NORTH HOUSTON DISTRICT HOUSTON, TEXAS FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ended October 31, 2016

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Board of Directors North Houston District Houston, Texas

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of North Houston District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended October 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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



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Board of Directors North Houston District

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of the District, as of October 31, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 7 and budgetary comparison information on pages 31 through 32 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.

Houston, Texas

February 28, 2017

Whitley FERN LLP

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the North Houston District, we offer readers of the District's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2016.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator regarding the financial position of the District. Other factors that are not included in the financial statements, such as increased tax base in the District's boundaries, should be considered in evaluating the condition of the District's overall financial position.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District's funds are considered governmental funds.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

The District maintains three major governmental funds. The *General Fund* is used to account for administrative operations of the District. *Special Revenue Funds* are used to account for the activities of the Skate Park and Greenspoint Community Partners.

The District adopts an annual non-appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

In the government-wide statements, the difference between assets and liabilities is called net position. The District's net position at October 31, 2016, was \$3,105,612.

Net position is categorized based on its availability to provide financial resources for the District. "Investment in capital assets" represents the District's investments in capital assets. "Unrestricted" net position represents amounts available to meet the District's future obligations.

A comparative summary of the District's overall financial position as of October 31, 2016 and 2015 is as follows:

	2016	2015
Current and other assets	\$ 953,566	\$ 924,193
Capital assets	2,405,605	2,586,770
Total Assets	3,359,171	3,510,963
Other liabilities	212,175	213,899
Long-term liabilities	41,384	29,579
Total Liabilities	253,559	243,478
Net Position:		
Investment in capital assets	2,405,605	2,586,770
Restricted for grants and skate park	124,006	84,777
Unrestricted	576,001_	595,938
Total Net Position	\$ 3,105,612	\$ 3,267,485

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

Total net position of the District decreased by \$161,873. A comparative summary of the District's Statement of Activities for the past two years is as follows:

	2016	2015
Revenues		
Program revenue:		
Charges for services	\$ 507,287	\$ 451,268
Grants and contributions	5,910	16,722
General revenues:		
Property assessments	3,258,603	3,166,113
Unrestricted investment earnings	1,036	976
Loss on retirement of assets	(48,083)	
Total Revenues	3,724,753	3,635,079
Expenses		
Public safety	1,008,229	772,208
Planning and infrastructure	1,283,554	986,185
Marketing and public affairs	386,879	555,685
Program support services	473,919	398,019
Skate Park Operations	462,621	480,135
Economic Development	233,562	388,847
Greenspoint Community Partners	37,862_	34,311
Total Expenses	3,886,626	3,615,390
Change in net position	(161,873)	19,689
Net Position - beginning	3,267,485	3,247,796
Net Position - ending	\$ 3,105,612	\$ 3,267,485

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

As previously noted, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The District's combined fund balances, as of October 31, 2016, were \$713,101. The following is a summary of changes in fund balances for the prior two fiscal years:

		Ι	ncrease]	Increase	
	2016	<u>(</u>	ecrease)	 2015	(1	Decrease)_	2014
General Fund	\$ 589,095	\$	(55,635)	\$ 644,730	\$	135,583	\$ 509,147
Special Revenue Fund -							
GCP	42,404		1,850	40,554		(26,156)	66,710
Special Revenue Fund -							
Skate Park	81,602		81,602				
	\$ 713,101	\$	27,817	\$ 685,284	\$	109,427	\$ 575,857

The fund balance of the District's General Fund decreased by \$55,635 due to a decrease in assessment revenue from the original projections and due to the Skate Park being presented as its own fund in the current year.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The District's General Fund budget anticipated a decrease in fund balance of \$529,129, while the actual decrease was \$55,635. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule as listed in the table of contents of this report provides variance information per financial statement line item. The anticipated decrease is due to a project that was pushed back to be started fiscal year 2017.

