ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT Adams County, Colorado

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2019

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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors Aspen Reserve Metropolitan District Adams County, Colorado

Report for the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Aspen Reserve Metropolitan District (District) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, 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.

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 Aspen Reserve Metropolitan District, as of December 31, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Required Supplemental Information

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's financial statements as a whole. The supplemental information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

The supplemental information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The other information listed in the table of contents has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Highlands Ranch, Colorado June 25, 2020

SCHILLING & Company, INC.



ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET POSITION GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES December 31, 2019

ASSETS	
Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$ 17,878
Cash and investments - restricted	709,420
Cash with County Treasurer	1,483
Accounts receivable	7,310
Property taxes receivable	292,009
Prepaid expense	7,008
Total assets	1,035,108
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	9,025
Accrued interest payable	14,688
Bonds payable	
Due in more than one year	3,775,171
Total liabilities	3,798,884
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Property tax revenue	292,009
Total deferred inflows of resources	292,009
NET POSITION	
Restricted for emergencies	3,700
Restricted for debt service	695,853
Restricted for capital projects	135
Unrestricted	(3,755,473)
Total net position	\$ (3,055,785)

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Year Ended December 31, 2019

			Program Revenues													
Functions/Programs	ı	Expenses	Charges for Services		_		_		•		•		Capital Grants and Contributions		Re C	(Expense) venue and hanges in et Position
General government	\$	148,890	\$	83,268	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(65,622)						
Dedication of capital assets																
to other government entities		2,458,447		-		-		-		(2,458,447)						
Interest and fiscal charges		238,604		-		-		-		(238,604)						
	\$	2,845,941	\$	83,268	\$	-	\$	-		(2,762,673)						
				eral revenue «es:	s:											
			Р	roperty taxe	s					238,168						
			S	pecific owne	ership ta	xes				18,784						
			Net	investment	income					13,717						
				Total gener	al reveni	ues				270,669						
			Chan	ige in net po	sition					(2,492,004)						
			Net p	osition - be	ginning					(563,781)						
			Net p	osition - en	ding				\$	(3,055,785)						

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS December 31, 2019

								Total
				Debt	C	apital	Go	vernmental
	General		Service		Projects		Funds	
ASSETS								
Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$	17,878	\$	-	\$	-	\$	17,878
Cash and investments - restricted		-		702,929		6,491		709,420
Cash with County Treasurer		227		1,256		-		1,483
Accounts receivable		7,310		-		-		7,310
Property tax receivable		44,470		247,539		-		292,009
Prepaid expense		7,008		-		-		7,008
Due from other fund		-		6,356				6,356
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	76,893	\$	958,080	\$	6,491	\$	1,041,464
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	9,025	\$	-	\$	-	\$	9,025
Due to other fund						6,356		6,356
Total liabilities		9,025				6,356		15,381
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Deferred property tax revenue		44,470		247,539		-	\$	292,009
Total deferred inflows of resources		44,470		247,539		-		292,009
FUND BALANCES								
Nonspendable - prepaid items		7,008		_		_		7,008
Restricted for:		,						,
Emergencies		3,700		-		-		3,700
Debt service		-		710,541		-		710,541
Capital Projects						135		135
Assigned for subsequent year's expenditures		12,690		-		-		12,690
Total fund balances		23,398		710,541		135		734,074
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF		·		<u> </u>				·
RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	76,893	\$	958,080	\$	6,491		

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Some liabilities, including bonds payable and other accrued payables, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds.

General obligation bonds payable	(3,527,000)
Developer advances	(104,980)
Accrued interest payable - bonds	(14,688)
Unpaid incurred interest on 2017B Bonds	(124,331)
Accrued interest payable - developer advances	(18,860)
	(3,789,859)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ (3,055,785)

