

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

### TROPHY CLUB MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 100 MUNICIPAL DRIVE

### **TROPHY CLUB, TEXAS 76262**

Wednesday, June 16, 2021	6:30 P.M.	Svore Municipal Boardroom
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### **REGULAR MEETING AGENDA PACKET**

### CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

This is an opportunity for citizens to address the Board on any matter whether or not it is posted on the agenda. The Board is not permitted to take action on or discuss any comments made to the Board at this time concerning an item not listed on the agenda. The Board will hear comments on specific agenda items prior to the Board addressing those items. You may speak up to four (4) minutes or the time limit determined by the President or presiding officer. To speak during this item, you must complete the Speaker's form that includes the topic(s) of your statement. Citizen Comments should be limited to matters over which the Board has authority.

### **REPORTS & UPDATES**

- 1. Staff Reports
  - a. Capital Improvement Projects
  - b. 2020 Consumer Confidence Report
  - c. Water Operations Report
  - d. Wastewater System Reports
  - e. Finance Reports

### attachments: Staff Reports

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed as Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Directors and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

- 2. Consider and act to approve the Consent Agenda.
  - a. May 2021 Combined Financials
  - b. May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
  - c. Approve revised Personnel Policies
  - d. Approve Task Order with Halff Associates for Sanitary Sewer Smoke Testing.

### attachments: May 2021 Combined Financials

May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes Revised Personnel Policies Task Order for Sanitary Sewer Smoke Testing

### **REGULAR SESSION**

3. Preliminary review and discussion of Fiscal Year 2022 Budget.

### attachment: Draft Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

- 4. Consider and act regarding updates and modifications Lift Station No. 1.
- 5. Presentation from legal counsel regarding bills of interest enacted by the Texas Legislature during its 2021 legislative session.

### attachment: Legislative update

- 6. Items for future agendas:
- 7. Set future Meeting dates:
  - a. Joint Meeting/Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

attachment: July meeting calendar

\*THE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT ANY TIME DURING THE MEETING PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE SECTION OF SUBCHAPTER D, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, WITH RESPECT TO ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA. NO FINAL ACTION, DECISION OR VOTE WILL BE TAKEN ON ANY SUBJECT OR MATTER IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. THIS NOTICE MODIFIES THE DISTRICT'S PRIOR PRACTICE OF SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFYING ALL AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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## Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No. 1 Public Water System ID No. TX0610018 2020 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

Consumer Confidence Report June 2021

Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No. 1 100 Municipal Drive, Trophy Club, Texas 76262 Phone: (682) 831-4600

### **Special Population Advisory**

You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as Cryptosporidium, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly, or immunocompromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; those who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders can be particularly at risk from infections. You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care provider. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

### Water Sources:

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, and agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

### Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the following pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what is in your drinking water. Should you have questions or need additional copies of this report, please call the District office at (682) 831-4600. The report is also available on our website at **www.tcmud.org**.

Este informe incluye información importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre éste informe en español, favor de llamar al tel. (682) 831-4600 para hablar con una persona bilingüe en español.

### Where Do We Get Our Drinking Water?

Our drinking water is obtained from both surface and groundwater sources. Surface water is purchased from the City of Fort Worth and its sources are Lake Worth, Eagle Mountain Lake, Lake Bridgeport, Richland Chambers Reservoir, Cedar Creek Reservoir, and the Clear Fork Trinity River (from Lake Benbrook). Groundwater sources are from four wells including three from the Paluxy Aquifer and one from the Trinity Aquifer. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) completed an assessment of your drinking water sources and results indicate that some of your sources are susceptible to certain contaminants. The sampling requirements for your water system are based on this susceptibility and previous sample data. Any detection of these contaminants may be found in this report. For more information about your sources of water please refer to the Source Water Assessment Viewer available at http://www.tceg.texas.gov/gis/swaview. Further details about sources and source-water assessments are available Water Watch Texas Drinking on at http://dww2.tceg.texas.gov/DWW/.

### All Drinking Water May Contain Contaminants

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health-based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point-of-use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. In order to ensure tap water is safe to drink, the EPA and TCEQ prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

### Water Quality Data

The table in this report lists all the drinking water contaminants we detected during tests conducted from the previous calendar year, unless otherwise noted. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Therefore, some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

### Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not the EPA. These constituents are not cause for health concerns. Therefore, secondary constituents are not required to be reported in this document, but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

### About the Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored contaminants which have been found in your drinking water. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires water systems to test up to 97 constituents. Please note that not all constituents are required to be sampled every year. Only the most recent year for sampling of a constituent is included in the report.

### **Definitions**

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Action Level Goal (ALG)**: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Average (Avg): Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination. **Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

### **Abbreviations**

MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos) N/A - not applicable

**NTU -** Nephelometric Turbidity Units

ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

pCi/L - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
 ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
 ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
 mrem/yr - millirems per year
 ND - (not-detectable) lab analysis indicates not present
 UMHO/CM - micromhos

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2019	1.3	1.3	0.3508	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	2019	0	15	2.9	0	ррb	Ν	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No. 1 is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

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#### Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

Year	Disinfectant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Disinfectant
2020	Chloramine Residual (Total Chlorine)	2.87	1.0	3.71	4.0	<4.0	ppm	Ν	Disinfectant used to control microbes.

#### **Disinfection By-Products**

Collection Date	Contaminant	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCL	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Contaminant			
2020	HAA5 Total Haloacetic Acids	9	5-10.1	60	ppb	Ν	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.			
2020     Total Trihalomethanes     19     5.92-11.4     80     ppb     N     Byproduct of drinki disinfection.										
The value in the Highest Level or Average Detected column is the highest average of all sample results collected at a location over a year'										

\*Highest level detected is based on a running annual average calculated from quarterly samples as required by TCEQ, and may be from predecessor system measurement

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	2019	0.055	0.055 - 0.055	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Cyanide	2020	57.4	57.4-57.4	200	200	ppb	N	Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories; Discharge from steel/metal factories.
Fluoride	2020	0.475	0.475-0.475	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Mercury	2019	2.26	2.26 - 2.26	2	2	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from refineries and factories; Runoff from landfills; Runoff from cropland.
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2020	0.167	0.167-0.167	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Individual Samples	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Beta/photon emitters	2019	4.8	4.8 - 4.8	0	50	pCi/L*	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

\*EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles.

#### Organic Contaminants – (Measured in Fort Worth system)

Year	Contaminant	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Contaminant
2020	Atrazine	0.1	0 – 0.1	3	3	ppb	N	Herbicide

#### Microbial Contaminants NONE DETECTED

Year	Contaminant	MCL	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Limits	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Contaminant				
2020	Total Coliform, including E. Coli	0	Absent	100%	Ν	Human and animal fecal waste.				
Total C	Total Coliform Bacteria are used as indicators of microbial contamination of drinking water because testing for them is easy. While not disease-causing									

organisms themselves, they are often found in association with other microbes that are capable of causing disease. Coliform are hardier than many disease-causing organisms; therefore, their absence from water is a good indication that the water is microbiologically safe for human consumption.

#### Radioactive Contaminants (Source Water: City of Fort Worth)

Year	Contaminant	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Contaminant
2017	Combined Radium (-226 & -228)	2.5	NA	0	5	pCi/L	Ν	Erosion of natural deposits.
2019	Beta/photon emitters	4.8	4.8-4.8	0	50*	(mrem/year) /(pCi/L)	Ν	Decay of natural and man- made deposits.

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organic C	ontaminants (Sour	ce Water: Ci	ty of Fort Worth)				June 16,	2021 Meeting Agenda Packet
Year	Contaminant	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Contaminant
2020	Arsenic	1.50	0 – 1.5	0	10	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
2020	Barium	0.055	0.055-0.055	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
2019	Uranium	1.1	0 to 1.1	0	30	Ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits
2020	Cyanide	57.4	57.4-57.4	200	200	ppb	N	Discharge plastic and fertilizer factories; discharge from steel/metal factories.
2020	Fluoride	.475	0.475-0.475	4	4	ppm	N	Water additive which promotes stron teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; wate additive which promotes strong teeth discharge from fertilizer and aluminur factories.
2020	Bromate	4.79	0 – 11.4	0	10	ppm	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection

#### Inorganic Contaminants Cont. (Source Water: City of Fort Worth)

Collection Date	Contaminant	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Unit of Measure	Violation	Collection Date
2020	Nitrate * (measured as nitrogen)	.167	0.1670167	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
2019	Nitrite**	<.01	<.0.01-<0.01	1	1	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.

\*Nitrate Advisory: Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask advice from your health care provider.

#### Turbidity (Source Water: City of Fort Worth)

Year	Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Highest Single Measurement	Range of Levels Detected	Turbidit y Limits	Unit of Measure	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Contaminant
2020	Turbidity – Highest Measurement	TT=1	NA	0.3	NA	0.3	NTU	Ν	Soil runoff.
2020	% of Samples ≤ 0.3 NTU	TT=99	NA	99.9%	NA	0.3	NTU	Ν	Soil Runoff

§290.275(3)(5) Turbidity. Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

#### Total Organic Carbon (Source Water: City of Fort Worth)

Year	Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Highest Measurement	Lowest Measurement	Average	Violation (Y or N)	Source of Contaminant
2020	Total Organic Carbon	TT = % removal	N/A	1	1	1	Ν	Naturally occurring.
	rganic Carbon is used to det ue requirements for disinfect				The City of Fort W	/orth was com	pliant with all m	nonitoring and treatment

### Year-Round Watering Restrictions in Effect

Consult the TCMUD.org website for further details. http://tcmud.org/customer-service/water-restrictions/

Monthly Water Operations	Report
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						Wate	r Billed						
FY	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Total Year
2011	70,502	50,909	44,365	35,983	27,845	55,972	69,165	61,467	99,326	117,707	170,464	123,692	927,397
2012	85,869	53,571	40,815	30,616	31,665	35,263	47,194	84,905	114,104	137,174	144,573	108,622	914,371
2013	85,488	75,251	48,527	39,601	34,450	43,137	56,947	76,542	85,312	110,072	130,945	114,497	900,769
2014	82,660	48,813	34,482	39,767	37,085	54,794	66,337	84,384	99,240	92,913	113,135	110,873	864,483
2015	90,994	58,986	49,607	36,162	38,776	30,566	46,543	39,576	60,731	100,622	139,441	123,886	815,890
2016	108,951	41,936	39,028	39,622	44,551	49,498	55,181	50,827	65,390	115,687	119,611	98,945	829,227
2017	74,785	68,638	38,580	33,028	38,380	60,841	56,683	86,794	98,864	95,355	104,303	99,541	855,792
2018	83,228	69,099	48,144	34,592	40,658	43,411	60,079	89,802	118,899	126,588	125,531	73,735	913,766
2019	47,193	41,933	36,244	34,604	33,740	40,421	55,970	42,773	70,747	96,174	131,472	114,784	746,055
2020	102,150	40,988	43,946	36,418	31,000	34,047	53,755	67,030	96,195	123,309	118,522	83,570	830,930
2021	98,232	57,380	40,841	42,725	40,786	41,078	67,776	50,736					439,554



						Water	Pumped						
FY	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Total Year
2011	70,502	50,993	44,220	33,789	36,053	54,775	71,306	63,500	116,350	152,002	169,621	117,190	980,301
2012	83,750	54,245	41,650	34,740	31,581	46,519	62,649	100,402	110,324	153,813	139,005	123,045	981,723
2013	85,966	77,758	55,110	39,283	37,867	56,743	60,969	87,168	96,602	119,414	145,988	120,342	983,210
2014	81,909	51,769	39,769	48,758	42,395	61,100	71,283	96,481	95,206	110,173	123,369	115,607	937,819
2015	106,251	67,825	58,659	45,691	39,675	35,752	56,704	48,637	72,934	117,302	143,413	142,394	935,237
2016	106,731	52,616	43,708	46,945	50,721	55,178	60,434	55,562	68,138	112,533	128,963	104,664	886,193
2017	82,677	77,937	43,792	43,207	43,024	69,549	65,723	94,452	103,867	101,184	114,872	109,769	950,053
2018	91,439	78,282	55,745	40,796	40,750	51,711	67,217	97,980	124,109	155,354	144,015	85,946	1,033,344
2019	60,576	53,119	45,651	45,552	39,014	43,048	61,238	48,787	79,167	102,887	144,299	130,752	854,090
2020	112,971	48,627	49,384	40,726	35,749	38,576	57,714	74,153	106,219	136,306	130,721	89,514	920,660
2021	106,660	66,304	46,962	50,538	47,733	44,191	75,866	56,985					495,239



					Active Co	nnections						
FY	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September
2015 Total	4353	4363	4377	4404	4413	4429	4443	4459	4478	4486	4498	4517
2016 Total	4531	4538	4556	4568	4593	4604	4607	4616	4622	4627	4632	4636
2017 Total	4644	4647	4661	4657	4663	4666	4670	4676	4685	4690	4696	4700
2018 Total	4701	4706	4712	4716	4720	4724	4724	4728	4732	4735	4736	4738
2019 Total	4741	4743	4745	4753	4753	4758	4761	4762	4768	4770	4773	4782
2020 Total	4795	4796	4797	4797	4807	4807	4816	4817	4830	4836	4836	4837
2020 MUD	3351	3352	3353	3353	3363	3363	3372	3373	3386	3392	3392	3393
2020 PID	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444
2021 Total	4837	4837	4837	4837	4837	4837	4837	4837				
2021 MUD	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393				
2021 PID	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444				















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		May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
		2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021
ebills		986	1001	995	1004	1015	1031	1055	1065	1084	1085	1095	1129	1141
Bills Mailed		3810	3808	3841	3882	3932	3921	3902	3884	3896	3888	3890	3875	3869
Bank Draft	L	660	657	653	650	648	651	649	653	645	653	660	663	667
Credit Card Draft	_	1259	1241	1239	1258	1278	1282	1297	1302	1319	1330	1331	1331	1357
					4 9 9 9	1001	1050			1005			4.405	4 994
Online Payments	-	1,112	1,116	1,144	1,203	1201	1258	1188	1234	1205	1124	1,211	1,185	1,201
		<b>F</b> 4 4 A	2564	4404	470.4	433		200	220	200	25044	200	222	207
Late Notices	-	544^	356^	419^	479^	423	442	380	329	369	358^^	309	332	387
Disconnects		0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	39	25	20	13	26	0**	17	23
Disconnects	L	0	0	0	0	0	29	25	20	15	20	0	17	25
Connections	MUD	3373	3386	3392	3392	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393	3393
Connections	PID	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444	1444
Active Residential	MUD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3114	3113	3112	3114	3111
Active Commerical	MUD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	251	253	253	253	253
Active Residential	PID	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1405	1406	1404	1406	1405
Active Commerical	PID	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	37	37	37	37
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### May Utility Billing Report

^ In response to COVID-19 the District has suspended Late Notices

\* In response to COVID-19 the District has suspended Disconnects

^^ In response to extreme weather the District has suspended Late Notices

\*\* In response to extreme weather the District has suspended Disconnects

### May Permits

Fiscal Year 2021

Date of Permit	Permit No.	Customer Deposit	Due to FW Water	Oversize Meter	Plumbing Inspections	Sewer Inspections	Fire Line	Misc Income	Total
5/26/2021	2021-02	\$ 75.00	\$ 4,396.00	\$ 353.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 50.00			\$ 5,024.00
Total		\$ 75.00	\$ 4,396.00	\$ 353.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 50.00	\$-	\$-	\$ 5,024.00

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Trophy Club MUD No.1 AP Checks For Date/Amount Range

Begin Date: 05/01/2021 End Date: 05/31/2021

From Amt:

.00 To Amt: 99,999,999.99

Vendor Vendor Name	Involce Number				Description	Line Item	Check	Check	 		 
Number		Date S	tat No	Number		Value	Number	Date			
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2778 City of Southlake	TXDOT U16036-1	04/27/21	Ρ	135-49900-000-000	Miscellaneous Income	76,281.60	7488	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7488						76,281.60					
998 ADAMS, MONICA	U0020001021204A	04/30/21	P	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	75.13	7489	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7489						75.13					
998 BLATTNER, SCOTT	U0010050413109A	04/30/21	P	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	118.96	7/00	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7490	0001000004101004	04/ J0/ ZI	•	135-20030-000-000		118.96	/450	05/05/21			
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998 EMERALD RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY N	1 0002000102/210A	04/30/21	F	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	32.89	7491	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7491						32.89					
998 ESPINOZA, ALBERT AND NORMA	U9048060011903A	04/30/21	Ρ	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	32.42	7492	05/03/21			
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998 FULKERSON, JIM	U0010170003105A	04/30/21	P	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	71.86	7493	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7493						71.86					
998 HAZLETON, KATHERINE	U9048020044902A	04/30/21	Ρ	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	40.25	7494	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7494	000100200110021	01/00/22	•	200 200 000 000	AVI TENDO S	40.25	/ 10 1	05, 05, 11			
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998 LIU, WEN C.	U0020000860208A	04/30/21	Ρ	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	14.83	7495	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7495						14.83					
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998 VENKATARAMAN, PUSHKA	U0020001119205A	04/30/21	P	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	63.48	7498	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7498	00020002225205/(	01,00,22	•	255 20050 000 000		63.48	7 150	05, 05, 11			
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998 WRIGHT, CATHY	U0020540006213A	04/30/21	Ρ	135-20050-000-000	A/P Vendors	89.83	7499	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7499						89.83					
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10051752	04/30/21	P 3	0 135-69005-030-000	Capital Outlays	7,800.00	7500	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7500						7,800.00					
1001 TOWN OF TROPHY CLUB	050121	05/03/21	P 4	5 122-60337-045-000	Transfer to Town/Fire Budget	68,335.58	7501	05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7501						68,335.58					
3225 US Bank Voyager Fleet Systems	86933841112117	04/24/21	P 1	0 135-65005-010-000	Fuel & Lube	1,251.91	7502	05/03/21			
3225 US Bank Voyager Fleet Systems				0 135-65005-020-000	Fuel & Lube	825.62		05/03/21			
Totals for Check: 7502			. 2			2,077.53	, 502	33, 33, 21			
3176 REY-MAR CONSTRUCTION	PAY APP 2	04/30/21	р 1	0 135-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	86,205.09	7503	05/03/21			

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3176 REY-MAR CONSTRUCTION Totals for Check: 7503	wate fence	04/30/21 P	20 135-69005-020-0	00 Capital Outlays	49,478.00 135,683.09	7503	05/03/21			
2740 Cues Inc Totals for Check: 7504	583710	03/31/21 P	20 135-55081-020-0	00 Mainten & Repairs Collections	1,250.00 1,250.00	7504	05/03/21			
998 MCGUIRE, WILLIAM Totals for Check: 7505	04/30/2021	04/30/21 P	135-20050-000-0	00 A/P Vendors	40.47 40.47	7505	05/03/21			
3184 DATAPROSE LLC 3184 DATAPROSE LLC Totals for Check: 7506	DP2101425 DP2101425	04/30/21 P 04/30/21 P	30 135-60035-030-0 30 135-55205-030-0		1,645,71 583.21 2,228.92		05/10/21 05/10/21			
1238 NORTH TEXAS PUMP CO. Totals for Check: 7507	15001	04/23/21 P	20 135-55081-020-0	00 Mainten & Repairs Collections	2,028.00 2,028.00	7507	05/10/21			
1056 OFFICE DEPOT, INC Totals for Check: 7508	166576208001	04/23/21 P	30 135-65095-030-0	00 Maintenance Supplies	100.31 100.31	7508	05/10/21			
3156 OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC Totals for Check: 7509	21040458	04/28/21 P	20 135-55135-020-0	00 Lab Analysis	259.90 259.90	7509	05/10/21			
3176 REY-MAR CONSTRUCTION Totals for Check: 7510	PAY APP 1	04/05/21 P	10 135-69005-010-0	00 Capital Outlays	143,315.10 143,315.10	7510	05/10/21			
2696 Texas Excavation Safety System Totals for Check: 7511	n <b>21-10687</b>	04/30/21 P	30 135-60040-030-0	00 Service Charges & Fees	188.10 188.10	7511	05/10/21			
1001 TOWN OF TROPHY CLUB 1001 TOWN OF TROPHY CLUB 1001 TOWN OF TROPHY CLUB Totals for Check: 7512	APRIL REFUSE APRIL REFUSE APRIL REFUSE	04/30/21 P 04/30/21 P 04/30/21 P	135-25040-000-0 135-25000-000-0 135-25010-000-0	00 Refuse	42,714.93 81,953.30 6,783.31 131,451.54	7512	05/10/21 05/10/21 05/10/21			
1000 TROPHY CLUB MUD (WATER BILLS) Totals for Check: 7513		04/30/21 P	30 135-60025-030-0		296.15 296.15		05/10/21			
2634 Valley Solvent Company, INC Totals for Check: 7514	70361	04/29/21 P	20 135-65030-020-0	00 Chemicals	788.00 788.00	7514	05/10/21			
3280 WATTS ELLISON LLC 3280 WATTS ELLISON LLC 3280 WATTS ELLISON LLC Totals for Check: 7515	26302 26302 26302	05/05/21 P 05/05/21 P 05/05/21 P	10 135-60285-010-0 20 135-60285-020-0 30 135-60285-030-0	00 Lawn Equipment & Maintenance	750.00 890.00 469.67 2,109.67	7515	05/10/21 05/10/21 05/10/21			
2222 AFLAC 2222 AFLAC Totals for Check: 7516		5 05/14/21 P 5 05/28/21 P	135-21312-000-0 135-21312-000-0		166.60 166.60 333.20		05/27/21 05/27/21			

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2772 Allied Waste Industries Totals for Check: 7517	0615-000980857	04/30/21	Р	20	135-55125-020-000	Dumpster Services	11,160.00 11,160.00	7517	05/27/21			
3197 BenefitMall	05/07/2021	05/07/21	Р	10	135-50029-010-000	Life Insurance & Other	10.00	7518	05/27/21			
3197 BenefitMall	05/07/2021	05/07/21	Ρ		135-50029-020-000	Life Insurance & Other	22.00		05/27/21			
3197 BenefitMall	05/07/2021	05/07/21	Р	30	135-50029-030-000	Life Insurance & Other	32.00	7518	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7518							64.00					
2683 Charter Communications	71672050621	05/06/21	Ρ	30	135-55030-030-000	Software & Support	903.74	7519	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7519							903.74					
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1030 CITY OF FORT WORTH Totals for Check: 7520	5/21/21	05/21/21	Р	TU	135-60150-010-000	Wholesale Water	166,874.40 166,874.40	7520	05/27/21			
3187 CLS SEWER EQUIPMENT CO., INC	26945	05/07/21	Ρ	20	135-55081-020-000	Mainten & Repairs Collections	2,484.00	7521	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7521							2,484.00					
2655 Core & Main LP	0109939	04/27/21			135-55081-020-000	Mainten & Repairs Collections	3,526.00		05/27/21			
2655 Core & Main LP	0057960	04/27/21			135-55081-020-000	Mainten & Repairs Collections	1,076.00		05/27/21			
2655 Core & Main LP	0101884	05/11/21	Р	TO	135-55080-010-000	Maintenance & Repairs	725.00	/522	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7522							5,327.00					
3193 COMPUPAY, INC.	PR00725 996	05/14/21	Р		135-21313-000-000	Cafe 125-Medical Reimb	490.40	7523	05/27/21			
3193 COMPUPAY, INC.	PR00726 996	05/28/21	Ρ		135-21313-000-000	Cafe 125-Medical Reimb	490.40	7523	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7523							980.80					
1179 DENTON COUNTY TAX OFFICE	40778495TAR	05/26/21	Р	10	520-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	325.67	7524	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7524							325.67					
	0010010 MAV	05 (04 /01			105 55105 010 000	1-1 4-1-1-1-	10.00	7606	05 (07 (01			
2718 DSHS Central Lab MC2004 Totals for Check: 7525	0610018-MAY	05/04/21	r	τu	135-55135-010-000	Lab Analysis	18.96 18.96	/325	05/27/21			
3118 Exclusive Pest Control	9894	05/25/21	Р	20	135-55080-020-000	Maintenance & Repairs	119.08	7526	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7526						-	119.08					
2606 Fiserv Solutions, LLC Totals for Check: 7527	91895615	05/06/21	Р	30	135-60040-030-000	Service Charges & Fees	50.00 50.00	7527	05/27/21			
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10052026	05/10/21	Р	20	135-60135-020-000	TCEQ Fees & Permits	2,000.00		05/27/21			
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10052056	05/10/21	Ρ	10	135-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	5,962.00	7528	05/27/21			
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10052023	05/10/21	Р		135-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	155.00		05/27/21			
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10051946	05/10/21			520-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	6,190.52		05/27/21			
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10052047	05/10/21			135-55030-030-000	Software & Support	576.81		05/27/21			
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10052055	05/10/21			135-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	4,395.00		05/27/21			
2635 Halff Associates, INC	10052055	05/10/21	Р	20	135-69005-020-000	Capital Outlays	5,100.00	7528	05/27/21			
Totals for Check: 7528							24,379.33					

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1373	Hach company	12438709	05/04/21	D	20	135-65045-020-000	Lab Supplies	374.53	7529	05/27/21			
	HACH COMPANY	12452090	05/04/21			135-65045-020-000	Lab Supplies	184.35					
	HACH COMPANY	12452050	05/13/21			135-65030-010-000	Chemicals	129.86		05/27/21			
	for Check: 7529	12430010	05/12/21	г	10	177-07020-010-000	Cielicaes	688.74		03/2//21			
viais	TO GREEK. 7525							000.74					
2676	Humana Inc	155516862	05/13/21	P		135-21308-000-000	Dental	1,382.36	7530	05/27/21			
	Humana Inc	155516862	05/13/21			135-21309-000-000	Vision	179.24		05/27/21			
	Humana Inc	155516862	05/13/21			135-21311-000-000	Voluntary Life	366.95		05/27/21			
	Humana Inc	155516862	05/13/21		10	135-50029-010-000	Life Insurance & Other	155.43		05/27/21			
	Humana Inc	155516862	05/13/21			135-50029-020-000	Life Insurance & Other	198.66		05/27/21			
	Humana Inc	155516862	05/13/21			135-50029-030-000	Life Insurance & Other	184.80		05/27/21			
	for Check: 7530		<b>65</b> / <u>-5</u> / <u>-</u>			255 50025 050 000		2,467.44		<i>00, 1, ,</i> 11			
2775	HUDSON ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	2105120001-59	05/12/21	Р	30	135-60020-030-000	Electricity/Gas	1,098.05	7531	05/27/21			
2775	HUDSON ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	2105120001-59	05/12/21	Р	10	135-60020-010-000	Electricity	10,848.67	7531	05/27/21			
2775	HUDSON ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	2105120001-59	05/12/21	Р	20	135-60020-020-000	Electricity	11,076.85	7531	05/27/21			
otals	for Check: 7531						-	23,023.57					
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2767	InSpeyer Human Resource Svc	20210601TCMUD0	6 05/31/21	Ρ	30	135-55070-030-000	Independent Labor	2,000.00	7532	05/27/21			
otals	for Check: 7532							2,000.00					
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	IRS Tax Payment		6 05/14/21			135-21302-000-000	FWH Taxes	5,177.12		05/27/21			
	IRS Tax Payment		6 05/14/21			135-21303-000-000	Social Security Taxes	6,483.74		05/27/21			
	IRS Tax Payment		6 05/14/21			135-21304-000-000	Medicare Taxes	1,516.38		05/27/21			
	IRS Tax Payment		6 05/28/21			135-21302-000-000	FWH Taxes	5,276.81		05/27/21			
	IRS Tax Payment		6 05/28/21			135-21303-000-000	Social Security Taxes	6,486.24		05/27/21			
	IRS Tax Payment	PR00726 99	6 05/28/21	Р		135-21304-000-000	Medicare Taxes	1,516.88		05/27/21			
otals	for Check: 7533							26,457.17					
3167	KEYSTONE PARK SECRETARIAL	168972	05/12/21	P	30	135-60005-030-000	Telephone	25.00	7534	05/27/21			
	for Check: 7534	100372	•••			233 00003 030 000	те серионе	25.00		03/2//24			
	KYOCERA MITA AMERICA, INC.	55R1856595	05/19/21	Р	30	135-69170-030-000	Copier Lease Installments	79.71	7535	05/27/21			
Totals	for Check: 7535							79.71					
3132	Legal Shield	PR00725 99	6 05/14/21	Р		135-21310-000-000	Legal Plan	17.46	7536	05/27/21			
3132	Legal Shield	PR00726 99	6 05/28/21	Ρ		135-21310-000-000	Legal Plan	17.44	7536	05/27/21			
otals	for Check: 7536							34.90					
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	MB Networks	7013	05/15/21			135-55030-030-000	Software & Support	484.00		05/27/21			
	MB Networks	6959	05/05/21	۲	,5U	135-65055-030-000	Hardware	2,668.04		05/27/21			
otals	for Check: 7537							3,152.04					
2643	McLean & Howard, L.L.P.	39358	04/30/21	P	20	135-55045-039-000	Legal	1,050.00	7538	05/27/21			
	McLean & Howard, L.L.P.	39357	04/30/21			135-55045-039-000	Legal	4,322.50		05/27/21			
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3115	METLIFE GROUP BENEFITS	06012021	05/16/21	Ρ	10	135-50029-010-000	Life Insurance & Other	123.37	7539	05/27/21				
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	METLIFE GROUP BENEFITS	06012021	05/16/21		30	135-50029-030-000	Life Insurance & Other	182.22		05/27/21				
	METLIFE GROUP BENEFITS	06012021	05/16/21	P		135-21315-000-000	Short Term Disability	85.46	7539	05/27/21				
Totals	for Check: 7539							569.87						
3111	North Texas Groundwater	INV-01075	03/31/21	Ρ	10	135-60135-010-000	TCEQ Fees & Permits	3,852.60	7540	05/27/21				
Totals	for Check: 7540							3,852.60						
2983		05/15/2021	05/15/21	P	30	135-60100-030-000	Travel & per diem	06.76	7541	05/27/21				
Totals	for Check: 7541							06.76						
1050	AFFTCE NEDOT THE	171705272001	OF /07 /01	•		135 (FOOF 030 000	Majutanana Comilias	120 24	7547	05 /07 /01				
	OFFICE DEPOT, INC OFFICE DEPOT, INC	171795372001 171795372001	05/07/21 05/07/21			135-65095-030-000 135-65085-030-000	Maintenance Supplies Office Supplies	130.34 47.25		05/27/21 05/27/21				
	for Check: 7542	1/1/555/2001	03/07/21	r	50	100-000-000-000	Unice Suppries	177.59	/ 342	03/27/21				
3156	OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC	21050073	05/05/21	Р	20	135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	259.90	7543	05/27/21				
	OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC	20150326	05/19/21			135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	259,90		05/27/21				
3156		21050291	05/17/21			135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	368.00		05/27/21				
3156	OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC	21050031	05/03/21	Ρ	20	135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	368.00	7543	05/27/21				
	OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC	21050157	05/11/21			135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	368.00		05/27/21				
	OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC	21050218	05/13/21			135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	259.90		05/27/21				
	OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC	21050326	05/19/21			135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	259.90		05/27/21				
	OXIDOR LABORATORIES LLC for Check: 7543	21050405	05/24/21	P	20	135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	368.00 2,511.60	/543	05/27/21				
3110	PUMP SOLUTIONS INC	2021-0514	05/04/21	P	10	135-55080-010-000	Maintenance & Repairs	4,020.00	7544	05/27/21				
	for Check: 7544	2021-0514	0J/ 04/ ZI	r	10	100-000-010-000		4,020.00	/344	05/27/21				
	R & D Electric	3876	05/24/21			135-55080-030-000	Maintenance & Repairs	240.95		05/27/21				
	R & D Electric for Check: 7545	3877	05/24/21	Р	30	135-55080-030-000	Maintenance & Repairs	612.46 853.41	/545	05/27/21				
2176	REY-MAR CONSTRUCTION	11250 SUNSET D	D 05/17/21	D	20	135-55081-020-000	Mainten & Repairs Collections	11,444.00	7546	05/27/21				
	REY-MAR CONSTRUCTION	5 HERITAGE	05/10/21			135-55081-020-000	Mainten & Repairs Collections	7,577.00		05/27/21				
	REY-MAR CONSTRUCTION	PAY APP 3	05/25/21			135-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	83,309.40		05/27/21				
	for Check: 7546							102,330.40						
2440	TARRANT CTY PUBLIC HEALTH LAB	35118	04/30/21	Р	10	135-55135-010-000	Lab Analysis	320.00	7547	05/27/21				
2440	TARRANT CTY PUBLIC HEALTH LAB	35119	04/30/21	Р	10	135-55135-010-001	Lab Analysis for PID	80.00	7547	05/27/21				
Totals	for Check: 7547							400.00						
3113	TORS	PR00725 99	6 05/14/21	Р		135-21317-000-000	TORS	8,807,33	7548	05/27/21				
	TCDRS		6 05/28/21			135-21317-000-000	TCDRS	8,933.41		05/27/21				
	for Check: 7548							17,740.74						
1081	TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC	78523154	05/01/21	Р	20	135-60020-020-000	Electricity	368.74	7549	05/27/21				

