

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**New Orleans, Louisiana**

Annual Financial Statements And  
Report On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

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**Required Supplementary Information (Part 1)**

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
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**Management's Discussion And Analysis**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

Our discussion and analysis of the Upper Hurstville Security District's (the "Security District's") financial performance provides an overview of the financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021. Please read it in conjunction with the basic financial statements and the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Financial Highlights

The financial statements included in this report provide insight into the financial status for the year.

- The Security District's operations decreased total net position by \$2,634 and resulted in ending net position of \$233,652, or a decrease of 1.1%.
- Revenues increased by \$4,961 in relation to the prior year and expenses (or spending) decreased by \$7,979.
- The interest earned on funds held in custody (at the Board of Liquidation, City Debt) was \$322 for the year.

**Overview Of The Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of three parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the basic financial statements (including the notes to the financial statements), and required other supplementary and information, including other reports and schedules by certified public accountants and management. The Security District's operations are conducted through a general fund.

The basic financial statements are divided into the two following types:

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statements in this section include the Statement Of Net Position and the Statement Of Activities.

The Statement Of Net Position includes all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by private businesses. The difference between total assets and total liabilities is net position, which may provide a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Security District is improving or deteriorating.

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The Statement Of Activities presents information showing how the Security District's assets changed as a result of current year operations. The statement is also prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. In this method, all revenues and expenditures are recognized regardless of when the cash is received or disbursed.

Fund Financial Statements

Due to the nature of organization and its present operations, the Security District uses only the governmental type of fund. The basic services of the Security District are reported in the general fund, which focuses on how money flows into and out of the Security District and the balance left at the end of the year. The revenues and expenditures of the general fund are reported (in the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance) using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. Governmental fund information (presented in the balance sheet) helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Security District's program. We describe the relationship (or difference) between the governmental activities (reported in the Statement Of Net Position and the Statement Of Activities) and governmental funds in reconciliations immediately following the fund financial statements.

**Financial Analysis Of The Security District**

Summary Statement Of Net Position  
As Of December 31, 2021 And 2020

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Current and other assets		
Total assets	<u>\$ 272,814</u>	<u>\$ 251,233</u>
Current liabilities		
Total liabilities	<u>39,162</u>	<u>14,947</u>
Net position		
Unrestricted	<u>233,652</u>	<u>236,286</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 233,652</u>	<u>\$ 236,286</u>

Unrestricted net position are assets that do not have any limitations on how these amounts may be used or expended.

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**Management's Discussion And Analysis**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

As noted earlier, the net position of the Security District decreased by \$2,634 or 1.1% during the year.

Summary Statement Of Activities  
For The Years Ended December 31, 2021 And 2020

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Revenues	<b>\$ 224,064</b>	\$ 219,103
Expenditures	<u>226,698</u>	<u>234,677</u>
<b>Change In Net Position</b>	<b><u>\$ (2,634)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (15,574)</u></b>

Revenues increased 2.3 %, while total expenditures decreased 3.4%.

**Budgetary Highlights**

The original budget was amended during the year to adjust the beginning fund balance to actual.

The variances between budgeted and actual amounts are summarized as follows:

Revenue – Overall favorable variance of \$9,951, or 4.6%, due to:

- The parcel fee collected was slightly less than expected in the original and amended budgets, however prior year revenues previously classified as a refundable liability was reclassified to revenue resulting in a higher revenue than budgeted.
- Interest earnings were less than expected in original and amended budgets.

Expenditures – Overall favorable variance of \$67,702 or 23.0%, due to:

- Patrol and security camera expenses were less than projected in the original and amended budgets.

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New Orleans, Louisiana

**Management's Discussion And Analysis**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

**Economic Factors And Next Year's Budget And Rates**

For 2022, the Security District has maintained the current fee of \$475 per parcel of real property. Expenses in 2022 are budgeted to decrease relative to the 2021 budget with decreases planned for the patrol and the security camera program. Overall, the Security District expects that next year's actual revenues and expenses will closely reflect the budgeted amounts.

**Contacting The Security District's Financial Management**

This report is designed to provide our residents of the Security District and others with a general overview of the Security District's finances and to show the Security District's accountability for the money it received. Any questions about this report or requests for additional information may be directed to the Security District's Manager, Ms. Katherine Smith, located at 1031 Webster Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70118.