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended December 31, 2019

	G	eneral	Debt Service		Capital Projects		Total Governmental Funds	
REVENUES	_		_				_	
Property tax	\$	36,486	\$	201,682	\$	-	\$	238,168
Specific ownership tax		2,878		15,906		-		18,784
Net investment income		1		13,566		150		13,717
Transfer fee		15,300		-		-		15,300
Operations fee		65,568		-		-		65,568
Review fee		2,400						2,400
Total revenues		122,633		231,154		150		353,937
EXPENDITURES								
Current								
Management fees		12,297		-		-		12,297
Accounting		14,490		-		-		14,490
Audit		4,556		-		-		4,556
Legal		11,157		-		-		11,157
Insurance		5,350		-		-		5,350
Election expense		28		-		-		28
Property management		13,200		_		-		13,200
Repairs and maintenance		381		_		-		381
Landscape maintenance		36,016		_		_		36,016
Snow removal		2,477		_		_		2,477
Utilities		34,764		_		_		34,764
Miscellaneous		3,391		1,458		15		4,864
County Treasurer's fees		547		3,025		-		3,572
Billing services		5,738		-		-		5,738
Debt service		-,						-,
Paying agent fees and other fees		_		5,500		-		5,500
Bond interest		_		176,250		_		176,250
Total expenditures		144,392		186,233		15		330,640
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		(21.750)		44,921		135		22 207
EXPENDITURES		(21,759)		44,921		133		23,297
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Developer advances		28,930		-		-		28,930
Total other financing sources (uses)		28,930						28,930
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		7,171		44,921		135		52,227
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR		16,227		665,620				681,847
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$	23,398	\$	710,541	\$	135	\$	734,074

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended December 31, 2019

A reconciliation reflecting the differences between the governmental funds net change in fund balances and change in net position reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities as follows:

Net change in fund balances - Total governmental funds	\$ 52,227
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the statement of activities capital outlay is not reported as an expenditure. Instead the cost of the asset is allocated over its estimated useful life, and recorded as depreciation expense in each of those years. Dedication of capital assets to other government entities	(2,458,447)
The issuance of long-term debt provides for current financial resources of governmental funds. However, it has no effect on net position. Developer advances	(28,930) (28,930)
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Change in accrued interest payable - bonds Change in accrued interest payable - developer advances	(49,139) (7,715) (56,854)
Change in net position - Governmental activities	\$ (2,492,004)

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

Year Ended December 31, 2019

	ar Bu	riginal nd Final udgeted mounts	Actual	Variance with Final Budge Positive (Negative)		
REVENUES						
Property tax	\$	36,486	\$ 36,486	\$	-	
Specific ownership taxes		2,189	2,878		689	
Net investment income		15	1		(14)	
Transfer fee		10,815	15,300		4,485	
Operations fee		63,000	65,568		2,568	
Review fee		4,000	2,400		(1,600)	
Total Revenues		116,505	122,633		6,128	
EXPENDITURES						
Management fees		10,000	12,297		(2,297)	
Accounting		10,000	14,490		(4,490)	
Audit		5,000	4,556		444	
Legal		10,000	11,157		(1,157)	
Insurance		3,465	5,350		(1,885)	
Election expense		-	28		(28)	
Property management		12,000	13,200		(1,200)	
Repairs and maintenance		5,000	381		4,619	
Landscape maintenance		45,200	36,016		9,184	
Snow removal		15,000	2,477		12,523	
Utilities		10,000	34,764		(24,764)	
Miscellaneous		2,000	3,391		(1,391)	
County Treasurer's fees		550	547		3	
Billing services		1,000	5,738		(4,738)	
Contingency		10,464	-		10,464	
Emergency reserves		7,250	 <u>-</u>		7,250	
Total Expenditures		146,929	144,392		2,537	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER)						
EXPENDITURES		(30,424)	(21,759)		8,665	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Developer advances		25,000	28,930		3,930	
Total other financing sources (uses)		25,000	28,930		3,930	
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(5,424)	7,171		12,595	
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	,	5,424	16,227		10,803	
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	-	\$ 23,398	\$	23,398	

NOTE 1 – DEFINITION OF REPORTING ENTITY

Aspen Reserve Metropolitan District (District), a quasi-municipal corporation, is governed pursuant to the provisions of the Colorado Special District Act. The District's service area is located in Adams County, Colorado. The District was established to provide financing for the acquisition, construction, installation and/or operation of street improvements, water, sanitation, safety protection, park and recreation and transportation services and all other services allowed under the Colorado Special District Act, except as limited in the District's Service Plan. All facilities constructed by the District are to be conveyed to the City of Thornton or other appropriate jurisdictions or owner's associations for perpetual maintenance except park and recreation facilities and certain drainage areas.