Capital Assets

Capital assets held by the District at the end of the current fiscal year are summarized as follows:

	2016	2015	
Capital assets not being depreciated:	_		
Construction In Progress	\$ 70,588	\$ 1,008,795	
Land	 259,607	259,607	
	330,195	1,268,402	
Capital assets being depreciated:	_		
Park & Other Improvements	3,304,419	2,502,631	
Public Safety Center	235,225	235,225	
Office Equipment	61,083	65,078	
Leasehold Improvements	64,946	64,946	
Public Safety Center Equipment	15,258	15,258	
Equipment - Park Office	18,637	18,637	
	3,699,568	2,901,775	
Less accumulated depreciation	 (1,624,158)	(1,583,407)	
	2,075,410	1,318,368	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 2,405,605	\$ 2,586,770	

During the current year there were additions to capital assets related to the Jack Drake Park and STEP Trail.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

Assessments

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, created in 1991 by a special act of the 72nd Texas Legislature. The District levies an assessment on real property within its boundaries. Estimated assessment revenues for the year ending October 31, 2017, are approximately \$3,571,026, net of the refund reserve and allowance for delinquencies. The District's assessment rate for the 2016 tax year is \$0.154310 per \$100 of assessed value.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (continued)

Budget

A comparison of next year's budget to current year actual amounts for the General Fund is as follows:

	2016	Actual_	20	17 Budget
Total revenues	\$ 3,2	267,706	\$	3,602,026
Total expenditures	3,2	279,118		3,942,822
Revenues over/(under) expenditures		(11,412)		(340,796)
Internal transfers	((44,223)		
Net change in fund balance	((55,635)		(340,796)
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Beginning fund balance	ϵ	544,730		589,095
Ending fund balance	\$ 5	589,095	\$	248,299
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The District is anticipating higher revenues primarily from higher property assessments and expected increased delinquent assessments.

Economic Factors

Office space

Greenspoint has more than 20 million square feet of commercial development. Class A office space is at 41% occupancy. Our B and C space is at a combined 70% occupancy. Greenspoint continues to attract major companies, and leasing activity remains very strong particularly in warehouse and distribution facilities with several new leases and build-to-suit projects in 2016

Hotels

The District's proximity to Bush Intercontinental Airport and the I-69 and I-45 Corridors continues to attract business travelers. Major brands in the area included Hilton, Marriott, Hampton Inn, Hyatt, Sheraton, DoubleTree and many more. These hotels provide an abundance of both guest rooms and meeting space to meet the needs of area businesses.

Recreational Development

The District continues to make recreational development a priority. The Spring Recreational Area containing the Skateboard Park and Dylan Park opened in August 2014 and is seeing high attendance numbers and very positive feedback domestically and internationally. Buckboard Park opened in 2009 and quickly became a community treasure. The park gives neighborhood children the chance to play, exercise and learn about their environment. Local artists and students created mosaic and steel art installments that adorn the five-acre park. Development of Ida Gaye Gardens, a park designed to promote moderate physical activity and prolong independent lifestyle for senior citizens, was completed in 2012. Jack Drake Park, a 3 acre park now under construction, will serve as a trailhead to the 2.5 mile Greens Bayou Trail.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to 16945 Northchase Dr., Suite 1900, Houston, TX 77060.

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION- GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES October 31, 2016

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 867,715
Receivables	40,255
Prepaid Items	45,596
Capital assets, net of depreciation	2,405,605
Total Assets	 3,359,171
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	173,077
Other payables	39,098
Long-term liabilities - compensated absences	 41,384
Total Liabilities	253,559
Net Position	
Investment in capital assets	2,405,605
Restricted grants and skate park	124,006
Unrestricted	 576,001
Total Net Position	\$ 3,105,612

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended October 31, 2016

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			Progran	n Reve	nue		Activities
					Capital		
		Cl	narges for	Gra	ents and		
Functions/Programs	 Expenses		Services	Cont	ributions		Total
Governmental Activities							
Public Safety	\$ 1,008,229	\$		\$		\$	(1,008,229)
Planning and infrastructure	1,283,554		1,787				(1,281,767)
Marketing and public affairs	386,879		5,500				(381,379)
Program support services	473,919						(473,919)
Economic Development	233,562						(233,562)
STEP Trail Project					4,060		4,060
Skate Park Operations	462,621		500,000				37,379
Greenspoint Community Partners	 37,862				1,850		(36,012)
Total governmental activities	\$ 3,886,626	\$	507,287	\$	5,910		(3,373,429)
General revenues:							
Assessments							3,215,156
Penalties and interest							43,447
Investment earnings							1,036
Loss on retirement of asset							(48,083)
Total general revenues							3,211,556
Change in net position							(161,873)
Net position - beginning							3,267,485
Net position - ending						\$	3,105,612

BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS October 31, 2016

	General Fund		General Fund		General Fund		Special Revenue Fund - Skate Park		Reve	Special nue Fund - GCP	Total Governmental Funds	
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Assessments receivable Other receivables Prepaid items Due from other funds	\$	865,502 28,290 11,965 45,596	\$	81,602	\$	2,213	\$	867,715 28,290 11,965 45,596 121,793				
Total assets	\$	951,353	\$	81,602	\$	42,404	\$	1,075,359				
Liabilities Accounts payable Other payables Due to other funds Total liabilities	\$	173,077 39,098 121,793 333,968	\$		\$		\$	173,077 39,098 121,793 333,968				
Deferred inflows of resources Unavailable Revenue - assessement revenue		28,290						28,290				
Total deferred inflows of resources		28,290						28,290				
Fund balance Nonspendable Restricted - grants and skate park Unassigned Total fund balance Total liabilities, deferred inflows of		45,596 543,499 589,095		81,602 81,602		42,404		45,596 124,006 543,499 713,101				
resources, and fund balance	\$	951,353	\$	81,602	\$	42,404	\$	1,075,359				

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

October 31, 2016

Total fund balance, governmental funds	\$	713,101
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in this fund financial statement, but are reported in the governmental activities of the Statement of Net Position	,	2,405,605
Certain other receivables are not available to pay current period expenditures and are, therefore, not reported in this fund financial statement, but are reported in the governmental activities of the Statement of Net Position		28,290
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are not included in the fund financial statements, but are included in the governmental activities of the Statement of Net Position. These are as follows:		
Compensated absences		(41,384)
Net Position of Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position	\$	3,105,612

$STATEMENT\ OF\ REVENUES,\ EXPENDITURES\ AND\ CHANGES\ IN\ FUND\ BALANCE\ GOVERNMENTAL\ FUNDS$

For the Year Ended October 31, 2016

	G	eneral Fund	Reven	pecial ue Fund - te Park	Rever	Special nue Fund - GCP	Go	Total vernmental Funds
Revenues		<u> </u>	Bita	te i uiii		501		1 tilles
Assessments	\$	3,211,876	\$		\$		\$	3,211,876
Penalties and interest	·	43,447	·				·	43,447
Investment earnings		1,036						1,036
Skate Park Operations		,		500,000				500,000
Reimbursements and Contributions		7,287		ŕ				7,287
Grant revenue		4,060						4,060
Donations and Grants		,				1,850		1,850
Total revenues		3,267,706		500,000		1,850		3,769,556
Expenditures Current:								
Public Safety		1,008,229						1,008,229
Planning and infrastructure		1,008,229						1,008,229
Marketing and public affairs		386,879						386,879
Skate Park Operations		360,679		462,621				462,621
Program support services		293,819		402,021				293,819
Economic Development		233,562						233,562
Greenspoint Community Partners		37,862						37,862
Capital Outlay		35,213						35,213
Total expenditures		3,279,118		462,621				3,741,739
Excess (deficiency) of revenues		3,279,110		402,021				3,741,739
over expenditures		(11,412)		37,379		1,850		27,817
Other financing sources (uses)								
Internal transfers		(44,223)		44,223				
internal transfers		(44,223)	-	77,223	•			
Total other financing sources (uses)		(44,223)		44,223				
Net change in fund balance		(55,635)		81,602		1,850		27,817
Fund balance - beginning of year		644,730				40,554		685,284
Fund balance - end of year	\$	589,095	\$	81,602	\$	42,404	\$	713,101
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RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Year Ended October 31, 2016

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds:	\$ 27,817
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report outlays for capital assets as expenditures because such outlays use current financial resources. In contrast, the Statement of Activities reports only a portion of the outlay as expense. The outlay is allocated over the assets' estimated useful lives as depreciation expense for the period. This is the amount by which depreciation expense of \$168,295 exceeds capital outlays of \$35,213.	(133,082)
Governmental funds report proceeds from the sale of capital assets. In contrast, the Statement of Activities reports the proceeds less net book value of assets sold or disposed. This is the amount by which net book value exceeds any proceeds from sales.	(48,083)
Governmental funds do not report assessment revenues that are not available to pay current obligations. In contrast, such revenue is reported in the Statement of Activities when earned.	3,280
Expenses reported in the statement of activities for compensated absences liabilities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	 (11,805)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ (161,873)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the North Houston District ("the District") have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and reporting principles. The following is a summary of the most significant policies:

Creation

The District was organized, created, and established pursuant to an act of the Texas State Legislature, effective under the terms and provisions of Article III, Section 52 and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. The Board of Directors held its organizational meeting on August 27, 1991. Additional disclosure regarding significant legal provisions contained in the legislative act creating the District follows.

