Fees for Capital Projects		480,192
Committed - SCBA replacement		90,000
Unassigned		489,186
Total fund balances		1,070,293
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	$	1,132,278

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RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
September 30, 2024

Total fund balances - Governmental Funds, September, 30, 2024	$	1,070,293
Cost of land		126,608
Cost of depreciable assets		1,991,352
Less: Accumulated depreciation, September 30, 2024		(1,372,315)
Elimination of unavailable revenue- property taxes		16,881
Less: Long-term debt obligation		(71,438)
Pension liabilities, deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions:		
District's proportionate share of collective deferred outflows of resources		76,786
Proportionate share of collective deferred inflows of resources		(5,751)
District's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability		(316,810)
Accrued compensated absences		(26,967)
Net position, September 30, 2024	$	1,488,639

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Northside Fire District

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended September 30, 2024

REVENUES:	
Property taxes	$ 636,148
State sales taxes	32,228
Impact fees	83,930
Wildland fire revenues	61,551
Fees - other	230
Interest income	22,611
Donations and miscellaneous income	217
Total revenues	836,915
EXPENDITURES:	
Operating expenditures:	
Salaries and wages	446,676
Employee benefits and retirement	116,351
Vehicle maintenance and repair	68,337
Payroll taxes	34,934
Utilities	20,345
Supplies and small equipment	19,088
Vehicle fuel	15,969
Building and equipment maintenance and repairs	18,348
Office and administrative	24,920
Workmans compensation insurance	14,789
Legal and professional fees	9,950
Training and education	3,390
Uniforms and personnel protective equipment	5,781
Liability insurance	10,376
Travel	2,269
Contract services	8,750
Miscellaneous	93
Capital outlay	153,453
Debt service:	
Principal	2,062
Interest	1,535
Total expenditures	977,416
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(140,501)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	
Proceeds from sale of assets	97,381
Proceeds from debt financing	73,500
Total other financing sources	170,881
Net change in fund balance	30,380
Fund balance - beginning	1,039,913
Fund balance - ending	$ 1,070,293

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RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended September 30, 2024

Total net changes in fund balances for the year ended September 30, 2024	$	30,380
Add: Capital outlay, which is considered expenditures		153,453
Less: Depreciation expense for the year ended September 30, 2024		(76,574)
Less: Proceeds from sale of assets		(97,381)
Less: Loss from sale of assets		(93,307)
Less: Proceeds from debt financing		(73,500)
Add: Principal payments on long-term debt		2,062
Change in retirement contributions not required to be paid with current financial resources		(72,534)
Add: Difference between revenue earned on property taxes on modified accrual basis versus revenue on property taxes on accrual basis		739
Change in net position for the year ended September 30, 2024	$	(226,662)

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NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

Northside Fire District (the "District") was formed as a taxing district for the purpose of providing fire protection and emergency medical services to Ponderay, Idaho, and the surrounding area as defined by the District's Board of Commissioners. The District's main station and office are in Ponderay, Idaho. The District operates three other subsidiary fire stations.

Under generally accepted accounting principles, a reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units and other organizations that are included to ensure the financial statements are not misleading. The primary government of Northside Fire District consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For Northside Fire District, this includes general operations.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. Component units may include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves their budget, the issuance of their debt, or the levying of taxes. The District has no component units.

The financial statements of Northside Fire District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The most significant of the District's accounting policies are described below:

B. Basis of Presentation - Government-wide Financial Statements

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

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, and 2) grants and contributions are restricted to the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items properly not included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

C. Basis of Presentation – Fund Financial Statements

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain District functions or activities. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The District has only one governmental fund:

General Fund – The general fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to Idaho State law.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources.* The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

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

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified-accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measureable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Issuances of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

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

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash received by the District is pooled for investment purposes and is presented as “Cash and Cash Equivalents” on the financial statements.

During the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, cash and cash equivalents were limited to bank deposits and the Idaho State Investment Pool. The Idaho State Investment Pool is an investment pool, which allows districts within the State of Idaho to pool their funds for investment purposes. Investments in the Idaho State Investment Pool are valued at cost, which materially equals market value.

For presentation in the financial statements, investments in the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less, at the time they are purchased by the District, are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months are reported as investments.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. Capital Assets

General capital assets usually result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported in fund financial statements.

