### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT

To the Board of Directors Seabrook Neighborhood Improvement and Security District New Orleans, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Seabrook Neighborhood Improvement and Security District (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2021, and the related statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in net position and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

#### 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.

#### Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 6 to the financial statements, in conducting our review a request for information from the City of New Orleans has not been fulfilled. Our conclusion is not modified with respect to this matter. The accountant's review report is intended solely for the information and use of the District and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than the specified party.

#### **Supplementary Information**

The accompanying schedule of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position – Budget and Actual, and the Schedule of Compensation of Agency Head is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information is the representation of management. We have reviewed the information and, based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the information in order for it to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have not audited the supplementary information and, accordingly, do not express an opinion on such information.

#### Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Judy Monerief CPA LLC Shreveport, Louisiana July 30, 2024

#### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### **ASSETS:**

Cash	\$ 129,811
Parcel Fees Receivables	4,303
Total Assets	\$ 134,114
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION:	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	 
Total Liabilities	-
NET POSITION - UNASSIGNED	 134,114
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 134,114

# SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### **REVENUES:**

Parcel Fees (Net of Collection Fees)	\$ 193,237
Other Income	225
Interest Income	 52
Total Revenues	\$ 193,514
EXPENDITURES:	
Patrol and Security Expenses	\$ 171,772
Administration and Accounting	9,585
Beautification	3,307
Overall Betterment	 5,456
Total Expenditures	190,120
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	3,394
BEGINNING NET POSITION	130,720
ENDING NET POSITION	\$ 134,114

## SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATIONS

#### **RECEIPTS**

Parcel Fees Other Income Interest Income	\$ 	211,266 225 52
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	211,543
EXPENDITURES		
Patrol and Security Expenses	S	186,892
Administration and Accounting		9,585
Beautification		3,307
Overall Betterment		5,456
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		205,240
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		6,303
PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH		6,303
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		123,508
CASH AT END OF YEAR	\$	129,811

#### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Increase (Decrease) in Net Fund Balance	\$	3,394
Accounts Receivable		18,029
Accounts Payable		(15,120)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u> </u>	6,303

#### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AT AND FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### **NOTE 1 – ORGANIZATION**

Seabrook Neighborhood Improvement and Security District (the District) was created as a public body by the Louisiana Legislature, 2010, Act No. 230, La. R.S. 33:9001.16, for the primary objective and purpose of promoting and encouraging the beautification, security, and overall betterment of the area included within the District.

The boundaries of the District are areas within the following perimeter: Fillmore Avenue, Leon C. Simon Boulevard, St. Roch Avenue, and Peoples Avenue.

The District services all parcel located in the geographic area it serves. The District has no paid employees and contracts with an external security company for patrolling. The Board of Commissioners consists of five appointed embers who are residents within the District. Board members are not compensated.

The governing authority of the City of New Orleans is authorized to impose and collect a parcel fee within the District. The amount of the fee is determined by an adopted resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the District. The fee, however, cannot exceed two hundred dollars per parcel per year.

#### **NOTE 2 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### Principles of Accounting

Reporting Entity – For reporting purposes, the District is a stand-alone entity as defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification 2600 Reporting Entity and Component Unit Presentation and Disclosure. The District is neither fiscally dependent on any other local government, nor does it provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on any other government. No other potential component units meet the criteria for inclusion in the financial statements of the District.

Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting – The proprietary fund is used to account for the District's ongoing operations and activities, which are similar to those in the private sector. Proprietary funds are accounted for using a flow of economic resource measurement focus under which all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included in the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position.

The District's financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. All revenue items are recorded when the amount of the parcel fees to be received are measurable. Expenditures are recorded when a liability is incurred.

**Basis of Reporting** – The District has adopted GASB Codifications, which established standards for external financial reporting for all state and local government entities. GASB Codifications require the classification of net position into three components – net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted.

#### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED AT AND FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

These classifications are defined as follows:

Net Investment in Capital Assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of the assets.

Restricted – This component of net position consists of constraints placed on net position use through external constraints imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted – This component of net position consists of net position amounts that do not meet the definition of "net investment in capital assets" or "restricted".

#### Cash Equivalents

For the statement of cash flows, all unrestricted investment instruments with original maturities of three months or less are cash equivalents. The District has no cash equivalents at December 31, 2021.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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

In accordance with the Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, the procedures used by the District in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements include public notices of the proposed budget, public inspections, and public hearings. The District then legally adopts the budget. Budgeted amounts for the proprietary fund included in the supplemental data are as originally adopted by the District for the year ended December 31, 2021.