The District has all the rights, powers, privileges and authority conferred by the general law of the State of Texas applicable to districts created under Chapter 375, Local Government Code, as added by S.B. No. 232, Acts of the 72nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1991. The Board of Directors may not finance services and improvement projects unless a written petition has been filed with the Board requesting those improvements or services signed by:

- a) the owners of a majority of the assessed value of real property in the District as determined by the most recent certified county property tax roll; or
- b) If there are more than fifty persons who own property in the District as determined by the most recent certified county property tax roll, by at least fifty persons who own land within the District.

Because the District is created in an area that is devoted primarily to commercial and business activity, the District may not impose an impact fee or assessment on a detached single-family residential property or a residential duplex, triplex, quadruplex or condominium. A condominium is exempt under this section only if, for the year in which the impact fee or assessment is imposed on the condominium, the condominium receives a residence homestead exemption.

Reporting Entity

The District is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, governed by an appointed eighteen member board, and is considered a primary government. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, these financial statements have been prepared, based on considerations regarding the potential for inclusion of other entities, organizations, or functions, as part of the District's financial reporting entity. Based on these considerations, no other entities, organizations or functions have been included in the District's financial reporting entity. Additionally, as the District is considered a primary government for financial reporting purposes, its activities are not considered a part of any other governmental or other type of reporting entity.

Considerations regarding the potential for inclusion of other entities, organizations, or functions in the District's financial reporting entity are based on criteria prescribed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These same criteria are evaluated in considering whether the District is a part of any other governmental or other type of reporting entity. The overriding elements associated with prescribed criteria considered in determining that the District's financial reporting entity status is that of a primary government are: that it has a separately elected governing body; it is legally separate; and it is fiscally independent of other state and local governments.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Reporting Entity (continued)

Although not considered significant in the District's reporting entity evaluation, other prescribed criteria under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America include considerations pertaining to organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable; and considerations pertaining to other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The District's primary activities include security, landscaping, maintenance, and marketing for the benefit of the Greenspoint area's commercial property owners.

Greenspoint Community Partners is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit entity, which is dedicated to strengthening programs that enhance the quality of life and establish a renewed sense of area identity and pride. It was established by the Greenspoint District in 2004 to sustain and grow financial and community support for programs that would otherwise be absent in the community. Greenspoint Community Partners is governed by a volunteer board of directors, composed of business partners and residents. Although a separate entity, the board of Greenspoint Community Partners works in partnership with the North Houston District to support community programs that focus on three key areas: developing parks and trails, ensuring public safety, and creating an attractive community.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Government-wide financial statements (i.e. the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) display information about the District as a whole. These financial statements focus on the sustainability of the District as an entity and change in aggregate financial position resulting from activities of the fiscal period. Interfund activity, if any, has been removed from these statements.

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 revenue includes grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular segment. Assessments and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The Government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Net Position in the Government-wide financial statements is classified as either investment in capital assets, restricted, or unrestricted. These classifications are explained below.

- Investment in capital assets This component of net position consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation.
- Restricted net position This component of net position consists of restrictions that are beyond the District's control (e.g. creditors, grantors or contributors, restrictions imposed by law).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

• Unrestricted net position - This component of net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of "investment in capital assets" or "restricted net position".

The District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available if 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 are generally recorded when a liability is incurred as due and payable. Grant revenues are recognized when the requirements of the grant have been satisfied.

The District has three major governmental funds:

The *General Fund* is used to account for administrative operations of the District. The principal sources of operating revenue are from assessments. The principal source of non-operating revenues is from property assessments and donations. Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operations of the District.

The *Special Revenue Fund* is used to account for financial resources that are restricted by law or contractual agreement for specific purposes other than debt service or major capital projects. The District has two Special Revenue Funds as follows:

The North Houston Skate Park was developed by the Greater Greenspoint Redevelopment Authority and opened in 2014. The facility includes over 77,000 square feet of skateable surface and is the largest skate park in North America. The North Houston District operates and maintains the facility through an agreement with the Greater Greenspoint Redevelopment Authority.