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Total General Fu	Ind 135 Available for S	Spending

General Fund 135 Fund Balances	
Nonspendable Fund Balance (Prepaids)	\$ 3,486
Assigned Fund Balance (FY2020 Capital Projects plus prior year carry forward)	\$ 2,404,829
Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 6,764,810
Current Year Revenue/Expenses	\$ (20,613)
Total Nonspendable, Assigned & Committed Fund Balances - General Fund 135	 \$9,152,512

## FY 2021 General Fund YTD Budget Variance

Account	Description	FY 2021 Adopted	Amended Budget	May Totals	YTD Total 5/31/2021	YTD % Budget (67% Target)	Remaining Budget
	General Fund Revenues				-,,	(01)10.800	
135-40000-000-000	Property Taxes	136,531	136,531	1,553	131,881	96.59%	4,650
135-40002-000-000	Property Taxes/Delinquent	300	300	(2)	544	181.35%	(244)
135-40015-000-000	Property Taxes/P & I	300	300	14	280	93.18%	20
135-40025-000-000	PID Surcharges	163,725	163,725	070 555	-	0.00%	163,725
135-47000-000-000	Water	5,932,489	5,932,489	379,555	3,097,230	52.21% 61.93%	2,835,259
135-47005-000-000 135-47025-000-000	Sewer Penalties	3,677,146 112,608	3,677,146 112,608	323,315 9,830	2,277,316 46,998	41.74%	1,399,830 65,610
135-47030-000-000	Service Charges (Disconnect Fees)	112,008	16,550	1,100	40,998	48.64%	8,500
135-47035-000-000	Plumbing Inspections	750	750	1,100	300	40.00%	450
135-47045-000-000	Sewer Inspections	2,500	2,500	50	100	4.00%	2,400
135-47070-000-000	TCCC Effluent Charges	50,000	50,000	2	26,307	52.61%	23,693
135-48010-000-000	Utility Fees	-	-	-	-	0.00%	
135-49000-000-000	Capital Lease- Other Fin Sources	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49011-000-000	Interest Income	100,000	100,000	1,315	13,058	13.06%	86,942
135-49016-000-000	Cell Tower Revenue	14,146	14,146	1,179	9,430	66.67%	4,715
135-49018-000-000	Building Rent Income	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49026-000-000	Proceeds from Sale of Assets	5,000	5,000		19,575	391.50%	(14,575)
135-49035-000-000	Prior Year Reserves	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49036-000-000	GASB Reserves	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49005-000-000	Loan Proceeds	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49075-000-000	Oversize Meter Reimbursement	8,232	8,232	353	4,407	53.53%	3,825
135-49141-000-000	Interfund Transfer In	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49145-000-000	Intergov Transfer In	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49900-000-000	Miscellaneous Income	7,000	7,000	208	18,182	259.74%	(11,182)
135-49901-000-000	Records Management Revenue	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-49903-000-000	Recovery of Prior Year Expense	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-00000-000-000	Reimbursement	-	-		-	0.00%	-
	Total	10,227,277	10,227,277	718,621	5,653,659	55.28%	4,573,618
Water	General Fund Expenses						
135-50005-010-000	Salaries & Wages	365,309	365,309	27,620	230,337	63.05%	134,972
135-50010-010-000	Overtime	17,000	17,000	1,407	16,491	97.01%	509
135-50016-010-000	Longevity	5,435	5,435	2) 107	5,435	100.00%	-
135-50017-010-000	Certification	6,000	6,000	275	2,025	33.75%	3,975
135-50020-010-000	Retirement	36,520	36,520	2,719	25,258	69.16%	11,262
135-50026-010-000	Medical Insurance	86,182	86,182	5,477	43,061	49.97%	43,120
135-50027-010-000	Dental Insurance	4,933	4,933	332	2,608	52.87%	2,325
135-50028-010-000	Vision Insurance	789	789	48	385	48.86%	403
135-50029-010-000	Life Insurance & Other	3,289	3,289	338	2,642	80.33%	647
135-50030-010-000	Social Security Taxes	24,412	24,412	1,785	15,585	63.84%	8,828
135-50035-010-000	Medicare Taxes	5,709	5,709	418	3,645	63.84%	2,065
135-50040-010-000	Unemployment Taxes	1,080	1,080		915	84.72%	165
135-50045-010-000	Workman's Compensation	10,877	10,877	901	8,895	81.77%	1,983
	Pre-emp Physicals/Testing	400	400		-	0.00%	400
135-50060-010-000	FIE-emp Filysicals/ Testing				103		107
135-50070-010-000	Employee Relations	300	300		100	34.38%	197
135-50070-010-000 135-55005-010-000	Employee Relations Engineering	20,000	20,000		-	0.00%	20,000
135-50070-010-000 135-55005-010-000 135-55080-010-000	Employee Relations Engineering Maintenance & Repairs	20,000 124,000	20,000 124,000	5,512	- 50,385	0.00% 40.63%	20,000 73,615
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		FY 2021	Amended		YTD Total	YTD % Budget	
Account	Description	Adopted	Budget	May Totals	5/31/2021	(67% Target)	Remaining Budget
135-65030-010-000	Chemicals	25,000	25,000	1,202	15,469	61.88%	9,531
135-65035-010-000	Small Tools	1,200	1,200	1,202	15,405	0.00%	1,200
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135-65040-010-000	Safety Equipment	1,000	1,000		-	0.00%	1,000
135-65050-010-000	Meter Expense	70,000	70,000		-	0.00%	70,000
135-65053-010-000	Meter Change Out Program	87,000	87,000	00.004	86,625	99.57%	375
135-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays	740,000	740,000	93,821	494,912	66.88%	245,088
135-69008-010-000	Short Term Debt-Principal	30,962	30,962		30,962	100.00%	(0)
135-69009-010-000	Short Term Debt-Interest	2,324	2,324		1,390	59.83%	934
135-69195-010-000	Gasb34/Reserve for Replacement	75,000	75,000		75,000	100.00%	-
135-69281-010-000	Water Tank Inspection Contract	108,000	108,000		106,707	98.80%	1,293
135-70040-010-000	Bond Related Expenses	-	-		-	0.00%	-
	Subtotal Water	5,327,165	5,327,165	378,845	2,778,785	52.16%	2,548,380
Wastewater							
135-50005-020-000	Salaries & Wages	483,633	483,633	36,391	301,119	62.26%	182,514
135-50010-020-000	Overtime	33,000	33,000	3,072	21,469	65.06%	11,531
135-50016-020-000	Longevity	7,420	7,420		7,420	100.00%	-
135-50017-020-000	Certification	8,100	8,100	675	5,100	62.96%	3,000
135-50020-020-000	Retirement	49,358	49,358	3,725	33,312	67.49%	16,047
135-50026-020-000	Medical Insurance	122,035	122,035	7,882	62,628	51.32%	59,407
135-50027-020-000	Dental Insurance	6,443	6,443	432	3,450	53.55%	2,993
135-50028-020-000	Vision Insurance	1,098	1,098	-52	541	49.26%	557
		4,725	4,725	424		69.98%	
135-50029-020-000	Life Insurance & Other	,	,		3,307		1,418
135-50030-020-000	Social Security Taxes	32,993	32,993	2,392	20,071	60.83%	12,923
135-50035-020-000	Medicare Taxes	7,716	7,716	559	4,694	60.83%	3,022
135-50040-020-000	Unemployment Taxes	1,440	1,440		1,204	83.58%	236
135-50045-020-000	Workman's Compensation	14,607	14,607	1,218	11,429	78.24%	3,178
135-50060-020-000	Pre-emp Physicals/Testing	400	400		-	0.00%	400
135-50070-020-000	Employee Relations	300	300		135	45.10%	165
135-55005-020-000	Engineering	30,000	30,000		-	0.00%	30,000
135-55070-020-000	Independent Labor	15,000	15,000		-	0.00%	15,000
135-55080-020-000	Maintenance & Repairs- WWTP	108,000	108,000	6,277	50,676	46.92%	57,324
135-55081-020-000	Maintenance & Repairs- Collections	157,500	157,500	35,031	73,610	46.74%	83,890
135-55085-020-000	Generator Maintenance & Repairs	10,000	10,000		-	0.00%	10,000
135-55090-020-000	Vehicle Maintenance- WWTP	4,000	4,000	79	2,708	67.69%	1,292
135-55091-020-000	Vehicle Maintenance- Collections	13,000	13,000	60	6,464	49.72%	6,536
135-55105-020-000	Maintenance-Heavy Equipment	3,000	3,000		322	10.72%	2,678
135-55120-020-000	Cleaning Services	1,500	1,500		525	35.00%	975
135-55125-020-000	Dumpster Services	100,000	100,000	11,160	61,290	61.29%	38,710
135-55135-020-000	Lab Analysis	40,000	40,000	3,652	27,619	69.05%	
	, ,	7,500	7,500	447	3,948	52.63%	12,381 3,552
135-60010-020-000	Communications/Mobiles	-			-		
135-60020-020-000	Electricity	157,735	157,735	11,446	93,821	59.48%	63,914
135-60066-020-000	Publications/Books/Subscripts	200	200		-	0.00%	200
135-60070-020-000	Dues & Memberships	300	300		-	0.00%	300
135-60080-020-000	Schools & Training	4,991	4,991	939	2,481	49.70%	2,511
135-60090-020-000	Safety Program	1,000	1,000		-	0.00%	1,000
135-60100-020-000	Travel & per diem	1,575	1,575		-	0.00%	1,575
135-60105-020-000	Rent/Lease Equipment	5,000	5,000		-	0.00%	5,000
135-60125-020-000	Advertising	2,500	2,500		-	0.00%	2,500
135-60135-020-000	TCEQ Fees & Permits	45,000	45,000	2,313	27,416	60.92%	17,584
135-60245-020-000	Miscellaneous Expenses	450	450		-	0.00%	450
135-60280-020-000	Property Maintenance	5,000	5,000		-	0.00%	5,000
135-60285-020-000	Lawn Equipment & Maintenance	14,000	14,000	1,540	6,580	47.00%	7,420
135-60331-020-000	Interfund Transfer Out-Tax I&S	114,681	114,681	10,426	83,404	72.73%	31,277
135-60332-020-000	Interfund Transfer Out- Revenue I&S	688,005	688,005	62,546	500,367	72.73%	187,638
135-60333-020-000	Interfund Transfer Out-Bond Reserve	-		,	-	0.00%	
135-60334-020-000	Interfund Transfer Out-Bank Reserve Account	75,000	75,000		38,802	51.74%	36,198
135-60360-020-000	Furniture/Equipment < \$5000	2,000	2,000		36	1.80%	1,964
135-65005-020-000	Full & Lube	12,500	12,500	853	9,934	79.47%	2,566
	Uniforms	6,280	6,280	000	4,013	63.90%	2,300
		0,200			-		8,546
135-65010-020-000		25 000			16 / 5 /		0.540
135-65030-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP	25,000	25,000		16,454	65.81%	
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections	17,500	17,500		16,454 4,895	27.97%	12,605
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools	17,500 1,200	17,500 1,200		4,895	27.97% 0.00%	12,605 1,200
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment	17,500 1,200 1,200	17,500 1,200 1,200		4,895 - 252	27.97% 0.00% 21.00%	12,605 1,200 948
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000 135-65045-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies	17,500 1,200 1,200 28,000	17,500 1,200 1,200 28,000	1,475	4,895 - 252 21,093	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000 135-65045-020-000 135-69005-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays	17,500 1,200 1,200 28,000 335,000	17,500 1,200 1,200 28,000 335,000	1,475 13,020	4,895 252 21,093 136,339	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000 135-65045-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273	17,500 1,200 1,200 28,000		4,895 - 252 21,093	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000 135-65045-020-000 135-69005-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532		4,895 252 21,093 136,339	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661
135-65030-020-000           135-65031-020-000           135-65035-020-000           135-65040-020-000           135-65045-020-000           135-69005-020-000           135-69008-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273		4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303
135-65030-020-000           135-65031-020-000           135-65035-020-000           135-65040-020-000           135-65045-020-000           135-69005-020-000           135-69008-020-000           135-69009-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal Short Term Debt-Interest	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532		4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970 4,756	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303
135-65030-020-000           135-65031-020-000           135-65035-020-000           135-65040-020-000           135-65045-020-000           135-69005-020-000           135-69008-020-000           135-69009-020-000           135-69195-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal Short Term Debt-Interest Gasb34/Reserve for Replacement	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532		4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970 4,756	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75% 100.00%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303
135-65030-020-000           135-65031-020-000           135-65035-020-000           135-65040-020-000           135-65045-020-000           135-69005-020-000           135-69008-020-000           135-69009-020-000           135-69195-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal Short Term Debt-Interest Gasb34/Reserve for Replacement Capital Lease Issuance Cost	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000	13,020	4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970 4,756 130,000	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75% 100.00% 0.00%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303 3,776
135-65030-020-000           135-65031-020-000           135-65035-020-000           135-65040-020-000           135-65045-020-000           135-69005-020-000           135-69008-020-000           135-69009-020-000           135-69195-020-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal Short Term Debt-Interest Gasb34/Reserve for Replacement Capital Lease Issuance Cost	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000	13,020	4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970 4,756 130,000	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75% 100.00% 0.00%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303 3,776
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000 135-65045-020-000 135-69008-020-000 135-69009-020-000 135-69195-020-000 135-70020-020	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal Short Term Debt-Interest Gasb34/Reserve for Replacement Capital Lease Issuance Cost	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000	13,020	4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970 4,756 130,000	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75% 100.00% 0.00%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303 3,776
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000 135-65045-020-000 135-69008-020-000 135-69009-020-000 135-69195-020-000 135-70020-020 <b>Board of Directors</b>	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal Short Term Debt-Interest Gasb34/Reserve for Replacement Capital Lease Issuance Cost Subtotal Wastewater	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000 	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000 - <b>3,026,690</b>	13,020	4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970 4,756 130,000 	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75% 100.00% 60.95%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303 3,776
135-65030-020-000 135-65031-020-000 135-65035-020-000 135-65040-020-000 135-65045-020-000 135-69008-020-000 135-69009-020-000 135-69195-020-000 135-70020-020 <b>Board of Directors</b> 135-50005-026-000	Chemicals- WWTP Chemicals- Collections Small Tools Safety Equipment Lab Supplies Capital Outlays Short Term Debt-Principal Short Term Debt-Interest Gasb34/Reserve for Replacement Capital Lease Issuance Cost Subtotal Wastewater Salaries & Wages	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000 	17,500 1,200 28,000 335,000 81,273 8,532 130,000 - <b>3,026,690</b>	13,020	4,895 252 21,093 136,339 60,970 4,756 130,000 	27.97% 0.00% 21.00% 75.33% 40.70% 75.02% 55.75% 100.00% 60.95% 0.00%	12,605 1,200 948 6,907 198,661 20,303 3,776

June 16, 2021 Meeting Agenda Packet

Account	Description	FY 2021	Amended	May	YTD Total	YTD % Budget	Remaining
	•	Adopted	Budget	Totals	5/31/2021	(67% Target)	Budget
135-50045-026-000	Workman's Compensation	30	30	1	6	21.07%	24
135-60066-026-000	Publications/Books/Subscripts	150	150		-	0.00%	150
135-60070-026-000	Dues & Memberships	750	750		675	90.00%	75
135-60075-026-000	Meetings	1,300	1,300		869	66.87%	431
135-60080-026-000	Schools & Training	4,000	4,000		-	0.00%	4,000
135-60100-026-000	Travel & per diem	5,000	5,000		-	0.00%	5,000
135-60245-026-000	Miscellaneous Expenses	2,000	2,000		58	2.88%	1,943
	Subtotal Board of Directors	13,230	13,230	1	1,608	12.16%	11,622

	Total General Fund Expenses	10,222,170	10,222,170	686,211	5,633,046	55.11%	4,589,124
	Total General Fund Revenues	10,227,277	10,227,277	718,621	5,653,659	55.28%	4,573,618
	Subtotal Non Departmental	185,575	185,575	5,373	51,860	27.95%	133,715
135-55065-039-000	Tax Admin Fees	4,850	4,850	F 373	3,821	78.78%	1,029
135-55060-039-000	Appraisal	11,925	11,925		6,826	57.24%	5,099
135-55055-039-000	Auditing	33,800	33,800		21,000	62.13%	12,800
135-55045-039-000	Legal	135,000	135,000	5,373	20,213	14.97%	114,788
Non Departmental							
		_,,	_,	20,000			
133-031/0-030-000	Subtotal Administration	1,669,510	1,669,510	83,893	956,142	<b>57.27%</b>	713,367
135-69005-030-000 135-69170-030-000	Capital Outlays Copier Lease Installments	138,000 4,000	138,000 4,000	5 280	95,619 2,039	69.29% 50.97%	42,381 1,961
135-65105-030-000	Printing	2,500	2,500	-	-	0.00%	2,500
135-65095-030-000	Maintenance Supplies	4,000	4,000	386	2,879	71.98%	1,121
135-65090-030-000	Printer Supplies & Maintenance	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-65085-030-000	Office Supplies	6,000	6,000	57	2,673	44.54%	3,327
135-65055-030-000	Hardware IT	20,253	20,253	2,668	18,939	93.51%	1,314
135-65010-030-000	Uniforms	2,050	2,050		-	0.00%	2,050
135-60360-030-000	Furniture/Equipment < \$5000	2,500	2,500	-,	-	0.00%	2,500
135-60285-030-000	Lawn Equipment & Maintenance	5,000	5,000	1,124	2,134	42.67%	2,866
135-60245-030-000	General Manager Contingency	17,000	17,000	120	- 392	0.00%	108
135-60235-030-000	Security Miscellaneous Expenses	1,288 500	1,288 500	120	192 392	14.91% 78.40%	1,096 108
135-60125-030-000 135-60235-030-000	Advertising	2,500	2,500		-	0.00%	2,500
135-60115-030-000	Elections	5,000	5,000		9,330	186.60%	(4,330)
135-60110-030-000	Physicals/Testing	200	200		-	0.00%	200
135-60100-030-000	Travel & per diem	3,575	3,575	7	258	7.22%	3,317
135-60080-030-000	Schools & Training	6,850	6,850		2,769	40.42%	4,081
135-60079-030-000	Public Education	6,000	6,000	1,471	1,582	26.36%	4,418
135-60075-030-000	Meetings	400	400	115	240	59.91%	160
135-60070-030-000	Dues & Memberships	6,000	6,000		5,786	96.43%	214
135-60066-030-000	Publications/Books/Subscripts	1,000	1,000	0,7.20	-	0.00%	1,000
135-60055-030-000	Insurance	84,000	84,000	6,725	- 53,799	64.05%	30,201
135-60040-030-000 135-60050-030-000	Bank Service Charges & Fees Bad Debt Expense	67,000 1,500	67,000 1,500	6,159	54,095	80.74% 0.00%	12,905 1,500
135-60035-030-000	Postage Bank Service Charges & Fees	30,000	30,000	1,678	14,442	48.14%	15,558
135-60025-030-000	Water	5,000	5,000	308	2,289	45.77%	2,711
135-60020-030-000	Electricity	14,512	14,512	1,098	10,025	69.08%	4,487
135-60010-030-000	Communications/Mobiles	3,000	3,000	225	1,800	60.00%	1,200
135-60005-030-000	Telephone	9,680	9,680	509	5,609	57.95%	4,071
135-55205-030-000	Utility Billing Contract	9,000	9,000	576	4,878	54.21%	4,122
135-55160-030-000	Professional Outside Services	104,925	104,925	2,500	65,669	62.59%	39,257
135-55120-030-000	Cleaning Services	15,000	15,000		11,904	79.36%	3,096
135-55100-030-000	Building Maintenance & Supplies				-	0.00%	-
135-55080-030-000	Generator Maintenance & Repairs	10,000	10,000	653	43,/18	0.00%	10,000
135-55070-030-000 135-55080-030-000	Independent Labor Maintenance & Repairs	15,000 40,000	15,000 40,000	2,000 853	13,573 45,718	90.49% 114.29%	1,427 (5,718)
135-55030-030-000	Software & Support	126,854	126,854	2,203	72,416	57.09%	54,438
135-55005-030-000	Engineering	-	-		-	0.00%	-
135-50070-030-000	Employee Relations	8,000	8,000		3,320	41.51%	4,680
135-50060-030-000	Pre-emp Physicals/Testing	500	500		-	0.00%	500
135-50045-030-000	Workman's Compensation	1,573	1,573	129	1,028	65.36%	545
135-50040-030-000	Unemployment Taxes	1,440	1,440		864	60.00%	576
135-50035-030-000	Medicare Taxes	9,153	9,153	540	4,576	50.00%	4,577
135-50030-030-000	Social Security Taxes	39,138	39,138	2,308	19,567	50.00%	19,571
135-50028-030-000	Life Insurance & Other	4,730	4,730	43	3,265	69.02%	1,465
135-50027-030-000	Vision Insurance	1,138	1,138	45	2,894	38.37%	4,215
135-50026-030-000 135-50027-030-000	Medical Insurance Dental Insurance	7,109	136,834	5,843	2,894	40.71%	4,215
135-50020-030-000	Retirement Medical Insurance	58,550 136,834	58,550 136,834	3,669 5,843	33,449 52,431	57.13% 38.32%	25,101 84,404
135-50016-030-000	Longevity	2,668	2,668	2.660	2,668	100.00%	-
135-50010-030-000	Overtime	2,000	2,000		74	3.72%	1,926
	Salaries & Wages	626,592	626,592	39,533	330,523	52.75%	296,069
135-50005-030-000							

5,107

5,107

32,410

20,613

0.17%

Net Budget Surplus (Deficit)

# FY 2021 Combined Financials

YTD as of 05/31/2021



## Water Budget vs Actual







### TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - FIRE DEPARTMENT BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021



ASSETS	FIRE DEPT.
CASH IN BANK INVESTMENTS PREPAID EXPENSES	- 949,133 6,596
ADVALOREM PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE EMERGENCY SERVICES ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE UTILITY AND OTHER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	50,153 - -
TOTAL ASSETS	1,005,881
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES	
DEFERRED REVENUE - PROPERTY TAXES/ASSESSMENTS ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	33,440
TOTAL LIABILITIES	33,440
FUND BALANCE DESIGNATED FOR FUTURE ASSET REPLACEMENT NON-SPENDABLE FUND BALANCE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE RESERVE FOR ENCUMBRANCES NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	- - 668,784 - 303,657
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	972,441
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	1,005,881

#### TROPHY CLUB MUNICIPAL UITILITY UISTRICT No.1

#### TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - O&M (GENERAL FUND) BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021

WAT 2021			
	135	137	
	GENERAL FUND	GASB	TOTAL
ASSETS			
CASH ON HAND	600	-	600
CASH IN BANK-CHECKING	3,255,866	-	3,255,866
CASH IN BANK-SAVINGS-CASH RESERVE	1,998,885		1,998,885
INVESTMENTS-TEXPOOL	3,747,456	2,007,484	5,754,940
PREPAID EXPENSES	39,380	-	39,380
ADVALOREM PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE	5,371	-	5,371
UTILITY AND OTHER ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	954,076	-	954,076
TOTAL ASSETS	10,001,634	2,007,484	12,009,118
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
LIABILITIES			
DEFERRED REVENUE - AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES	3,619	-	3,619
ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	490,892	-	490,892
CUSTOMER DEPOSITS	313,385	-	313,385 -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	807,896	-	807,896
FUND BALANCE			
NON-SPENDABLE FUND BALANCE	3,486		3,486
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE	2,404,829		2,404,829
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE/TOWN ELEVATED STORAGE TANK		315,000	315,000
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE/WATER REPLACEMENT		460,899	460,899
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE/SEWER REPLACEMENT		558,704	558,704
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE/FIRE DEPARTMENT		472,881	472,881
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE/WWTP MBR REPLACEMENT		200,000	200,000
UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE	6,764,810	-	6,764,810
COMMITTED FUND BALANCE	-	-	-
NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	20,613	-	20,613
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	9,193,738	2,007,484	- 11,201,222
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	10,001,634	2,007,484	12,009,118

### TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - WWTP TAX BOND CONST BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021



ASSETS	TAX BOND CONSTRUCTION
CASH IN BANK INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	- - -
TOTAL ASSETS	-
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-
FUND BALANCE ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	(199,119) 199,119
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	-

TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - REVENUE BOND CONSTRUCTION NSII FORT WORTH- SWIFT FUNDING BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021	ON TROPHY CLUB MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT No.1
	519
ASSETS	REVENUE BOND CONSTRUCTION
CASH IN BANK CASH IN ESCROW	- 785,020
INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	-
TOTAL ASSETS	785,020
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES	
ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	81,691
TOTAL LIABILITIES	81,691
FUND BALANCE	
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	703,276 53
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	703,329
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	785,020

### TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - 16" WATERLINE REV BOND BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021



**FUND 520** 

**16" 2019 REVENUE BOND** 169,203 3,892,786

ASSETS

CASH IN BANK INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

**TOTAL ASSETS** 

4,061,989

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### LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES

### TOTAL LIABILITIES

FUND BALANCE

ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES

TOTAL FUND BALANCE

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

4,151,382 (89,393)

4,061,989

4,061,989

TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - REVENUE BOND RESERVE BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021	TROPHYCLUB MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT No.1
	528
ASSETS CASH IN BANK	REVENUE BOND RESERVE
INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	- 894,250 -
TOTAL ASSETS	894,250
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	
FUND BALANCE ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	893,867 383
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	894,250
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	894,250

### TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - I&S (DEBT SERVICE) BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021



ASSETS	INTEREST & SINKING DEBT
CASH IN BANK INVESTMENTS	- 890,448
PREPAID EXPENSES ADVALOREM PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE	- 27,980
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE-OTHER	-
TOTAL ASSETS	918,428
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	64,064
DEFERRED REVENUE - AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	18,377 -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	82,441
FUND BALANCE	
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE	(19,950)
NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	855,937
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	835,987
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	918,428

### TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - REVENUE BOND I&S (WWTP) BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021



	REVENUE BOND
ASSETS CASH IN BANK	I&S WWTP
INVESTMENTS	362,596
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	-
TOTAL ASSETS	362,596
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-
FUND BALANCE	
ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE	25,988
NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	336,608
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	362,596
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	362,596

TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - SWIFT REVENUE BOND I&S BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021	TROPHYCLUB MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT No.1
	535
ASSETS CASH IN BANK	NSII FTW SWIFT REVENUE BOND I&S
INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	175,420 -
TOTAL ASSETS	175,420
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u> </u>
FUND BALANCE ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	5,625 169,795
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	175,420
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	175,420

### TROPHY CLUB MUD NO. 1 - REVENUE BOND I&S WATER & WASTEWATER SYSTEM 2019 BALANCE SHEET MAY 2021



ASSETS	REVENUE BOND SERIES 2019 I&S
CASH IN BANK INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	- 164,190 -
TOTAL ASSETS	164,190
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE LIABILITIES ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u> </u>
FUND BALANCE ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE NET REVENUES / EXPENDITURES	531 163,659
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	164,190
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	164,190

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TROPHY CLUB MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS May 17, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No. 1 Board of Directors, of Denton and Tarrant Counties, met in regular session on May 17, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, 100 Municipal Drive, Trophy Club, Texas 76262. The meeting was held within the boundaries of the District and was open to the public.