**Financial Section**

**PEDELAHORE & CO., LLP**  
*Certified Public Accountants*

**Independent Accountant’s Review Report**

To the Board of Commissioners  
Upper Hurstville Security District  
New Orleans, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of Upper Hurstville Security District (the Security District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Security District’s basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management’s financial data and making inquiries of the Security District’s 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.

We are required to be independent of the Security District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our review.

### **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.

### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information as listed on pages 2 through 5 and page 23, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such 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 and for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Such information is the responsibility of management. We have not audited, reviewed, or compiled the required supplementary information and we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on it.

### **Supplementary Information**

The accompanying schedule as listed on page 25 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The supplementary information has been subjected to the review procedures applied in our review of the basic financial statements. We are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the supplementary information. We have not audited the supplementary information and do not express an opinion on such information.

In accordance with the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and the provisions of the state law, we have issued a report, dated June 29, 2022 on the results of our agreed-upon procedures.

*Redelakore & Co, LLP*

Metairie, Louisiana  
June 29, 2022

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
Statement Of Net Position  
December 31, 2021

	Statement A
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 36,323
Receivables - Due from Board of Liquidation, City Debt	236,214
Prepaid expenses	<u>277</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>272,814</u>
 <b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable	<u>39,162</u>
 Total Liabilities	 <u>39,162</u>
 <b>Net Position</b>	
Unrestricted net position	<u>233,652</u>
 Total Net Position	 <u><u>\$ 233,652</u></u>

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Statement Of Activities**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Statement B
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Patrol and security services	\$ 209,403
Administration and office	14,618
Insurance	<u>2,677</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>226,698</u>
<b>Revenues</b>	
Parcel fees (net of collection fees)	223,742
Interest earned	<u>322</u>
Total Revenues	<u>224,064</u>
<b>Change In Net Position</b>	(2,634)
Net Position At Beginning Of Year	<u>236,286</u>
<b>Net Position At End Of Year</b>	<u><u>\$ 233,652</u></u>

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**General Fund - Governmental Fund**  
December 31, 2021

	Statement C
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$ 36,323
Receivables - Due from Board of Liquidation, City Debt	236,214
Prepaid expenses	<u>277</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 272,814</u></u>
 <b>Liabilities And Fund Balance</b>	
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 39,162</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>39,162</u>
Fund balance	
Nonspendable - prepaid items	277
Unassigned	<u>233,375</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>233,652</u>
Total Liabilities And Fund Balance	<u><u>\$ 272,814</u></u>

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
Reconciliation Of The Governmental Funds Balance Sheet  
To The Government - Wide Statement Of Net Position  
December 31, 2021

	Statement D
<b>Fund Balance - Governmental Fund (Statement C)</b>	\$ 233,652
Amount reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (government-wide financial statements) are different because:	
There are no differences noted	<u>-</u>
<b>Net Position Of Governmental Activities (Statement A)</b>	<u><u>\$ 233,652</u></u>

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
Statement Of Revenues, Expenditures, And  
Changes In Fund Balance  
General Fund - Governmental Fund  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Statement E
<b>Revenues</b>	
Parcel fees (net of collection fees)	\$ 223,742
Interest earned	<u>322</u>
Total Revenues	<u>224,064</u>
 <b>Expenditures</b>	
Patrol and security services	209,403
Administration and office	14,618
Insurance	<u>2,677</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>226,698</u>
 <b>Net Change In Fund Balance</b>	 (2,634)
Fund Balance At Beginning Of Year	<u>236,286</u>
 <b>Fund Balance At End Of Year</b>	 <u><u>\$ 233,652</u></u>

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.



**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
 Reconciliation Of The Statement Of Revenues, Expenditures  
 And Changes In Fund Balances Of Governmental Funds  
 To The Statement Of Activities  
 For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Statement F
<b>Net Change In Fund Balance - Governmental Fund (Statement E)</b>	\$ (2,634)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (government-wide financial statements) are different because:	
There are no differences.	<div style="text-align: center;"> <hr style="width: 10%; margin: 0 auto;"/>           -         </div>
<b>Change In Net Position Of Governmental Activities (Statement B)</b>	<div style="text-align: center;"> <hr style="width: 10%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <u>\$ (2,634)</u> </div>

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Notes To Financial Statements**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

**Note 1. Introduction**

The Upper Hurstville Security District (the “Security District”) is a special taxing district created by Act 447 of the 2003 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature (Louisiana Revised Statute 33:9091.6), for the purpose of promoting and encouraging security in the area included within the Security District and promoting and encourage the overall betterment of the Security District.