GCP is used to account for the activities of the Greenspoint Community Partners. The principal sources of revenue are from contributions and grants. Expenditures include operational activities and special projects relating to parks and recreation, public safety, and beautification.

Deposits and Investments

Investments for the District are reported at fair value. The funds of the District must be deposited and invested under the terms of a depository contract, the contents of which are set out in the Depository Contract Law. The depository bank may either place approved pledged securities for safekeeping and trust with the District's agent bank or file a corporate surety bond in an amount sufficient to protect district funds on a day-to-day basis during the period of the contract. The pledge of approved securities is waived only to the extent of the depository bank's dollar amount of FDIC insurance. The depository cash balances were covered by FDIC insurance and by collateral held by the District's agent in the District's name. The District categorizes fair value measurements of its investments based on the hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The fair value hierarchy, which has three levels, is based on the valuation inputs used to measure an asset's fair value: Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Deposits and Investments (continued)

The District's local government investment pools are recorded at amortized costs as permitted by GASB Statement No. 79 Certain Investment Pools and Pool Participants.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. The District defines capital assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. All purchased capital assets are valued at cost where historical records exist. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date received. Assets are depreciated over their remaining useful lives using the straight-line method. Capital assets include improvements, machinery, and equipment depreciated over useful lives of five to 20 years.

Fund Equity

The District records as restricted, all or portions of governmental fund balances which are legally segregated for specific future use or which do not represent available spendable resources and therefore not available for appropriation. Unassigned fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods. The restricted fund balances for governmental funds represents the amount that has been identified for specific purposes.

Beginning with fiscal year 2011, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 54 "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions". The statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on a government's fund balances more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints:

- Non-spendable fund balance amounts that are not in spendable form or are required to be maintained intact. As such, the inventory and prepaid items have been properly classified in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet. At October 31, 2016, the District reports a restricted fund balance of \$45,596.
- Restricted fund balance amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of local, state or federal laws, or externally imposed conditions by grantors or creditors. The fund balances for the Special Revenue Funds are classified as restricted. At October 31, 2016, the District reports a restricted fund balance of \$124,006.
- Committed fund balance amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its highest level of decision making authority (i.e. the Board of Directors). To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purposes unless the District takes the same highest level of action to remove or change the constraint. The District did not have committed fund balance.
- Assigned fund balance amounts the District intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by a governing board or by an official to whom the Board of Directors delegates the authority. The District did not have assigned fund balance.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fund Equity (continued)

• Unassigned fund balance – amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive numbers can only be reported in the general fund. At October 31, 2016, the District reports an unassigned fund balance of \$543,499.

The District establishes (and modifies or rescinds) fund balance commitments by passage of resolution. When expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, the District considers restricted funds to have been spent first. When expenditure is incurred for which committed, assigned or unassigned fund balances are available, the District considers amounts to have been spent first out of committed funds, then assigned funds, and finally unassigned funds.

Receivables

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible. At October 31, 2016, no allowance is recorded as all receivables were considered collectible.

Compensated Absences

The District's employees earn vacation leave, which may either be taken or accumulated, up to certain amounts, until paid upon termination or retirement. The amounts are recorded as a liability on the Statement of Net Position.

Deferred Inflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position or balance sheet will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance 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 a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet.

Interfund Activity

During the course of operations, transactions occur between individual funds. This can include internal transfers, payables and receivables. This activity is combined as internal balances and is eliminated in both the government-wide and fund financial statement presentation.

Use of 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. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Implementation of New Standards

The District has implemented the following new pronouncement:

GASB Statement No. 79, Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants, addresses accounting and financial reporting for certain external investment pools and pool participants. Specifically, it establishes criteria for an external investment pool to qualify for making the election to measure all of its investments at amortized cost for financial reporting purposes. This Statement establishes additional note disclosure requirements for qualifying external investment pools that measure all of their investments at amortized cost for financial reporting purposes and for governments that participate in those pools. Those disclosures include information about any limitations or restrictions on participant withdrawals.