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF DENTON AND TARRANT §

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Steve Flynn	President
Mark Chapman	Vice President
Kelly Castonguay	Secretary/Treasurer
William C. Rose	Director
Kevin R. Carr	Director

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Alan Fourmentin	General Manager
Laurie Slaght	District Secretary
Mike McMahon	Operations Manager
Steven Krolczyk	Finance Manager
Tony Corbett	Legal Counsel (via zoom for Executive session)

### CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM

President Flynn announced the date of May 17, 2021, called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present at 6:30 p.m.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments

### **REPORTS & UPDATES**

- 1. Staff Reports
  - a. Capital Improvement Projects
  - b. Water Operations Report
  - c. Wastewater System Reports
  - d. Finance Reports

General Manager Alan Fourmentin presented the monthly staff reports and answered questions related thereto.

### CONSENT AGENDA

- 2. Consider and act to approve the Consent Agenda.
  - a. April 2021 Combined Financials
  - b. April 19, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

#### Motion by Director Carr and seconded by Director Chapman to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

#### Motion carried unanimously

#### **REGULAR SESSION**

3. Consider and act to elect officers of the Board of Directors.

Director Flynn called for nominations for President of the Board of Directors.

Director Rose nominated Director Flynn for President.

For: Carr, Castonguay, Chapman, Flynn, Rose Oppose: none

#### Director Flynn will serve as President of the Board of Directors.

Director Flynn called for nominations for Vice President of the Board of Directors.

Director Flynn nominated Director Chapman for Vice President.

For: Carr, Castonguay, Chapman, Flynn, Rose Oppose: none

#### Director Chapman will serve as Vice President of the Board of Directors.

Director Rose nominated Director Castonguay for Secretary/Treasurer.

For: Carr, Castonguay, Chapman, Flynn, Rose Oppose: none

#### Director Castonguay will serve as Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Directors

4. Consider and act to appoint two (2) directors to the Budget Review Committee.

Director Carr, Director Rose and Director Flynn would be interested in serving on the Budget Review Committee.

Director Flynn called for the vote to place Director Rose on the Budget Review Committee.

For: Carr, Castonguay, Chapman, Flynn, Rose

Director Flynn called for the vote to place Director Carr on the Budget Review Committee.

For: Carr

Director Flynn called for the vote to place Director Flynn on the Budget Review Committee.

For: Castonguay, Chapman, Flynn, Rose

### Director Rose and Director Flynn will serve on the Budget Review Committee

5. Consider and act to appoint two (2) directors to the Rate Committee.

## Director Rose and Director Chapman volunteered and will serve on the Rate Committee, without objection.

### The Board of Directors convened into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 6. Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board may consult with its attorney in Executive Session on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Governmental Body under the Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act or to seek advice of counsel on legal matters involving pending or contemplated litigation or settlement offers:
  - a. Consult with legal counsel regarding the existing Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Administration of Fire Protection Services between the District and the Town of Trophy Club, and seek legal advice regarding the potential renewal, termination, modification, or replacement thereof.

### The Board of Directors reconvened into Regular Session at 7:53 p.m.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

7. Consider and take appropriate action regarding Executive Session.

### No action taken regarding executive session.

- 8. Items for future agendas:
- 9. Set future Meeting dates
  - Regular June Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.
  - Joint Meeting with Town of Trophy Club Town Council will be held on July 27<sup>th</sup> with the July Regular Board meeting to following immediately after.

### ADJOURN

President Flynn called the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Steve Flynn, President
Kelly Castonguay, Secretary/Treasurer

(SEAL)

Laurie Slaght, District Secretary



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#### Chapter 1 – Introduction and General Provisions

#### 1.00 Purpose and Objectives

#### I. Purpose

The purpose of Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District") Personnel Policies Manual (Manual) is to provide managers, supervisors, and employees with a written source of information about the policies, procedures, and administrative directives of the District.

#### II. Objectives

The objectives of the Manual are:

- A. To promote good and uniform practices and administration in the management of the District's employees.
- B. To reduce questions about policies and procedures by having them readily available for reference.
- C. To promote high morale by the consistent administration of policies and procedures through consideration of the rights and interests of all employees.
- D. To ensure that policies and procedures are kept current by periodic updates of this Manual.

#### III. Relationship to the Board of Directors

Every effort will be made to ensure that policies and procedures are consistent with all applicable laws, resolutions, directives, and policies established by Board of Directors of the District. If, however, there is any discrepancy, the applicable laws, resolutions, directives, or policies established by Board of Directors shall apply. Any person finding discrepancies should notify the General Manager or Human Resource Manager immediately.

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# 1.01 Amendments, Updates, Revocation and Management Authority

#### I. Amendments, Updates and Revocations

The District may modify, revoke, suspend, interpret, terminate, or change any or all policies and procedures, in whole or in part, at any time. Any new policies issued supersede these policies and are fully binding on all employees. If an employee continues to work for the District after the effective date of any such amendment, change or termination, then the employee will be deemed to have accepted such amendment, change or termination. The issuance of this Manual does not constitute a contract between the District and its employees for any duration of employment. There is no specified length of employment, and either the District or the employee can terminate the employment relationship at any time, for any reason.

#### II. Management Authority

Policy administration rests with the General Manager and reserves sole authority to administer District operations. Apart from matters reserved to the Board of Directors by statute or resolution, the general and final authority for conduct of employees is vested to the General Manager. The Board of Directors appoints the General Manager to administer the day-to-day operations of the District, including the power to approve and administer personnel policies and to delegate the administration of these policies. Any conflicts, questions, or ambiguities in District or departmental policies and procedures will be decided by the General Manager. Final authority, in the form of review and approval, resides with the General Manager with regards to all matters and subjects covered by these regulations, unless specifically delegated otherwise.

- A. The General Manager or Human Resource Manager may interpret the policies if a question is raised regarding the intent, application or meaning of the policy. Further, the General Manager or Human Resource Manager may utilize administrative practices and procedures required to enforce the policies.
- B. All staff are accountable to the General Manager through whom all communication to the Board of Directors is channeled. Conversely, all communication and direction from the Board of Directors to staff shall be channeled through the General Manager. Any staff member receiving direction from the Board of Directors or an individual Board member should inform the General Manager immediately.

#### III. Departmental Policies

Individual District departments may develop policies and procedures that are

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consistent with District policies and procedures. Department policies and procedures that are operational and that do not relate to those in this manual, or other approved operations manuals or handbooks, are required to be reviewed and approved by the General Manager. All employment related departmental policies must be reviewed by the General Manager or Human Resource Manager. No internal policies can ban employees from coming to the General Manager or Human Resource Manager for any reason. District policies and procedures supersede all department level policies.

#### IV. Severability

Any statement in a policy or procedure found to be illegal, incorrect, and/or inapplicable will not affect the validity and intent of the remaining content of such policy or procedure. Policies and procedures apply to all employees of the District, both on and off duty where applicable, unless otherwise indicated, restricted by proper authority, or prohibited by state and/or federal law. All employees must become familiar with and abide by these policies and procedures.

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#### 1.02 Scope and Notice

#### I. Scope

- A. The policies apply to and govern all employees of the District, except where State and/or Federal law preempts the application of these policies or where there are provisions to the contrary in State or Federal law. Policies and procedures apply to all employee of the District, both on and off duty where applicable, unless otherwise indicated, restricted by proper authority, or prohibited by State and/Federal law.
- B. These policies supersede all existing personnel and departmental policies and are effective and binding on all employees regardless of hire date. Continued employment with the District following adoption of these policies constitutes conclusive acceptance of the terms of the policies. This handbook is not an employment contract and nothing in this is intended to change or modify the at-will status of a District employee or to create or confer any property rights or expectation of continued employment to any employee.
- C. The failure of the District to follow or comply with any provision of these policies shall not constitute grounds for nor form the basis of any action or cause of action, either civil or criminal, arising from employment with the District. The District reserves the rights to change the provisions of these personnel policies and procedures at any time.

#### II. Notice

A copy of the Personnel Policy Handbook and all amendments or changes shall be filed in the office of the Human Resource Manager and shall be available for inspection by all District employees and the public. Such filing shall constitute notice to all employees of the personnel policies and procedures and of all amendments and changes.

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# 1.03 Policy Dissemination and Administration

All District employees shall be informed and provided a copy of policy provisions listed herein. As a condition of employment, employees are expected to abide by all policies and procedures outlined in this manual.

#### I. Policy Administration

- A. The general and final authority for human resource management rests with the General Manager, who may delegate it as necessary and proper, except for matters reserved to the Board of Directors.
- B. The administration of personnel matters is charged to Department Managers appointed by the General Manager. The Human Resource Manager shall advise the General Manager in all areas of employee relations and shall include such items as training and career development, employee health, safety and morale. Certain District policies are based upon state or federal laws and regulations, and if those laws and regulations are amended or otherwise modified, the District may amend or modify its policies to comply with such laws and regulations.
- C. The personnel policies of the District are based upon the belief that the success of the District government and its usefulness to the customers of the District is primarily dependent on its personnel, and that the full development of each employee's potential is beneficial to both the employee and the customers of the District.
- D. These policies are to provide for a consistent and equitable system of personnel management for the District. While these rules constitute a statement of policies and procedures, they are not intended to be all-inclusive and cover every conceivable personnel situation that might arise. Circumstances of any case or matter may warrant a deviation or exception in the application of these policies; where such circumstances justify an exception, the General Manager or his Human Resource Manager, may do so.
- E. The District is an "at-will" employer. These policies are not an employment contract and nothing in this manual is intended to change or modify the "at-will" status of District employees or to create or confer any property right or exception of continued employment to any employee.

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# 2.00 Employment, Qualifications, Disqualifications

#### I. Working Age

- A. Age limits may be indicated in some specifications for various classes of positions based on a bona fide occupational qualification or statutory requirement.
- B. No person under 18 years of age shall be employed in any position within the District.

#### II. Basic Employment Qualification

- A. In addition to the qualifications applicable to each position, an applicant for employment with the District must:
  - 1. Provide authorization for pre-employment background and criminal history checks relevant to the position being sought.
  - 2. Consent to conditional pre-employment physical evaluation and drug/alcohol testing, if applicable.
  - 3. Be at least 18 years of age.
  - 4. Possess a High School diploma or GED.
  - 5. Be of good moral character; and
  - 6. Be a citizen of the United States or possess authorization to work legally in the United States.

#### III. Disqualification for Employment Consideration

- A. The Human Resource Manager will review all applications for completeness and required qualifications. Only those applicants who meet the required criteria will be considered in the selection process. Depending upon the position vacancy and qualifications required, internal and external candidates may be considered concurrently. Although rejection may be based upon causes other than those enumerated below, the following are declared to be causes for rejection of an application or disqualification of an applicant:
  - 1. The application is incomplete.
  - 2. The applicant has not met the posted deadline for filling the application.
  - 3. The applicant does not meet the qualifications necessary for the performance of the duties of the position for which the candidate is applying.
  - 4. The applicant has made a false statement of material fact on the application or has practiced or attempted to practice fraud in connection with an application, supplements to an application, or

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commits fraud at any time during the interview process. Applicants guilty of the aforementioned are prohibited from applying for a position with the District for a minimum of one (1) year.

- 5. The applicant is unable to perform the essential functions of the position, even with reasonable accommodation.
- 6. The applicant is a former employee who is NOT eligible for rehire.
- 7. The applicant failed to pass pre-employment alcohol/drug screens under the District's Drug and Alcohol policy and/or any other assessment deemed necessary for the position.
- 8. Placement of the applicant would violate the District's age requirement policy.
- 9. The applicant is not in compliance with the Immigration Reform Act of 1986.
- 10. Placement of the applicant would violate the District's Nepotism policy.
- B. An applicant may be disqualified from consideration upon other reasonable grounds relating to job requirements. An applicant may be disqualified depending on the offense and the position for the person is applying.

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# 2.01 Equal Opportunity Employer

The District realizes that equal employment opportunities benefit the District and its employees through the full utilization of all human resources. It is the policy of the District to provide equal opportunity to all individuals without regard to race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin, religion, disability, or veteran's status or any other characteristic as determined by State and Federal law.

- I. Discrimination based on age, sex or disability or any other characteristic is prohibited except where specific requirements constitute a bona fide occupational qualification necessary for proper and efficient administration.
- **II.** It is the intent and desire of the District that equal employment opportunities be provided in employment, promotions, wages, benefits and all other privileges, terms and conditions of employment. Further the District will make reasonable accommodations for applicants and employees with known disabilities who can perform the essential job functions with or without such accommodations.
- **III.** The District requires ALL employees to bring to the District's attention any information regarding any incident of possible discrimination or harassment so that the matter can be investigated, and appropriate action taken. Any employee who violates the District's policy will be subject to corrective action and/or termination of employment.
- **IV.** The Human Resource Manager has been designated to ensure compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements of this policy.

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#### 2.02 Recruitment and Selection

- I. Hiring supervisors shall insure any vacant positions are budgeted approved by the General Manager.
- II. The District will post and/or advertise the employment needs of the District/position with a view toward non-discrimination and toward obtaining the best qualified candidates for each vacancy to be filled by recruitment from within or outside the District service.
- **III.** Candidates will complete an application and will complete any additional tests, examination, or the like, to indicate their ability to successfully perform the duties of the position they seek. The hiring supervisors will review candidates that meet the minimum qualifications for the position and who successfully complete the process.
- **IV.** Interviews with qualified candidates will be conducted by the Department Supervisor, Department Manager and/or Human Resource Manager.
- V. Once the hiring supervisor makes a selection, the Human Resource Manager will extend a conditional offer of employment contingent upon successful completion of necessary pre-employment testing.
- VI. Upon successful completion of all post conditional offer testing, the District will solidify the offer of employment and discuss start dates with the candidate.

#### VII. Re-Employment

- A. Full-time employees who separate from service with the District for any reason will not be considered for rehire in a full-time position for a minimum of twelve (12) months unless approved by the General Manager.
- B. Persons whose employment has been terminated or who has not resigned in good standing (did not give proper notice, under discipline, etc.) will not be considered for re-employment without approval of the General Manager.
- C. Employees who are rehired become eligible for benefits under the same terms as any other new hire, no "bridging" of time will occur.

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#### 2.03 Background Checks

#### I. Credit History

- A. The District will obtain credit history information on a candidate for employment only when the credit history is related to the position for which the person is being considered.
- B. The District shall comply with the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) before obtaining a job-related credit history. The District may not procure a consumer report for employment purposes unless:
  - 1. The District has provided the applicant or employee a written disclosure that a consumer report may be obtained for employment purposes; and
  - 2. The applicant or employee has authorized in writing the procurement of the consumer report.
  - 3. The General Manager or Human Resource Manager has provided authorization.
- C. Before taking any adverse action based on the consumer report, the District shall provide the applicant or employee a copy of the consumer report and a written description of the person's rights under the FCRA, as prescribed by the Federal Trade Commission.

#### II. Criminal History

- A. The District will conduct a criminal history record review for a final candidate for employment and will determine through the individualized assessment procedures described below whether the individual should be excluded from employment.
- B. Only District employee(s) authorized to view criminal history records will be involved in conducting and individualized criminal history record review. Consistent with business necessity, the District shall disqualify from employment a person whose criminal history is inconsistent with the job duties of the position for which the person is being considered.
- C. The District shall perform an assessment of criminal history record information when determining a person's eligibility for employment in a specific position and shall take into account a variety of factors, including the nature of the offenses.
  - 1. The age of the person when the crime was committed.
  - 2. The date of the offense and how much time has elapsed.

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- 3. The adjudication of the offenses (e.g., whether the person was found guilty by a trier of fact, pled guilty, entered a no contest plea, or received deferred adjudication).
- 4. The nature and responsibilities of the job sought.
- 5. The accuracy of the person's disclosure of their criminal history during the selection process.
- 6. The effect of the conduct on the overall environment; and
- 7. Any further information provided by the person concerning their criminal history record.
- 8. Upon review of background checks, the District does take arrests into consideration but may not disqualify a candidate solely based on this information depending on the situation once the candidate is identified for the role.
- D. In conducting the assessment, the District will consider both the factors set out above and any additional information provided by the individual. The District may obtain court records, if needed, to validate the information provided. Using the available information, the District will determine whether exclusion from employment is consistent with business necessity.
- E. Failure to disclose criminal history on an employment application will exclude a candidate from employment with the District, regardless of whether the candidate's criminal history alone would have disqualified them for employment.
- F. The fact of an arrest alone does not establish that criminal conduct has occurred, and the District <u>shall not</u> disqualify a person based solely on an arrest, but the District does take this into consideration. The District may make an employment decision based on the conduct underlying the arrest if the conduct makes the person unfit for the position in question.
- G. A candidate for employment who has a criminal history record will be notified in writing that they may be excluded from employment due to criminal history. The candidate will be given an opportunity to provide additional information concerning their criminal history record to be considered as part of the assessment process. Information may include:
  - 1. Documentation showing inaccuracies in the criminal record.
  - 2. Any evidence related to the factors for assessment listed above.
  - 3. Evidence that they have performed the same type of work, since the incident(s) noted on the criminal history record, with no known incidents of criminal conduct.

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- 4. Rehabilitation efforts, including education and training.
- 5. Employment or character references; and
- 6. Whether or not they are bonded (if a bond is required for the job position with the District).
- H. If the person does not provide additional information in a timely manner, the District will proceed with a determination with the information available to the District.
- **III.** The District will conduct a motor vehicle record review on a candidate for employment when driving is an essential job function of the position for which the person is being considered. The District will conduct annual motor vehicle record reviews for existing employees. The District will determine through the evaluation criteria for applicants, as set forth in the Motor Vehicle Standards, whether the person should be excluded from employment.

This policy applies to all employees, including all full-time and part-time employees, paid and unpaid interns, and temporary employees.

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#### 2.04 Nepotism

The District prohibits nepotism in hiring personnel or awarding contracts. This policy is enacted in order to avoid the perception of favoritism and cronyism in government through interpersonal relationships and to prevent conflicts of interest arising as a result of defined relationships between employees. Employment may be restricted when an applicant or current employee is related by blood (consanguinity) or marriage (affinity) to another District or Town employee or official; or is a member of the same household of another District or Town employee or official.

#### I. Definitions

- A. Nepotism the practice of favoring, providing benefits to, or giving any workplace preference to, relatives over other employees.
- B. Relatives Includes, but are not limited to, the first, second and third degree of consanguinity (blood), adoption; and the first and second degree of affinity (marriage). Common Law marriages as recognized by the state of Texas will also be included for purposes of this policy.
- C. Cohabitants persons who live together in a relationship but are not married, nor are declared to be married.
- D. Roommates supervisor and subordinate who share the same living quarters.

#### II. General Provisions

- A. Supervision: No District employee shall be regularly supervised directly by a relative, cohabitant or roommate. A District employee will not be transferred or promoted into positions that would cause them to be in a direct supervisor/subordinate relationship with a relative, cohabitant or roommate.
- B. Applicants: All external applicants for employment must, at the time of application and hire, disclose the name(s) of any relative(s) cohabitant(s) or roommate(s) serving as elected District officials or currently working for the District in any capacity. Nondisclosure of this information by an applicant shall be deemed as falsification of his/her application and shall result in non-consideration for a position or termination if the person has already been placed on the payroll. In the case of collusion, the current employee who is a relative, cohabitant or roommate may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including, termination.
- C. Employees: When a relationship is created which is not allowed by this policy, the employees are in violation of this policy. The affected employees must inform their department Manager of the relationship that violates this policy within five (5) business days of the creation of the prohibited relationship.

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Failure to disclose this policy violation to the affected Department Manager(s) shall result in disciplinary action, up to and including, termination.

- D. Promotion/Transfers: all employees who are being considered for promotion or transfer to another position (whether in the same department or to a position in another department) must, at the time of the application for promotion or transfer, disclose the name(s) of any relative(s), cohabitant(s) or roommate(s) serving as elected District officials or currently working for the District in any capacity. Non-disclosure may result in disciplinary action, up to and including, termination.
- E. Recommendation for Hiring: A current District employee may not be involved in the hiring or selection of a relative, cohabitant or roommate.

#### III. Disciplinary Action

- A. Disciplinary Actions: Supervisors may not participate in disciplinary decisions or appeals involving their relative, cohabitant(s) or roommate(s). Employees who become relatives, cohabitants, or roommates: When a relationship is created which is not allowed by this policy or a departmental rule, one of the employees must resign their position. The decision as to which employee shall vacate their position shall, initially, be left up to the affected employees. In all such situations, the following procedure shall apply:
  - 1. The affected employees shall disclose their potential violation to their Manager, who will in turn, notify the General Manager.
  - 2. If determined to be a violation, the employees shall have 15 calendar days from the date of the policy violation to make a decision as to which affected employee shall vacate their position.
  - 3. The affected employees will have an additional 15 calendars days to vacate the position. If they fail to do this, the Manager shall notify the employee with the least seniority, based on the most recent hire date, that they must vacate their position.
- B. Grandfather Clause: Employees hired before the effective date of this policy, who are found to be in violation of this policy, shall be allowed to continue working in their current positions. No person shall be hired, transferred, or promoted after the effective date of this policy whose continued employment with the District would create a new violation of this policy.

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# 2.05 Anti-Fraternization

An individual shall not be appointed to a position if the appointment would create a close working relationship with another employee within the department or functional area that could affect the health, safety or welfare of the employees, the efficient departmental operations of the best interests of the organization. A supervisor-subordinate relationship is prohibited between two employees who married or cohabitating or involved in a romantic relationship.

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# 2.06 Valid Driver License and Certificates

- I. The District requires that every employee who operates a District-owned or leased vehicle, or who drives a privately owned vehicle while carrying out job duties, must maintain a current valid Texas driver's license and an acceptable driving record as determined by the District. It is the employee's responsibility to notify the Human Resource Manager immediately if their driver's license is not valid.
- II. Driving records will be checked prior to employment and periodically throughout the course of employment. Applicants and employee are required to provide the District with any authorization necessary for the District to perform such a check. Moving traffic violations will be considered and may result in failure to hire in the case of prospective employees, and may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination, of an active employee. Each report will be reviewed and considered on a case by case basis.
- **III.** Additionally, as required by position, employee's may be required to hold separate licenses and certifications as necessary to complete their role with the District.
  - A. As a condition of employment and a continued condition of employment, it is the employee's responsibility to complete, obtain and maintain any certifications, licenses, and other requirements. Certifications and licenses are required to be obtained as designated by the Department Manager.
  - B. Employment is contingent upon obtaining these licenses and certifications within a certain amount of allotted time, also designated by the Department Manager.
  - C. If an employee fails to obtain and/or maintain these licenses and certifications, the employee can and will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

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# 2.07 Medical Examinations/Fitness for Duty

- I. The District endeavors to provide a safe work environment for all employees. It is the responsibility of each employee to maintain the standards of physical and mental health fitness required for performing the essential functions of their position, either with or without reasonable accommodation. It is the policy of the District to require certain applicants and employees to be examined by a physician under certain circumstances described below. Medical examinations may also be used to ensure that employees remain in good physical condition in order to perform the demands of the job.
- II. The General Manager or Department Manager with notice to the General Manager may require a person selected for initial appointment or reinstatement to undergo a medical (mental and/or physical) examination by one or more physicians designated by the District and at the District's expense. If a medical examination is required, the employment will be contingent upon successful completion of the medical examination and determination by the District that the person can perform the essential functions of the job with or without reasonable accommodation.
- **III.** The District recognizes that employees with potentially life-threatening and/or infectious illness or physical and/or mental disability may wish to continue to engage in as many of their normal pursuits as their condition allows, including their employment. As long as these employees are able to perform the essential functions of their job, with or without reasonable accommodation, without creating an undue hardship, and medical evidence indicates their condition is not a direct threat to themselves or others, the District will treat them consistently with other employees.

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#### 2.08 Separation of Employment

I. It is the policy of the District to request advance written notice of an impending voluntary separation from all positions of employment within the District organization. Minimum notice is necessary in order to expedite employee outprocessing and ensure a smooth transition without adversely affecting department efficiency.

#### II. Notice Requirements

- A. Department Managers are requested to give twenty (20) working days advanced written notice of separation.
- B. All other employees are requested to give ten (10) working days' advance written notice of separation.
- C. Failure of an employee to provide the minimum notice requested could prohibit eligibility for rehire, negatively affect their receipt of terminal pay and cause the employee to be terminated immediately.

#### III. Types of Separation

- A. Resignation: Regular employees may leave District service by submitting a written resignation to their supervisor at least ten (10) working days in advance of their last day of employment. Generally, the District does not deem it in the best interest of the organization to accept an employee's withdrawal of a resignation. Once a resignation is tendered by the employee and accepted by the District, it may not be withdrawn unless the Department Manager agrees. An employee may also give verbal resignation, but it is not considered proper notice.
- B. Job Abandonment: An employee is considered to have voluntarily resigned District employment if the employee fails to return from an approved leave of absence on the date agreed upon by the District and employee; or in situation where the employee fails to report to work without notice to the District for three (3) consecutive days or without sufficient cause. Employees who abandon their jobs will not be eligible for rehire and it may affect their terminal pay.
- C. Retirement: Full-time employees are afforded retirement under the Texas County & District Retirement System (TCDRS). Eligible employees may retire from District service in accordance with applicable programs. Service retirement through TCDRS requires as much notice as necessary to properly process retirement paperwork but a minimum of thirty (30) working days.

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- D. Involuntary (Disciplinary) Termination: Employees may be separated from the District for violation of District and/or departmental policies. Employee separated through involuntary termination are generally not eligible for rehire.
- E. Failure to Maintain Minimum Job Requirements: Employees may be separated for failure to maintain or secure license(s) or certification(s) required as a condition for performing the job.
- F. Resignation in Lieu of Pending Disciplinary Action/Discharge: A resignation because of pending or possible disciplinary action is considered separation for misconduct. Employees who resign in lieu of pending disciplinary action or discharge will not be eligible for rehire.
- G. Incapacity: Should an employee's abilities to perform the essential functions of their position, the Manager should consult with the General Manager or designee. If reasonable accommodations cannot be made and an employee is unable to perform the essential functions of their position with or without reasonable accommodation, the employee may be given a non-disciplinary termination due to business necessity with no appeal, subject to consideration of an Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) accommodation of continued leave and/or provisions of the worker's compensation policy.
- H. Death: When a District employee passes away, their estate receives all pay due and any earned and payable benefits as of the date of death.
- I. Reduction in Force: A reduction in force is a non-disciplinary decrease in the number of authorized positions. Whenever possible, the employee reduction from one department may be absorbed by transfers to suitable positions elsewhere. Such positions may not be at the same pay rate or grade. Layoffs will be a result of business necessity, such as discontinuation in demand for service, technological changes, and privatization

#### IV. Exit Procedures

- A. Upon receiving a resignation, the supervisor should contact the Human Resource Manager and provide the resignation letter. The supervisor is responsible for completing any necessary paperwork.
- B. Cobra In accordance with Federal Laws, the District offers eligible employees and their qualified dependents the opportunity for a temporary extension of healthcare coverage at the time of separation under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA). The District utilizes a third-party COBRA administration provider who will notify the employee after their termination about their rights to elect coverage. The terminated employee is responsible for paying the costs associated with any such continuation of coverage.

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#### 2.09 Employment Categories

The District will maintain standard definitions of employment and will categorize employees in accordance with the following definitions.

- I. Regular Full-Time Employees (FTE): Employees who have successfully completed introductory period and are scheduled to work at least 40 hours per week or work period on a regular basis in a full-time budgeted position. RFT employees are eligible for all District group benefits.
- II. Regular Part-Time Employees (RPT): Employees who have successfully completed introductory period and are scheduled to work less than 40 hours per week or work period on a regular basis in a part-time budgeted position. RPT employees who work an average of a least 30 hours per week may qualify to participate in the District's health and dental plans.
- **III. Temporary Employees**: Employees who are hired for a specific number of hours per week for no longer than six (6) months. Temporary employees are not eligible for any District group benefits.

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#### 2.10 Re-employment

- I. Rehired employees are subject to the conditions of employment and benefits of a newly hired employee, except where specifically stated otherwise. Individuals involuntarily terminated for disciplinary reasons are generally not eligible for rehire. Individuals terminated for non-disciplinary reasons, such as incapacity and other reasons outside of their control, may be eligible for re-employment stated in Chapter 2.03 Recruitment and Selection
- II. A former employee may be rehired into the same classification at the same rate of pay provided it has been less than one (1) year since they left employment. However, if a former employee is rehired into a lower position than the one vacated within one (1) year period, they shall be paid according to that job grade and not at the same rate of pay as prior to leaving the District.
- **III.** An employee, who resigned from District employment and submitted a written notice of resignation stating the date of departure and the reason for resignation, is eligible for rehire. The notice of resignation must have been submitted a minimum of ten (10) business days prior to the effective date. Employees who are not eligible for rehire will not be re-employed with the District unless the General Manager grants approval.
- IV. An employee may return to District employment only two (2) additional times. Exceptions may be made with the General Manager approval.