The District has no employees and all operations and administrative functions are contracted.

The District follows the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) accounting pronouncements which provide guidance for determining which governmental activities, organizations and functions should be included within the financial reporting entity. GASB pronouncements set forth the financial accountability of a governmental organization's elected governing body as the basic criterion for including a possible component governmental organization in a primary government's legal entity. Financial accountability includes, but is not limited to, appointment of a voting majority of the organization's governing body, ability to impose its will on the organization, a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits or burdens and fiscal dependency.

The District is not financially accountable for any other organization, nor is the District a component unit of any other primary governmental entity.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The more significant accounting policies of the District are described as follows:

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These financial statements include all of the activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities are normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The statement of net position reports all financial and capital resources of the District, the difference between the District's assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources, being reported as net position.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct and indirect expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment.

Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

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 recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Depreciation is computed and recorded as an operating expense. Expenditures for capital assets are shown as increases in assets and redemption of bonds and notes are recorded as a reduction in liabilities.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. The major sources of revenue susceptible to accrual are property, specific ownership taxes and fees. Expenditures, other than interest on long-term obligations, are recorded when the liability is incurred or the long-term obligation paid. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The <u>General Fund</u> is the District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The <u>Debt Service Fund</u> accounts for the resources accumulated and payments made for principal and interest on long-term general obligation debt of the governmental funds.

The <u>Capital Projects Fund</u> accounts for the financial resources to be used for the acquisition and construction of capital equipment and facilities.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Budgets

In accordance with the State Budget Law, the District's Board of Directors holds public hearings in the fall each year to approve the budget and appropriate the funds for the ensuing year. The appropriation is at the total fund expenditures level and lapses at year end. The District's Board of Directors can modify the budget by line item within the total appropriation without notification. The appropriation can only be modified upon completion of notification and publication

requirements. The budget includes each fund on its basis of accounting unless otherwise indicated.

The District amended its annual budget in the Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Pooled Cash and Investments

The District follows the practice of pooling cash and investments of all funds to maximize investment earnings. Except when required by trust or other agreements, all cash is deposited to and disbursed from a single bank account. Cash in excess of immediate operating requirements is pooled for deposit and investment flexibility. Investment earnings are allocated periodically to the participating funds based upon each funds' average equity balance in total cash. Investments are carried at fair value.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land and infrastructure improvements, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

Capital assets which are anticipated to be conveyed to other governmental entities are recorded as construction in process and are not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets component of the District's net position.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the life of the asset are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable. Any construction in process that will be dedicated to another entity is not depreciated.

Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied by the District's Board of Directors. The levy is based on assessed valuations determined by the County Assessor generally as of January 1 of each year. The levy is normally set by December 15 by certification to the County Commissioners to put the tax lien on the individual properties as of January 1 of the following year. The County Treasurer collects the determined taxes during the ensuing calendar year. The taxes are payable by April 30 or if in equal installments, at the taxpayer's election, in February and June. Delinquent taxpayers are notified in August and generally sales of the tax liens on delinquent properties are held in November or December. The County Treasurer remits the taxes collected monthly to the District.

Property taxes, net of estimated uncollectible taxes, are recorded initially as deferred inflows of resources in the year they are levied and measurable. The deferred property tax revenues are recorded as revenue in the year they are available or collected.

Deferred Inflows/Outflows of Resources

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, 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. Deferred inflows of resources reported in the governmental funds for unavailable revenues are property taxes levied for the ensuing year.

Debt Issue Costs and Original Issue Discount/Premium

In the government-wide financial statements, debt premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the debt using the effective interest method, with the unamortized amount included as a component of the debt. Debt issuance costs are treated as a period cost and expensed in the year incurred.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize debt premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

The District's governmental fund balances may consist of five classifications based on the relative strength of the spending constraints:

Nonspendable fund balance—the amount of fund balance that is not in spendable form (such as inventory or prepaids) or is legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

<u>Restricted fund balance</u>—the amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

<u>Committed fund balance</u>—amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Board of Directors). To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint.

<u>Assigned fund balance</u>—amounts the District intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by the District Board of Directors or by an official or body to which the District Board of Directors delegates the authority.