The Security District is governed by a Board consisting of nine members (commissioners) who are residents within the Security District. The commissioners are appointed by certain organizations within the Security District, the mayor, and the state senator, state representative and city council member representing the Security District. Commissioners are appointed on a rotating and staggered schedule of four-year terms, and serve without compensation.

The boundaries of the Security District are areas within the following perimeter: Exposition Boulevard to Prytania Street to Nashville Avenue to Magazine Street and back to Exposition Boulevard. The Security District includes approximately 440 to 468 taxable properties.

The Security District has no employees and has contracted out the administrative and managerial functions of the organization and patrol services to independent contractors.

As approved by a majority of voters of the Security District in November 2003, and renewed by a vote more recently in April 2018, the operations of the Security District has been funded beginning in 2004 by the imposition of a special parcel fee on all taxable real property within the Security District.

**Note 2. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies**

**Basis of Presentation**

The financial statements of the Security District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management’s Discussion and Analysis – For State and Local Governments*, issued in June 1999.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Notes To Financial Statements**  
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**Note 2. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

Reporting Entity

The Upper Hurstville Security District is the basic level of government, which has financial accountability and control over all affairs of the Security District related to promoting and encouraging the security of the Upper Hurstville area in Orleans Parish. The Security District is not included in any other governmental “reporting entity” as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncement, because the majority of Board members are appointed by the public, and said Board has decision making authority, the authority to set rates (within legally prescribed limits), the power to designate management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and has primary accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, there are no component units as defined in GASB Statement No. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, which are included in the Security District’s reporting entity.

Fund Accounting

Due to the nature of the organization and its present operations, all revenues and expenditures of the Security District are accounted for in the General Fund, a governmental fund type. This fund is the general operating fund of the Security District. It is used to account for all financial resources of the Security District.

Basis of Accounting

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information about the Security District as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the Security District. Information contained in these statements reflects the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange transactions occurs regardless of when cash is received or disbursed. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Notes To Financial Statements**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

**Note 2. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

Fund Financial Statements

The amounts reflected in the General Fund Statements, are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. Measurement focus refers to what is being measured; basis of accounting refers to timing of when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements.

All revenues and expenditures of the Security District are accounted for in the General Fund (a governmental fund type). Governmental funds use a current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual, i.e., when they become measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred, if measurable.

Reconciliation

Explanation of certain differences, if any, and the related reconciliations between the fund financial statements and government-wide financial statements are presented on pages 12 and 14.

Budget Practices

The proposed budget, prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, is submitted to the Board of Commissioners prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. The budget is made available for public inspection and is then legally adopted by the Board. The budget is established and controlled by the Security District, and is amended during the year, as necessary. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of the year and must be reappropriated for the following year to be expended.

Deposits

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in interest bearing demand deposits. Under state law, the Security District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Notes To Financial Statements**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

**Note 2. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

At December 31, 2021, the Security District had cash (book balances) totaling \$36,323 in demand deposits consisting of a non-interest bearing checking account. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits, or the resulting bank balances, must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. At December 31, 2021, the Security District had a temporary overdraft of \$(7,724) in deposits (collected bank balance). Bank deposits are insured by FDIC coverage.

**Investments**

The Security District does not have any investments. Funds held in a custodial account of the Board of Liquidation, City Debt, are invested in money market accounts, certificates of deposit, and/or full faith and credit obligations of the United States Government.

**Net Position**

In the government-wide financial statements, the difference between the Security District's assets and liabilities is recorded as net position, which is currently presented in one component called unrestricted. Unrestricted net position consists of net assets that are not legally segregated for a specific future use.

**Governmental Fund Balances**

In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

1. Non-spendable – amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in non-spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
2. Restricted – amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of state or federal laws or because of constraints externally imposed by creditors, grantors, or citizens.
3. Committed – amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Board of Commissioners.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Notes To Financial Statements**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

**Note 2. Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

4. Assigned – amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
5. Unassigned – all amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

**Risk Management**

The Security District is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; and theft of, damage to and destruction of assets. To handle such risk of loss, the Security District maintains insurance coverage with a private commercial insurance carrier.

**Estimates**

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

**Note 3. Parcel Fees**

Annually, the Security District submits a plan to the City Council of New Orleans to levy and collect a parcel fee, not to exceed \$650 per improved parcel of land located within the boundaries of the Security District.