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#### 2.11 Promotions/Demotions/Transfers

- I. **Promotions** Assignment of an employee from a position of one classification to a position in another classification having a higher position pay.
  - A. When a position vacancy occurs, an opportunity to promote may be explored consistent to the goal of filling a position with the most capable person available. An employee is encouraged to develop their qualifications and apply for vacant advancement opportunities for which they qualify. A hiring supervisor may promote from within and may first consider current qualified employees to fill a vacancy, unless outside recruitment is in the District's best interest.
  - B. An employee must meet minimum qualifications in order to be promoted. The candidate with the best combination of skill, past performance and suitability for the position will be selected. An employee selected for a promotion must provide the releasing department with at least two (2) weeks' notice before assuming the new position. If both departments are in agreement, the notice period may be increased or decreased. Promoted employees will be placed at the minimum of the new pay grade or receive a 5% increase, whichever is greater. Additional pay requested must be approved by the General Manager; however, the employee's pay may not exceed the pay range for the position.
  - C. An employee may not be promoted if they are under administrative investigation; has been subject to discipline of a written reprimand or greater within the preceding six (6) months of the date of promotion; or if their most recent evaluation is below "meet expectations."
  - D. Managers must consult with the General Manager to discuss requests to place an employee above the minimum of the new pay grade to ensure consideration of internal equity issues. An employee promotion is conditional upon a successful introductory period.
- **II. Demotions** Assignment, either voluntary or involuntary, of an employee from a position in one classification to a position in another classification having a lower pay grade.
  - A. Non-disciplinary demotion is the assignment of an employee from a position in one classification to a position in another classification having lower pay grade. An employee qualified to perform lower-level position duties may be approved for administrative demotion at his/her own request. An administrative demotion may be an alternative to a layoff or for another reason in the best interest of the District. Such a demotion shall not be considered a disciplinary action or disqualify the employee involved from being considered for later advancement. All demotions will result in a

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decrease in pay unless an exception has been approved by the General Manager.

- B. Involuntary demotion is the result of less than satisfactory work performance or misconduct. Nothing in this section shall require the District to offer a demotion to employees in lieu of other disciplinary action, lay off or reorganization.
- **III. Transfer** is the assignment of an employee from one position to another position in the same classification grade.
  - A. Transfers may be made administratively, upon request of the employee or in conjunction with an announced selection process. The Human Resource Manager shall review transfer requests.
  - B. Managers may authorize a transfer between their divisions without opening the position internally or externally. The Human Resource Manager will coordinate said transfers.
  - C. An employee shall be employed with the District for six (6) months or longer to apply for a transfer. An exception may be granted by the General Manager when such transfer is in the best interest of the District.
  - D. A transfer is not allowed if an employee has been employed for less than six (6) months; the employee does NOT meet minimum qualifications for the position transferring to; is under administrative investigation; or if their last evaluation is below "meets expectations."

#### IV. Reassignment/Reorganization

- A. It is the policy of the District for the reassignment of job duties at-will and without cause. Such reassignment of duties may result in an employee's lateral transfer, reclassification, or non-disciplinary demotion.
- B. A reassignment of duties may include the assignment of additional duties or the removal of certain duties from a position. Reassignment of duties that does not affect an employee's classification may be made at the discretion of the employee's supervisor.
- C. A reassignment of duties which results in an employee's transfer to another department, reclassification or demotion shall be approved by the Department Manager and the General Manager prior to any such reassignment.
- D. Any major department reorganization or changes affecting jobs within the department should be addressed during the preparation of the department's annual budget. A significant reorganization of a department shall be approved by the General Manager prior to its implementation.
- E. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the assignment of higher-level duties or additional duties to an employee without additional compensations.

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- V. Interim/Acting Assignment If a position is vacant or its regular incumbent is absent for an extended period of a least four (4) weeks, the Department Manager with approval of the General Manager may authorize a temporary promotion to ensure the proper performance of District functions.
  - A. Department Managers may temporarily assign employees to higher-level positions in order to ensure continuance of work project, supervision, etc. Employees do not acquire any rights to the position they temporarily fill and may be returned to their former status and position at any time. Persons who have been temporarily assigned to a higher-paying position will be placed in an interim pay category effective after the 10<sup>th</sup> full workday of the change.
  - B. Employees receiving interim pay must perform most all the duties and responsibilities of the position being temporarily filled. Performing only some of the duties does not qualify an employee to receive interim promotional pay. Employees in acting positions will be placed at the minimum of the new position pay grade or receive a five (5) percent increase, whichever is greater, with the approval of the General Manager. Upon filling a position for which an employee was functioning an acting basis, the employee shall return to their position and pay for action promotion shall cease. Acting positions will NOT be used to circumvent normal promotional procedures. The employee involved will not acquire any status or rights to the position to which temporarily placed, except as provided herein.
  - C. General Manager approval is required for interim pay assignments.

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#### 2.12 Dual/Outside Employment

#### I. Outside Employment

District employees must recognize that the District is their primary employer. Employees may occupy only one (1) position within the District at any given time unless otherwise approved by the General Manager. For purposes of this policy, outside or self-employment includes a job, activity, or enterprise (including selfemployment) that constitutes a form of employment or business outside the responsibilities of employment with the District.

- **II.** Employees may not accept outside or self-employment that conflicts with the effective performance of the employee while on duty with the District or conflicts in any way with the best interests of the District. District employees cannot contract with the District for services.
- III. An employee will not be covered by the District worker's compensation insurance while working for another employer or while self-employed. In addition, an employee on FMLA leave, sick leave, disability leave, workers' compensation leave, or an unpaid leave of absence, may not engage in outside or selfemployment, as defined in this policy, unless expressly authorized by the General Manager.
- IV. Failure to notify the Human Resource Manager of dual/outside employment and dual/outside employment that is deemed as a conflict of interest to the District, must cease immediately, and can result in progressive discipline, up to and including, termination.

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# 2.13 Reference Policy

- A. All relevant information of District employees will be given as a result of an official open records request or at the written request of the employee/former employee.
- B. Regarding references, typically the information given will be the job title; the department/division in which the employee worked; their dates of employment; as well as eligibility for re-employment.
- C. Information may be given to other persons if required by law. All requests for references will be referred to Human Resource Manager and information should only be disseminated at the direction of General Manager.

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# 2.14 Performance Evaluation

The intent of District's performance evaluation process is to provide opportunities for employees to receive fair, accurate and helpful performance feedback. The feedback received should assist employees in maintaining and/or improving job performance and ultimately contribute to providing the best service possible to District customers. The performance evaluation process serves as a management tool for making decisions regarding career development, succession planning, training, retention, and compensation.

The performance evaluation process is the ongoing action of setting performance expectations, coaching employees to reach those expectations, providing feedback to employees and then reviewing and recognizing those performance results.

Feedback discussions should occur throughout the year, in addition to the following formal evaluations for regular full-time and part-time employees.

#### I. Types of Performance Evaluations

- A. New Hire: New employees will receive new hire coaching throughout after five (5) months of service and again on their one (1) year anniversary date.
- B. Promotion: Promoted employees will be on three (3) months and as needed.
- C. Annual Review: Regular full-time employees will have a performance appraisal meeting annually.

A performance evaluation is not subject to appeal or grievance. However, if an employee disagrees with any portion of the evaluation, he/she may provide a written statement to be attached to the evaluation.

An employee on a Leave of Absence at the time formal performance evaluations are done will receive a performance evaluation within two weeks upon his/her return to work.

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# 3.00 Official Personnel File

- I. Personnel records of present and former employees are kept in the Human Resource Manager's office. The personnel file is a complete record of an employee's application, physical reports, and changes in official status.
- II. In order for the personnel folder file to remain current, the Department Manager and supervisor shall submit, to the Human Resource Manager's Office, a notice or copy of all actions relating to an employee's status such as, commendations, reprimands, performance evaluations, etc. Department Manager's shall inform the Human Resource Manager if any other records are kept by the Department on its employees. Departments are not permitted to keep any hidden or redacted files on any employee personnel matters.

#### NOTE: All personnel records, no matter where they are maintained, are subject to the Texas Public Information Act, subpoenas, and other court orders.

- III. The Human Resource Manager will maintain personnel records of each active employee. Records will also be maintained on inactive employees for not less than the period required by law. An employee's records are available for inspection in the Human Resources Manager's Office by the employee, any individual authorized by the employee, his/her immediate supervisor, or Department Manager. The Human Resource will not release personnel records to individuals or agencies outside the District unless it is required by law.
- IV. An employee who wishes to review the contents of his or her personnel file may do so in the Human Resource Manager's Office. Under no circumstances will the file, or any contents from the file, be removed from the Human Resource Manager's Office by the employee.
- V. Employees are responsible for notifying the Human Resource Manager whenever there is a change in name, address, telephone number, marital status, number of dependents, military status, person to notify in case of an accident, or beneficiary assignment of any employee benefit plan so as to keep personnel files up-to-date.

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#### 3.01 Employee Privacy

#### I. Employee Privacy

- A. The Human Resource Manager shall establish procedures necessary to preserve the privacy of employee information as required by applicable state and federal legislation. Access to privileged or confidential employee records shall be based on the need to know as determined by the Human Resource Manager.
- B. The Texas Public Information Act permits an employee to determine whether the public shall have access to his/her information such as home address and social security number by submitting the Public Access Authorization form. The following information is a matter of public record under the Texas Public Information Act and, upon official request, will be released for public inspection from an employee's official personnel file:
  - 1. Name
  - 2. Date of original employment or appointment to the District service, or if applicable, last day worked
  - 3. Current position title
  - 4. Current salary
  - 5. Department to which the employee is currently assigned
- C. Employees may have access to their own personnel file for the purpose of inspection, review, and duplication during normal business hours. Supervisors may review their employees' or prospective employees' personnel files during normal business hours.

#### II. Personnel File Review

Upon proper request, the Human Resource Manager will, during normal office hours, allow third party access to information contained in personnel files. All files will be reviewed in the presence of the Human Resource Manager. No document may be removed, entered, or copied without prior permission of the Human Resource Manager. Requests for other information by third parties must be requested in writing with a signed release by the employee.

Examples of information that may be provided to the District by an employee's health care provider, and maintained in the confidential medical file, include:

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- 1. A note to justify a medically related absence.
- 2. A note to request leave for medical purposes.
- 3. A note to verify the employee's ability to return to work.
- 4. A note to verify the employee's completion of a wellness program related activity.
- 5. Medical records to support a claim for sick pay or disability benefits insurance records; and
- 6. Workers' compensation records.
- C. It is important that employees understand that the records are confidential, but that the confidentiality may be limited when certain medical disclosures are necessary, i.e., FMLA, ADA/ADAAA and worker's compensation. When an employee provides medical information to their supervisor, the supervisor shall disseminate the information to the Human Resource Manager and only on "as needed" basis to other members of management. The Human Resource Manager is the point of contact to receive medical information, to ensure confidentiality is maintained.
- D. In addition to protecting their own confidential medical information, employees must also respect the privacy and confidentiality of their coworkers' medical information as well as their co-worker's family medical information. Employees are required to use discretion and judgment when dealing with such information and are to refrain from passing along information, gossip, rumors, or anything else that may constitute an invasion of a coworker's privacy or breach of confidence. Employees should not speculate about medical conditions of other employees or their family members and may not publicly discuss another person's medical information.
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# 3.02 Confidentiality of Records

- I. Except in cases where information contained in personnel files is required to be disclosed under the Texas Public Information Act, or unless otherwise provided by law or this manual, personnel records and employee's files will be considered confidential. All documents and information submitted during the employment process and during employment are the property of the District.
- II. Medical records and drug test results will be maintained in separate confidential files from an employee's regular personnel file. Access to these records is limited to those persons who have a need to know the information relative to the employee's job. HIPAA Privacy Rules will apply as applicable.

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# 4.00 Medical, Disability, Life Insurance, Continuation of Coverage

I. The District provides comprehensive medical, dental and life insurance plans for its full-time employees and eligible dependents. Because of frequent changes in the law and because of the size and complexity of the Medical, Dental and Life plans, employees are to refer to an employee benefits summary, which is maintained and distributed by the Human Resource Manager. The summary provided is only to inform employee of the general benefits and procedures in a more concise manner. The terms of coverage are subject to periodic revision and questions employees may have are referred to the Human Resource Manager

#### II. Plans, Enrollment and Plan Year

- A. Enrollment and Plan Year Employees may enroll in the group health plans and other benefit programs upon hiring with the District after a designated waiting period. Plan years for group health plans are administered by the Human Resource Manager and are on a calendar-year basis beginning January 1st and ending December 31st. Open enrollment for an upcoming year is determined by the Human Resource Manager and employees will receive notice of the open enrollment period each year. Once elections have been made to participate, not participate or to change elections and have been submitted to Human Resource Manager, no change or revocation may be made in the election except in the case of a qualifying event as defined by the United States Internal Revenue Code.
- B. Group Health Plans
  - 1. Group Health Plan

The District Offers coverage in a choice of group medical plans to fulltime employees and eligible dependents. The District may subsidize a portion of the monthly premium. The percentage of subsidy varies between the plans and is subject to change.

2. Group Dental Plan

The District offers coverage in a choice of group dental plans to full-time employees and eligible dependents.

3. Group Life Insurance and Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) Coverages

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- a. Group Life and AD&D Full-time employees are enrolled in the District Group Term Life Insurance and AD&D Plan at no cost to the employee.
- b. Optional Life and AD&D Employees may opt to elect additional term life insurance. The cost of additional term life insurance is deducted from the employee's paycheck

#### III. Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA)

- A. COBRA became effective April 7, 1986. Through COBRA, District employees and their dependents, who are currently enrolled in qualified group benefits, are afforded an opportunity to extend those benefits at a percentage of the premium, which is subject to change, in situations by which the benefits coverage would otherwise end. The length of COBRA varies depending on the nature of the qualifying event but could range between eighteen (18) and thirty-six (36) months.
- B. COBRA continuation coverage can become available to the employees and their families when group health coverage would otherwise end. COBRA is continuation of plan coverage when it would otherwise end because of a life event, also called a "qualifying event." After such an event, COBRA continuation coverage must be offered to each person who is a "qualified beneficiary." Under COBRA, qualified beneficiaries who elect COBRA continuation coverage must pay for said coverage. COBRA continuation coverage is temporary coverage that generally lasts eighteen (18) months due to qualifying events. Certain qualifying events may allow the benefit to extend up to thirty-six (36) months.

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# 4.01 Retirement/Social Security and Medicare/Deferred Compensation

I. The District participates in the Texas County & District Retirement System (TCDRS), which provides retirement benefits to eligible employees. At the time of employment, all eligible employees are enrolled in TCDRS. Contribution rates and other policies of the District's TCDRS plan are subject to change. Currently, the employee contributes seven (7) percent of his/her earnings each pay period. The contributions are tax deferred and made through payroll deduction. The District matches employee contributions at a rate of two (2) to one (1).

#### II. Benefits at Retirement

- A. Generally, employees may retire after twenty (20) years of TCDRS service credit, regardless of age. Previous government and not-for-profit employment may contribute service credit toward earlier retirement.
- B. TCDRS benefits will be based on years of service, salary, the employee and District contributions to the account, and the retirement option selected.
- C. Employees should contact the Human Resource Manager at least thirty (30) days before the planned retirement date to allow for completion of necessary paperwork.
- **III.** All full-time District employees are automatically enrolled in the TCDRS, which is administered in accordance with the TCDRS Act, Government Code of Texas, as amended. For information regarding their terms and conditions, employees are referred to the TCDRS website at https://www.tcdrs.org.

#### IV. Social Security

The District participates in the Social Security system and federal law establishes benefits through the Medicare system. Social Security and Medicare costs are automatically deducted from the employees' checks.

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# 4.02 Worker's Compensation

The District provides workers compensation coverage to all employees for job-related injuries or occupational illnesses suffered by employees while acting in the course and scope of their position. For more information regarding workers' compensation procedures, contact the Human Resource Manager.

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# 4.03 Request for Accommodation (ADA/ADAAA)

To ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (ADAAA), The District offers equal employment opportunities to qualified individuals and strictly prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals based on disability.

- I. The District will employ and will not discriminate against persons with a disability or regarded as having such impairment as defined by the ADAAA. The following definitions shall be applicable to this policy:
  - A. Disability shall mean with respect to an individual:
    - 1. With a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one (1) or more major life activities of such individual.
    - 2. With a record of such an impairment; or
    - 3. Being regarded as having such an impairment.
  - B. The determination of whether an impairment substantially limits a major life activity shall be made without regard to the ameliorative effectives of mitigating measures such as:
    - 1. Medication, medical supplies, equipment.
    - 2. Use of assistive technology.
    - 3. Reasonable accommodations or auxiliary aides or services; or
    - 4. Learned behavioral or adaptive neurological modifications.
- **II.** The District prohibits discrimination against a qualified individual on the basis of disability. The District will not deny employment opportunities on the basis of the need to provide reasonable accommodation for the individual's physical or mental impairments unless it would cause an undue hardship to the District or constitute a threat to the safety of the disabled person or other persons. Individuals with disabilities requiring accommodations should notify the Human Resource Manager. The District requests sufficient notice, when possible, to give time to arrange the accommodation.
  - A. The District will make every reasonable effort to ensure that facilities and hiring procedures are accessible to all persons who wish to make application to the District for employment. The District desires that all accommodation requests by applicants be made in writing outlining
    - 1. The position being applied for.
    - 2. The accommodation being requested; and
    - 3. The suggested accommodation alternative and tools necessary to complete the application process.

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- B. All accommodation requests made by applicants who are otherwise qualified individuals, will be referred to the Human Resource Manager for consideration. Reasonable accommodations will be provided as long as they do not place an undue hardship on the District.
- III. If the District receives any medical information about an employee, it shall be forwarded confidentially to the Human Resource Manager, which will maintain a confidential medical records file for each employee. Medical records include any document where details are supplied. Such medical records files shall be secured, both physically and electronically, and kept separate from the employee's personnel file. Access to the confidential medical records files shall be limited except on a "need to know" basis.
- IV. Employees/Applicants who have a disability and need accommodation should report such need to the Human Resource Manager. The Human Resource Manager will work with the employee/applicant in an interactive process of questions and responses in order to determine if accommodation is possible.
- V. Employees, who have a complaint regarding potential violations of ADAAA including but not limited to harassment, discrimination, or failure to provide a reasonable accommodation, must immediately report such complaint to the Human Resource Manager. Such employees shall not be subject to retaliation for requesting accommodation or because of complaints about the denial of reasonable accommodation.

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## 4.04 Tuition Assistance

#### I. Statement of Purpose

- A. The Tuition Assistance Program is to provide an opportunity and an incentive for employees to increase their individual level of education and expertise in their related job duties, thereby enhancing their job skills and degree of professionalism and subsequently improving the ability for staff to provide continued quality service to the community. The District makes this investment in the employee with the expectation that it will improve the employee's productivity and that the employee is committed to continued employment with the District.
- B. Participation in the Tuition Assistance Program is subject to availability of funds in the District's annual operating budget and prior written approval of the Department Manager and General Manager. Participation in the Tuition Reimbursement Program is a privilege of employment, not a right. Therefore, participation in the program is subject to approval and is not guaranteed for any employee. Only full-time employees are eligible for tuition reimbursement after successful completion of their new hire introductory period. Employees who have been placed on a Performance Improvement Plan are not eligible for tuition reimbursement until successful completion of the Performance Improvement Plan.
- C. The Tuition Assistance Program is for college courses for Associates, Bachelors or Master's degree plans. The program is NOT for certifications.

#### II. Course Eligibility

- A. The District may provide assistance when the courses or employee's degree programs meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - 1. Relates to current job duties.
  - 2. Provides new knowledge and skills to enhance job performance and/or support the District's mission.
  - 3. Are required for a job-related degree program.
  - 4. Enhances the District's ability to respond to current and future needs; or
  - 5. Supports the documented Performance Improvement Plan.
- B. Individual courses outside of the degree plan, which are directly related to the employee's present or potential position with the District, may be considered for tuition reimbursement under this plan on a case-by-case basis, with the final determination on written approval made by the General Manager.

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#### III. Guidelines

- A. The District will reimburse the employee 100% of state tuition, laboratory, and registration fees. Tuition Assistance will only be granted for courses taken at or through an accredited university and which is part of an approved degree plan. For courses taken at a private school, the employee pays the difference in the tuition rates between the average rates for state schools within the region, as determined by the Human Resource Manager, and the private school.
- B. Other fees and education expenses to which this tuition assistance does not apply includes, but are not limited to:
  - 1. Books.
  - 2. Courses in which no credit is assigned.
  - 3. Courses repeated for purposes of raising a grade level.
  - 4. Testing fees.
  - 5. Extended Payment fees.
  - 6. Parking Fees; or
  - 7. Returned Check fees.
- C. If a course is subsidized by another source (i.e. veteran's educational payments, scholarships, and grants), tuition reimbursement is limited to those costs not covered by the other source(s).
- D. Those employees who cease employment with the District prior to completion of the course are ineligible for the tuition assistance benefit.
- E. If the employee does not maintain employment with the District for two (2) years after reimbursement for the course(s), the employee will be required to repay, at the time of termination of employment, the tuition and fees that were reimbursed by the District. The Human Resource Manager will be responsible for tracking of any tuition reimbursement money due upon termination of employment. Reimbursement amounts may be deducted from an employee's final paycheck with the District. The time expended by the employee involved in a course approved under this plan shall not be considered as "on-duty" time. Expenses related to travel, meals, or lodging are the cost of the employee and are not considered for reimbursement under this plan.
- F. Course work usually is completed outside of normal work hours, during hours of leave without pay or on the employee's own time.
- G. This plan is not related to courses, seminars, conferences, and similar training sessions that are required, offered, or paid by the District.

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#### I. Procedures

A. Request for Budget Approval:

Employees must submit a written estimate of their tuition reimbursement expenses to the Human Resource Manager, through their Manager, prior to the fiscal year in which they will attend the course(s). If an employee submits for tuition reimbursement for courses that were not submitted within the deadline, reimbursement may or may not be granted depending upon the availability of funds in the District's annual operating budget and approval by the Department Manager and Human Resource Manager.

- B. Request for Course Approval
  - 1. Tuition Reimbursement Approval Form must be completed and approved prior to registration for courses and implementation of work schedule changes.
  - 2. The Department Manager will recommend approval or disapproval for the tuition grant. If the Department Manager approves course(s) for possible reimbursement, he/she must indicate the reason the course is directly related to the duties of the employee's position. Furthermore, if the Manager recommends disapproval for the tuition reimbursement, the reason for such disapproval should also be indicated. The Department Manager will then forward the form with his/her decision to the Human Resource Manager and General Manager for final review.
  - 3. The employee will pay the initial tuition and related costs in advance and will be granted reimbursement only after the grade has been received. A grade level of "C" or better for an undergraduate course is required for reimbursement. A grade point average of "B" or better for a graduate course is required for reimbursement. Courses graded by "pass/fail" will be reimbursed only if the course uses the "pass/fail" as a mandatory grading requirement and a "pass" grade is received. Such reimbursement is based on the employee's official school grade report or transcript.
- C. After completion of the course, the Tuition Assistance Request Form, itemized tuition, fee receipt, and grade report must be submitted within forty-five (45) calendar days of completion of the course for approval by the Human Resource Manager. Failure to submit the appropriate documents within the time limit indicated may result in denial or delay of the tuition reimbursement for the course.

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#### 5.00 Sick Leave

#### I. Purpose

- A. The purpose of this policy is to establish uniform guidelines for the accrual, use and payout of sick leave. Sick leave is paid time away from work to provide income protection for an employee who is unable to perform his/her job due to an illness or injury.
- B. Must miss work to care for an immediate family member who is ill or injured; or,
- C. Needs time away from work for visits to a professional healthcare provider, for him/herself or for a family member, which cannot be reasonably scheduled outside of normal work hours.

#### II. Eligibility

- A. Only regular full-time employees are immediately eligible to accrue sick leave.
- B. Part-time, seasonal, and temporary employees are ineligible to accrue or use sick leave.

#### III. Accrual

Timing. Sick leave accrues at the rate of 10 days per year for full-time employees. Accrual of sick leave is unlimited until the employee is terminated or is transferred to a position which is ineligible for paid sick leave, at which point the accrual ceases.

#### IV. Usage

- A. An eligible employee may use accrued sick leave upon employment unless a part of an accommodation under the ADAAA. If sick leave is exhausted, accrued vacation or personal holiday may be used for additional time off.
- B. Departmental procedures. To be authorized for leave under this policy, an employee must notify the appropriate supervisor according to the procedures adopted by their department.
- C. Unplanned absence. In the event that an employee must miss work due to an unexpected illness/injury, s/he should notify the designated supervisor prior to the start of the shift (or as soon as is reasonably possible) and according to the notification procedures adopted by the department but no less than one (1) hour to the start of their shift. Failure to report in will cause an employee's absence to be charged to leave and regarded as a no call/no show.

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- D. Foreseeable absence. If an absence is foreseeable, such as a doctor's appointment, the employee shall schedule it to not unduly disrupt departmental operations and to give supervisors as much advance notice and flexibility in scheduling as possible.
- E. Failure to comply. An employee who fails to comply with departmental procedures for the notification and scheduling of sick leave may be denied paid sick leave and subject to disciplinary action, up to and including, termination of employment. An employee on sick leave found to be engaged in activities in direct conflict with the purpose of this policy, including outside employment or self-employment, may be denied compensation for the leave and subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.
- F. Time keeping. Use of sick leave will be recorded on the same basis as time worked and subject to a daily limit corresponding to the number of hours the employee is regularly scheduled to work.
- G. Multiple days absent. In the event that an employee will be or has been absent for more than three (3) consecutive work days for reasons covered under this policy, they will contact the Human Resource Manager as soon as possible to determine whether the absence should be designated as a leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA).
  - 1. Supervisors are also responsible for notifying the Human Resource Manager of any leave of absence exceeding three (3) consecutive workdays or that might otherwise qualify for FMLA leave.
  - 2. An employee who will be absent for more than three (3) consecutive workdays shall notify the designated supervisor of his/her expected return date as soon as is reasonably possible and prior to the date of return.
- H. Illness on vacation. An employee who becomes ill or who is injured while on vacation leave may request that the vacation leave be ended and the illness or injury time be converted to sick leave, if available.
- I. Absenteeism or misuse. While sick leave is intended to be a form of income protection, it does not provide job protection, except when used in conjunction with FMLA leave.
  - 1. An employee who is habitually absent from work for any reason, other than for an authorized leave of absence under the FMLA, ADAAA or workers' compensation, may be subject to disciplinary action and/or loss of employment.
  - 2. The Department Manager shall determine what constitutes excessive absenteeism on a case-by-case basis, considering the reasons for the absences and the degree to which they disrupt departmental operations.

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- 3. What constitutes excessive absenteeism for an employee in one job classification may be different than for an employee in another job classification.
- 4. Excessive use, misuse or abuse may be evidenced as follows, but is not limited to these examples:
  - a. Misrepresenting the need for use of sick leave.
  - b. Falsifying or altering healthcare provider notices, reports releases or other such physician documentation.
  - c. Evidence of a pattern of sick leave usage, such as frequently using sick leave before/following holidays, weekends, etc.
  - d. Using leave on days that evidence a pattern taking excessive leave (such as an entire day for an appointment.)
  - e. Using sick leave as it is accrued, thereby having no accumulation.
  - f. Performing secondary work while on sick leave.
- J. Last day of employment. Terminating employees shall not use sick leave in the last two weeks of employment unless providing a doctor's certification of the need for leave and/or unless the employee is using sick leave for approved FMLA leave or as a provision of ADAAA.
- K. Family member. Under this policy, an immediate family member is the employee's father, mother, sibling, spouse, child/stepchild, or in-law. In the event of a life-threatening illness or injury of an employee's family member who does not meet the definition of "immediate family," the department Manager may allow the employee limited use sick leave as they deem reasonable under the circumstances.

#### V. Leave Substitution

- A. FMLA. Time away on sick leave due to an event that qualifies for leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) will be deducted from both the employee's sick leave balance and their balance of available FMLA leave. The employee may also be required to use other paid leave if s/he does not have enough sick leave to cover the FMLA absence.
- B. Non-FMLA. An employee lacking enough accrued sick leave to cover an absence under this policy, which is not subject to the FMLA, may request to

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substitute other paid leave or to be placed on a leave-without-pay status. The substitution of other paid leave is not automatic.

- 1. Any leave substitution must be approved by the department Manager, who will consider whether to.
  - a. Approve the use of other paid leave.
  - b. Authorize a leave without pay; or
  - c. Take other administrative action to mitigate the negative impact of the employee's absence(s).
- 2. Approved paid leave substitutions shall be subject to the following order:
  - a. Vacation leave
  - b. Holiday leave
- C. FLSA. The provisions of this policy apply to employees whether classified as exempt or nonexempt from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), in accordance with the rule found at 29 CFR Part 541.710 and pursuant to the District's general policy of public accountability. All employees shall account for any absences subject to the application of this policy according to the manner described herein.
  - 1. Exempt employees should substitute paid leave or leave without pay for any absence which causes hours worked to be less than eighty (80) in a pay period.
  - 2. Nonexempt employees must substitute paid leave or leave without pay for any absence which causes hours worked to be less than normally scheduled for any designated work period, which is generally 40 hours in a seven-day work period.

#### VI. Documentation

A. Return-to-work release. An employee returning from a sick leave absence for their own illness/injury in excess of two (2) consecutive workdays will be required to submit a return-to-work release from the employee's doctor indicating that the employee has recovered enough from their recent illness/injury to perform the essential functions of their position with or without accommodation. The employee may also be required to take a physical ability test if such a test is normally required for placement in the job. Both the return-to-work release and a passing score on the physical ability test (if

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required) must be submitted to the Human Resource Manager before the employee may resume regular work duties.