Unassigned fund balance—amounts that are available for any purpose.

When an 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 an 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, as needed, unless the District Board of Directors has provided otherwise in its commitment or assignment actions.

Operations and Transfer Fees

The District has imposed an Operations Fee in the amount of \$600 per year on each residential lot within the District. The Operations Fee is billed in quarterly amounts of \$150 and is to be used for operations and maintenance costs.

The District has imposed a Transfer Fee in order to offset administrative costs associated with a transfer of ownership of any unit located within the District. The Transfer Fee is \$300 per lot and is due and payable at the time of any sale, transfer or re-sale of any single-family dwelling which has a certificate of occupancy.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2019 are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

	\$ 727,298
Cash and investments - restricted	709,420
Cash and investments - unrestricted	\$ 17,878

Cash and investments as of December 31, 2019 consist of the following:

	\$ 727,298
Investments	469,628
Deposits with financial institutions	\$ 257,670

Cash Deposits

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulators. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized. The eligible collateral is determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds. The pool for all the uninsured public deposits as a group is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits.

The State Commissioners for banks and financial services are required by Statute to monitor the naming of eligible depositories and reporting of the uninsured deposits and assets maintained in the collateral pools.

At December 31, 2019, the District's cash deposits had a bank balance of \$274,600 and carrying balance of \$257,670.

Investments

The District has not adopted a formal investment policy; however, the District follows state statutes regarding investments.

The District follows Colorado State Statutes which specify investment instruments meeting defined rating and risk criteria in which local governments may invest which include:

- . Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agency securities and the World Bank
- . General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- . Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- . Commercial paper
- . Certain reverse repurchase agreements
- . Certain securities lending agreements
- . Certain corporate bonds
- . Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- . Certain money market funds
- . Guaranteed investment contracts
- . Local government investment pools

At December 31, 2019, the District had the following investments:

Investment	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>
Colorado Local Government Liquid Asset Trust (COLOTRUST)	Weighted average under 60 days	\$ <u>469,628</u>

COLOTRUST

The District invested in the Colorado Local Government Liquid Asset Trust (COLOTRUST), an investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado to pool surplus funds. The State Securities Commissioner administers and enforces all State statutes governing COLOTRUST. COLOTRUST operates similarly to a money market fund and each share is equal in value to \$1.00. COLOTRUST is rated AAAm by Standard and Poor's. A designated custodial bank serves as custodian for COLOTRUST's portfolio pursuant to custodian agreements. The custodian acts as safekeeping agent for COLOTRUST's investment portfolio and provides services as the depository in connection with direct investments and withdrawals. The custodian's internal records segregate investments owned by COLOTRUST. Information related to COLOTRUST, including the annual audited financial statements, can be found at the COLOTRUST website at www.colotrust.com.

Investment Valuation

Certain investments are measured at fair value on a recurring basis are categorized within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy 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.

The District's investments are not required to be categorized within the fair value hierarchy. These investments are measured at amortized cost or in certain circumstances the value is calculated using the net asset value (NAV) per share, or its equivalent of the investment. These investments include 2a7-like external investment pools and money market investments. The District held investments in COLOTRUST at yearend for which the investment valuations were determined as follows.

COLOTRUST determines the NAV of the shares of each portfolio as of the close of business of each day. The NAV per share of each portfolio is computed by dividing the total value of the securities and other assets of the portfolios, less any liabilities, by the total outstanding shares of the portfolios. Liabilities, which include all expenses and fees of COLOTRUST, are accrued daily. The NAV is calculated at fair value using various inputs in determine value in accordance with FASB guidance. It is the goal of the Trust to maintain a NAV of \$1.00 per share, however changes in interest rates may affect the fair value of the securities held by COLOTRUST and there can be no assurance that the NAV will not vary from \$1.00 per share.

Restricted Cash and Investments

At December 31, 2019, cash and investments in the amount of \$702,929 and \$6,491 are restricted for debt service and capital projects, respectively, in accordance with the indenture of trust related to the Series 2017A and 2017B General Obligation Bonds (See Note 5).

NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS

An analysis of the changes in capital assets for the year ended December 31, 2019 follows:

Governmental Activitites	Balance at January 1, 2019 Increases		Decreases	Dece	ance at mber 31, 2019	
Capital assets, not being depreciated: Construction in process	\$ 2,458,447	\$	-	\$ 2,458,447	\$	
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	2,458,447		-	2,458,447		-
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 2,458,447	\$	-	\$ 2,458,447	\$	

During 2019, the assets were conveyed to the City of Thornton.

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is an analysis of the changes in the District's long-term obligations for the year ended December 31, 2019:

	_	Balance at cember 31, 2018	Ad	lditions	Retire	ments	salance at cember 31, 2019	W	Due /ithin e Year
GO Bonds									
2017A	\$	3,000,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 3,000,000	\$	-
2017B		527,000		-		-	527,000		-
Unpaid interest on									
2017B		75,193		49,138		-	124,331		-
Developer Advances		76,050		28,930		-	104,980		-
Accrued interest on									
Developer advances		11,145		7,715		-	18,860		-
	\$	3,689,388	\$	85,783	\$		\$ 3,775,171	\$	-

The detail of the District's long-term debt is as follows:

General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2017A and 2017B

Series 2017A

On April 21, 2017, the District issued \$3,000,000 General Obligation (Limited Tax Convertible to Unlimited Tax) Bonds, Series 2017A, (2017A Bonds), with interest of 5.875%. Proceeds of the 2017A Bonds were used for issuance costs and to reimburse the developer for capital construction costs. The 2017A Bonds mature on December 1, 2047 with mandatory sinking fund payments each year beginning December 1, 2021. Interest is due each June 1 and December 1, commencing December 1, 2017. The 2017A Bonds are subject to optional redemption, as a whole or in integral multiples of \$1,000 on any date, upon payment of par and accrued interest plus a redemption premium in varying rates beginning on December 1, 2022.

The 2017A Bonds are payable from pledged revenue, which includes the District's covenant to levy the required mill levy on all taxable property within the District to pay for debt scheduled payments, specific ownership taxes, capital fees and any other revenues designated as such and pledged to the payment of the 2017A Bonds by a resolution adopted by the Board. Prior to the Conversion Date (first date on which both the debt to assessed ratio is 50% or less; and no amounts of principal or interest on the 2017A Bonds are due but unpaid), the District is required to impose a mill levy sufficient to pay principal and interest on the 2017A Bonds as they come due, and if necessary, an amount sufficient to replenish the Reserve Fund to the amount of the Required Reserve, but (1) not in excess of 50.000 mills, and (2) for so long as the Surplus Fund is less than the Maximum Surplus Amount, not less than 50.000 mills; provided, however, that in the event the method of calculating assessed valuation is or was changed after January 1, 2004, any change in law, change in method of calculation, the minimum and maximum mill levies shall be increased or decreased to reflect such changes. On and after the Conversion Date, the District is to impose a mill levy in an amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds as they come due.

Pursuant to the Indenture of Trust, the District is required to establish a Reserve Fund for the Series 2017A Bonds with bond proceeds in the amount of \$193,187.50. At December 31, 2019, the balance was \$196,159.

Pledged revenue not required for the payment of the 2017A Bonds or the Reserve Fund shall be credited to the Surplus Fund in a maximum amount of \$325,000. The Surplus Fund was initially funded with bond proceeds in the amount of \$65,000. At December 31, 2019, the balance was \$179.806.

Series 2017B

On April 21, 2017 the District issued \$527,000 Subordinate General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2017B (2017B Bonds), with interest of 8.000%. Proceeds of the 2017B Bonds were used for issuance costs and to reimburse the developer for capital construction costs. The 2017B Bonds mature on December 15, 2047. Interest is payable on December 15 of each year, commencing on December 15, 2017. Unpaid interest shall compound annually on December 15 of each year. The balance of unpaid interest at December 31, 2019 is \$124,331.

The 2017B Bonds are only payable in any particular year to the extent that there are amounts available in the Subordinate Pledged Revenue Fund. The Subordinate Pledged Revenue Fund is to be funded from the Subordinate Required Mill Levy, specific ownership taxes, capital fees and any other revenues designated as such and pledged to the payment of the 2017B Bonds by a resolution adopted by the Board. The Subordinate Required Mill Levy is 50.000 mills less the 2017A mill levy.