#### NOTE 4 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District's deposits held in financial institutions are insured up to \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. As of December 31, 2021, the District has no uninsured deposits. The District has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk.

#### **NOTE 5 – PARCEL FEES INCOME**

The District has a fiduciary relationship with the City of New Orleans, who assesses and collected parcel fees on behalf of the District. As of December 31, 2021 total parcel fees receivable is \$4,303.

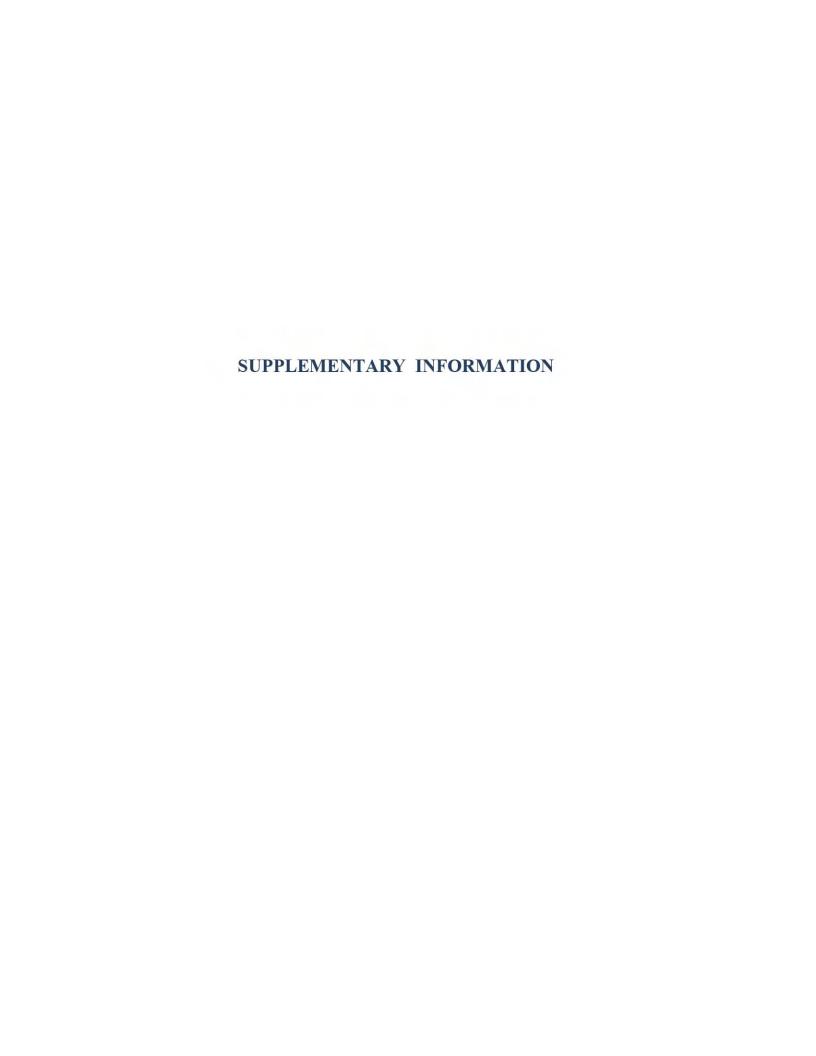
#### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED AT AND FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### NOTE 6 – INFORMATION REQUESTED FROM THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

In performing the review of these financial statements, the accountants requested the City of New Orleans comply with the Louisiana State Law (R.S. 24.513 B2) to provide the accountants with a sworn signed statement reporting the amount billed and collected on behalf of the District and the amounts paid to the District during the year ending December 31, 2021. In addition, a request for an explanation as to why there is a difference between the City's records for improved parcels versus the tax assessor's office reports. Accordingly, there is a possibility that some revenues and receivables may not be properly reported in these financial statements.