Note 2 - Deposits and Investments

Deposit Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk as it applies to deposits (i.e. cash) is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the depository institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities. The *Public Funds Collateral Act* (Chapter 2257, Texas Government Code) requires that all of the District's deposits with financial institutions be covered by federal depository insurance and, if necessary, pledged collateral held by a third-party custodian. The act further specifies the types of securities that can be used as collateral.

The District's governing board and administration have enacted policies to ensure compliance with state laws regarding deposit of District funds and maintain a formal depository agreement with the District's depository bank.

At October 31, 2016, the reported amount of the District's deposits was \$66,338 and the bank balance was \$181,008. Of the bank balance, the entire amount was covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the District's agent in the District's name.

Investments

The District is authorized by the *Public Funds Investment Act* (Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code) to invest in the following: (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, (2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities, (3) certain collateralized mortgage obligations, (4) other obligations, which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the State of Texas or the United States or its agencies or instrumentalities, (5) certain A-rated or higher obligations of states and political subdivisions of any state, (6) bonds issued, assumed or guaranteed by the State of Israel, (7) insured or collateralized certificates of deposit, (8) certain fully collateralized repurchase agreements, (9) bankers' acceptances with limitations, (10) commercial paper rated A-1 or P-1 or higher and a maturity of 270 days or less, (11) no-load money market mutual funds and no-load mutual funds, with limitations, (12) certain guaranteed investment contracts, (13) certain qualified governmental investment pools, and (14) a qualified securities lending program.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 2 - Deposits and Investments (continued)

Investments (continued)

The District has adopted a written investment policy to establish the principles by which the District's investment program should be managed. The Board of Directors most recently amended the policy with an effective date of April 24, 2012. This policy further restricts the types of investments in which the District may invest. Unless specifically prohibited by law or elsewhere in the District's policy, District funds can only be invested in the following: (1) obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities, (2) direct obligations of the State of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities, (3) other obligations, which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the State of Texas or the United States or its agencies or instrumentalities, (4) certain A-rated or higher obligations of states and political subdivisions of any state, (5) guaranteed, insured, or secured certificates of deposit, and(6) no-load money market mutual funds, and (7) TexPool, an investment pool.

At October 31, 2016, the District's cash and investments consisted of the following:

Demand deposit accounts	\$ 20,742
TexPool	801,377
Total	\$ 822,119

The Texas Local Government Investment Pool (TEXPOOL) amounts are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form and, accordingly, are not categorized by risk. However, the nature of these funds requires that they be used to purchase investments authorized by the Public Funds Investment Act. The primary objective of these investment pools is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, fully collateralized investments. The City considers the holdings in TEXPOOL to be redeemable within one day although the weighted average maturity days is 41. Weighted average maturity is determined and defined by the nature of the deposits in the pools, not by the account holder.

The State of Texas exercises oversight responsibility over TEXPOOL in accordance with state laws and the Public Funds Investment Act. Texpool is an external pool and operates in a manner consistent with SEC Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. It is rated A-1+ by Standard Poor's, the highest rating a local government investment pool can achieve. Net position is reported using amortized cost rather than fair value in computing share price. In accordance with TEXPOOL management policies, the net asset value will always be between .9965 and 1.0035. Accordingly, the fair value of the City's position in the pool is the same as the value of the shares in the pool.

If at any time, pursuant to its daily calculation, the deviation between the amortized cost and market-determined values per share of the Portfolio's assets exceeds \$0.0030, the Co-Administrators shall promptly notify the Board. In the event that the deviation from amortized cost per share exceeds \$0.0040, the Board shall promptly hold a meeting and the Co-Administrators shall take action as directed by the Board. However, absent contrary instructions, the Co-Administrators shall promptly sell portfolio holdings, or will take such other action as the Board, or their delegates, may direct to eliminate or reduce to the extent reasonably practicable any dilution or unfair results to existing Unit holders.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 2 - Deposits and Investments (continued)

Interest Rate Risk

Exposure to decline in fair values is managed by investments with a weighted average maturity of less than one year.

Credit Risk

Credit risk loss is minimized by investing with TEXPOOL and as such, limits the risk of loss due to custodial credit risk.

The District reports its local government investment pools at amortized cost as permitted by GASB Statement No. 79, *Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants*. In addition, TexPool does not have any limitations and restrictions on withdrawals such as notice periods or maximum transaction amounts. This pool does not impose any liquidity fees or redemption gates.