2016 Operation Funding Agreement

The District and Meritage Homes of Colorado, Inc (the Developer) entered into an Operation Funding Agreement on August 10, 2016 with an effective date of July 27, 2016 (2016 OFA). The 2016 OFA provides for the Developer to advance funds for ongoing operations expense incurred by the District through December 31, 2016 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. The District agrees to repay any advances received from any funds available after the payment of its annual debt service obligations and annual operations and maintenance expenses, which repayment is subject to annual budget and appropriation. Interest shall accrue at 8% per annum. Any obligation of the District to reimburse the Developer shall expire on December 31, 2056.

2017 Operation Funding Agreements

On November 4, 2016 (effective January 1, 2017), the District entered into the 2017 Operation Funding Agreement with the Developer, as amended by the First Amendment dated November 7, 2017 and by the Second Amendment dated June 13, 2019 (2017 OFA). The 2017 OFA provides for the Developer to advance funds for ongoing operations expense incurred by the District through March 15, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$135,790. The District agrees to repay any advances received from any funds available after the payment of its annual debt service obligations and annual operations and maintenance expenses, which repayment is subject to annual budget and appropriation. Interest shall accrue at 8% per annum. Any obligation for the District to reimburse the Developer shall expire December 31, 2059.

At December 31, 2019, the District owed a total of \$80,343 in principal and \$12,861 in accrued interest under the 2016 OFA and 2017 OFA.

Facilities Funding and Acquisition Agreement

The District and the Developer entered into a Facilities Funding and Acquisition Agreement (FFA Agreement) on August 10, 2016, effective July 27, 2016.

Organization Costs

According to the terms of the FFA Agreement, the District shall reimburse the Developer for organization expenses incurred. Simple interest accrues on the organization expenses at a rate of 8% from the date the cost was incurred by the Developer.

Construction Costs

The parties to the FFA Agreement acknowledge that the District will incur construction related expenses in connection with the construction of certain public improvements in reliance upon the Developer's commitment to provide funding. In addition, the Developer has or will design, construct and complete certain improvements for District acquisition upon completion. To the extent that the public improvements are not designed, constructed and completed by the Developer for the District's acquisition upon completion, the Developer shall advance funds to the District necessary to fund the construction related expenses up to \$5,000,000 less the aggregate amount of verified construction costs incurred by the Developer for 2016-2020. Simple interest accrues from the date the costs are incurred by the Developer at a rate of 8%. The District anticipates payment of the developer advances and/or verified costs to be from the proceeds of debt incurred by the District. Any obligation of the District to reimburse the develop shall expire on December 31, 2056.

At December 31, 2019, the District owed a total of \$24,637 in principal and \$5,999 in accrued interest under the FFA Agreement for construction costs.

The District's 2017A Bonds will mature as follows:

Year Ending			
December 31,	Principal	 Interest	Total
2020	\$ -	\$ 176,250	\$ 176,250
2021	5,000	176,250	181,250
2022	30,000	175,956	205,956
2023	30,000	174,194	204,194
2024	35,000	172,431	207,431
2025-2029	245,000	826,025	1,071,025
2030-2034	390,000	737,900	1,127,900
2035-2039	570,000	603,658	1,173,658
2040-2044	840,000	406,257	1,246,257
2045-2047	855,000	 113,682	 968,682
	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,562,603	\$ 6,562,603

Annual debt service requirements of the District's 2017B Bonds are not currently determinable since they are payable only from funds available from Subordinate Pledged Revenue.

NOTE 6 – DEBT AUTHORIZATION

At December 31, 2019, the District had the following authorized but unissued indebtedness:

	Authorized May 3, 2016 Election	Authorization Used	Remaining at December 31, 2019			
Streets	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 927,276	\$ 4,072,724			
Parks and recreation	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
Water	5,000,000	751,096	4,248,904			
Sanitation	5,000,000	1,848,628	3,151,372			
Public transportation	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
Mosquito control	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
Safety Protection	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
Fire Protection	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
TV relay	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
Security services	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
Operations	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
Refunding	5,000,000	-	5,000,000			
IGA Debt	5,000,000	<u> </u>	5,000,000			
	\$ 65,000,000	\$ 3,527,000	\$ 61,473,000			

The District's Service Plan limits the total debt issued to \$5,000,000. In the future, the District may issue a portion or all of the remaining authorized but unissued debt.