The City of New Orleans levies and collects the special fees for the Security District in the same manner and at the same time as ad valorem taxes on property subject to taxation by the City of New Orleans are levied and collected. Specifically, with regards to the Security District, the special parcel fees are levied on January 1st of the current year based on a flat fee per improved parcel of land not to exceed \$650. Parcel fees are due January 1st and become delinquent on February 1st. The City is permitted to retain one percent (1%) of the amount collected as a collection fee.

Parcel fees are paid over to the Board of Liquidation, City Debt, day by day as collected. The Board of Liquidation, City Debt, serves in a custodial capacity for the Security District, and the funds collected are deposited in a special account until warranted by the Security District.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Notes To Financial Statements**  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

The Security District records the parcel fees as receivables and revenues in the year the taxes become due.

**Note 4. Receivables – Due From Board Of Liquidation, City Debt**

Receivables totaling \$236,214 at December 31, 2021, mainly comprise funds held in a custodial account of the Board of Liquidation, City Debt. These funds, which have not been warranted by the Security District as of December 31, 2021, consist of parcel fees and interest earned on funds held in custody.

**Note 5. Pension Plan**

The District has no employees and is not a member of any retirement plan.

**Note 6. Litigation And Claims**

The District is not involved in any litigation and management is not aware of any claims against the District.

**Note 7. Compensation Paid To Board Members And Agency Head**

The members of the Board of Commissioners of the District receive no compensation for their services.

The President (agency head or chief executive officer) of the governing board of commissioners of the District serves without compensation, remuneration, benefit or otherwise.

**Note 8. Other Commitments And Contingencies**

As a result of the evolving circumstances concerning the coronavirus pandemic, economic uncertainties exist which may impact the financial condition of the District. The potential impact is unknown at this time.

**Note 9. Date Of Management’s Review**

In preparing the financial statements, the Security District has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through June 29, 2022 the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Required Supplementary Information (Part II)**



**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Schedule Of Revenues, Expenditures, And**  
**Changes In Fund Balance**  
**Budget And Actual - General Fund**  
**For The Year Ended December 31, 2021**

	Budgeted Amounts		<b>Actual Amounts</b>	Variance	%
	Original	Final		Favorable (Unfavorable)	
				Variance	
<b>Revenues</b>					
Parcel fees (net of collection fees)	\$ 211,613	\$ 211,613	<b>\$ 223,742</b>	\$ 12,129	
Interest earned	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u><b>322</b></u>	<u>(2,178)</u>	
Total Revenues	<u>214,113</u>	<u>214,113</u>	<u><b>224,064</b></u>	<u>9,951</u>	4.6
<b>Expenditures</b>					
Patrol and security services	250,000	250,000	<b>209,403</b>	40,597	
Security camera program	26,000	26,000	-	26,000	
Insurance	2,500	2,500	<b>2,677</b>	(177)	
Administration / office	<u>15,900</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u><b>14,618</b></u>	<u>1,282</u>	
Total Expenditures	<u>294,400</u>	<u>294,400</u>	<u><b>226,698</b></u>	<u>67,702</u>	23.0
<b>Net Change In Fund Balance</b>	(80,287)	(80,287)	<b>(2,634)</b>	77,653	
Fund Balance At Beginning Of Year	<u>238,727</u>	<u>236,286</u>	<u><b>236,286</b></u>	<u>-</u>	
<b>Fund Balance At End Of Year</b>	<u><b>\$ 158,440</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 155,999</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 233,652</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 77,653</b></u>	

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

**Other Supplementary Information**

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**New Orleans, Louisiana**  
Supplementary Information  
For The Year Ended December 31, 2021

Schedule Of Compensation, Benefits And Other Payments To Agency Head, Political  
Subdivision Head Or Chief Executive Officer

The schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head, political subdivision head or chief executive officer is presented in compliance with Act 706 of the 2014 Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

Agency Head Name: Mr. Patrick Talley – President of the Board of Commissioners:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$ -
Benefits	-
Car allowance	-
Vehicle provided by government	-
Per diem	-
Reimbursements	-
Travel	-
Registration fees	-
Conference travel	-
Continuing professional education fees	-
Housing	-
Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-

See accompanying notes and independent accountant's review report.