- B. Proof of Illness/Injury. A department Manager may, at their discretion, require satisfactory proof of illness/injury if they suspect fraud or misuse of leave for absences not authorized under the FMLA, ADAAA or workers' compensation leave. Departmental requests for medical documentation to support the use of sick leave shall be processed by the Human Resources Department. Employees are encouraged to request and retain evidence of health care office visits/treatment related to sick leave absences if absenteeism or apparent misuse of sick leave becomes a matter for investigation and/or disciplinary action.
- C. For FMLA, ADAAA or Workers' Compensation. For absences authorized under FMLA, ADAAA or workers' compensation, the Human Resource Manager will request documentation to support the need for absence and/or the return to work. All such requests will be made in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

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#### 5.01 Vacation Leave

#### I. Purpose

- A. The purpose of this policy is to establish uniform rules and procedures to govern the accrual, use and payout of vacation leave. Vacation leave is paid time away from work to pursue activities that promote the well-being of the individual.
- B. An employee desiring to use vacation leave must notify the appropriate supervisor in accordance with the procedures adopted by his/her department.

#### II. Eligibility

All regular full-time employees are immediately eligible to accrue vacation leave at the time of hire as outlined herein; part-time employees and seasonal and temporary employees are not eligible to accrue or use vacation leave.

#### III. Accrual

- A. Vacation accrual for regular full-time employees is based on an eight (8) hour day. Regular full-time employees shall accrue vacation leave to a maximum balance at the rate of:
  - 1. 2 weeks per year up to completion of 5 years of service.
  - 2. 3 weeks per year up to completion of 10 years of service.
  - 3. 4 weeks per year from 11 years of service forward.
- B. Accrual of vacation leave continues up to the maximum accrual limit or until the employee terminates employment with the District or transfers to a job classification that is ineligible for vacation leave accrual.
- C. At the end of each calendar year, employees with vacation balances above the maximum allowed by policy will have their vacation leave balances administratively reduced to the maximum allowed. Employees may rollover 50% of the vacation hours earned during the fiscal year. Hours accrued over 50% and unused shall be forfeited.
- D. An employee transferring from a regular part-time position to a regular fulltime position or vice versa shall retain the balance of vacation leave already accrued if the new position is also eligible for vacation leave accrual.

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#### IV. Use

- D. An employee may begin use of accrued vacation leave upon successful completion of the six (6) month introductory employment period.
  - 1. All use of vacation leave is subject to the approval of the employee's department manager or designee, who may approve or disapprove vacation leave requests according to the provisions of this policy and subject to the needs of his/her department.
  - 2. Employees should be afforded the opportunity to take at least five (5) continuous days of vacation leave annually.
- E. Vacation leave may be used to compensate an employee for time away from work due to reasons for which accrued sick leave would normally be used but has been exhausted.
  - Vacation leave may not be substituted for sick leave until all other accrued leave and/or compensatory time has been exhausted; however, there is no requirement that compensatory time be exhausted prior to using vacation leave for an event that qualifies for leave under the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or District Leave of Absence.
  - 2. Such use is subject to the approval of the department Manager or designee based on past utilization and sick leave balances as they relate to tenure with the District.
- F. Terminating employees are not allowed to use vacation as their final day of employment unless the employee is using vacation for approved FMLA leave or as a reasonable accommodation under the ADAAA or it is approved by their department Manager.

#### V. Accounting:

- D. An employee shall be compensated for vacation leave subject to a daily limit corresponding to the number of hours for which he/she would have been scheduled to work.
- E. In the event that an employee has exhausted all other available leave, time away from work for an event that qualifies for leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) or ADAAA will automatically be paid from the employee's vacation leave balance, as well as be deducted from the employee's available balance of FMLA leave or ADAAA.
- F. Employees on sick, FMLA or leave under the ADAAA leave will be required to use, at a minimum, a portion of their accrued leave to pay for required benefits and payroll deductions.

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G. The provisions of this policy apply to employees whether classified as exempt or nonexempt from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), in accordance with the rule found at 29 CFR Part 541.710 effective August 23, 2004, and pursuant to the District's general policy of public accountability; all employees shall account for any absences subject to the application of this policy according to the manner described herein.

#### VI. Scheduling and Notification

Each department shall establish and communicate to its employees' specific procedures for the use of vacation leave which reflect the following:

- A. For scheduled use, a process for requesting the leave in writing, at least three (3) working days in advance of the requested leave, and documenting and communicating the approval/disapproval of the requested leave, including both the employee's and supervisor's approval.
- B. For unscheduled use, a process for documenting the request and the reason for the approval/disapproval of the requested leave, including both the employee's and supervisor's approval.
- C. That emergency requests should be reserved for truly unforeseeable events requiring the employee to be absent to handle personal business of an urgent nature; and
- D. That the maximum continuous vacation that can be authorized is two (2) calendar weeks, unless otherwise approved by the department Manager based on past utilization and sick leave balances as they relate to tenure with the District.

An employee who becomes ill or who is injured while on vacation leave may request that the vacation leave be ended, and the illness or injury time be converted to sick leave or other accrued leave type.

An employee who fails to comply with departmental procedures for the notification and scheduling of vacation leave may be denied paid leave and be subject to disciplinary action, including termination of employment. Further, an employee who takes a leave day following denial, as outlined herein, may be subject to disciplinary action, including termination of employment.

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#### VII. Payout

Employees who have completed their introductory period with the District are entitled to a payout of accrued vacation leave upon termination of employment or upon transfer to a job classification ineligible for vacation leave accrual.

Payout shall be made:

- 1. In the employee's final paycheck or in the last paycheck for which the employee is eligible to accrue vacation leave; and
- 2. Based on the employee's hourly rate of base pay immediately preceding the termination shall include any leave accrued for that pay period.

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# 5.02 Holidays

#### I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to identify the rules and procedures regarding employee compensation for official holidays of the District. All regular full-time employees are immediately eligible for paid time off for an official District holiday. Time off for holidays will be paid at the eligible employee's regular hourly rate of pay and will not be considered time worked for purposes of calculating overtime pay.

#### II. Official Holidays

The following holidays are official District holidays for all eligible employees. The Human Resource Manager will post a list of dates for recognized holidays before the beginning of each calendar year.

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Thanksgiving Day
President's Day	Day After Thanksgiving
Good Friday	Christmas Eve
Memorial Day	Christmas Day
Independence Day	*Personal Day

\***Personal Day off**. While it is not a holiday, employees may take a personal day of their choice off from work. This time must be taken for a full day of eight (8) hours; will not carry over to any other time; and must be utilized prior to the end of each calendar year.

Generally, holidays occurring on Saturday will be observed on the preceding Friday, and holidays occurring on Sunday will be observed on the following Monday. Exceptions to the dates that holidays are observed is at the discretion of the General Manager and will be so noted on the list of holiday dates provided annually by the Human Resource Manager.

#### III. Working on a Holiday

- A. Full-time non-exempt employees who must work on an official holiday, will be paid for the holiday, in addition to hours worked, at the regular rate of pay.
- B. Exempt employees who work on an official holiday will also be allowed to utilize holiday hours for use on an alternate day, with the approval of their supervisor.

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#### IV. Use/Payout

- A. Termination of Employment: Terminating employees are not allowed to use a holiday as their final day of employment.
- B. Absence Before or After a Designated Holiday: To receive holiday pay, an otherwise eligible non-exempt employee must be at work or on an authorized leave of absence on the scheduled workdays immediately preceding and immediately following the day on which the holiday is observed. If an employee is absent on one or both days because of an illness or injury, the District reserves the right to verify the reason for the absence before approving holiday pay.
- C. Leave of Absence. An employee on an approved leave status, including workers' compensation leave, will be paid holiday pay in lieu of any leave status pay they would ordinarily receive at the time of the holiday. Receipt of holiday pay while on a paid leave of absence qualified under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) does not extend an employee's FMLA leave entitlement.
- D. Religious or Other National Holidays. Employees may request to take other religious and national holidays, but any such request is subject to the approval of the supervisor. If approved, the employee must use appropriate leave balances (i.e. holiday accruals, vacation leave, etc.) Sick leave is not authorized for use for religious or other national holidays.
- E. The District reserves the right to change, modify, amend, revoke, or rescind all or part of this policy in the future.

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## 5.03 Bereavement Leave

#### I. Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to identify the rules and procedures with regard to the use of bereavement leave. Bereavement leave is intended for the purpose of allowing an employee time to attend to the immediate needs of the situation.

#### II. Eligibility

All full and part time employees are eligible for paid bereavement leave from the first day of employment. Bereavement leave will normally be granted unless there are unusual business needs or staffing requirements. Employees may, with their supervisor's approval, use any available vacation time for additional time off as necessary.

#### III. Maximum Bereavement Leave

While there is no accrual of bereavement leave, each regular employee will be eligible for up to three (3) working days of leave per occurrence. In such cases the employee may, upon request, be granted up to five (5) days leave with pay without loss of benefits.

Employees will receive pay for each hour of bereavement leave used within the maximums set above. Paid leave does not include any special forms of compensation, such as incentives, commissions, bonuses, overtime, or shift differentials.

#### IV. Appropriate Use of Bereavement Leave

Bereavement leave may be used by an employee in the case of the death of:

Consanguinity (Blood Relationships) and Adoptive Relationships

First Degree	Second Degree
Mother and/or Father	Grandparent
Daughter and/or Son	Grandchild
Brother and/or Sister	Uncle and/or Aunt
Legal Guardian	1 <sup>st</sup> Cousin
Legal Ward	Niece and/or Nephew

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Affinity (Marriage Relationship)

First Degree	Second Degree
Spouse	Brother and/or Sister – in - Law
Son and/or Daughter – in Law	Spouse's Grandparent
Mother and/or Father -in - Law	Step-Grandparent
Step-Parent	Stepsister and/or Stepbrother
Stepson and/or Stepdaughter	

#### V. Procedures

- A. Notification Employees who wish to take time off should notify their supervisor immediately.
- B. Documentation A Department Manager may require the employee provide documentation for a bereavement leave request.

#### VI. Leave Substitution

If additional days of leave are requested to take care of family needs in conjunction with a death in the family, then appropriate leave pursuant to Vacation Leave or Sick Leave policies is to be used prior to the authorization of unpaid leave.

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# 5.04 Inclement Weather

Regardless of weather or other conditions and due to the essential and direct impact on public safety and health, District services must continue regardless of the weather, manmade, technological emergencies, or disasters. Employees may be required to report to work as scheduled or as needed regardless of official-delayed opening, early closing, or closure of District facilities as designated by the General Manager

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# 5.05 Administrative Leave

#### I. Administrative Leave with Pay

Employees may receive paid administrative leave for official business or other work-related matters as designated by the department Manager or designee. Other authorized purposes may include, but not be limited to, voting in official elections, investigative proceedings, jury duty, professional conferences, conventions, training activities, legislative proceedings, civic functions or any other purpose deemed to be in the District's best interests.

#### II. Administrative Leave Without Pay

Administrative leave without pay will be utilized when employees have exhausted all accrued paid leave been placed on such leave by the department Manager.

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# 5.06 Jury/Court Duty

Jury/Court Duty Employees required by summons to report for jury duty (including grand jury duty), or who are impaneled as a juror or alternate juror, shall receive their regular pay during the time period directly related to jury duty (not to exceed 40 hours of jury duty pay per week).

#### I. Regular Pay

Employees requesting regular pay for work time spent on jury duty must present proof of attendance from the presiding court before pay can be issued. Upon release from jury duty, employees must contact their supervisor to determine if they should return to their assigned work location. Employees failing to return to work during their normal work hours are subject to disciplinary action.

#### II. Official District Business

Employees who are subpoenaed to appear in court or before any other judicial or administrative body for and on behalf of official District business or on behalf of the county, state or federal government for services related to District duties, shall be compensated in accordance with the procedures specified under the jury duty section of this chapter.

Employees subpoenaed to appear as a witness on behalf of the District, county, state or federal government for service related to District duties will be compensated for time spent in court in accordance with the procedure specified under the jury duty section of this chapter.

Employees requesting regular pay shall provide a copy of the subpoena and, if available, proof of attendance by the court or respective administrative body.

#### III. Personal/Private Business

Employees will not be paid for time off to conduct personal or private legal business. Vacation or compensatory time may be used if approved by the supervisor.

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# 5.07 Family and Medical Leave (FML)

#### I. Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline and establish general procedures and guidelines for compliance with the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA).

In accordance with the FMLA, the District will abide by the provisions and the regulations published by the U.S. Department of Labor to implement the Act. Employees should contact the Human Resource Manager for specific information and questions regarding this policy.

#### II. Procedures

- A. Under the FMLA, eligible employees may take up to twelve (12) work weeks of unpaid job-protected leave each year for specified family and medical reasons or twenty-six (26) weeks of leave to care for an injured or ill service member.
- B. FMLA leave runs concurrently with other types of leave. FMLA leave is typically unpaid unless the absence also qualifies for paid leave under another District policy, at which point FMLA leave and paid leave will run concurrently.
  - 1. Sick Leave: If an employee has any available accrued sick leave, it must be used concurrently with any available FMLA leave.
  - 2. Vacation, Comp Time, Personal Leave & Holiday: If all of the sick time has been used, the following leave time will be applied and will run concurrently with any remaining FMLA leave accrued vacation, compensatory time, personal leave and then holiday leave.
  - 3. Disability & Workers' Comp. Leave: If the employee is approved for workers' comp. or short-term or long-term disability, the employee's absence from work is automatically approved for FMLA, provided he/she has met the FMLA's eligibility requirements. This means that workers' comp. and short- and long-term disability absences will run concurrently with FMLA leave. Employees being paid either workers' comp. wage benefits or short- or long-term disability benefits while on leave are not required to use accrued sick, personal, holiday, comp time or vacation leave while collecting workers' comp. or disability benefits.
  - 4. In determining the amount of family medical leave available to an employee, the District will use a 'rolling calendar' by considering any family medical leave taken in the twelve (12) months prior to the date the requested leave is to begin and continuous with each additional day leave is taken.

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#### III. Eligibility

- A. Employees must have been employed by District for at least twelve (12) months (need not be consecutive) prior to the leave date and must have worked at least 1,250 hours during the twelve (12) months prior to the date the requested leave is to begin. The District will grant FMLA leave for any of the following circumstances:
  - 1. Birth of a child of the employee, in order to care for such child (eligibility for leave expires twelve (12) months after the date of birth of the child).
  - 2. Placement of a child with the employee for adoption or foster care (eligibility for leave expires twelve (12) months after the date of placement of the child).
  - 3. To care for the spouse, child, or parent of the employee with a serious health condition as defined by FMLA.
  - 4. If the employee has a serious health condition which makes the employee unable to perform all the essential functions of his/her position.
  - Due to a non-medical activity ("qualifying exigency") that is directly related to a covered family member's (limited to a spouse, son/daughter, "next of kin", or parent of the employee) active duty or call to active duty in the Regular Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves;
  - 6. For an eligible employee (limited to a spouse, son/daughter, parent or next of kin of a covered service member) to care for a covered service member who is a current member of the Regular Armed Forces, National Guard, or Reserves who has incurred an injury or illness in the line of duty while on active duty, provided that such injury or illness renders the service member medically unfit to perform the duties of his/her office, grade, rank, or rating. This leave may be up to 26 work weeks of unpaid leave during a single twelve (12) month period. *This is the only instance in which a leave of up to twenty-six (26) work weeks may be taken.*
  - 7. For an eligible employee (limited to a spouse, son/daughter, parent or next of kin of a covered veteran) to care for a covered veteran who was honorably discharged within the five (5) year period prior to the family member's need for leave to provide care during the recuperation, treatment for a condition that was caused or aggravated during the line of duty, or recovering from a serious illness or injury. This leave may be up to twenty-six (26) work weeks of unpaid leave during a single twelve (12) month period. *This is the only instance in which a leave of up to twenty-six (26) work weeks may be taken.*

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NOTE: During the single twelve (12) month period, an eligible employee shall be entitled to a combined total of twenty-six (26) work weeks of unpaid leave, regardless of the various reasons for FMLA leave.

When both a husband and wife are employed by the District and are eligible for leave due to the birth or placement of a child for adoption or foster care, or to care for a parent, or due to an urgent need or requirement (qualifying exigency) arising out of a covered family member's active duty or call to active duty, they are entitled to a total of twelve (12) work weeks together (NOT twelve (12) work weeks each) of family and medical leave in a calendar year. However, if the leave is for self-care or care of a sick spouse or child, each employee is entitled to twelve (12) work weeks of unpaid leave per calendar year under FMLA.

#### IV. Employee Responsibility

- A. Employees must provide the District sufficient information so that it can make a determination as to whether the employee's absence is FMLAqualifying. If an employee fails to explain the reasons, leave may be denied. Employees must also indicate on their time sheet when an absence or tardy is or may be covered by FMLA. The District may retroactively designate leave as FMLA-qualifying, upon notice to the employee. Any absence or illness that results in more than three (3) days' absence must be reported to the Human Resource Manager.
- B. At Least thirty (30) Days' Notice Required for Foreseeable Leave: Employees must provide their Department Manager or the Human Resource Manager with at least thirty (30) days' advance notice when the need for FMLA leave is foreseeable.
- C. Notice as Soon as Practicable for Unforeseeable or Emergency Leave: If the need for FMLA leave is not foreseeable, employees must provide their Department Manager or the Human Resource Manager with as much advance notice as practicable, in accordance with their Department's normal call-in procedures. The employee must also provide an explanation as to why they were unable to provide at least thirty (30) days' advance notice of the need for leave.
- D. Content of Notice: Employees must provide the District with at least verbal notice and explain the reasons for the needed leave sufficient to allow the District to determine if the absence is FMLA-qualifying, and the anticipated timing and duration of the leave, if known. If the employee has previously taken FMLA leave for the same reason, they must specifically reference the qualifying reason for leave or the need for FMLA leave. The District may

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seek additional information from the employee, and the employee is obligated to respond to the District's questions so the District can determine if an absence is potentially FMLA-qualifying. The employee must notify the District as soon as practicable if the dates of his/her scheduled leave change or are extended or were initially unknown.

- E. Compliance with District's Call-In Procedures: Employees must comply with their Department's normal call-in procedures for reporting absences, tardies and requesting leave (e.g., contacting a specific supervisor by a certain time). Notice may be given by the employee's spokesperson only if the employee is physically unable to do so personally. Where an employee does not comply with the District's and Department's normal call-in procedures and no unusual circumstances justify the failure to comply, FMLA-protected leave may be delayed or denied.
- F. Consequences for Failing to Provide Required Notice: If the employee fails to timely explain the reasons for his/her need for leave, FMLA leave may be denied or delayed for up to thirty (30) days. The employee may also be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with District policy. Likewise, if an employee fails to respond to the District's reasonable inquiries regarding a leave request, the employee may not be granted FMLA leave protection.
- G. Scheduling Planned Medical Treatment: When an employee intends to take leave for planned medical treatment for him/herself or for their spouse, child or parent, the employee is ordinarily expected to consult with their supervisor and to try to schedule the treatment so as not to disrupt unduly the District's operations, subject to the approval of the treating health care provider. This should be done prior to the scheduling of treatment in order to work out a treatment schedule which best suits the needs of the both the employee and the District.
- V. Periodic Check-In While on FMLA: Employees must check in periodically with their supervisor and with the Human Resource Manager regarding their status and intent to return to work. If the employee discovers that the amount of leave originally anticipated is no longer necessary, the employee must provide the District with reasonable notice (i.e., within two (2) business days) of the changed circumstances, if foreseeable.

#### VI. Employer Responsibility

A. The Human Resource Manager is responsible for the verification, approval and notification of FMLA leave. The Human Resource Manager may designate leave as FMLA leave if it determines that a qualifying event has occurred.

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- B. Eligibility and Rights & Responsibilities Notice: The Human Resource Manager will notify an employee of their eligibility to take FMLA within five (5) business days (absent extenuating circumstances) of its receipt of the employee's request for FMLA leave (or from when the District otherwise determines that an employee's absence may be FMLA-qualifying). Employee eligibility is determined at the commencement of the first instance of leave for each FMLA-gualifying reason in the applicable twelve (12) month period. Notification may be oral or in writing, but the District will normally use the FMLA form 'Notice of Eligibility and Rights and Responsibilities.' This FMLA form will also detail the District's specific expectations, the employee's obligations, and consequences to the employee of not meeting his/her obligations. If an employee's eligibility status changes or if any of the specific information in the Rights & Responsibilities Notice changes, the Human Resource Manager will so notify the employee within five (5) business days of the receipt of the changed information, absent extenuating circumstances.
- C. Designation Notice: When the Human Resource Manager has enough information to determine if an absence is FMLA-qualifying (e.g., after receiving the employee's fully completed Certification), the Human Resource Manager will notify the employee in writing (FMLA form Designation Notice) as to whether the leave will or will not be designated as FMLA. This Designation Notice will be given to the employee within five (5) business days, absent extenuating circumstances. If the information in the Designation Notice changes, the Human Resource Manager will notify the employee within five (5) business days of the District's receipt of the employee's first notice of need for leave subsequent to any change.
- D. Certification Forms & Other Required Documentation: The Human Resource Manager is responsible for determining the completeness and authenticity of certification forms, fitness-for-duty/return to work certifications, and for review and coordination of all other FMLA documentation required by this policy.
- E. Supervisors & Department Managers: So that the Human Resource Manager can meet the notice deadlines required by the FMLA, supervisors must immediately notify both their Department Manager and the Human Resource Manager if they have reason to believe an employee's absence is due to an FMLA-covered reason. Supervisors must make this report even if the employee is using paid time off to cover the absence (e.g., sick leave, comp time, vacation, holiday, workers' comp., short- or long-term disability). Supervisors and Department Managers must report to the Human Resource Manager any time an employee misses work for three (3) or more days because of their own illness or injury or that of a spouse, child

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or parent. Supervisors and Department Managers may not contact health care providers when employees are sick. The Human Resource Manager will make contact with health care providers if and when necessary. It is important to remember that under the FMLA, an employee requesting paid or unpaid leave for an absence covered by the FMLA is not required to expressly mention FMLA. If the employee states a reason that qualifies for FMLA leave, the employee will likely have met the FMLA's notice requirements. When an employee submits a leave/absence form indicating an FMLA absence, the form must be sent to the Human Resource Manager immediately.

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# 5.08 Break time for Nursing Mothers

Lactating mothers may use time during the standard workday for milk expression. This may include various combinations of standard paid break periods, lunch periods and other time as necessary. Lactating mothers must be afforded flexibility in their work schedules, such that the use of accrued leave or leave without pay is not required to cover time used for milk expression. While in general, this may require two to three lactation breaks a day, scheduling will be arranged on a case-by-case basis and be based on the specific needs of the employee. Departments will provide a private location, shielded from view and free from any intrusion from others, to express breast milk. A bathroom, even if private, does not qualify as a location. While a private space does not have to be established strictly for the use of the breastfeeding employee, it does however, have to be available any time the employee needs to express milk. Affected employees are required to inform their supervisors when they need an accommodation for milk expression.

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# 5.09 Military Leave

To provide eligible employees with military leave benefits pursuant to state and federal law.

#### I. Definitions

- A. Military Leave: Leave to be used solely for the purpose of fulfilling short term annual military training obligations.
- B. Extended Military Leave: Leave which goes into an extended active duty status of any branch of the United States armed forces.

#### II. Procedures

- A. Employees must notify the Human Resource Manager immediately upon receiving notification, or not less than thirty (30) days before their pending duty, whichever occurs first.
- B. Written performed duty verification must be submitted prior to the leave or within a reasonable period of time in order to confirm payment of military pay and to confirm the veteran's re- employment rights. Verification may include, but is not limited to, orders, drill letters, training schedule and signed duty verification from the officer in charge.

#### III. Military Leave

Employees will receive military pay at their normal base rate for up to fifteen (15) workdays in a calendar year. Military Leave beyond fifteen (15) days may be paid, at the employee's discretion, using accrued compensatory, personal day or vacation time (accrued sick leave may not be substituted). The employee may also choose to take the remaining leave as unpaid.

#### IV. Extended Military Leave

Employees on Extended Military Leave may be paid, at the employee's discretion, using any remaining fifteen (15) days of military pay, accrued compensatory, personal day or vacation time (accrued sick leave may not be substituted). The employee may also choose to take the remaining leave as unpaid. Employees may request to receive payment for any accrued, unused personal day, vacation, holiday, or compensatory time at the start of unpaid extended military leave. The District will pay the employee's and District's portion of medical and dental benefits for sixty (60) days, unless the employee elects military medical and dental coverage.

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#### V. Supplemental Pay

Any regular full-time employee who has been called to active duty (Extended Military Leave) will receive supplemental pay if their military salary is less than their District salary. The amount of supplemental pay is the difference between the District salary and the military salary. Supplemental pay is available until an employee is no longer called to actively serve in the military, their monthly military salary exceeds their regular District salary, or for up to five (5) years, whichever occurs first. The employee is responsible for notifying the Human Resource Manager if their military salary changes while on active duty.

#### VI. Benefits

- A. The District shall provide at no cost to the employee all medical and dental benefits for the regular full-time employee and their dependents during such period of sixty (60) days (Extended Military Leave) unless the employee elects military medical and dental benefits. Longevity pay, life insurance and other benefits will not be provided during such leave.
- B. Upon an employee's return to employment following Extended Military Leave, the employee will be given the opportunity to enroll or make any changes to desired benefits (i.e., medical, dental, vision, etc.).
- C. While on paid Military Leave, excluding the supplemental pay benefit, employees continue to accrue vacation, sick leave and other benefits provided to other employees on paid leave. While on unpaid Extended Military Leave, benefit accruals will be suspended and will resume upon the employee's return to active employment.

#### VII. Returning from Leave

- A. An employee who leaves District employment to enter active military service shall be restored to employment in the same position held upon entrance to active military service, or in a position of comparable status and pay, if the employee:
  - 1. Is physically and mentally qualified to perform the essential duties of the position.
  - 2. Was discharged, separated, or released from active military service under honorable or general conditions.
  - 3. Has not been in active military service for more than five (5) years; and
  - 4. Makes written application for reappointment and presents evidence of the discharge, release, or separation from military service within the time constraints prescribed by USERRA.

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- B. The deadline for an employee to return to work and/or notify the District that they intend to return to work following Extended Military Leave depends upon how long the employee's military service lasted:
  - 1. For service of less than thirty-one (31) days, employees have eight (8) hours following their release from service to report to their next scheduled work period.
  - 2. For service between thirty-One (31) and one-hundred eighty (180) days, employees have fourteen (14) days following their release from service to apply for reemployment.
  - 3. For service of more than one-hundred eighty (180) days, employees have 90 days following their release from service to apply for reemployment.
- C. These deadlines may be extended for two (2) years or more when an employee suffers service-related injuries that prevent the employee from applying for reemployment or when circumstances beyond the employee's control make reporting within the time limits unreasonable, according to the provisions of USERRA.
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## 6.00 Payroll

#### I. Purpose

To establish a wage and hour administration policy in compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act, as amended.

#### II. Definitions

A. Exempt Employees

An *exempt* employee is one who *is not covered* by the overtime provisions under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA or Act).

B. Non-exempt Employees

A Non-exempt employee is one who is covered by the overtime provision under the FLSA and will be paid overtime or receive compensatory time, per departmental policy, for hours <u>worked</u> in excess of forty (40) hours per workweek except as otherwise stated by policy, statute or regulation.

C. Workweek Period

The payroll period begins on a Sunday and ends on a Saturday for a fourteenday period.

D. Hours Worked

The time that the District requires or permits non-exempt employees to be on duty is considered hours worked. Sick leave and holiday hours are not considered hours worked. All other paid leave including vacation, jury duty and bereavement leave will be considered hours worked.

E. Pay Period

All employees are paid every other Friday for the preceding two-week payroll period.

#### III. Direct Deposit

- A. It is the policy of the District that all employees participate in direct deposit of their payroll check. It is the employee's responsibility to provide accurate banking information to payroll (routing number, account number). Employees must submit a voided check or letter from their banking institution along with the proper direct deposit change form when enrolling or changing direct deposit information.
- B. Employees are advised to contact Payroll when contemplating closing their bank account(s), to assure that direct deposit payments are not in transit and to minimize the possibility of delayed payments.

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- C. Payments credited to bank accounts incorrectly via direct deposit will be reversed by the District as soon as the error is noted. A corrected entry will be processed as quickly as possible once the District has received the funds credited back from the incorrect banking account and credited via direct deposit as available. If correction by direct deposit is not feasible, a check for the correct amount will be issued by the District. In the event that an employee has withdrawn funds which were erroneously credited to their account and the District is unable to execute a reversal of the erroneous entry, the Finance Manager will arrange repayment with the employee.
- D. The employee's paycheck is payment from the District to the employee for services the employee has rendered, less any applicable deductions. If the employee does not report paycheck errors promptly, the District will rectify any errors upon notification as required by law. If the employee does not understand how to figure their pay or how to read their check, the employee should seek help from the Finance Manager, so that it can be properly explained to the employee.

#### IV. FLSA Responsibilities

- A. The District is responsible for ensuring compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act in the classification of positions, policy development, training, payroll, and child labor standards. The Human Resource Manager is responsible for the overall administration and interpretation of that Act.
- B. Department Managers are responsible for ensuring compliance with the policies and procedures outlined in this policy. Department Managers will be responsible for requesting exemption status changes and reporting any changes, which may affect that status.
- C. Each Department Manager is responsible for exercising adequate supervision to ensure that employees comply with established work schedules and that unscheduled work is performed only in bona fide emergencies. The mere establishment or communication of work schedules does not relieve directors, managers, or supervisors of their responsibility for controlling work time. Managers are responsible for controlling starting and stopping times whether within or outside the usual work schedule. Managers and supervisors are responsible for the recording of hours worked as they actually occur.
- D. It shall be the duty of employees to comply with departmental work schedules and avoid performing work that is unscheduled or non-directed outside of assigned work schedules or assignments for bona fide emergency situations.