All capital assets are capitalized at historical cost and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of $2,500. The cost of normal repairs and maintenance that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the assets useful life are not capitalized.

All reported capital assets are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line over the following estimated useful lives:

	Estimated Lives
Building and improvements	10 -- 60 years
Fire Trucks and Tenders	5 – 20 years
Equipment	5 – 20 years

G. Compensated Absences

The District reports compensated absences in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 16, *Accounting for Compensated Absences*. Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the District will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. The District records a liability for accumulated unused vacation time when earned for all employees who qualify.

H. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide financial statements.

In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, claims and judgments and the noncurrent portion of capital leases, which will be paid from governmental funds, are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. In general, payments made within 60 days after year end are considered to have been made with current available financial resources. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements until due.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

I. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The District has only one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. It is the deferred outflows relating to the accounting for the net pension obligation on the government-wide statement of net position, in accordance with GASB 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has only one type of item, which arises only under the modified-accrual basis of accounting, which qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue- property taxes, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds balance sheet reports unavailable revenue from property taxes which have not been collected within 60 days after the fiscal year-end. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. The District has one type of item, which arises under the full-accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item "deferred pension inflows" is reported only on the government-wide statement of net position, and presents the District's proportionate share of the collective deferred pension inflows in accordance with GASB 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions.*

J. Fund Balance Classifications

The District has adopted GASB Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions" (required implementation date of June 2011). This Statement establishes criteria for classifying governmental fund balances into specifically defined classifications. Classifications are hierarchical and are based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the funds may be spent. Application of the Statement requires the District to classify and report amounts in the appropriate fund balance classifications. The District's accounting and finance policies are used to interpret the nature and/or requirements of the funds and their corresponding assignment as restricted, committed, assigned, or unassigned.

The District reports the following classifications as applicable:

Non-spendable Fund Balance – Non-spendable fund balances are amounts that cannot be spent because they are either: (a) not in spendable form – such as inventory or prepaid insurance or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact – such as a trust that must be retained in perpetuity.

Restricted Fund Balance – Restricted fund balances are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either: (a) externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Restrictions are placed on fund balances when legally enforceable legislation establishes a specific purpose for the funds. Legal enforceability means that the District can be compelled by an external party (e.g., citizens, public interest groups, the judiciary) to use resources created by enabling legislation only for the purposes specified by the legislation.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

J. Fund Balance Classifications (Concluded)

Committed Fund Balance – Committed fund balances are amounts that can only be used for specific purposes as a result of constraints imposed by the Board of Commissioners. Amounts in the committed fund balance classification may be used for other purposes with the appropriate due process by the Board of Commissioners. Committed fund balances differ from restricted fund balances because the constraints on their use do not come from outside parties, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.

Assigned Fund Balance – Assigned fund balances are amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent is expressed by: (a) the secretary/treasurer, or (b) an appointed body (e.g., a budget or finance committee) or official to which the Commissioners have delegated the authority to assign, modify, or rescind amounts to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balance includes: (a) all remaining amounts that are reported in governmental funds (other than the general fund) that are not classified as non-spendable, restricted, or committed, and (b) amounts in the general fund that are intended to be used for a specific purpose. Specific amounts that are not restricted or committed in a special revenue, capital projects, debt service, or permanent fund, are assigned for purposes in accordance with the nature of their fund type. Assignment within the general fund conveys that the intended use of those amounts is for a specific purpose that is narrower than the general purposes of the District itself.

Unassigned Fund Balance – Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents general fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds, and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

K. Fund Balance Flow Assumptions

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purposes, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

L. Net Position Flow Assumption

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets (net of any related debt) consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONCLUDED)

L. Net Position Flow Assumption (Concluded)

Sometimes the District will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the District's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

M. Estimates

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

N. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied for 2023 that are still outstanding as of September 30, 2024 are recorded as receivables. In the fund financial statements, property taxes are recorded as revenue in the period levied to the extent that they are collected within 60 days after year-end, in accordance with the modified-accrual basis of accounting. Receivables collectible after the 60-day date are reflected in the fund financial statements as deferred inflows of resources. In the government-wide financial statements, property taxes are recorded as revenue in the period levied in accordance with the accrual basis of accounting.