## **Other Reports**

# PEDELAHORE & CO., LLP

*Certified Public Accountants*

## Independent Accountant's Report On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Board of Commissioners  
Upper Hurstville Security District  
New Orleans, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on Upper Hurstville Security District's (the Security District's) compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the year ended December 31, 2021, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*. The Security District's management is responsible for its financial records and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

The Security District has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the Security District's compliance with the laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire during the year ended December 31, 2021. Additionally, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

### *Public Bid Law*

1. Obtain documentation for all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$30,000, and public works exceeding \$250,000. Compare the documentation for these expenditures to Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 39:1551 - 39:1775 (state procurement code) or R.S. 38:2211-2296 (the public bid law), whichever is applicable; and report whether the expenditures were made in accordance with these laws.

There were no expenditures meeting the above criteria.

*Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees*

2. Obtain a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the ethics law).

See alternative procedures below, under #5.

3. Obtain a list of all employees paid during the fiscal year.
4. Report whether any employees' names appear on both lists obtained in Procedures 2 and 3.

#3 and #4 are not applicable; the District has no employees.

5. Obtain a list of all disbursements made during the year; and a list of outside business interest of board members, employees, and board members' and employees' immediate families. Report whether any vendors appear on both lists.

In lieu of procedures 2 and 5, a list of vendors obtained from the District's disbursements was provided to all board members. This list consisted of nine vendors/payees. Each board member confirmed that they and their immediate family members reviewed the listing and indicated that no "outside business interest" coincided with the vendors listed. (These alternative procedures were reviewed and accepted by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor (LLA) as adequate alternative procedures.)

*Budgeting*

6. Obtain a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

Management provided us with a copy of the original budget and the budget amendments during the year.

7. Trace documentation for the adoption of the budget and approval of any amendments to the minute book, and report whether there are any exceptions.

We traced discussion of the budget to the August 11, 2020 open meeting minutes. However, the adoption of the 2021 budget did not occur until September 30, 2020, when emails indicate the Board of Commissioners voted on the resolution to approve the budget for 2021. A subsequent 2021 budget amendment resolution was traced to the minutes of the September 28, 2021 open meeting.

8. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Report whether actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5% or more, and whether actual expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. All variances appropriately met the criteria stated above.

#### *Accounting and Reporting*

9. Obtain the list of all disbursements made during the fiscal year. Randomly select six disbursements, and obtain documentation from management for these disbursements. Compare the selected disbursements to the supporting documentation, and:

- (a) Report whether the six disbursements agree to the proper amount and payee in the supporting documentation.

We examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

- (b) Report whether the six disbursements are coded to the correct fund and general ledger account.

All of the payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger accounts.

- (c) Report whether the six disbursements were approved in accordance with management's policies and procedures.

Inspection of the cancelled checks for each of the six selected disbursements indicated that all checks were properly signed by two authorized officials. Management has asserted that the supporting documentation was presented and approved at the time the checks were signed.

#### *Meetings*

10. Obtain evidence from management to support that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:11 through 42:28 (the open meetings law), and report whether there were any exceptions.

The District is required to give a notice of each meeting by posting a copy of the notice at the principal office of the public body holding the meeting, or if

no such office exists, at the building in which the meeting is to be held; or by publication of the notice in an official journal of the public body; additionally by providing notice via the Internet on the website of the public body for no less than twenty-four hours immediately preceding the meeting.

Inquiry of the District Manager revealed that the notices were posted on the District's website more than twenty-four hours before each meeting.

#### *Debt*

- 11.** Obtain bank deposits slips for the fiscal year, and scan the deposit slips in order to identify and report whether there are any deposits that appear to be proceeds of banks loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

We inspected copies of all bank statements for the period under examination and noted no deposits that appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

#### *Advances and Bonuses*

- 12.** Obtain the list of payroll disbursements and meeting minutes of the governing board, if applicable. Scan the documents to identify and report whether there are any payments or approval of payments to employees that may constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

A reading of the minutes of the Security District for the year indicated no approval for the types of payments noted. Inspection of payroll records was not appropriate, as the Security District has no employees.

#### *State Audit Law*

- 13.** Report whether the agency provided for a timely report in accordance with R.S.24:513.

The Security District provided for a timely report.

- 14.** Inquire of management and report whether the agency entered into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:71.1 A.(2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

The Security District did not enter any contracts that utilized state funds or were subject to the public bid law.



*Prior Comments and Recommendations*

15. Obtain and report management's representation as to whether any prior-year suggestions, recommendation, and/or comments have been resolved.

Our prior year report, dated October 27, 2021, did not include any comments or unresolved matters.