Note 3 - Receivables

Receivables in the governmental activities include \$28,290 of assessments receivable and of other receivables.

Note 4 - Assessments

The Board of Directors has authorized annual assessments to commercial property owners in the District to finance the cost of improvement projects and other authorized services. These annual assessments become liens on the property effective January 1 of each assessment year, they are billed each December of the assessment year and are levied based on commercial property values established by the Harris County Appraisal District as of January 1 of the assessment year. Assessments become due when billed and become delinquent February 1 of the year following the assessment year. The total assessment for fiscal year 2016 was \$3,471,220, which is based on an assessment rate of \$0.154310 per \$100 of commercial property value. The adjusted property value used for the assessment for fiscal year 2016 (the 2015 assessment year) was \$2,249,510,843 after reductions and exemptions. Assessments receivable by year at October 31, 2016, are shown below.

Fiscal Year	Tax Year	Re	ceivable
2016	2015	\$	13,147
2015	2014		1,627
Prior	Prior		13,516
		\$	28,290

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 5 - Interfund Transfers

A summary of operating transfers is as follows:

	Transfers In		Transfers Ou	
Major Funds:				
General Fund	\$		\$	44,223
Special Revenue Fund - Skate Park		44,223		
	\$	44,223	\$	44,223

An interfund transfer was made from the General Fund to a Special Revenue Fund in order to properly classify the Skate Park fund balance.

Note 6 - Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets, for the year ended October 31, 2016, is as follows:

	Balance November 1, 2015	Additions	Transfers/ Deletions	Balance October 31, 2016
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 259,607	\$	\$	\$ 259,607
Construction In Progress	1,008,795	35,213	(973,420)	70,588
Total capital assets not being depreciated:	1,268,402	35,213	(973,420)	330,195
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Park & Other Improvements	2,502,631	973,420	(171,632)	3,304,419
Public Safety Center	235,225			235,225
Office Equipment	65,078		(3,995)	61,083
Leasehold Improvements	64,946			64,946
Public Safety Center Equipment	15,258			15,258
Equipment - Park Office	18,637			18,637
Subtotal	2,901,775	973,420	(175,627)	3,699,568
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,583,407)	(168,295)	127,544	(1,624,158)
Total capital assets being depreciated:	1,318,368	805,125	(48,083)	2,075,410
Capital assets, net	\$ 2,586,770	\$ 840,338	\$ (1,021,503)	\$ 2,405,605

Depreciation expense was charged to functions as follows:

Total depreciation expense	\$ 168,295
Program support services	5,054
Planning and infrastructure	151,480
Public Safety	\$ 11,761

Capital projects in progress as of October 31, 2016, were as follows:

	Amount	Construction in	Remaining
Project	Authorized	progress to Date	Commitment
Jack Drake Park Design	\$ 389,500	\$ 70,588	\$ 318,912

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 7 - Related Party Transactions

Effective January 1, 2013, the District entered into an agreement with Greens Bayou Corridor Coalition (GBCC) whereby the District will provide "basic services" as outlined below.

The District will provide the necessary personnel to accomplish the management and administrative services for the Coalition described as:

- Administrative services, basic financial services and program monitoring systems that are necessary to assist in the management of the GBCC for the hourly rate of \$30.00;
- Use of the District's office space, furniture and such shared basic office equipment needed to enable the Coalition to function at no additional costs;
- Coordinate with and help the Coalition to arrange for engineering, planning, legal, financial, real estate, accounting, and other services through consultants engaged by the Coalition as may be requested by the Coalition.

The GBCC reimburses the District at cost for expenses incurred specifically on behalf of the GBCC.

The project fee for special services shall be determined on a project-by-project basis consistent with the written proposal for special services as agreed to from time to time by the District and GBCC.

Note 8 - Line of Credit

On November 1, 2016, the District renewed the line of credit with Amegy Bank for \$400,000. The line of credit is payable upon demand and expires on October 25, 2016. Outstanding amounts accrue interest at the lesser of the prime rate or 18 percent per annum. As of October 31, 2016, there have not been any draws against this line of credit.