The District's property tax is levied each November based on the assessed value listed as of the prior September for all property located within the District. Assessed values are established by the County Assessor. Property tax payments are due in one-half installments in December and June.

O. Pension Plan

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho Base Plan (Base Plan) and additions to/deductions from Base Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Base Plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

P. Impact Fees

Impact fees are one-time charges assessed against new development projects within the District's boundaries that attempt to recover the cost incurred by the District in providing the fire protection services required to serve the new development. Impact fees may only used to fund facilities and capital acquisitions that are directly associated with the new development and growth in the District's boundaries. Impact fees are recognized as revenue upon receipt and any unspent impact fees revenues are presented as restricted cash and cash equivalents and offset by a restricted fund balance/net position in the accompanying financial statements.

NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. An annual budget is adopted for the general fund. Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the general fund.

This is in conformance with Idaho State Statutes, which require that appropriations lapse at the end of a fiscal year and are not available to be carried forward to be used in addition to the succeeding year's appropriation. The budget was amended in the current fiscal year.

The following procedures are followed in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

a) The District publishes a proposed budget for public review.

b) Public hearings are set to obtain taxpayer comments.

c) Prior to October 1, the budget is adopted by resolution of the Board of Commissioners and published.

Lapsing of Appropriations – At the close of each year, all unspent appropriations revert to the respective funds from which they were appropriated and become subject to future appropriation.

NOTE 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

General:

State statutes authorize the District's investments and deposits. The District is authorized to invest in demand deposits, savings accounts, U.S. Government obligations and its agencies, obligations of Idaho and its agencies, fully collateralized repurchase agreements, prime domestic commercial paper, prime domestic bankers acceptances, bonds, debentures or notes of any corporation organized, controlled and operating within the U.S. which have at their purchase an "A" rating or higher, government pool and money market funds consisting of any of these securities listed. No violations of these categories have occurred during the year.

Custodial Credit Risk:

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a failure of a financial institution, the District's deposits and investments may not be returned to it. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of September 30, 2024, the carrying amount of the District's bank and LGIP deposits was $1,036,508 and the bank balance was $1,039,205. At September 30, 2024, the District's deposits were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

NOTE 3: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Concluded)

Deposits without exposure to custodial credit risk:	
Amounts insured by FDIC	$ 250,000
Deposits with exposure to custodial credit risk:	
Uninsured bank deposits in excess of FDIC coverage limit	365,612
Amounts collateralized with securities in trust, but not in the District's name	423,593
Total Deposits	$ 1,039,205
Cash and cash equivalents at September 30, 3024 consist of the following:	
Deposits	$ 612,915
Idaho State Investment Pool	423,593
Total	1,036,508
Cash and cash equivalents are presented in the financial statements as follows:	
Cash and cash equivalents	556,316
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	480,192
Total	$ 1,036,508

Fair Value:

The District's investments in 2a-7-like pools are valued based upon the value of pool shares. The District invests in one 2a-7-like pool, the Idaho State Investment Pool. The advisory board of the Idaho State Investment Pool is composed of members appointed pursuant to the requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act. The Idaho State Investment Pool is duly chartered and administered by the State Treasurer's office and consists of U.S. Treasury bills and notes, collateralized certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements.

As of September 30, 2024, the District had a balance in the Idaho State Investment Pool carried at cost of $423,593, which approximates fair market value. The District's portion of the Idaho State Investment Pool had an unrealized gain of $1,101 as of September 30, 2024. As the difference between fair market value and cost is immaterial, the unrealized loss has not been recorded in the District's general ledger.

Credit Risk:

The Idaho State Investment Pool does not have an established credit rating, but invests in entities with a minimum credit rating of "A" as stipulated by Idaho code. The District does not have a formal policy for credit risk. Financial information on the investment pool can be obtained by contacting the Idaho State Treasurer.

NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

Following is a recap of capital assets for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	$ 126,608	$ -	$ -	$ 126,608
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	126,608	-	-	126,608
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	358,101	-	-	358,101
Fire trucks and tenders	1,712,860	109,500	599,515	1,222,845
Equipment	373,240	43,953	6,787	410,406
Total capital assets being depreciated	2,444,201	153,453	606,302	1,991,352
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Building and improvements	142,200	13,259	-	155,459
Vehicles	1,266,381	46,579	408,827	904,133
Equipment	302,774	16,736	6,787	312,723
Total accumulated depreciation	1,711,355	76,574	415,614	1,372,315
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	732,846	76,879	190,688	619,037
Governmental activities capital assets, net	$ 859,454	$ 76,879	$ 190,688	$ 745,645

Depreciation expense of $76,574 for the year ending September 30, 2024 was charged to the public safety- fire protection governmental function.