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#### 6.01 Overtime

- I. The Human Resource Manager will determine, according to the Fair Labor Standards Act, whether a position is exempt or non-exempt.
  - A. Overtime

Overtime, when ordered for the maintenance of essential District functions, shall be allocated as uniformly as possible among all eligible employees, and will be paid in accordance with applicable law. Department Managers are responsible for exercising adequate supervision to ensure that employees are complying with established work schedules.

1. Eligibility

Overtime pay or compensatory time will be given to non-exempt employees for hours worked in excess of the regular scheduled workweek or applicable work period.

- 2. Non-exempt Positions
  - a. Eligibility Department Managers have the authority to approve, with the employee's request, whether the department's non-exempt employees can work overtime. The Department Manager is the final authority for compensation method utilization and will take into account the department overtime budget and operational demands.
  - b. Rate Overtime pay for non-exempt employees shall be at one andone-half (1.5) times the employee's regular rate of pay.
- 3. Unauthorized Overtime

Authorized overtime shall require the approval of the supervisor, Department Manager, or in some cases, the General Manager. Employees who work unauthorized hours may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

- 4. Exempt Employees
  - a. Exempt employees are not eligible to accrue overtime or receive compensatory pay.
  - b. Exempt employees may be required to report to their shift for the entire work period. Unauthorized absences during a shift shall be

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addressed as a performance issue and may be subject to deductions from appropriate leave banks or be deducted from salary.

- c. Exempt employees shall use sick and vacation leave for partial and full day absences and record on the District time keeping system.
- d. Due to the obligations for exempt employees to attend after hour meetings and work on projects outside of regular work hours, an exempt employee's immediate supervisor has the discretion to flex time periodically so an exempt employee may have time off keeping in mind our fiduciary duty to those we serve. This will be the exception and not the rule of operations.

<u>Note:</u> Use of any leave must be done with prior approval of the employee's immediate supervisor.

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## 6.02 Classification Process

The purpose of a position classification plan is to organize all District positions into groups or classes on the basis of similar duties, responsibilities and qualification requirements as outlined in the job descriptions. Equitable pay is assigned on a class basis in order to provide comparable pay for substantially equal work performed. The pay system is built to meet all criteria associated with the concepts of internal equity, i.e., equal pay for equal work, equal pay for similar work and equal pay for comparable work.

#### I. Position Review Process

No classification changes shall be made without first obtaining the General Manager's approval for review. Any changes of this magnitude must be approved before they are made. The Department Manager shall complete the appropriate reclassification paperwork and submit it to the Human Resource Manager, to verify and approve the request. If an employee believes that his/her position is improperly classified, that employee may provide specific concerns to the Department Manager regarding the classification.

II. There should be a wholesale review by an outside contracted entity of all positions every three (3) years.

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## 6.03 Longevity Pay

Regular full-time employees will be paid longevity pay at the rate of \$5 per month of service from 13 to 60 months and \$7.50 per completed month from 61 or more months, to a maximum of \$2,000 annually based on their hire date. Payments are distributed annually in November as designated by the General Manager and will be applicable to employees actively employed on the date of payment.

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## 6.04 Certification Pay

As part of its Education Policy, the District provides tuition, expenses, and paid leave to attend certain approved educational classes. These classes should improve individual competence and performance as they apply in routine job activity which will increase the employees' value to the District.

- I. Water/Wastewater If classes, experience, and testing are required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the end result is certification or advancement in certification, staff are eligible for incentive pay with the approval of the General Manager. The incentive pay applies only to water, wastewater, collection, or distribution certification levels as set forth below.
  - A. TCEQ Certification Level:
    - 1. Water/Distribution

Class D	Water or Distribution	\$25/mo
Class C	Water or Distribution	\$50/mo
Class B	Water or Distribution	\$75/mo
Class A	Water or Distribution	\$100/mo

2. Wastewater/Collection

Class D	Wastewater I or Class I Collection	\$25/mo
Class C	Wastewater or Class II Collection	\$50/mo
Class B	Wastewater or Class III Collection	\$75/mo
Class A	Wastewater or Class IIII Collection	\$100/mo

- B. To receive certification pay, an employee must utilize the license in their routine work activities.
- C. Employees that receive certification pay are required to maintain a current and valid license to continue to receive certification pay. It is the employee's responsibility to ensure that all licenses are current and renewed when required. If a license for which an employee is receiving certification pay expires or is revoked the employee shall inform their immediate supervisor before the end of the pay period in which the license expired. The employee will lose any certification pay associated with the license that expired. If the license is a requirement of the employee's job description, failure to maintain the license will result in termination.

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## 6.05 On-Call/Call Out Pay

#### I. Call Out Pay

- A. Call out is an assigned duty to accomplish required work assignments after normal working hours in any department that does not have scheduled work hours on a 24-hour basis. Pay for call out will be based on time of call out with a minimum of two (2) hours credited work time for those who travel to and from an assigned worksite. Employees may be "called out" more than once in a two-hour period. Each call out does not constitute a two (2) hour call out if it is within the current two (2) hour call out period. Departure from the District Facility or the location of the emergency constitutes the end of hours worked.
- B. Employees called out to work during emergencies will be compensated at his/her regular rate. If the call out causes the employee to exceed forty (40) hours, the employee will be compensated at his/her overtime rate. An emergency is defined as an unscheduled work time in which life is threatened or the welfare of the public is at risk and requires the immediate assistance of additional personnel. An example of public at risk would include a ruptured water main, blocked wastewater main or a requirement to respond to storm damage jeopardizing public safety.

#### II. On-Call Pay

- A. The District compensates employees who are designated and/or placed in a rotating on-call status for each 24-hour period for which they are designated as on-call. This policy applies to all employees in positions required to participate in a rotating on-call status. On-Call employees are paid a set amount above and beyond their normal pay for each week that they serve on call. Each week two employees will be designated as On-Call. One employee is designated as primary (1st Call) and one employee is designated as secondary (2nd Call). On-Call employees are each required to have in their possession and maintain a cell phone while on call and to respond timely to a call.
- B. The supervisor will be responsible for identifying and coordinating the on-call schedule and positions within the respective department. On-call status is based on Department discretion and Department scheduling.
- C. Eligibility for On-Call Pay
  - 1. The employee must be specifically assigned for on-call status for the 24-hour period.
  - 2. The employee designated as the primary on-call person must be able to respond to a customer or other caller within fifteen minutes (15) of receiving the call and, if required, appears on-scene within forty-five

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minutes (45) after receiving the call.

- 3. Time worked immediately after regularly scheduled working hours at the request or approval of the supervisor will not be considered call-back and is paid at the employee's regular rate of pay until the overtime threshold is reached.
- D. On-Call Payment
  - 1. Non-exempt employees who rotate on required on-call status will receive weekly stipend of \$150.00 per employee per week based from the established 7-day work week period. Employees receiving the on-call stipend are not eligible for mileage to and from the workplace while receiving the weekly stipend.
  - 2. On-Call Duty: On-call assignments are not compensable if:
    - a. Employees can be contacted by telephone; and
    - b. Have free (personal) use of the time while waiting for an assignment.
    - c. Pay will be considered overtime if the employee is non-exempt and has already recorded the hours required to meet the overtime threshold for their position.
    - d. On-call employees who do not return to the workplace, but who handle a workplace issue by phone or internet will be compensated based on a departmental policy, approved by the General Manager.
    - e. In all cases, employees must report their actual hours worked on their time sheets.

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## 6.06 Travel Time

Travel to and from work is generally not compensable, unless specifically approved by the General Manager. Travel time which is outside of regular working hours is generally not compensable, unless the employee is on-call or if travel is approved by the General Manager

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## 6.07 Interim Pay

- I. On occasion, an employee is asked to perform a job duty well beyond the scope of their job description and a job classified at a higher pay grade. With concurrence of the General Manager in advance, the Department Manager can work with the Human Resource Manager in order to provide a temporary pay amount for the role based upon the duties and assignments of the role. That temporary pay cannot exceed 6% or Step 1 of the role unless approved by the General Manager, or whichever is greater. Generally, this will only apply when an employee is filling in for another employee with a higher pay grade.
- II. Eligibility of interim pay increases requires that the employee must have worked, or be scheduled to work, a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days in the new position. Pay increases will be effective at the start of the interim payroll period and terminate once interim period ends.

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## 6.08 Termination Pay

- I. Upon separation from employment, only employees who have completed their introductory period and are terminating shall be paid for unused vacation earned.
- II. Employees shall be paid any hours worked and overtime compensation due.
- **III.** Employees will be required to sign a release to deduct any indebtedness to the District which the employee might have incurred during his/her tenure with the District while following compliance within State and local guidelines.
- **IV.** If any employee dies while employed by the District, the District shall pay the beneficiary any unpaid pay, unused vacation, and accumulated benefits as applicable to normal payouts.

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# 6.09 Worker's Compensation

- I. The District carries a workers' compensation insurance policy. In cases of jobrelated injuries, provisions and benefits available under workers' compensation are activated. FML runs concurrently with any other leave as well as worker's compensation leave.
- **II.** Employees must notify their immediate supervisor within 24 hours of an injury or illness that is work related so that a proper claim or notice of claim may be filed with the District's worker's compensation carrier.

Employees will clearly relay the place, time, and date of any work-related illness/injury as well as any witnesses that were present.

III. Employees may be paid temporary income benefits if their work-related injury or illness causes them to lose all or some of their wages for more than seven (7) days. Temporary income benefits are equal to 70% of the difference between an employee's average weekly wage and the wages they are able to earn after their work-related injury (i.e., if an employee was unable to earn any wages, they would receive 70% of their average weekly wage).

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## 7.00 Standards of Conduct

#### I. General

- A. The purpose of this policy is to implement effective personnel policies that encourage a productive work environment and set the guidelines for ethical behavior. The District and its employees have a responsibility to conduct District business in an ethical manner, safeguard all assets of the municipality, and comply with all applicable federal and state laws, local policies, rules, and regulations.
- B. The District is committed to a mutually rewarding and direct relationship with its employees and to providing customers, both external and internal, with excellent services. It is expected that District employees will adhere to certain rules and regulations that are necessary for efficient business operations and for the benefit and safety of all employees. Conduct that interferes with operations, discredits the District, or is offensive will not be tolerated.
- C. The District expects that employees will conduct themselves in a positive and professional manner in order to promote the best interests of the District, to accept certain responsibilities, adhere to acceptable business principles in matters of personal conduct, and exhibit a high degree of personal integrity at all times. This not only involves sincere respect for the rights and feelings of others, but also demands that both in business and personal life, employees refrain from any behavior that might be harmful to themselves, their coworkers, or the District.
- D. The District does not intend, nor does it assent to, any modification of any at-will relationship, established as a matter of policy, by setting forth specific types of conduct which are unacceptable.

#### II. Discipline

- A. In general, the District will use a progressive disciplinary system. Progressive discipline is NOT required. The District is not obligated to use all of the disciplinary steps and may begin the process at any level, up to and including immediate termination, depending on the severity of the conduct, the employee's work performance and prior disciplinary history and any other relevant factors. Depending on the circumstances of each case, disciplinary action may consist of one or more of the following:
  - 1. Oral counseling/verbal reprimand.
  - 2. Written reprimand.
  - 3. Decision Making Leave (DML) with Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) with probation.
  - 4. Termination.

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- B. Documentation: All discipline, other than documented oral warning/employee consultation/verbal reprimand, must be sent to the Human Resources Department for placement in the employee's personnel file. Departments should keep record of oral warnings, verbal reprimands and consultations and provide a copy to the Human Resources Department.
- C. Supervisory Responsibility: All employees with the responsibility and authority to supervise and direct employees under their control shall:
  - 1. Administer policies and procedures within their scope of authority.
  - 2. Document their subordinates job performance, conduct, and behavior as appropriate.
  - 3. Conduct evaluations of subordinates in a timely manner; coach subordinates regarding work performance and behavior; discipline their subordinates as appropriate.
  - 4. Address performance appeals submitted to them as provided by policy in a professional manner, to resolve such issues at the lowest possible supervisory level.
  - 5. Prior to disciplinary action, the supervisor will conduct a thorough examination of the situation before deciding to take any disciplinary action and discuss proper action with their Department Manager and Human Resource Manager.
- D. Appeal Rights: A regular full-time employee who has received discipline greater than a written reprimand may request a Disciplinary Review Meeting in accordance with District policy, with the understanding that all employees are hired at will. Employees employed by a written contract, probationary, temporary, and seasonal employees likewise have no right of appeal for disciplinary action taken against them and are exempted from this policy.
- E. Administrative Leave: During an investigation into alleged offenses or violations of District policy, the District may, in its sole discretion, place the employee on administrative leave, with or without pay.
- F. An employee who has received discipline in excess of a written warning/written reprimand may request a meeting with the next level supervisor. In cases of suspensions four (4) days or greater or termination, the meeting will be with the next level supervisor.

#### III. Types of Conduct

The following types of conduct are unacceptable. NOTE: The examples given are typical but not all inclusive.

A. <u>Unsatisfactory attendance</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violations (subject to the terms and provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act):

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- 1. Unexcused absence, excessive absenteeism, or tardiness.
- 2. Failure to give notice of an absence or tardiness to the supervisor within (1) one hour before starting time, as prescribed by departmental policy.
- 3. Separate absences or days of tardiness which exceed the average absences or days of tardiness of the employee's work group and which lack sufficient justification in the opinion of the employee's supervisor.
- 4. Absence or tardiness that causes significant curtailment or disruption of service without sufficient justification in the judgement of the employee's supervisor; or
- 5. Excessive failure to remain at one's workstation without notifying their supervisor, leaving work without permission, or taking excessive time or more time than allowed for eating or break periods.
- B. <u>Job Abandonment</u> occurs when an employee deliberately and without authorization is absent from the job, or refuses a legitimate order to report to work, for two (2) consecutive workdays. The employee is deemed to have abandoned his/her job at which time employment might be terminated.
- C. <u>Inability to come to work</u> occurs when an employee is absent due to an extended, chronic physical/mental ailment or injury after sick, vacation, compensatory time, or other excused leave paid time off has been exhausted, or when an employee is unable to perform the essential job functions, with or without accommodation.
- D. <u>Inability or unwillingness to perform assigned work satisfactorily</u> is exemplified by:
  - 1. Failure to follow routine written or verbal instructions.
  - 2. Insubordination.
  - 3. Arguing over assignments or instructions; or
  - 4. Negligent or improper conduct leading to damage to District owned or customer owned property; or
  - 5. An accumulation of deficiencies indicating the employee's continuing failure to adequately perform in a productive, efficient, and competent manner.
- E. <u>Indifference toward work</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. Inattention, inefficiency, loafing, sleeping, carelessness, or negligence.
  - 2. Failure to remain at one's workstation, leaving work without permission, or taking excessive time or more time than allowed for eating or break

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- 3. Performance of personal business.
- 4. Interference with the work of others; unnecessarily disrupting the work of other employees.
- 5. Discourteous or irresponsible treatment of the public or other employees.
- 6. Wearing improper attire or presenting an inappropriate personal appearance.
- 7. Failure to maintain and/or achieve required job standards (e.g., certification, licensing, etc.).
- 8. Unsatisfactory performance or conduct.
- 9. Engaging in personal business while on duty without authorization of their supervisor, including watching television, shopping, engaging in entertainment, etc. or
- 10. Violation of personnel policies and procedures.
- F. <u>Sabotage</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. Negligent or improper conduct leading to damage to or destruction of District or customer owned equipment or property.
  - 2. Defacing of District property.
  - 3. Unauthorized alteration, removal, destruction, or disclosure of District records.
  - 4. Advocacy of or participation in unlawful trespass or seizure of District property.
  - 5. Encouraging or engaging in slowdowns, sit-ins, strikes, or other concerted actions.
  - 6. Efforts to limit or restrict employees from working.
  - 7. Refusal to cross picket lines.
  - 8. Interference with the public use of or access to District services, property, and buildings; or
  - 9. Threats to commit any act of sabotage as defined in this subparagraph.
- G. <u>Safety violations</u> are exemplified by, but are not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. Failure to follow District or departmental safety rules and regulations.
  - 2. Failure to follow appropriate safety practices or policies.
  - 3. Failure to use required safety apparel.
  - 4. Removal or circumvention of a safety device.

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- 5. Lifting in an unsafe manner.
- 6. Operation of vehicle or other equipment in an unsafe manner.
- 7. Smoking in a prohibited area.
- 8. Playing tricks or jokes or engaging in horseplay that adversely affects job performance or creates potential safety issues.
- 9. Endangering of one's own safety or that of others by careless or irresponsible actions or negligence.
- 10. Failure to report to one's supervisor or an authorized substitute, an onthe job injury, vehicle accident, or unsafe work condition involving a District employee within two (2) hours of its occurrence.
- 11. Failure of a supervisor with knowledge of the circumstances to remove from the workplace or to assist to a safe location an employee whose mental capabilities are impaired due to injury, illness, alcohol or drug use, or emotional distress.
- 12. Possession of dangerous or unauthorized material such as explosives on District premises or while on District business.
- 13. To have possession on any District property, or to transport in a motor vehicle, a "firearm," or any other weapon prohibited by law, while in the scope of employment.

A "firearm" is defined in Section 46.01, Texas Penal Code. "Possession" is defined in Section 1.07(39), Texas Penal Code. This subsection does not apply to an employee traveling out of town for the District in a personal vehicle.

- H. <u>Dishonesty</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the followingviolations:
  - 1. Acceptance or solicitation of money or anything of value from a person subject to the regulatory decision or supervision of the employee or soliciting or accepting gratuities form customers or vendors.
  - 2. Cheating, forging, or willful falsification of official District reports or records.
  - 3. Abuse or misuse of paid time off benefits.
  - 4. False reporting of the reason for paid time off; or
  - 5. Lying, any act of untruthfulness, and any other falsifying action detrimental to the District or fellow employees.
- I. <u>Theft</u>, regardless of item value is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. Misappropriating, theft or conversion of District property or the

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property of others whether on or off work.

- 2. Unauthorized use of District or employees' funds.
- 3. Using or authorizing the use of District equipment, property, supplies or employee services for other than official District business; or
- 4. Using or authorizing the use of District equipment or employee services without proper authority.
- J. <u>Insubordination</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. Willful failure, or refusal, to follow the specific orders or instructions of a supervisor or higher authority provided that:
    - a. If the employee believes an instruction or order is improper, the employee should obey the instruction or order and file a written statement of concern later.
    - b. If the employee believes the instruction or order, if followed, would result in physical injury to the employee or others or damage to District equipment, or reasonably believes the instruction or order if followed, will violate law carrying criminal penalties, the employee should request approval by the next higher level of supervision before performing the work, unless the danger complained about is inherent to the job; or
  - 2. Pursuit of a denied request to a higher authority without revealing the a lower supervisory-level disposition.
  - 3. Failing to cooperate fully in an internal investigation in which he/she is the primary focus, or for which they are a witness or affected party.
- K. <u>Abuse of drugs or alcohol</u>, as defined herein, is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. An employee is judged unable to perform duties in an effective and safe manner due to:
    - a. Ingestion, inhalation, or injection of intoxicants or a drug other than those lawfully prescribed; or
    - b. Ingestion of an alcoholic beverage and/or being under the influence of alcohol while at work.
    - c. An employee is under the influence of, manufactures, distributes, dispenses, possesses, or uses a drug without a legal prescription:
      - i. In the workplace.
      - ii. During working hours, including all breaks and meal breaks; or
      - iii. In a District vehicle.
  - 2. An employee is under the influence of, manufactures, distributes,

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dispenses, possesses, or uses an alcoholic beverage:

- a. In the workplace.
- b. During working hours, including all breaks and meal breaks; or
- c. In a District vehicle.
- 3. An employee refuses to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test after it is required.
- 4. An employee tampers with, or attempts to tamper with, a drug and alcohol urine, breath or blood sample, or the drug and alcohol testing process.
- 5. An employee tests positive in a drug and alcohol urine, breath or blood test of a sample taken during working hours for the presence of drugs or alcohol at detectable levels without a reasonable explanation.
- 6. An employee is convicted of a criminal drug or alcohol statute violation and fails to notify his or her supervisor of said conviction, no later than three (3) days after such conviction.
- 7. An employee possesses drug paraphernalia in the workplace or a District facility, during working hours or in a District vehicle without a reasonable explanation; or
- 8. Violation of the District 's Drug and Alcohol Policy and procedures.

**NOTE:** In subparagraph (K) above:

"Drug" means a controlled substance, or a controlled substance analogue as defined in Section 481.002(5) and (6) of the Texas Health and Safety Code, marijuana and abusable glue and aerosol paint (inhalants) as defined in Section 485.001 of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

<u>"Alcoholic beverage"</u> means alcohol, or any beverage containing more than one-half of one percent of alcohol by volume, which is capable of use for beverage purposes, either alone or when diluted.

<u>"Drug paraphernalia"</u> means equipment, a product or material of any kind mentioned in Section 481.002(17) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

- L. <u>Disturbance</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. Fighting, bullying, or other boisterous conduct.
  - 2. Deliberately causing physical injury to another employee or citizen.
  - 3. Intimidation.
  - 4. Unnecessary disruption of the work area.
  - 5. Use of profane, abusive, threatening, loud and boisterous language, or gestures to/against another employee or the public while on duty

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or in a District vehicle.

- 6. Spreading of false reports.
- 7. Other disruption of the harmonious relations among employees or between employees and the public.
- M. <u>Abuse of District property is exemplified by</u>, but is not limited to, the following violations:
  - 1. Negligent damage, or destruction of District equipment or property.
  - 2. Waste of materials or negligent loss of tools or materials.
  - 3. Improper maintenance of District equipment or property.
  - 4. Damage caused by use of tools or equipment for purposes other than that for which the tool or equipment was intended.
  - 5. In addition to appropriate disciplinary action, damage caused intentionally or by gross negligence shall cause the employee to be responsible for the repair or replacement of any damaged item. Failure to reimburse the District will result in termination of employment.
- N. <u>Disregard of public trust</u> is any conduct which, on becoming public knowledge, could impair the public's confidence or trust in District government taking into consideration the nature of the conduct, whether committed during or after working hours and the duties of the employee. This ground for disciplinary action shall not include any conduct which is protected by law. This subsection may include the conviction of an employee of a criminal drug or alcohol statute violation for off the job conduct if the conviction adversely affects public trust in the District to carry out its responsibilities.
- O. <u>Failure to report a violation</u> is exemplified by but not limited to, failure to report to the proper authority any known violation described in Subparagraphs (F), (G), (H), (I), (K), (L), or if an employee has any doubt about a "proper authority," the employee should report the violation to his or her supervisor, Department Manager, or to the Human Resource Manager.
- P. <u>Violation of rules</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to, the following violation of rules:
  - 1. District or departmental rules, regulations, policy or procedures.
  - 2. General orders, special orders, or the code of conduct of the District; or
- Q. <u>Unauthorized use of information or authority</u> is exemplified by, but is not limited to the following:
  - 1. Unauthorized or improper use or disclosure of official information; or
  - 2. Unauthorized or improper use of official authority.

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- R. <u>Discrimination</u>. Discrimination or harassment based on race, sex, religion, national origin, physical disability, or age or any other protected characteristic will subject the perpetrator to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.
- S. <u>Sexual Harassment</u>. Employees, Department Managers, supervisors, and others who violate the sexual harassment policy are subject to disciplinary action, including termination of employment. Any department or division Director, Manager, or Supervisor who receives a complaint of sexual harassment and fails to act pursuant to this policy is subject to disciplinary action, including termination of employment.
- T. <u>Confidential/Sensitive Information</u>. It is District policy that all employees, as public servants, must be careful not to violate the trust of customers and the public. Except as properly authorized by the Public Information Act, it is the responsibility of all employees to maintain the confidentiality of official records, forms, data, and other information. It also is the responsibility of employees to refrain from sharing sensitive information as it might be contrary to good organizational operations. Information designated as confidential/sensitive shall not be discussed/disclosed to anyone outside the organization and shall be discussed within the organization only on a "need to know" basis. Employees are prohibited from attempting to obtain confidential/sensitive information for which they have not received authorization. Employees violating this policy shall be subject to discipline up to and including termination of employment.

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### 7.01 Attendance and Work Hours

#### I. Regular Work Hours

- A. Non-exempt employees of the City normally work forty (40) hours in a seven-day work week. Exempt employees may be required to work in excess of forty (40) hours. The work week begins on Sunday and ends on Saturday. The regular workday normally is an eight (8) hours. Workdays are subject to change based on need and General Manager approval.
- B. Adjustment to Work Hours. In order to assure the continuity of District services, it may be necessary for Department Managers, with the approval of the General Manager, to establish other operation hours for their departments.

#### II. Meal Periods

- A. Every effort will be made to ensure that all full-time employees receive a daily meal break during each shift. There may be instances, however, when an employee may not receive a scheduled meal break due to scheduling and/or the nature of the work.
- B. Full-time employees are normally provided a one (1) hour unpaid meal break near the middle of the workday. Meal periods may be staggered by the Department Manager in order to minimize departmental interruption. Supervisors will provide employees with the starting and ending times for their specific meal periods. Employees will be relieved from work responsibilities during unpaid meal breaks. Employees may not extend meal breaks beyond their assigned period, without prior supervisor approval.

#### III. Rest Breaks

- A. Full-time employees may, depending on individual department work schedules and the discretion of their supervisor, take up to two (2), fifteenminute, paid breaks each day, one during the first part of the workday and the other during the latter part of the workday.
- B. Rest breaks are considered a privilege and NOT a right and shall never interfere with proper performance of an employee's work responsibilities and department work schedules.
- C. Rest breaks must be taken at, near, or in route to or from work sites within the fifteen-minute limits or as outlined in departmental policies. Employees whose work sites and or work schedules do not permit opportunities to obtain food or beverages should plan ahead and take provisions with them to the work sites.

#### IV. Attendance and Punctuality

A. Employees are expected to be at their workstations and ready to work at their scheduled start time. Non-exempt employees are required to record the number of hours worked each day, as well as the time they arrived at

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work, the time they left for and returned from lunch, and the time(s) they left for and returned from any unpaid break during the work day.

- 1. All hourly employees will be required to utilize the appropriate time clock for their departments.
- 2. If an employee must leave work for any reason other than their lunch hour, they must clock-out upon leaving and clock-in upon return. Prior to leaving, supervisor approval must be given.
- 3. Frequent leave may be subject to review by the Human Resource Manager and subject to disciplinary action.
- B. To maintain a safe and productive work environment, the District expects employees to be reliable and punctual in reporting to work.
  - 1. Absenteeism and tardiness are disruptive and place a burden on the District and on co-workers. Either may lead to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. The employee must disclose to their supervisor the reason for the absence or tardiness and the date and time of their anticipated arrival or return.
  - 2. Employees shall notify their supervisors as far in advance as possible, generally one (1) hour prior to start of work, whenever they are unable to report for work, if they know they will be late, or if they must leave early. The employee should make the call. Calls from friends or relatives will be acceptable <u>only</u> if the employee is unable to communicate. The notice shall include a reason for the absence and a time the employee is expected to report for work.
  - 3. When the supervisor is unavailable, the employee shall notify the next person in their chain of command. When an employee knows in advance of an impending absence, they will request permission to be absent from their supervisor at least 24 hours in advance. The supervisor will evaluate the reason for the absence and decide whether the employee may or may not be excused.
  - 4. For absences of a day or more, the employee must personally notify their supervisor on each day of their absence unless the supervisor expressly waives this requirement.
  - 5. Employees shall be compensated during authorized absences in accordance with the policies contained herein. Failure to notify the District properly of any absence might result in loss of compensation during the absence and may be grounds for disciplinary action. When an employee is absent from work, it is important to follow the policies outlined in this policy handbook. Following policy allows the supervisor to plan accordingly. Excessive tardiness and poor attendance disrupt workflow and shall not be tolerated.

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- C. In most instances, an employee who fails to properly notify their supervisor in advance of an absence or when they will be tardy will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.
  - 1. Unexcused absences are unpaid time off and are subject to disciplinary action. An employee who fails to notify the District of an absence and is absent for a period of two (2) working days or shift will be presumed to have voluntarily resigned their employment. At that time, the District will formally note the resignation and advise the employee of the action by mail to the employee's last known address. Failure to report for scheduled modified duty, except during approved FML absence, shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.
  - 2. Non-exempt employees who are delayed in reporting for work more than one (1) hour and who have not notified their supervisor of their expected tardiness might lose their right to work the balance of the workday. In addition, employees who report to work without proper equipment or in improper attire might not be permitted to work.
  - 3. Unless authorized by their supervisor, non-exempt employees shall not be permitted to work any period of time before or after scheduled starting or quitting times for the purpose of making up time lost because of tardiness or unauthorized absence.
- D. Proof of Need for Absence
  - 1. In the case of absenteeism, if the supervisor has reason to suspect abuse, he or she may require the employee to present satisfactory proof of the need for the employee's absence.
- E. Non-exempt employees, who are assigned to office settings, shall obtain approval from their supervisor to leave the District premises during work hours. In addition, employees who are frequently away from the premises for business reasons should inform their supervisor of their whereabouts during work hours.

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#### 7.02 Harassment

#### I. Purpose

All District employees are entitled to a workplace free of unlawful harassment by management, supervisors, co-workers, citizens and vendors. This means that each employee must be respectful of others and act professionally. District employees are prohibited from harassing anyone including citizens, vendors and third parties.