NOTE 7 – FUND EQUITY

At December 31, 2019, the District reported the following classifications of fund equity.

Nonspendable Fund Balance

The nonspendable fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$7,008 is comprised of prepaid amounts which are not in spendable form.

Restricted Fund Balance

The restricted fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$3,700 is comprised of the Emergency Reserves that have been provided for as required by Article X, Section 20 of the Constitution of the State of Colorado (see Note 11). The restricted fund balance in the Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$710,541 is to be used exclusively for debt service requirements (see Note 5). The restricted fund balance in the Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$135 is to be used for capital projects.

Assigned Fund Balance

The assigned fund balance in the General Fund in the amount of \$12,690 is comprised of amounts assigned by the Board of Directors by a resolution to eliminate the projected budgetary deficit in the subsequent year's budget.

NOTE 8 - NET POSITION

The District's net position consists of two components – restricted and unrestricted.

The restricted portion of net position includes amounts that are restricted for use either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The District's restricted net position at December 31, 2019 is as follows:

Restricted net position:

Emergency reserves (see Note 11)	\$ 3,700
Debt Service	695,853
Capital Projects	135
	\$ 699,688

The District's unrestricted net position at December 31, 2019 totaled \$(3,755,473). This deficit amount was a result of the District being responsible for repayment of bonds issued for public improvements conveyed to other governmental entities.

NOTE 9 – RELATED PARTIES

The property with the District is being developed by the Developer. During 2019, two of the members of the Board of Directors were officers or employees for, or otherwise associated with the Developer and may have conflicts of interest in matters involving the District.

NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees or acts of God. The District is a member of the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool (Pool) as of December 31, 2019. The Pool is an organization created by intergovernmental agreement to provide property, liability, public officials' liability, boiler and machinery and workers compensation coverage to its members. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The District pays annual premiums to the Pool for liability, property, public officials' liability and workers compensation coverage. In the event aggregated losses incurred by the Pool exceed amounts recoverable from reinsurance contracts and funds accumulated by the Pool, the Pool may require additional contributions from the Pool members. Any excess funds which the Pool determines are not needed for purposes of the Pool may be returned to the members pursuant to a distribution formula.

NOTE 11 - TAX, SPENDING AND DEBT LIMITATIONS

Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR), contains tax, spending, revenue and debt limitations that apply to the State of Colorado and all local governments. Spending and revenue limits are determined based on the prior year's Fiscal Year Spending adjusted for allowable increases based upon inflation and local growth. Fiscal Year Spending is generally defined as expenditures plus reserve increases with certain exceptions. Revenue in excess of the Fiscal Year Spending limit must be refunded unless the voters approve retention of such revenue.

TABOR requires local governments to establish Emergency Reserves. These reserves must be at least 3% of Fiscal Year Spending (excluding bonded debt service). Local governments are not allowed to use the emergency reserves to compensate for economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or benefit increases.

On May 3, 2016, the District's electors authorized the District to increase taxes \$5,000,000 annually or by a lesser annual amount as may be necessary to pay the District's operations and maintenance and other expenses without limitation of rate. Further the District's electors authorized the District to collect, keep and expend all District revenues received in 2016 and each year thereafter, of the District without regard to any limitations under Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution.

The District's management believes it is in compliance with the provisions of TABOR. However, TABOR is complex and subject to interpretation. Many of the provisions, including the interpretation of how to calculate Fiscal Year Spending limits will require judicial interpretation.

This information is an integral part of the accompanying financial statements.



ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL DEBT SERVICE FUND

Year Ended December 31, 2019

	Original Budgeted Amounts		Final Budgeted Amounts		Actual		Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES								
Property taxes	\$	201,682	\$	201,682	\$	201,682	\$	-
Specific ownership tax		12,101		12,101		15,906		3,805
Net investment income		8,000		8,000		13,566		5,566
Total Revenues		221,783		221,783		231,154		9,371
EXPENDITURES								
Bond interest		176,250		176,250		176,250		-
Paying agent and other fees		5,500		5,500		5,500		-
County treasurer's fees		3,030		3,025		3,025		-
Miscellaneous		-		1,458		1,458		-
Total Expenditures		184,780		186,233		186,233		-
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		37,003		35,550		44,921		9,371
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR		660,591		660,591		665,620		5,029
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$	697,594	\$	696,141	\$	710,541	\$	14,400

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

Year Ended December 31, 2019

	Original Final Budgeted Budgeted Amounts Amounts		Ad	ctual	Final I	nce with Budget - sitive gative)	
REVENUES							
Net investment income	\$	-	\$ 150	\$	150		
Total Revenues			150		150		-
EXPENDITURES							
Miscellaneous			 150		15		135
Total Expenditures			 150		15		135
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		-	-		135		135
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR							
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$		\$ 	\$	135	\$	135



ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SUMMARY OF ASSESSED VALUATION, MILL LEVY AND PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED Year Ended December 31, 2019

Year Ended	fe	Prior Year Assessed Valuation or Current ear Property	Percent	Mi	ills Leviec	ı		Property	· Tax	es		Percentage Collected																												
December 31,	,	Tax Levy	Change	General	Debt	Total		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		Levied		ollected	_	to Levied
2017	\$	78,570		60.000	0.000	60.000	\$	4,714	\$	4,703		99.8%																												
2018	\$	2,467,880	3041.0%	10.000	55.277	65.277	\$	161,096	\$	161,107		100.0%																												
2019	\$	3,648,570	47.8%	10.000	55.277	65.277	\$	238,168	\$	238,168		100.0%																												
Estimated for year ending December 31, 2020	\$	4,447,030	80.2%	10.000	55.664	65.664	\$	292,009	\$	147,891	(a)																													

NOTE: Property taxes collected in any one year may include collection of delinquent property taxes levied in prior years. Information received from the County Treasurer does not permit identification of specific year of levy.

(a) - amount collected through March 31, 2020

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS TO MATURITY December 31, 2019

\$3,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax (Convertible to Unlimited Tax) Bonds, Series 2017A Dated April 21, 2017

Interest Rate of 5.875% Principal Due December 1

Year Ending Interest Due June 1 and December 1 **Principal** Total December 31, **Interest** \$ 2020 \$ \$ 176,250 176,250 2021 5,000 * 176,250 181,250 2022 30,000 175,956 205,956 2023 30,000 174,194 204,194 2024 35,000 172,431 207,431 40.000 2025 170,375 210,375 45,000 * 2026 168,025 213,025 2027 45,000 165,381 210,381 55.000 217,738 2028 162,738 2029 60,000 219,506 159,506 2030 65.000 155,981 220,981 2031 70,000 222,163 152,163 2032 80,000 * 148,050 228,050 2033 85,000 143,350 228,350 2034 90,000 138,356 228,356 2035 95,000 133,069 228,069 105,000 232,488 2036 127,488 2037 236,319 115,000 121,319 2038 125,000 114,563 239,563 2039 130,000 107,219 237,219 2040 145,000 99,581 244,581 2041 155,000 91,063 246,063 170,000 251,956 2042 81,956 2043 175,000 71,969 246,969 2044 195,000 61,688 256,688 2045 205,000 255,231 50,231 220,000 258,188 2046 38,188 455,263 2047 430,000 25,263 \$ 3,000,000 \$ 3,562,603 \$ 6,562,603

^{*} sinking fund redemptions

ASPEN RESERVE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT LARGEST TAXPAYERS WITHIN THE DISTRICT Year Ended December 31, 2019

Name	 2019 ssessed aluation	Percent of District Total Assessed Valuation ¹		
Meritage Homes of Colorado Inc.	\$ 458,000	10.30%		
Meritage Homes of Colorado Inc.	43,260	0.97%		
Individual homeowner	40,990	0.92%		
Individual homeowner	40,870	0.92%		
Individual homeowner	39,510	0.89%		
Individual homeowner	39,420	0.89%		
Individual homeowner	39,270	0.88%		
Individual homeowner	39,250	0.88%		
Individual homeowner	39,250	0.88%		
Individual homeowner	 39,160	0.88%		
Total	\$ 818,980	18.42%		

Source: Adams County Assessor's Office

¹ Based on District 2019 assessed valuation of \$4,447,030 to be collected in 2020.