NOTE 5: ACCRUED VACATION BENEFITS

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 16 requires accrual of employee compensation for future absences if certain conditions exist. Included in liabilities on the government-wide statement of net position is an accrual for vacation benefits in the amount of $26,967 as of September 30, 2024.

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT

In June of fiscal 2024, the District purchased a 2002 Pierce Dash Custom Pumper at the total cost of $102,500. The District paid $29,000 of the purchase price in cash, and financed the remaining $73,500 with a loan from a local lending institution. The loan calls for 84 monthly payments of principal and interest in the amount of $1,079.54. Interest on the loan is at 6.14% annually.

NOTE 6: LONG-TERM DEBT (Concluded)

Future required payments per the loan agreement are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	$ 8,813	$ 4,141	$ 12,954
2026	9,370	3,584	12,954
2027	9,962	2,992	12,954
2028	10,591	2,363	12,954
2029	11,260	1,694	12,954
Thereafter	21,442	1,227	22,669
	$ 71,438	$ 16,001	$ 87,439

NOTE 7: CHANGES IN LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in general long-term debt are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	Balance 9/30/2023	Additions	Deletions	Balance 9/30/2024	Current Portion
Net Pension Liability	$ 292,510	$ 24,300	$ -	$ 316,810	$ -
Long-term debt	-	73,500	2,062	71,438	8,813
Compensated absences	26,967	-	-	26,967	-
Total	$ 319,477	$ 97,800	$ 2,062	$ 415,215	$ 8,813

NOTE 8: RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, injuries to employees and natural disasters. The District contracts with an insurance company for property insurance and general liability insurance.

NOTE 9: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Plan Description

The District contributes to the Base Plan which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI or System) that covers substantially all employees of the State of Idaho, its agencies and various participating political subdivisions. The cost to administer the plan is financed through the contributions and investment earnings of the plan. PERSI issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and the required supplementary information for PERSI. That report may be obtained on the PERSI website at www.persi.idaho.gov.

NOTE 9: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Responsibility for the administration of the Base Plan is assigned to the Board comprise of five members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Idaho Senate. State law requires that two members of the Board be active Base Plan members with at least ten years of service and three members who are Idaho citizens not members of the Base Plan except by reason of having served on the Board.

Pension Benefits

The Base Plan provides retirement, disability, death and survivor benefits of eligible members or beneficiaries. Benefits are based on members' years of service, age, and highest average salary. Members become fully vested in their retirement benefits with five years of credited service (5 months for elected or appointed officials). Members are eligible for retirement benefits upon attainment of the ages specified for their employment classification. The annual service retirement allowance for each month of credited service is 2.0% (2.3% for police/firefighters) of the average monthly salary for the highest consecutive 42 months.

The benefit payments for the Base Plan are calculated using a benefit formula adopted by the Idaho Legislature. The Base Plan is required to provide a 1% minimum cost of living increase per year provided the Consumer Price Index increases 1% or more. The PERSI Board has the authority to provide higher cost of living increases to a maximum of the Consumer Price Index movement or 6%, whichever is less; however, any amount above the 1% minimum is subject to review by the Idaho Legislature.

Member and Employer Contributions

Member and employer contributions paid to the Base Plan are set by statute and are established as a percent of covered compensation. Contribution rates are determined by the PERSI Board within limitations, as defined by state law. The Board may make periodic changes to employer and employee contribution rates (expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll) that are adequate to accumulate sufficient assets to pay benefits when due.

The contribution rates for employees are set by statute at 60% of the employer rate for general employees and 74% for public safety. As of June 30, 2024, it was 6.71% for general employees and 9.83% for public safety. The employer contribution rate as a percent of covered payroll is set by the Retirement Board and was 11.18% for general employees and 13.26% for public safety. The District's contributions were $47,490 for the year ended September 30, 2024.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense (Revenue), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At September 30, 2024, the District reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions in the Base Plan pension plan relative to the total contributions of all participating PERSI Base Plan employers. At June 30, 2024, the District's proportion was 0.0084694 percent.