- **II. Sexual Harassment** All types of sexual harassment are prohibited. Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitute sexual harassment when:
  - A. Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment, or
  - B. Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as a basis for employment decisions affecting such individual, or
  - C. Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment.
    - 1. Examples of conduct prohibited by this directive include but are not limited to:
      - a. Unwelcome sexual advances or repeated flirtations.
      - b. Asking unwelcome questions or making unwelcome comments about another person's sexual activities, dating, personal or intimate relationships, or appearance.
      - c. Unwelcome conduct or remarks that are sexually suggestive or that demean or show hostility to a person because of the person's gender (including jokes, pranks, teasing, obscenities, obscene or rude gestures or noises, slurs, epithets, taunts, negative stereotyping, threats, blocking of physical movement, etc.).
- III. Other Prohibited Harassment In addition to District prohibition against sexual harassment, harassment on the basis of any other legally protected characteristics is also strictly prohibited. This means that verbal or physical conduct that singles out, or denigrates, or shows hostility or aversion toward someone because of race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age, disability, genetics, veteran status, citizenship, or any other characteristics protected by law is prohibited.

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#### V. Workplace Bullying

- A. Workplace bullying is defined as systematic aggressive communication, manipulation of work, and acts aimed at humiliating or degrading one or more individuals that create an unhealthy and unprofessional power balance, result in psychological consequences for targets and witnesses of the behavior, and cost enormous monetary damage to an organization's bottom line.
- B. Examples of bullying behaviors include but is not limited to Inappropriate gestures, excessive yelling, talking down to others, criticizing or point out mistakes to others in front of a group; social exclusion; treating some less favorably than others; withholding pertinent work-related information; gossiping or spreading rumors; any malicious behavior a reasonable person would find unprofessional, disturbing and harmful to their psychological health.
- VI. Prohibited conduct includes, but is not limited to, epithets, slurs and negative stereotyping; threatening, intimidating, or hostile conduct; denigrating jokes and comments; and writings or pictures, that single out, denigrate, or show hostility or aversion toward someone on the basis of a protected characteristic. Conduct, comments, or innuendoes that may be perceived by others as offensive are wholly inappropriate and are strictly prohibited.
- VII. This policy also prohibits sending, showing, sharing, or distributing in any form, inappropriate jokes, pictures, comics, stories, etc., including but not limited to via facsimile, e-mail, cell phone or other electronic devices, social media, and/or the Internet, such as YouTube and Facebook. Harassment of any nature, when based on race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age or disability, genetics, veteran status, citizenship or any other characteristic protected by law is prohibited and will not be tolerated.

This policy applies to District employees, citizens, vendors, and other visitors to the workplace.

#### VIII. Procedures:

- A. Employee Responsibility An employee who believes that a supervisor's, employee's or nonemployees' actions or words constitute sexual harassment or other unlawful harassment must report the situation to the Human Resource Manager as soon as possible. If they are comfortable, an employee should try to resolve the issue by addressing it with the offending party.
- B. All employees have the responsibility to cooperate in the investigation of a harassment complaint. <u>If you see/hear something, say something.</u> Employees must contribute to achieving a work environment that does not tolerated harassment and bullying behavior at work.

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- C. Supervisor Responsibility:
  - 1. Each supervisor has the responsibility to maintain a workplace free of any form of unlawful harassment. The responsibility to maintain a workplace free of harassment includes a duty to report any instance of unlawful harassment including but not limited to sexual harassment through the chain of command or directly to the Human Resource Manager. All complaints received by a supervisor must immediately be referred to the Human Resource Manager.
  - 2. Supervisors must use a great deal of discretion in their social relationships with other subordinates. This is to avoid compromising their ability to function as an impartial supervisor who can treat all employees fairly. Supervisors should avoid social relationships with their subordinates which may lead to an impression of partiality or bias.
- D. Department Manager Responsibility Management and others in positions of authority have a particular responsibility to ensure that healthy and appropriate behaviors are exhibited at all times. The Department Manager of the involved department will cooperate with any investigation. The Manager or designated representative may participate in the investigation if determined appropriate by the Human Resource Manager.
- E. Filing a Complaint An employee must file a complaint in writing with a signature alleging harassment/bullying with the Human Resource Manager. All harassment/discrimination complaints will be referred to the Human Resource Manager for investigation. If the complaint is filed by or against the Human Resource Manager, the General Manager or designated representative will conduct the investigation and render a decision.
- F. Investigation The Human Resource Manager or General Manager or designee, will contact the employee to obtain the facts of the alleged harassment. The Human Resource Manager or General Manager or designee will conduct an investigation and render a written decision to the employee and appropriate management staff within a reasonable amount of time after meeting with the employee.
- G. The General Manager and Department Manager will review the findings with the Human Resource Manager to consider any proposed action. If the investigation reveals that the complaint is valid, prompt disciplinary action, as approved by the appropriate individuals, will be taken. The immediate supervisor will ensure that the harassing conduct is immediately stopped.

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- G. Confidentiality All information concerning a harassment complaint will be treated as confidential, to the extent permitted by law. Content of a harassment complaint, whether verbal or written, will not be disclosed except as part of the investigative process, to those who have a need to know or as otherwise required by law.
- H. Appeal to the General Manager If the employee is not satisfied with the decision of the Human Resource Manager or their designee, he/she may appeal the decision to the General Manager in writing within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of the decision. The General Manager or designee will review the investigation and render a decision. The decision of the General Manager completes the internal process for sexual harassment complaints.
- I. Prohibited Retaliation No employee will retaliate against another employee who files a harassment complaint or cooperates with a harassment investigation. Any employee retaliating against another employee will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal. Examples of retaliation may include termination, refusal to hire, demotion, and denial of promotion. Retaliation may also include threats, unjustified negative evaluations, unjustified negative references, or increased surveillance.
- J. False/Frivolous Complaints Complaints found to fabricated, frivolous or made in bad faith will not be tolerated and subsequent disciplinary action up to and including termination may result.
- K. An employee who intentionally makes a false claim, offers false statements, or refuses to cooperate with a District investigation regarding harassment or discrimination is subject to appropriate discipline, up to and including, termination.

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## 7.03 Political Activity

#### I. Political Activity

District employees will not be appointed or retained on the basis of their political support or activities. The District encourages employees to participate in matters of responsible citizenship, and at the same time, is committed to providing a non-partisan work environment in which staff can responsibly carry out their duties without political coercion. District employees are encouraged to vote and to exercise other prerogatives of citizenship consistent with state and federal law and these policies. District employees may not:

- A. Engage in political activity relating to a campaign for elective office while in uniform or on active duty.
- B. Publicly endorse or campaign in any manner for any person seeking elective office while in uniform or on active duty.
- C. Use their position or office to coerce political support from employees or citizens.
- D. Use their official authority or influence to interfere with or affect the result of a campaign issue, an election or nomination for public office.
- E. Make, solicit or receive any contribution to the campaign funds of any candidate, directly or indirectly through an organization or association, for the District Board or take any part in the management, affairs or political campaign of any such candidate; provided nothing herein shall infringe upon the constitutional rights of an employee to express their opinions and to cast their vote.
- F. Use working hours or District property to be in any way concerned with soliciting or receiving any subscription, contribution or political service to circulate petitions or campaign literature on behalf of an election issue or candidate for public office in any jurisdiction.
- G. Hold an appointive or elective office of public trust where service would constitute a direct conflict of interest with District employment. An employee who contemplates seeking public office shall consult with the Human Resource Manager prior to the filing of an application for the purposes of determining whether a conflict would exist.
- H. All employees of the District shall refrain from using their influence publicly in any way regarding any election where an issue or proposal involves only District employees.

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#### 7.04 Drug and Alcohol Testing

#### I. Purpose

- A. It is the policy of the District to maintain a safe work environment by ensuring that District employees are not under the influence of alcohol or drugs during working hours. In accordance with the Drug Free Workplace Act, employees are prohibited from the possession, manufacture, distribution, dispensing, or us/misuse of illegal or illicit drugs and alcohol during working hours or being under the influence or such substances. In addition, legal drugs used illegally or inconsistent with prescription are included in the category of prohibited drug use. Violation of this policy is grounds for disciplinary action up to and including termination. Drug testing will be conducted randomly, for reasonable suspicion, after accidents or injuries, and prior to a transfer, promotion or demotion of employees as explained in the District 's policy.
- B. District employees whose positions require a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) or which fall under the DOT/FTA regulations are subject to drug and alcohol testing under this policy. If this policy conflicts with DOT or FTA regulations in any way, the DOT/FTA regulations will govern.
- II. Prohibited Activities The following acts are prohibited, and employees who commit any of these acts shall be subject to immediate termination of employment.
  - A. Consumption of illegal drugs at any time.
  - B. Abuse or misuse of prescriptive or over the counter (OTC) medications.
  - C. Consumption of alcohol:
    - 1. While on duty, including hours worked, breaks and on-call.
    - 2. Four (4) hours or less prior to reporting to work.
    - 3. Eight (8) hours or less following an accident or until tested; or
    - 4. While wearing District apparel or uniforms.
  - D. Operating a District vehicle or equipment or conducting District business while impaired by drugs or under the influence of alcohol.
  - E. The use or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs in a District vehicle whether on or off duty.
  - F. Unlawful manufacturing distributing, dispensing, possessing, or using controlled substances in the workplace.
  - G. Employees when scheduled for "on-call" work, doing so while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, neither impaired nor under the influence of a controlled substance or alcohol.

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- H. Employees who test positive or who refuse (or fail to cooperate) to be tested for a controlled substance or alcohol as directed by this policy.
- Job applicants who test positive for alcohol or a controlled substance, or who refuse (or fail to cooperate) to be tested for alcohol or controlled substances, will be ineligible for employment with the District and may not apply or be considered for any other District position for a minimum of six (6) months from testing date for non-safety-sensitive positions.

Although there are no consequences under DOT regulations for a DOTregulated employee to refuse a non-DOT, such refusal may result in termination of employment under the District 's general Drug and Alcohol policy.

#### III. Applicability

- A. This policy applies to all employees and pre-employment finalists who are not otherwise subject to the drug and alcohol testing regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) rule, 49 CFR Part 40.
- B. For each incident or event, before drug or alcohol testing occurs, a determination will first be made as to whether the DOT regulations apply to the employee and the situation. If the DOT regulations apply, then the Drug and Alcohol Testing for DOT employees takes precedence over this policy. If the DOT regulations do not apply, testing will be conducted according to this policy.

#### IV. Definitions

- A. Alcohol means ethyl alcohol. Alcohol, as used herein, includes any beverage, mixture or preparation containing ethyl alcohol.
- B. District Premises or Facilities means all property of the District (owned or leased), including but not limited to the following:
  - 1. Offices
  - 2. Buildings
  - 3. Equipment
  - 4. Vehicles
  - 5. Parking lots/garages
  - 6. Storage areas
  - 7. District premises also include any location where District employees may be performing contract services.

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- C. Controlled Substance means a drug or substance which the use, possession, sale, transfer, attempted sale or transfer, manufacture or storage of it is illegal under any federal, state or local law or regulation and includes, but is not limited to inhalants, marijuana, cocaine, narcotics, opiates, opium derivatives, hallucinogens and any other substances having either a stimulant or depressant effect on the central nervous system such as amphetamines or barbiturates. Also included in this definition are prescription drugs used for any reason other than a legitimate, prescribed medical reason and inhalants used illegally. All references to "drugs" throughout this policy mean the same as "controlled substance."
- D. Impaired means an employee's diminished capacity to perform any duties of the employee's job.
- E. Under the Influence means the amount of controlled substance into the employee's body or alcohol at/or above the blood alcohol concentration (BAC) limit of 0.02%.
- F. Medical Review Officer (MRO) means a licensed Doctor of Medicine or osteopathy who has knowledge of substance abuse disorders and who has the appropriate medical training to interpret and evaluate an individual's positive test result together with his medical history and any other relevant biomedical information.
- G. Motor Vehicle Accident means any incident involving a motor vehicle in which there is injury to a person or damage to a District vehicle, other vehicle, or property.
- H. Positive Test Result means the result reported by a laboratory indicating that an individual is under the influence of a controlled substance or alcohol.
- I. Reasonable Suspicion means a belief that the actions, appearance or conduct of a person are indicative of the use of a controlled substance or alcohol. A reasonable suspicion situation is any situation in which an employee's job performance conflicts with established job standards relating to safety and efficiency. This may include accidents, nearaccidents, erratic conduct suggestive of drug or alcohol use, boasting on social media sites of drug use, any unsafe performance behaviors and unexplained deviation from productivity. Reasonable suspicion may also include postings via social media which indicate or suggest the use of a controlled substance within 32 hours of reporting to work.

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#### V. Conditions Requiring Testing

A. Post Job Offer Policy

Pre-employment drug testing shall be required of application finalists who have otherwise completed the employment screening process and to whom a conditional job offer has been extended and accepted. Each offer of employment is contingent upon the applicant's passing a drug test, regardless of the position. Applicants who refuse to be tested, who fail to cooperate with the testing process, or who test positive for a controlled substance will be immediately disqualified and barred from employment for a minimum of the next six (6) months, depending on the applicable moratorium. Applicants shall be notified of this policy at the time of application.

B. Post-Accident Policy

Motor Vehicle Accident means any incident involving a motor vehicle in which there is injury to a person or damage to a District vehicle, other vehicle, or property and includes:

- 1. Procedures
  - a. <u>Timeline</u> An employee subject to post-accident drug and alcohol testing should be tested as soon as possible following an accident, at least within two (2) hours of the accident if possible. Testing may be delayed for the employee to call for emergency assistance, render aid to others involved in the accident, or to receive medical attention for injuries resulting from the accident.
  - b. <u>Documentation/Authorization Consent</u> Prior to the employee reporting to the medical facility the supervisor shall call Human Resource Manager for test authorization. The medical facility as identified shall maintain a list of District personnel who can authorize a drug and/or alcohol test and who can receive test results.
  - c. <u>Timely Testing and Failure to Test Timely</u> If an alcohol test (if authorized) is administered, it should be conducted within 8 hours of the accident. A drug test shall be administered within 32 hours of the accident. In the event that an alcohol test (if authorized) is not administered within 8 hours of the accident, the supervisor shall document the reasons why the test was not administered within 8 hours; there will be no further attempt to test for alcohol due to that particular accident. In the event that a drug test is not administered within 32 hours of the accident, the supervisor shall document the reasons why the test was not administered; shall be not administered within 32 hours of the accident. In the supervisor shall document the reasons why the test was not administered;

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there will be no further attempt to test for drugs due to that particular accident.

- d. <u>Transportation to and from Test Collection Site</u> -The employee should be transported to the collection site and back to the District's premises by his supervisor or by other means arranged by his supervisor. Following the test(s), if the employee's supervisor believes that the employee is under the influence of drugs or alcohol and unfit to drive or return to work, the supervisor shall arrange alternate transportation for the employee to get home, by calling a family member, friend, taxi, etc. If the reasonable suspicion test result is negative, the District will reimburse the employee for the cost of the taxi ride home.
- e. <u>Compensation and Leave</u> Time that the employee spends at the accident site, traveling to the test collection site, and submitting to the test(s) is compensable as regular time worked. If physically able and medically released, if appropriate, following the test they will return to work but will be prohibited from any driving assignments in a District or personal vehicle until results are received.
- f. <u>District Vehicle</u> The driver of the District vehicle will be required to submit to post-accident drug/alcohol testing if the accident results in a fatality, outside medical attention is required for any party involved in the accident, if there is damage to the vehicle or property involved; and/or employee received a citation.
- g. <u>After Hours Testing</u> If testing is necessary after regular business hours or on the weekend, the employee should be taken to the approved/contracted District testing site. Additionally, the supervisor should send an e-mail to the Human Resource Manager the name of the employee tested, date and time.
- C. Reasonable Suspicion Policy

Drug and/or alcohol testing shall be conducted whenever there is reasonable suspicion that an employee has engaged in any conduct prohibited under this policy. Reasonable suspicion shall be based on the specific, contemporaneous, articulated observations of the employee's supervisor concerning the appearance, behavior, speech or body odors of the employee, which may include indications of the chronic and withdrawal effects of controlled substances or alcohol. Reasonable suspicion, as determined by the employee's supervisor, must be corroborated by the direct observations of another supervisor, prior to a request that the employee be tested. Testing must be authorized by the employee's Department Manager or designee, with the concurrence of the Human Resource Manager or the General Manager or designee.

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- 2. Procedures
  - a. <u>Timeline</u> An employee subject to reasonable suspicion drug and alcohol testing should be tested within two (2) hours from the time that authorization is obtained.
  - b. <u>Authorization and Consent</u> A request for testing due to reasonable suspicion must be initiated by the employee's supervisor, which shall be concurred upon by both the employee's supervisor and Department Manager or Human Resource Manager.
  - c. <u>Scheduling</u>
    - i. The supervisor will immediately notify the Department Manager when reasonable suspicion occurs. The manager or supervisor shall document in writing the facts constituting reasonable suspicion that the employee in question is under the influence of drugs or alcohol. The Department Manager will notify the Human Resource Manager for approval to proceed.
    - ii. The manager or supervisor shall hold a confidential meeting with the employee to discuss the reasonable suspicion and carefully note any explanations offered. The manager or supervisor shall also note any additional observations that may confirm the reasonable suspicion.
    - iii. Supervisors shall also notify the Department Manager when they have reasonable suspicion that an employee may have illegal drugs in his or her possession or in an area jointly or fully controlled by the District. After obtaining the Department Manager's approval, managers and supervisors may provide information to the Police Department regarding the possible possession.
  - d. <u>Transportation to and from Test Collection Site</u>- The employee should be transported to the collection site and back to the District's premises by his supervisor or by other means arranged by his supervisor. Following the test(s), if the employee's supervisor believes that the employee is under the influence of drugs or alcohol and unfit to drive or return to work, the supervisor shall arrange alternate transportation for the employee to get home, by calling a family member, friend, taxi, etc. If the alternative transportation arranged causes the employee to expend funds and the test result is negative, the District will reimburse the employee for the cost of the alternative transportation.
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- e. <u>Compensation and Leave</u> Time that the employee spends at the accident site, traveling to the test collection site, and submitting to the test(s) is compensable as regular time worked. If physically able and medically released, if appropriate, and if not otherwise engaging in disruptive or insubordinate conduct, following the test they will return to complete the workday in a non-sensitive position, if available.
- f. <u>Failure to Test Timely</u> In the event that an alcohol test (if authorized) is not administered within 8 hours of the authorization to test, the supervisor shall document the reasons why the test was not administered within 8 hours; there will be no further attempt to test for alcohol based on that particular event that created reasonable suspicion. In the event that a drug test is not administered within 32 hours of the event, the supervisor shall document the reasons why the test was not administered; there will be no further attempt to test for drugs based on that particular event that created reasonable suspicion.
- E. Self-Disclosure
  - 1. Employees may voluntarily self-disclose their need to seek medical attention for alcohol and/or drug dependence. At the time of self-disclosure, in accordance with the District 's leave policies, the employee will be relieved of their duties and placed on leave until the employee has completed the necessary treatment and provides the District with a note from the employee's treating physician that includes a return-to-work date and restrictions, if any.
  - 2. The District complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and, upon the employee's return to work, the District will assist the employee in fulfilling his/her job duties, with or without reasonable accommodations. As a reasonable accommodation and in accordance with the ADA, employees in safety sensitive positions who return to work after self-disclosure of alcohol and/or drug dependence will be required to undergo periodic drug and/or alcohol testing for the subsequent six (6) month period. Employees in safety-sensitive positions are also subject to ongoing random testing for drugs and/or alcohol as provided by this policy.
  - 3. If an employee self-discloses his/her need to seek medical attention for an alcohol and/or drug dependence <u>after</u> the employee has been (1) randomly selected to submit to a drug and alcohol test; (2) directed to submit to a post-accident drug and alcohol test; or (3) directed to submit to a drug and alcohol test after the District determines it has reasonable suspicion that an employee is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol, the employee is required to submit

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to the drug and alcohol testing. Refusal to submit to drug and alcohol testing as directed under this policy is conduct subject to termination, as provided in this policy. Testing positive for alcohol or controlled substances will result in an adverse employment action, up to and including termination, subject to the provisions of the ADA.

4. Further, in accordance with the ADA, if at any time the District considers an employee to be a "current" drug user, after the employee has self-disclosed once, the District may take adverse employment action up to and including termination.

#### VI. Prescribed Medications

A. Exceptions to this policy may be made for employees that appear to be impaired by medication taken according to a prescription legal in the State of Texas in the employee's name, obtained from a licensed physician and used in the manner prescribed. The District always reserves the right to judge the effect that a legal drug, including medications not requiring a prescription, may have upon an employee's work performance and to restrict the employee's work activity or presence at the workplace accordingly. The District also reserves the right to have a physician of its choice determine whether a medication at the prescribed or recommended dosage produces impairs or adversely affects the employee's work activity.

#### VII. Prohibited Activities

A. Conduct That is Subject to Termination

Employees will be subject to immediate termination of employment for any violation of this policy, including but not limited to:

- Being impaired by or under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances when reporting to work, while on duty, while operating a District vehicle and equipment or personal vehicle while conducting District business. The employee will be required to submit to a reasonable random or reasonable suspicion drug test at a District authorized testing facility.
- 2. Using, possessing, selling, purchasing, transferring, concealing, or transporting controlled substances anywhere on District premises at any time, whether on or off duty.

#### VIII. Responsibilities

- A. <u>Managers/Supervisors</u>
  - 1. Consistent Enforcement

Managers and supervisors will request that an employee submits to a

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drug and/or alcohol analysis when a manager or supervisor has a reasonable suspicion, (see reasonable suspicion definition), that an employee is impaired by or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

- 2. Investigation of Reasonable Suspicion
  - a. When reasonable suspicion exists, managers and supervisors may request, as part of an investigation, that an employee removes any and all controlled substances from his/her being or in his/her possession. If an employee refuses to do so, the employee is refusing to participate in the investigation. Anytime an investigation reaches this stage the Department Manager, Human Resource Manager and General Manager must be involved. Refusal by an employee to cooperate in an investigation is considered serious misconduct and may subject the employee to immediate dismissal from employment.
  - c. Managers and supervisors will not confiscate, without consent, prescription drugs or medications from an employee if the prescription is in the employee's name

#### B. <u>Employees</u>

Every District employee is to do the following:

- 1. Report to work during regularly scheduled hours or "on-call" not impaired by or under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances.
- 2. Not possess or use or have the odor of alcohol or drugs on their breath during working hours, breaks, meal periods, while on District property in an official capacity or while operating any District vehicle/equipment.
- 3. Report any motor vehicle/equipment accident immediately to the supervisor.
- 4. Not directly or through a third party sell or provide drugs or alcohol to any person or any other employee while either employee or both employees are on duty, or on-call.
- 5. Submit immediately to reasonable requests for alcohol and/or drug analysis when requested by a supervisor.
- 6. At the beginning of the work shift, declare to the supervisor the use of any over the counter or prescription medication which may interfere with the safe and effective performance of their duties or the operation of District equipment.

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- 7. Provide within twenty-four (24) hours of the request by the employer a current, valid prescription for any drug or medication identified when a drug screen/analysis is positive. If the prescription is not in the employee's name, the employee will be subject to discipline.
- 8. Report any suspicious behavior which may be indicative of the use of alcohol or controlled substances to their Supervisor.

#### IX. Notification

The District will notify each covered employee of this policy through New Hire enrollment where they will be provided with information that will guide them to the location of this policy. Each employee will acknowledge in writing the receipt and understanding of this policy.

The District will notify each employee of the results of random, reasonable cause and post-accident drug and alcohol tests when the test results are positive. The employee will also be advised what drug class was discovered and be removed from performing a safety-sensitive function.

#### X. Confidentiality

Laboratory reports or test results will be maintained by the Human Resource Manager in a confidential medical file separate from the employees' official personnel file. The reports or test results may be disclosed to District management on a strictly need-to-know basis and to the tested employee/applicant upon request. Disclosures, without patient consent, may also occur when:

- A. The information is compelled by law or by the judicial or administrative process.
- B. The information has been placed at issue in a formal dispute between the District and the employee.
- C. The information is to be used in administering an employee benefit plan.
- D. The information is needed by medical personnel for the diagnosis or treatment of the employee who is unable to authorize disclosure.

#### XI. Continuous call-back employees

Employees subject to continuous emergency call-back are required to declare to their supervisors at the time they are called in the use of alcohol or controlled substances, including prescribed or over-the-counter medications that might affect their ability to perform under the emergency. The supervisor will determine if the employee is fit to work and in what capacity. However, if an accident occurs the employee will be tested. If the test indicates they were under the influence or impaired by a controlled substance or alcohol dismissal will occur.

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#### XII. Bar from employment

An applicant or employee who violates this policy or resigns in lieu of separation from employment due to a violation or suspected violation of this policy will be barred from employment with the District for a minimum period of six (6) months, depending on applicable departmental policy and employee's position at the time of the violation or alleged violation.

#### XIII. Disclaimer

The District reserves the right to modify, alter, delete, suspend or discontinue all or any part of this policy at any time, with or without prior notice to employees. Nothing in this Policy constitutes a contract of employment, implied or express, and nothing in this policy alters the at-will employment status of employees.

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## 7.05 Weapons

#### I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish the rules and procedures governing the carrying of handguns and firearms by District employees in the course and scope of their employment.

#### II. Scope:

This policy applies to all District employees. does not allow any job applicant, employee, contractor, subcontractor, vendor, agent or representative, or customer to possess, use, conceal, carry or maintain a weapon on District premises unless authorized by and in accordance with State law.

#### III. Definition:

Weapon is defined as firearms, clubs, sharp and/or pointed objects, explosive or incendiary devices, and noxious, caustic, or toxic chemicals or any other object or substance that could be used by someone to inflict harm upon another.

#### IV. Premises:

District employees are prohibited from carrying or storing any unlawful or unauthorized weapons on or within any District property, including buildings, structures, or vehicles.

#### V. Intervention:

If the District has reasonable suspicion at any time that a weapon has been maintained, carried or stored in violation of this policy, the District reserves the right to conduct a reasonable search of the person, work area, personal items or any District vehicle in the possession or subject to the control of such person to investigate whether or not a prohibited weapon is present.

VI. Enforcement: A violation of this policy or refusing to consent to a reasonable search conducted pursuant to this policy may result in adverse employment action, up to and including termination. Violations may also incur criminal penalties.

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# 7.06 Workplace Violence

The District strives to provide a safe and secure working environment for its employees. This policy is designed to help prevent incidents of violence from occurring in the workplace and to provide for the appropriate response when and if such incidents occur.

#### I. Zero Tolerance

Harassment, intimidation, threats threatening behavior, violent behavior, or acts of violence between employees or such action between an employee and another person that arises from or is in any manner connected to the employee's employment with the District, whether the conduct occurs on or off duty, is strictly prohibited.

#### II. Mandatory Reporting

Every District employee shall immediately notify their supervisor, Department Manager, the Human Resource Manager, and/or the Police Department of any prohibited weapon they observe while on District property.

#### III. Protective Orders

An employee, who applies for or obtains a protective or restraining order which lists District locations as being protected areas, shall immediately provide the Human Resource Manager and the Police Department a copy of the petition and declarations used to seek the order, a copy of any temporary protective or restraining order which has been granted, and a copy of any protective or restraining order which has been made permanent.

A District employee shall immediately advise their supervisor, their Department Manager, and the Human Resource Manager of any protective or restraining issued against them.

#### IV. Confidentiality

To the extent possible, while accomplishing the purposes of this policy, the District shall respect the privacy of reporting employees and will treat information and reports confidentially. Such information shall be released or distributed only to appropriate law enforcement personnel, District management, and others on a need-to-know basis and as might otherwise be required by law.

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#### V. District Property

For purposes of this policy, District property includes, but is not limited to, owned or leased vehicles, buildings and facilities, entrances, exits, break areas, parking lots, surrounding areas, and facilities.

#### VI. Documentation

When appropriate, threats and incidents of violence and possession of dangerous weapons will be documented. Documentation shall be maintained by the Human Resource Manager and/or the Police Department.

#### VII. Policy Violations

Violations of this policy might lead to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. Policy violations also might result in arrest and prosecution.

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## 7.07 Outside Employment

Employees may not engage in any outside employment, including self-employment, determined by the General Manager (1) to be inconsistent or incompatible with employment with the District; or (2) to affect the employee's job performance adversely. An employee must have the advance approval of the General Manager to engage in any outside employment, including self-employment. If a District employee is injured on the job in the course of employment outside of his or her employment with the District, the employee cannot file a workers' compensation claim against the District for benefits related to the injury, regardless of the fact that the General Manager may have authorized the outside employment.

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# 7.08 Tobacco and E-Cigarette Products

#### A. Purpose

It is the intent of the District to provide a healthy work environment for its employees. Therefore, the District restricts the use of tobacco products in all District buildings, vehicles, and equipment and strives to develop a tobacco free environment.

#### II. Eligibility

This policy applies to all District employees while they are on duty, utilizing District vehicles or equipment, owned, or leased by the District, or in District facilities.

#### III. Smoking

All District owned, operated, leased, or managed buildings shall be smoke free. All District owned or operated vehicles shall be smoke free.

#### IV. Smokeless Tobacco

It is the policy of the District to restrict the use of smokeless tobacco by District employees. The use of smokeless tobacco is restricted in District buildings, District vehicles and equipment, or while employees are conducting District business with other employees, customers, contractors, and interacting with the public.