Note 9 - Operating Leases

The District has entered into various operating leases for office space and equipment. The total cost under these leases in the current fiscal year was \$114,450. The District's lease for office space is the most significant of these leases with monthly payments of approximately \$10,000 per month for base rent and related costs. Future minimum lease payments for office space are as follows:

Year ending	
October 31,	
2017	\$ 134,267
2018	134,267
2019	134,267
Total	\$ 402,801

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 10 - Compensated Absences

A summary of activity for compensated absences for the year ended October 31, 2016, follows:

Balance, November 1, 2015	\$ 29,579
Additions	49,917
Reductions	 (38,112)
Balance, October 31, 2016	\$ 41,384

Note 11 - Pension Plan

The District established a simplified employee pension plan (SEP) that covers substantially all of the District's employees on November 6, 1991. A SEP is a tax-deferred retirement plan, with an individual account for each participant, which provides pension benefits in return for services rendered and specifies how contributions to the individual's account are to be determined instead of specifying the amount of benefits the individual is to receive.

Under a defined contribution pension plan, the benefits a participant will receive depend solely on the amount contributed to the participant's account, the returns earned on investments of those contributions and forfeitures of other participants' benefits that may be allocated to such participant's account. As established by the plan, all full-time employees over the age of 21 with 12 months of service become a participant under the plan. Contributions made by the District vest immediately. An employee who leaves the employment of the District is entitled to all contributions, plus any accumulated earnings, in that employee's account.

The amount set by the District to be paid into the plan is determined by the Board of Directors and the rules that govern SEP plans. For the year ended October 31, 2016, the District contributed \$39,830 (8% for each covered employee).

The plan is fully funded on a current basis and is administered by an independent brokerage firm.

Note 12 - Deferred Compensation Plan

The District offers its employees a Deferred Compensation Plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. Employees may participate in the plan upon completion of one year of service. The plan permits employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The District matches employee contributions up to 6% of total compensation, depending on a combination of the employee's tenure and contribution level. Employees may contribute above the 6% match, up to the limit set annually by the Internal Revenue Service. The plan is administered by Vantagepoint Transfer Agents. For the year ended October 31, 2016, the District contributed \$22,679 to the Deferred Compensation Plan.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Note 13 - Retirement Health Savings Plan

On November 27, 2007, the District amended the Retirement Health Savings Plan offered to its employees based on an agreement made between the plan administrator, ICMA and the Internal Revenue Service. Employees that were enrolled in the plan, were "grandfathered" and allowed to continue in the plan provided the individuals made an irrevocable election to continue by January 1, 2008. The plan permits employees to defer a portion of their salary to pay medical and healthcare expenses in the future. The plan is administered by ICMA.

Note 14 - 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; personal injuries; and natural disasters. The risk of loss is covered by commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SECTION

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GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND

CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL

For the Year Ended October 31, 2016

				Variance Positive /
_	Adopted	Amended	Actual	(Negative)
Revenues				
Assessments	\$ 3,347,869	\$ 3,347,869	\$ 3,211,876	\$ (135,993)
Penalties and interest	10,000	10,000	43,447	33,447
Investment earnings	1,000	1,000	1,036	36
Reimbursements and contributions	7,000	7,000	7,287	287
Grants	11,800	11,800	4,060	(7,740)
Other	15,000	15,000		(15,000)
Total Revenues	3,392,669	3,392,669	3,267,706	(124,963)
Expenditures Current:				
Public Safety	1,008,562	1,043,562	1,008,229	35,333
Planning and infrastructure	1,728,484	1,728,484	1,318,767	409,717
Marketing and public affairs	554,708	503,708	386,879	116,829
Program support services	339,107	339,107	293,819	45,288
Economic Development	287,384	264,424	233,562	30,862
Greenspoint Community Partners	42,513	42,513	37,862	4,651
Total Expenditures	3,960,758	3,921,798	3,279,118	642,680
Excess (deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	(568,089)	(529,129)	(11,412)	517,717
Other financing uses				
Internal transfers			(44,223)	(44,223)
Net change in fund balance	(568,089)	(529,129)	(55,635)	473,494
Fund balances - beginning of year	644,730	644,730	644,730	
Fund balances - end of year	\$ 76,641	\$ 115,601	\$ 589,095	\$ 473,494

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

An annual unappropriated budget is adopted for the General Fund by the District's Board of Directors. The budget is prepared using the same method of accounting as for financial reporting. However, the budget is prepared such that expenditures for capital outlays are included within the functional expenses categories, whereas capital outlays are reported as a separate category for financial reporting purposes.