NOTE 9: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

For the year ended September 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of $120,024. At September 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	$ 50,439	$ -
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	12,550	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	5,751
Changes in the employer's proportion and differences between the employer's contributions and the employer's proportionate contributions	-	-
District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date	13,797	-
Total	$ 76,786	$ 5,751

$13,797 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending September 30, 2025.

The average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with pensions through the System (active and inactive employees) determined at July 1, 2022, the beginning of the measurement period ended June 30, 2023 is 4.6 years and 4.6 years for the measurement period June 30, 2024.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense (revenue) as follows:

Year Ending September 30,	
2025	15,636
2026	59,070
2027	(10,187)
2028	(7,281)

NOTE 9: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions

Valuations are based on actuarial assumptions, the benefit formulas, and employee groups. Level percentages of payroll normal costs are determined using the Entry Age Normal Cost Method. Under the Entry Age Normal Cost Method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the actuarial valuation is allocated as a level percentage of each year's earnings of the individual between entry age and assume exit age. The Base Plan amortizes any unfunded actuarial accrued liability based on a level percentage of payroll. The maximum amortization period for the Base Plan permitted under Section 59-1322, Idaho Code, is 25 years.

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.30%
Salary increases	3.05%
Salary inflation	3.05%
Investment rate of return	6.35%, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-living adjustments	1%

Contributing Members, Service Retirement Members, and Beneficiaries
General Employees and All Beneficiaries – Males Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 11%
General Employees and All Beneficiaries – Females Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 21%
Teachers – Males Pub-2010 Teacher Tables, increased 12%
Teachers – Females Pub-2010 Teacher Tables, increased 21%
Fire & Police – Males Pub-2010 Safety Tables, increased 21%
Fire & Police – Females Pub-2010 Safety Tables, increased 26%
Disabled Members – Males Pub-2010 Disabled Tables, increased 38%
Disabled Members – Females Pub-2010 Disabled Tables, increased 36%

An experience study was performed for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020 which reviewed all economic and demographic assumptions including mortality. The Total Pension Liability as of June 30, 2024 is based on the results of an actuarial valuation date July 1, 2024.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using the building block approach and a forward-looking model in which the best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

Even though history provides a valuable perspective for settling the investment return assumption, the System relies primarily on an approach which builds upon the latest capital market assumptions. Specifically, the System uses consultants, investment managers and trustees to develop capital market assumptions in analyzing the System's asset allocation. The assumptions and the System's formal policy for asset allocation are shown below. The formal asset allocation policy is somewhat more conservative than the current allocation of System's assets.

The best-estimate range for the long-term expected rate of return is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions are as of 2024.

NOTE 9: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Capital Market Assumptions

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	0.00%	0.0%
Large Cap	18.00%	4.50%
Small/Mid Cap	11.00%	4.70%
International Equity	15.00%	4.50%
Emerging Markets Equity	10.00%	4.90%
Domestic Fixed	20.00%	-0.25%
TIPS	10.00%	-0.30%
Real Estate	8.00%	3.75%
Private Equity	8.00%	6.00%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.35%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The long-term expected rate of return was determined net of pension plan investment expense, but without reduction for pension plan administrative expense.

Sensitivity of the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents Northside Fire District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.35 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (5.35 percent) or 1 percentage point higher (7.35 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (5.35%)	Current Discount Rate (6.35%)	1% Increase (7.35%)
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability	$ 602,038	$ 316,810	$ 83,852

NOTE 9: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Concluded)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERSI financial report.

PERSI issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and the required supplementary information for PERSI. That report may be obtained on the PERSI website at www.persi.idaho.gov.

Payables to the Pension Plan

At September 30, 2024, the District had no payables outstanding to the defined benefit pension plan for legally required employer contributions or for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to PERSI.