#### **NOTE 7 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

FASB Accounting Standards Codifications Topic 855-10, "Subsequent Events" requires the disclosure of the date through which the District has evaluated subsequent events and the reason for selecting that date. The District evaluated subsequent events from January 1, 2022 through July 30, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



# SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION – BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

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	Final				Fa	avorable
	Budget		Actual		(Unfavorable)	
REVENUES						
Parcel Fees	S	200,000	\$	193,237	\$	(6,763)
Other Income				225		225
Interest Income				52		52
TOTAL RECEIPTS		200,000		193,514		(6,486)
EXPENDITURES						
Patrol and Security Expenses		212,560		171,772		(40,788)
Administration and Accounting		14,050		9,585		(4,465)
Beautification		3,800		3,307		(493)
Overall Betterment				5,456		5,456
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	-	230,410		190,120	-	(40,290)
Change in Net Position		(30,410)		3,394		33,804
Net Position, Beginning of Year		123,508		130,720		7,212
Net Position, End of Year		93,098	_\$_	134,114	\$	41,016

#### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### AGENCY HEAD NAME: Leonard McCullum

		Amount
Salaries	S	0.00
Benefits-Insurance		0.00
Benefits-Retirement		0.00
Deferred Compensation (Contributions Made by the Agency)		0.00
Benefits-Other		0.00
Car Allowance		0.00
Vehicle Provided by Government		0.00
Cell Phone		0.00
Dues		0.00
Vehicle Rental		0.00
Per Diem		0.00
Reimbursements		0.00
Travel		0.00
Registration Fees		0.00
Conference Travel		0.00
Housing		0.00
Unvouchered Expenses		0.00
Special Meak		0.00
Other		0.00
	S	0.00

## SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### <u>2020-001 – Untimely Submission of Review Report</u>

<u>Criteria</u> – Pursuant to the requirements of Louisiana Statute R.S. 24:513 a. (5)(a)(i), annual financial reports shall be completed within six months of the close of an entity's fiscal year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or federal holiday, the reporting package is due the next business day.

<u>Conditions and Perspective</u> – The December 31, 2020 review report was not submitted within the prescribed time frame.

<u>Cause</u> – Management failed to ensure that the review report was issued within the prescribed time frame.

Effect - The District has not complied with the reporting requirements of the State of Louisiana.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The management of the District should take steps to ensure that the financial reports are submitted within the prescribed state and federal time frame.

Management's Response – Seabrook Neighborhood Improvement and Security District (management) and the CPA (accountant) requested an inquiry from the City of New Orleans Treasury Department (those charged with governance) who bills, collects and distributes an average of \$200,000 per year. On June 26, 2023, by way of email, an inquiry was sent to the City to provide a financial statement on 213 taxpayers that were added back to the January to August for the year 2020 SEAB 10 SAL financial report, an estimated revenue of \$15,000 to \$20,000, the City's response to accountant was very vague and without any supporting evidence. The City stated the SEAB 10 SAL financial statement was not billed during the 2020 original billing in January but was adjusted approximately mid-September of that year. Management and Accountant did not receive a financial statement with such adjustments.

The City failed to provide adequate disclosures of relevant financial information. Management has requested the accountant to perform additional inquiries from the City, so he may state a fair presentation on his conclusion, according to the subject matter. Accountant has refused to initiate another inquiry.

Management and accountant must compel the City (those charged with governance) to account for all of the taxpayer fees that they are overseeing through their financial reporting process, in order for the accountability to be in order. As a result, this will improve accountability and reporting requirements. Refer to AR-C 90.19-29.

Finally, management can not account for all taxpayers fees, collected and billed without the City compliance with state law and regulations. Management has provided all financial information to the Accountant for the year 2020 except what the City has in its possession.

#### SEABROOK NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AND SECURITY DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

#### <u>2021-001 – Untimely Submission of Review Report</u>

<u>Criteria</u> – Pursuant to the requirements of Louisiana Statute R.S. 24:513 a. (5)(a)(i), annual financial reports shall be completed within six months of the close of an entity's fiscal year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or federal holiday, the reporting package is due the next business day.

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Effect - The District has not complied with the reporting requirements of the State of Louisiana.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The management of the District should take steps to ensure that the financial reports are submitted within the prescribed state and federal time frame.

Management's Response – The City of New Orleans failed to comply with the Louisiana State Law (R.S. 24:513(B2) to provide the CPA requested sworn financial statement and explanation as to why there is a difference between the City's records for improved parcels versus the tax assessor's office reports, estimated at 152 taxpayers not accounted for on the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021. The Entity (Seabrook District) cannot prepare a fair presentation of their financial statements, without the City (those charged with governance) providing full disclosures of what was collected, billed and distributed to the District, if not provided in a timely manner. The Entity's conclusion is that the CPA and the Entity must receive full disclosures from the City in order to meet the Louisiana required timeline on reporting of public funds.