We were engaged by the Security District's management to perform this agreed upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the United States Comptroller General. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the Security District's compliance with the foregoing matters. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of the Security District's management and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on the District's compliance with certain laws and regulations contained in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire, as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

*Redelakou & Co, LLP*

Metairie, Louisiana  
June 29, 2022

**Other Schedules And Information**

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Summary Schedule Of Current And Prior Year Findings With**  
**Management’s Response And Planned Corrective Action**  
**For The Year Ended December 31, 2021**

We have reviewed the basic financial statements of Upper Hurstville Security District as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated June 29, 2022. In accordance with the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide* and the provisions of state law, we have also issued a report, dated June 29, 2022, on the results of our agreed-upon procedures.

Current Year Findings:

Review Procedures

There were no findings noted for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Agreed-Upon Procedures

<b>Finding 2021-01:</b>	Budget Adoption
Condition:	The budget was discussed in an August 2020 open meeting; however, the adoption did not occur until September 30, 2020 when emails indicated the Board voted to approve the 2021 budget in time for the City’s deadline. A subsequent resolution to amend the 2021 budget was traced to the minutes of the September 28, 2021 open meeting.
Criteria:	The Local Government Budget Act requires that the resolution to adopt the budget be passed in an open meeting before the end of the fiscal period.
Cause:	Due to the physical constraints and pressures of the Covid Pandemic, the Security District had difficulties assembling a quorum in time to meet the City deadline.
Effect:	Noncompliance with the Local Government Budget Act.

**Upper Hurstville Security District**  
**Summary Schedule Of Current And Prior Year Findings With**  
**Management's Response And Planned Corrective Action**  
Year Ended December 31, 2021

Recommendation: We recommend that the Security District make advance preparations to allow time for the budget to be adopted in an open meeting before the City imposed deadlines.

Management's  
response and  
planned corrective  
action:

The Security District indicated that this was an isolated instance due to the unusual circumstances of the Covid Pandemic and concurs with the findings and will take the necessary steps for budget adoptions and amendments in an open meeting.

Management Letter

None issued.

Prior Year Findings:

Review Procedures

There were no findings noted for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Agreed-Upon Procedures

There were no findings noted for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Management Letter

None issued.

**LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE**  
**(For Attestation Engagements of Governmental Agencies)**

April 6, 2022 (Date Transmitted)

Pedelahore & Co., LLP

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In connection with your engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures to the control and compliance matters identified below, as of December 31, 2021 and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you.

**Public Bid Law**

It is true that we have complied with the state procurement code (R.S. 39:1551 – 39:1755); the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211-2296), and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration and the State Purchasing Office.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

**Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees**

It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1101-1124.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1119.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

**Budgeting**

We have complied with the state budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (R.S. 39:1301-15), R.S. 39:33, or the budget requirements of R.S. 39:1331-1342, as applicable.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

**Accounting and Reporting**

All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by R.S. 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with R.S. 24:514, and 33:463 where applicable.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have had our financial statements reviewed in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have complied with R.S. 24:515.2 regarding reporting of pre- and post- adjudication court costs, fines and fees assessed or imposed; the amounts collected; the amounts outstanding; the amounts retained; the amounts disbursed, and the amounts received from disbursements.

Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A

### Meetings

We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in R.S. 42:11 through 42:28.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

### Debt

It is true we have not incurred any indebtedness, other than credit for 90 days or less to make purchases in the ordinary course of administration, nor have we entered into any lease-purchase agreements, without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and R.S. 39:1410.60-1410.65.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

### Advances and Bonuses

It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, R.S. 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

### Prior-Year Comments

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

### General

We acknowledge that we are responsible for the Agency's compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We acknowledge that we are responsible for determining that that the procedures performed are appropriate for the purposes of this engagement.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have evaluated our compliance with these laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have provided you with all relevant information and access under the terms of our agreement.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We are not aware of any material misstatements in the information we have provided to you.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We have disclosed to you any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants, and others concerning noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including communications received during the period under examination; and will disclose

to you any such communication received between the end of the period under examination and the date of your report.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

We will disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies all known noncompliance and other events subsequent to the date of this representation and the date of your report that could have a material effect on our compliance with laws and regulations and the internal controls with such laws and regulations, or would require adjustment or modification to the results of the agreed-upon procedures.

Yes  No [ ] N/A [ ]

The previous responses have been made to the best of our belief and knowledge.

<u>Mary A. Looney</u>	Secretary	<u>June 21, 2022</u>	Date
<u>April 27</u>	Treasurer	<u>6/27/22</u>	Date
<u>P. Murray</u>	President	<u>6/27/22</u>	Date