Required Supplementary Information

Northside Fire District

GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
For the Year Ended September 30, 2024

	Original Budgeted Amounts	Final Budgeted Amounts	Actual Amounts	Variance With Budget
REVENUES				
Property taxes	$ 660,827	$ 660,827	$ 636,148	$ (24,679)
State sales taxes	20,000	20,000	32,228	12,228
Impact fees	20,000	20,000	83,930	63,930
Wildland fire revenues		-	61,551	61,551
Fees - other	-	-	230	230
Interest income	1,000	13,119	22,611	9,492
Donations and miscellaneous income	250	97,631	217	(97,414)
Total revenues	702,077	811,577	836,915	25,338
EXPENDITURES				
Operating expenditures:				
Salaries and wages	386,345	386,345	446,676	(60,331)
Employee benefits and retirement	120,178	120,178	116,351	3,827
Vehicle maintenance and repair	53,000	53,000	68,337	(15,337)
Payroll taxes	30,457	30,457	34,934	(4,477)
Utilities	28,000	28,000	20,345	7,655
Supplies and small equipment	16,000	16,000	19,088	(3,088)
Vehicle fuel	15,000	15,000	15,969	(969)
Building and equipment maintenance and repairs	18,000	18,000	18,348	(348)
Office and administrative	26,100	26,100	24,920	1,180
Workmans compensation insurance	14,535	14,535	14,789	(254)
Legal and professional fees	12,000	12,000	9,950	2,050
Training and education	10,000	10,000	3,390	6,610
Uniforms and personnel protective equipment	18,540	18,540	5,781	12,759
Liability insurance	15,498	15,498	10,376	5,122
Travel	-	-	2,269	(2,269)
Contract services	-	-	8,750	(8,750)
Miscellaneous	-	-	93	(93)
Capital outlay	151,000	260,500	153,453	107,047
Debt service:				
Principal	-	-	2,062	(2,062)
Interest	-	-	1,535	(1,535)
Total expenditures	914,653	1,024,153	977,416	46,737
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(212,576)	(212,576)	(140,501)	(21,399)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:				
Proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	97,381	97,381
Proceeds from debt financing	-	-	73,500	73,500
Total other financing sources	-	-	170,881	170,881
Net change in fund balances	(212,576)	(212,576)	30,380	242,956
Fund balance- beginning	212,576	212,576	1,039,913	827,337
Fund balance- ending	$ -	$ -	$ 1,070,293	$ 1,070,293

See accompanying "Notes to the Financial Statements"
and Independent Auditor's Report

Northside Fire District

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability
PERSI - Base Plan
Last 10 - Fiscal Years *

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Employer's portion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.00847%	0.00733%	0.00661%	0.00663%	0.00669%	0.00639%	0.00578%	0.00485%	0.00470%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	$ 316,810	$ 292,510	$ 260,251	$ (5,237)	$ 155,274	$ 72,909	$ 85,139	$ 76,210	$ 95,205
Employer's covered-employee payroll	$ 368,145	$ 323,825	$ 270,895	$ 242,595	$ 232,568	$ 211,695	$ 180,937	$ 152,743	$ 133,415
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	86.06%	90.33%	96.07%	-2.16%	66.76%	34.44%	47.05%	49.89%	71.36%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability (asset)	85.54%	83.83%	83.09%	100.36%	88.22%	93.79%	91.69%	90.68%	87.26%

* GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District will present information for those years for which information is available.

Date reported is measured as of June 30th.

Schedule of Employer Contributions
PERSI - Base Plan
Last 10 - Fiscal Years *

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Statutorily required contribution	$ 47,490	$ 40,281	$ 34,313	$ 29,823	$ 28,879	$ 23,674	$ 23,443	$ 16,921	$ 15,556
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	$ (47,490)	$ (40,281)	$ (33,967)	$ (29,803)	$ (28,879)	$ (23,674)	$ (23,355)	$ (16,865)	$ (15,549)
Contribution (deficiency) excess	$ -	$ -	$ (346)	$ (20)	$ -	$ -	$ (88)	$ (56)	$ (7)
Employer's covered-employee payroll	$ 368,145	$ 323,825	$ 280,062	$ 243,475	$ 235,792	$ 202,322	$ 201,051	$ 145,117	$ 133,415
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	12.90%	12.44%	12.13%	12.24%	12.25%	11.70%	11.62%	11.62%	11.65%

* GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District will present information for those years for which information is available.

Date reported is measured as of September 30th.

Report Required by the GAO

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

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Commissioners
Northside Fire District
Ponderay, Idaho

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and major fund of Northside Fire District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 21, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

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 (CONCLUDED)*

Purpose of this Report

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

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May 21, 2025