#### V. Disposal

An employee shall responsibly dispose of all waste products generated by his or her use of smokeless tobacco products. Smokeless tobacco should be disposed of properly, discretely and in a closed container. Though other provisions of this policy allow the use of smokeless tobacco products, a supervisor may prohibit the use of smokeless tobacco products in any area where employees fail to responsibly dispose of waste products generated by the use of smokeless tobacco products.

District employees who experience performance or personal difficulties while overcoming a nicotine addiction may seek help through the District 's Health Insurance Programs. Interested employees or supervisors may contact the Human Resource Manager for assistance.

Any violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action in accordance with the District's policies.

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## 7.09 Solicitation and Acceptance of Gifts

#### I. Solicitation

Solicitation of funds or anything of value for any purpose whatsoever will not be permitted by District employees on the job. An employee is not required to make any contribution, nor may an individual be penalized in any way in connection with their employment according to their response to a solicitation. Any nonemployee engaging in soliciting will be asked to leave the District premises.

#### II. Acceptance of Gifts

- A. Questions regarding acceptance of gifts should be channeled through the Department Manager. District employees shall not accept any form of a gift where it is evident that the purpose of the gift is to influence the outcome of District affairs.
- B. District employees shall not accept any gift valued at more than \$25.00 from any person who falls in the following categories:
  - 1. Persons or entities subject to inspection, license or permit issued by the District.
  - 2. Persons or entities that are seeking or who hold contracts, purchase orders or other business interests with the District.
  - 3. Persons or entities that have claims or litigation pending against the District, including legal counsel who represent the claimants or litigants.
  - 4. Persons or entities that stand to profit or receive an advantage from any District action.
- C. "Gift" is defined as any benefit received by an employee, including but not limited to goods, services, money, lodging, transportation, discount, rebate, or any form of compensation that can be considered an economic gain.

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#### 7.10 Dress and Appearance

- I. The District desires to project a positive and professional image of employees representing the District. Employees are expected to dress in a conservative, professional manner that is appropriate to their position and to observe good grooming and personal hygiene habits. Presenting a positive image creates a favorable impression for the District, promotes confidence in the services the District provides, promotes respect among coworkers, and encourages higher working standards. This policy provides guidelines for appropriate appearance, uniform, and grooming.
- II. This policy applies to all employees (regular, temporary, and seasonal) at all times. Due to differing jobs within the District, several different dress standards are necessary. An employee who is in doubt as to which dress standard applies, should contact their supervisor.
- **III.** The following provides guidance to aid in interpreting this policy:
  - A. Casual Dress:
    - 1. The casual shirt may be either an oxford and/or a golf shirt or a professional blouse to wear as part of the accepted casual attire. District logo shirts may be worn with style approval by the General Manager and in accordance with District branding documents. Shirts purchased by employees may be worn at their discretion unless otherwise directed by his/her Department Manager. Jeans are also permissible casual dress attire and may be worn at employee discretion unless otherwise directed by the employee's Department Manager.
    - 2. Casual does not mean sloppy. Clothing should be clean, wrinkle free and without holes and frays. Tank tops, shorts, t-shirts, tennis shoes, combat boots, and other clothes or accessories that are revealing, disruptive, or generally better suited for the gym, beach ball game, or even a trendy club are not acceptable office attire.
    - 3. Tennis shoes may be worn only on Fridays or in the event the position requires on-going physical labor or working in a dirty environment.
    - 4. When in doubt, leave it out. The intent of casual wear is to make employees feel more comfortable yet project a positive image. If there is even the slightest question about suitability of one's attire or accessories, it should not be worn to work.
    - 5. On occasion employees making presentations to the District Board or other groups of like stature are expected to dress in business casual.
      - a. Business casual dress is designed to allow employees maximum comfort at work, while at the same time allowing for an appearance standard that is higher than that of casual dress

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- 6. Supervisors shall periodically review their employees' attire to ensure that required standards are met and that deficiencies are detected and corrected. Each supervisor is responsible for ensuring that their employees
- B. Grooming and Hygiene:

Each employee shall maintain personal hygiene, grooming, and general appearance that is neat, clean, professional, reflective of the District's philosophy of pride and professionalism, and commensurate with accepted general business practices. Such grooming standards prohibit exotic, ostentatious, gaudy, or other similarly unprofessional appearances. Examples include, but are not necessarily limited to, spiked hair, Mohawk, visible body piercing (except earrings), obscene or offensive tattoos, unkempt or unclean hair, lack of personal hygiene, or scraggly facial hair. Exceptions to grooming standards will be considered on the basis of legitimate personal or religious standards. Facial hair shall be kept clean and neatly trimmed. Nothing in this policy shall prohibit a supervisor from restricting clothing or other personal grooming attributes that might create a safety hazard based on the employee's job duties.

C. Accessories:

Clothing shall not be an advertisement or endorsement. Logos or insignias, such as the District logo, small manufacturing logo/names, or small nonostentatious wording, signs, or symbols are acceptable. Extreme or outrageous color schemes or other accessories, accouterments, or designs deemed by a supervisor or higher authority to be inappropriate or objectionable should not be worn. Employees shall wear undergarments. Except for the exposed front of T-shirts worn with an open collar, all undergarments shall be worn in a manner concealed by outer clothing. All footwear is expected to be appropriate to the employee's position. Shoes are to be neat, clean and in good repair. Thong sandals or "flip-flops" are never allowed.

- D. Uniforms:
  - 1. The District supplies some employees with appropriate uniforms. Employees in jobs that require a uniform will be told how and where the uniforms can be obtained. The District will provide replacements when necessary. Uniforms must be clean and neat. District uniforms will not be used outside of work, for personal use, or by a third party.
  - 2. The District will provide replacements when necessary. Uniforms must be clean and neat. District uniforms will not be used outside of work, for personal use, or by a third party. When the employee terminates employment with the District, uniforms and other District equipment must be returned in good condition before the final check is authorized.

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The employee will agree in writing to allow a payroll deduction to cover the cost of lost or damaged District property and unreturned uniforms from the employee's final paycheck prior to deduction.

E. Return of Clothing upon Employment Termination:

An employee shall return all District purchased apparel or uniforms upon termination from District employment except in those cases when the Department Manager authorizes that the person retains selected clothing items that have been worn, do not contain any District identifiers, and are determined to have no value to the District.

F. Dress Code Exceptions:

Unusual circumstances as approved by the supervisor, such as weather conditions, special work assignments, medical reasons, worksite conditions and/or unusual working hours or situations, may be sufficient reasons to grant an exception to the departmental dress code.

In all cases, the District will make the determination as to acceptable dress, appearance, and grooming. Employees should direct questions about appropriate appearance or dress to their supervisor, Department Manager or Human Resource Manager. Employees in violation of this policy may be sent home. In such circumstances, non-exempt employees will not be paid for work time missed, and exempt employees will be required to make up the work time missed. The employee is expected to return immediately to work. Employees whose grooming or personal appearance violates this policy may be disciplined, up to and including termination of employment.

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# 7.11 Vehicle Use

#### I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish the rules and procedures governing the assignment, use and reporting requirements of District vehicles including takehome vehicles. This policy will implement both federal and state mandated regulations and District policy and procedures. District owned vehicles shall be operated in compliance with all applicable state, and local laws and ordinances.

#### II. Eligibility

The Department Manager may recommend a take-home vehicle for an employee if the following criteria are met:

- 1. The employee is "on-call" and has an assigned vehicle; or
- 2. The General Manager has given approval.

#### III. Definitions

- A. Take-Home Vehicle is any vehicle that is owned, leased or otherwise under the care, custody or control of the District and is taken from the District premises after normal working hours to remain in "home storage" overnight for the use of a District employee or authorized representative for a bona fide District purpose. Take-home vehicles are either assigned to an employee by the General Manager or used by employees for on-call purposes.
- B. Bona fide District Purpose A bona fide District purpose is conducting official District business only.
- C. Personal Use Personal use is not allowed while the operator is on-call. Family members and non-District employees are not allowed in a District take-home vehicle. Any exceptions to this policy must be approved by the Department Manager and General Manager. The transportation of non-District employees, as approved per policy, is allowed if the transport would lead to increased effectiveness and efficiency of the department.
- D. Exempt Vehicles According to Federal guidelines and for purposes of tax calculation only, certain vehicles and equipment, particularly utility service vehicles (normally not to include pickup trucks or vans), designated by Federal law are exempt for the purpose of increased tax liability. This exemption means that the taxable income of the employee assigned to one of these vehicles will not be affected.
- E. Home Storage is defined as a vehicle kept at the employee's residence. Vehicles may be parked in the streets if unable to park in a driveway, and employees must avoid situations that would give rise to a legitimate complaint from neighbors, such as blocking streets, driveways, alleys, etc.

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- F. Non-Exempt Vehicles According to Federal guidelines and for purposes of tax calculation only, all other vehicles of the District that do not meet the criteria to be exempt vehicles are classified as "non-exempt." These non-exempt vehicles normally include pickup trucks and vans. By "non-exempt" the Federal government means that a tax liability will be incurred by the employee to whom the use of the vehicle is assigned.
- G. Hand-held devices Include but are not limited to cell phones without a handsfree device, tablets, radios and navigation tools.
- H. Tax Liability-An employee who has a non-exempt, assigned take home vehicle will have an assessment of \$3.00 per day and it will be added to their taxable income for each day of use. The assessed amount is added to the employee's taxable income only for the purpose of calculating the tax liability. The employee assigned the use of a non-exempt take home vehicle will be responsible for the tax on the assessed amount.
- I. Assignment of Take-Home Vehicles Employees that are to be assigned a take-home vehicle, whether for daily use or an on-call basis, must be recommended by the Department Manager and approved by the General Manager.

#### IV. General Provisions

- A. District vehicles are to be used for conducting official District business. The District reserves the right to search those vehicles at any time, for any purpose. Employees have no expectation of privacy in District vehicles.
- B. The operation of District take-home vehicles by non-employees is not allowed.
- C. All precautions shall be taken to ensure the safety and security of District Vehicles. This includes, but is not limited to, locking all doors and/or compartments and properly parking vehicles in accordance with applicable laws and ordinances.
- D. Employees authorized to take a vehicle home must drive the vehicle to and from work by the most direct route, without any deviation. The location of home storage for a District vehicle shall be approved by the General Manager.
- E. Use of the District vehicle for going to and from lunch shall be restricted within two (2) miles of the District limits.
- F. Carpooling to and from work and home in a District vehicle is not allowed without the approval of the General Manager.
- G. If an accident occurs while taking a vehicle home, the employee and his/her supervisor shall report the accident to their Department Manager immediately. A drug and/or alcohol test will then be administered as described in the District's Alcohol/Drug Policy.
- H. District employees involved in accidents while not in the "course and scope of employment" are responsible for all liabilities arising from the accident.

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- I. Employees and supervisors who fail to comply with the requirements of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action as described in the District's policies.
- J. Employees may not use tobacco, e-cigarette, vaping, drugs, alcohol, or other controlled substances while operating any District Vehicle.
- K. District employees may not use hand-held devices while operating a District Vehicle unless legally and safely parked. This includes, but is not limited to, answering, or making phone calls, engaging in phone conversations, and reading or responding to emails, instant messages and text messages.
- L. District employees may use accessories or vehicle-based equipment which allows for a hand-held device to be operated hands-free for voice calls only, so the driver may be able to maintain the use of both hands to control the vehicle. Vehicle operators are still required to use good judgment when using hands-free equipment so as not to be distracted from maintaining control of the vehicle.
- M. Department Managers shall be authorized to restrict the use of hands-free usage based on the operational needs of the Department or because of the vehicle size.

#### V. Fuel Use

- A. The Department Manager shall make the decision as to who is eligible to use a fuel card, and who will be eligible to fuel equipment and shall be responsible for card requests, transfers, replacements, and cancellations of fuel cards. All employee transfers or terminations shall be reported immediately to Finance.
- B. Appropriate use of the fuel card program is to fuel only District owned or leased equipment and only for District business purposes. The cardholder is responsible for appropriate use of fuel and the input of correct data at the fuel site. Any misappropriation of the fuel card program will subject employees to disciplinary action up to and including employment termination and shall not exclude criminal prosecution.
- C. The Finance Manager shall be responsible for monitoring fuel use, fuel invoices, and reports. Irregular or questionable transactions must be rectified immediately.

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# 7.12 Vehicle Equipment Operating Standards

#### I. Purpose

To establish a policy covering minimum standards for the qualification of employees and applicants to operate District Vehicles/Equipment. Furthermore, to minimize the risk of vehicle/equipment accidents by improving the quality of drivers by permitting only those persons with appropriate licenses and acceptable driving records to operate District vehicles/equipment.

#### II. Procedures

All District employees' driver's license, as well as the employee's driving record, will be reviewed annually by the Human Resource Manager through the appropriate agency.

#### III. Definitions

- 1. <u>District Vehicles</u> shall mean any owned, leased, and/or rented passenger car, pickup, truck, or other similar type vehicles as defined by the Texas Motor Vehicle Law.
- 2. <u>District Equipment</u> shall include, but not be limited to, backhoes, excavators, jetters, trailers, and other similar equipment.
- 3. A <u>habitual violator</u> is a person who has four (3) moving violations within any consecutive twelve (12) month period.
- 4. A <u>moving violation</u> for the purpose of this policy are the same as defined in the Texas Motor Vehicle Law (Examples: speeding, running stop sign or signal, failure to yield, etc.)
- 5. A <u>chargeable</u> accident is any accident reported on a Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) unless specifically stated as "not at fault" or "no fault" in the report.

#### IV. Applicability

This directive shall apply to:

- 1. District employees driving District owned, leased and/or motorized equipment.
- 2. District employees receiving mileage reimbursement for use of the employee's personal vehicle while conducting District business; and
- 3. Applicants for positions which require the operation of District vehicles and/or equipment.
- 4. District employees covered under this directive shall upon its effective date be subject to these standards. All applicants, who are finalists for positions which require the operation of a District vehicle/equipment, or will be eligible for a or mileage

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reimbursement, shall have their Motor Vehicle Driving Records (MVR) audited prior to being hired.

#### IV. Criteria for Application of Formal Levels of Discipline

In recognition of the fact that each disciplinary instance may differ, the District retains the right to treat each disciplinary occurrence on an individual basis and without creating a precedent for other cases that may arise in the future. The following criteria may be considered, as appropriate, in determining action to be taken.

- A. Severity and type of violation(s).
- B. Impact of the violation(s) on other employees and/or customers of the District.
- C. Employee's length of service and previous work record.
- D. Period since previous coaching or discipline.
- E. Disciplinary actions taken by the District with other employees for similar violations(s).

#### V. Guidelines

The District shall require all employees driving District Vehicles/Equipment, or employees driving personal vehicles to conduct District business, to have the appropriate driver's license as required by the District and/or State of Texas.

Failure to meet the qualifications/standards listed below shall be grounds for the suspensions of the employee's driving privileges and subject an employee to the provisions of this directive.

Employees who drive, or applicants who would be required to drive District Vehicles and/or operate covered Motorized Equipment, during their employment shall be required to meet and uphold certain standards. The following minimum qualifications/standards shall constitute conditions of eligibility for driving/operating privileges:

- A. The employee/applicant must hold and maintain a current valid Texas driver's license in the appropriate class for his/her position held, or applied for, before beginning work in the position requiring the license.
- B. The employee/applicant must have attained the age of eighteen (18) years of age in order to be eligible to operate District vehicles and/or operate motorized equipment under this policy.
- C. The employee/applicant must be physically qualified to hold a driver's license and to safely operate a motor vehicle and/or motorized equipment.
- D. The employee/applicant must be insurable under the District's automobile insurance program as determined by the insurance underwriters.
- E. The employee/applicant may not be a habitual violator of traffic laws as defined by the Texas Motor Vehicle Laws.

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In addition to the above criteria the District has established guidelines which shall be used to evaluate employee and applicant driving records. A Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) will be requested on all applicants, current District employees who are being considered for promotion or transfer, and at least on an annual basis on all employees required to drive/operate vehicles/equipment in the course and scope of their employment. Each employee/applicant must also meet the <u>minimum</u> driving criteria as outlined below:

#### VI. Evaluation Criteria

Applicants for positions requiring the operation of District Vehicles/Equipment, **SHALL NOT** be eligible for hire if:

- A. The applicant's driver's license is currently under suspension or revocation.
- B. Within the past three (3) years, the applicant has been arrested for or convicted of:
  - 1. Driving Under the Influence, (DUI).
  - 2. Driving While Intoxicated, (DWI).
  - 3. Any other alcohol-related driving offense.
  - 4. A "Hit and Run"
  - 5. "Failure to stop, render aid, and disclose I.D. as the scene of an accident"; and/or
  - 6. Negligent Manslaughter involving a motor vehicle accident.
- C. The applicant's driving record contains any of the following that have occurred within the last two (2) years:
  - 1. Three (3) moving violations; or
  - 2. Two (2) moving violations **and** one (1) chargeable vehicle accident; or
  - 3. Two (2) <u>chargeable</u> vehicle accidents.

# NOTE: All vehicle accidents listed on the driving record shall be considered chargeable" unless otherwise stated on the record or unless the applicant can provide immediate evidence to show that the accident was non-chargeable.

Employees in positions requiring them to drive District Vehicles/Equipment **SHALL NOT** be eligible to operate such vehicles; and employees receiving mileage reimbursement **SHALL NOT** be eligible for such payments if:

- A. The employee's license is suspended or revoked.
- B. Within the past three (3) years, the employee has been convicted of:

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- 1. Driving Under the Influence, (DUI).
- 2. Driving While Intoxicated, (DWI).
- 3. Any other alcohol-related driving offense.
- 4. A "Hit and run".
- 5. "Failure to stop, render aid, and disclose I.D. at the scene of an accident"; and/or
- 6. Negligent Manslaughter involving a motor vehicle accident.

Action under this section of the directive is predicated on evidence of <u>CONVICTION</u>. An employee who has been charged with an offense listed under this section, but who has not been convicted shall <u>not</u> be automatically disqualified from all driving and/or operating privileges. Pleading "no contest" or the like is the same as a conviction.

EXCEPTION: Certain departments may immediately, upon arrest for and while awaiting the outcome of a charge under this section, remove an employee from driving privileges. Within these departments the employee will be placed on unpaid Administrative Leave until such time as the outcome of the charge has been determined. Departments wishing to utilize this provision must be able to justify the need to, and receive approval from, the General Manager.

Should the charge result in conviction, (even if probated), the affected employee shall be ineligible for driving/operating privileges.

- A. The employee's record contains any of the following that have occurred within the last two (2) years:
  - 1. Three (3) moving violations; or
  - 2. Two (2) moving violations and one (1) chargeable vehicle accident; or
  - 3. Two (2) <u>chargeable</u> vehicle accidents.
- B. Employees who are in jobs requiring the driving/operating of District owned/leased vehicles or who use a personal vehicle while conducting District business shall report:
  - 1. Any traffic convictions to their supervisor immediately.
  - 2. All accidents incurred on the job, to their supervisor immediately.

NOTE: Failure to report traffic convictions and accidents, as outlined above, will be sufficient grounds for removal from driving and may subject the employee to action in accordance with District policy.

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#### VII. Post Eligibility Determination Guideline

Employees who are required to operate District Vehicles/Equipment and are determined to be ineligible to drive due to their driving record may be separated from employment. Employees who are terminated due to poor driving records may be eligible for re-hire after achieving an acceptable driving record.

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# 7.13 Property and Equipment Use

#### I. Equipment

- A. The District may issue various types of equipment and other property to employees such as credit cards, keys, tools, laptops, cell phone, etc. This equipment and property are for use while on District business only unless otherwise approved by the District Board or the General Manager. Employees are responsible for items issued to them by the District as well as items otherwise in their possession or control or used by them in the performance of their duties. It is expected that employees will follow the policies set out relating to the use of District property at all times.
- B. It is the employee's responsibility to ensure all equipment issued to him/her is properly maintained. If repair is warranted, the employee is to contact their supervisor and make the necessary steps to have the equipment/property repaired. Failure to properly maintain property/equipment shall lead to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment. All equipment is to be accounted for in a manner that befits normal use and storage, such as inventories, engraving, and the like. For items valued in excess of \$500, excluding automobiles, a departmental representative should be contacted to take digital photographs for the files.
- C. Missing equipment shall be reported to the appropriate supervisor.
- D. Operators of all motorized equipment used in the service of the District, who become involved in any accident, may be subjected to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment if, upon investigation, it is determined that the employee is responsible for such action or through carelessness, recklessness, or negligence contributed to the cause of such accident.
- E. Employees' use of District equipment/property does not limit the District 's right to search said areas. The District has the right to search, for legitimate business purposes, District owned/leased vehicles, equipment, desks, file cabinets, and anything else owned and/or leased on behalf of the District. Employees shall have no expectation of privacy regarding any property owned by and/or leased on behalf of the District.

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# 7.14 Employee Identification

- I. All District employees are issued an Employee Identification Badge with photo when they are hired. New employees receive their Employee Identification Badge during New Employee Orientation. Contractors who will be working on site as well as temporary seasonal and less than part-time employees will also be issued identification badges.
- **II.** The employee Identification Badge is District property and can only be used for identification purposes and for employee access to District buildings. Cards cannot be used for obtaining privileges, or for any personal reasons, without the approval of the employee's Department Manager. Misuse of the identification cards will be grounds for disciplinary action up to and including termination. Access to secure locations must be approved by the General Manager.
- III. Employees wearing a department issued uniform are not required to wear an Employee Identification Badge but must have the badge in their possession.
- IV. If an employee loses his/her identification badge, the employee should immediately contact the Human Resource Manager so that the card can be deactivated. Employees will be responsible for the replacement costs if they lose their card. Cards damaged by normal use will be replaced at no cost to the employee.

#### V. Surrender of Identification Card Upon Termination

Employees will surrender their identification cards upon termination of employment. The Human Resource Manager shall be responsible for collecting and deactivating the employee's identification card.

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## 7.15 Technology and Social Media

#### I. Statement of Purpose

This policy outlines the appropriate use of all electronic and telephonic communication systems, including, but not limited to, computers, telephones, the internet, e-mail, voice mail, pagers and all communications and information transmitted by, received from, or stored in District owned or leased systems.

#### II. Scope:

This policy applies to employees, contractors, consultants, temporary employees, and other workers for the District, including all personnel affiliated with third parties. This policy applies to all equipment that is owned or leased by the District.

#### III. Policy:

- A. All news releases by District employees will be approved prior to their release by the General Manager or designee. The Public Information Officer for the District will be the General Manager or designee. Only the General Manager or their designee is authorized to respond to information about the District that is posted to sites not maintained by the District.
- B. District Property. All Internet/Intranet/Extranet-related systems, including but not limited to computer equipment, telephone equipment, software, operating systems, storage media, network accounts providing electronic mail, WWW browsing, and FTP are the property of the District and as such are to be used for purposes related to an individual's job with the District, subject to exceptions noted below. For security and network maintenance purposes, authorized individuals within the District may monitor equipment, systems and network traffic, including but not limited to network accounts providing electronic mail, at any time. The District reserves the right to audit networks and systems on a periodic basis to ensure compliance with this policy.
  - The District shall not be liable for users' inappropriate use of electronic communication resources or violations of copyright restrictions, users' mistakes or negligence, or costs incurred by users. The District shall not be responsible for ensuring the accuracy, age, appropriateness, or usability of any information found on electronic resources, including the Internet.
  - 2. The District's system is provided on an "as-is, as available" basis. The District does not make any warranties, whether express or implied, including, without limitation, those of fitness for a particular purpose with respect to any services provided by the system and any information or software contained therein. The District uses a variety of

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vendor supplied hardware and software. Therefore, the District does not warrant that the functions or services performed by, or that the information or software contained on the system will meet the system user's requirements. Neither does the District warrant that the system will be uninterrupted or error-free, nor that defects will be corrected.

- 3. Opinions, advice, services, and all other information expressed by system users, information providers, service providers, or other third-party individuals in the system are those of the providers and not necessarily the District. The District will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation concerning or relating to misuse of the District's electronic communications system.
- C. Personal Use. Do not expect privacy. The District allows incidental and occasional personal use of the communication systems covered by this directive provided that such use does not adversely affect District business uses and/or productivity and does not involve unlawful or unprofessional activities. The District may access, read, monitor, etc., any communication if it chooses to do so. Incidental and occasional personal use of the systems is allowed during non-working hours (before work, during lunch and after normal working hours) only to the extent such use: 1) imposes no tangible cost on the District; 2) does not unduly burden the District's computer or network resources; and 3) has no adverse effect on an employee's job performance. When an emergency requires an employee to make or receive personal calls during business hours, every attempt should be made to limit the calls to five (5) minutes. District communication systems including email shall not be used to conduct personal business. Ethical behavior of government employees and the appropriate use of government resources apply to the use of electronic communications and computer systems supplied by the District.
- D. Permission to Photograph. Employees agreeing to this handbook give consent to the District to record, videotape and photograph their image and voice to be used in the following ways, but not limited to these outlined ways; company intranet accessible by employees only, company internet accessible via the World Wide Web by anyone, printed employee newsletter, emailed employee newsletter, printed client or customer newsletter, social media accounts maintained by the District or District Departments, printed annual reports, open records requests and other released and internal technologies utilized by the District. Employees understand that no special compensation will be provided to them for the use of their image and that they may or may not be informed in advance or at all in the specific use of their photos, recordings, images, videotapes, audio recordings or any other form of media used by the District.
- E. Personal Bills Incurred. Should an employee incur any charges on the phone system, computer system or the Internet, he/she must have advance permission and must reimburse the District for those charges

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within 30 days of when the fee was charged. Any fees not reimbursed will be deducted from an employee's monthly compensation and/or final paycheck from the District.

- G. Security and Confidential Information. User accounts are not to be shared. Passwords must be kept secure and adhere to the District Password Policy. All systems, laptops and workstations should be secured with a passwordprotected screensaver with the automatic activation feature set at 10 minutes or less, or by locking the system when the host will be left unattended. Postings by an employee from a District email address to newsgroups should contain a disclaimer stating that the opinions expressed are strictly their own and not necessarily those of the District, unless posting is during business duties. All hosts used by the employee that are connected to the District Internet/Intranet/Extranet, whether owned by the employee or the District, shall be continually executing approved virusscanning software with a current virus database unless granted an exception by information technology support. Employees must use extreme caution when opening e-mail attachments received from unknown senders, which may contain viruses, e-mail bombs, or Trojan horse code. The Department Manager should monitor departmental use of the Internet and e-mail, and he/she may revoke an employee's access to such systems at any time.
- H. Privacy and Open Records. An employee does not have a privacy right in any matter created, received, or sent via District-owned or leased systems. The District reserves the right, without advance notice and at any time, to monitor, access, delete or disclose any messages or documents created, received, sent, or stored via the District-owned or leased systems. The District is subject to open records requests and any information on a District computer may be subject to the right of discovery through the Texas Public Information Act.
- I. Program Installation. All programs installed on computers must be fully licensed for that computer. No personal or downloaded programs are to be installed unless granted an exception by Information Technology support.
- IV. Internet and E-mail Usage: The District's presence on social networking outlets will be administered by the General Manager or designee.
  - A. Discrimination and Harassment. Use of the internet is a revocable privilege and may be withdrawn if used inappropriately. Creating, sending, forwarding, or storing Internet or e-mail messages or documents (including, but not limited to, e-mail message signature lines, sayings and quotations) which are offensive, intimidating, harassing, disparaging or hostile on the basis of race, gender, color, religion, national origin, disability, age political beliefs, pregnancy or any legally protected status is grounds for disciplinary

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action, up to and including termination. The District does not allow connections to sites that contain sexually explicit material. Use of such sites on District owned or leased equipment may lead to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

- B. Open Records and Privacy. Electronic messaging systems as well as other computer systems are subject to the right of discovery in legal actions brought against the District and through the Texas Public Information Act. This means that outside parties may have access to the information stored on the District's systems, and as a result, such information may become public knowledge through no action of the District. Additionally, each employee should assume that every Internet site that is visited would capture his/her electronic address, which can lead back to the District.
- C. Unacceptable Use. The following activities are, in general, prohibited. Employees may be exempted from these restrictions during the course of their legitimate job responsibilities (e.g., systems administration staff may have a need to disable the network access of a host if that host is disrupting production services). Under no circumstances is an employee of the District authorized to engage in any activity that is illegal under local, state, federal or international law while utilizing District resources. The lists below are by no means exhaustive but constitute an attempt to provide a framework for activities which fall into the category of unacceptable use.
- D. While posting on social media employees need to be careful not to post anything that will bring a negative light, disparage the District or have a negative effect on the District's operations or reputation.

#### V. System and Network Activities:

- A. The following activities are strictly prohibited, with no exceptions:
  - 1. Violations of the rights of any person or District protected by copyright, trade secret, patent or other intellectual property, or similar laws or regulations, including, but not limited to, the installation or distribution of "pirated" or other software products that are not appropriately licensed for use by the District.
  - 2. Unauthorized copying of copyrighted material including, but not limited to, digitization and distribution of photographs from magazines, books or other copyrighted sources, copyrighted music, and the installation of any copyrighted software for which the District or the end user does not have an active license is strictly prohibited.
  - 3. Exporting software, technical information, encryption software or technology, in violation of international or regional export control laws, is illegal. The appropriate management should be consulted prior to export of any material that is in question.
  - 4. Introduction of malicious programs into the network or server (e.g., viruses, worms, Trojan horses, e-mail bombs, etc.).

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- 5. Revealing your account password to others or allowing use of your account by others. This includes family and other household members when work is being done at home.
- 6. Using a District computing asset to actively engage in procuring or transmitting material that is in violation of sexual harassment or hostile workplace laws.
- 7. Making fraudulent offers of products, items, or services originating from any District account.
- 8. Effecting security breaches or disruptions of network communication. Security breaches include, but are not limited to, accessing data of which the employee is not an intended recipient or logging into a server or account that the employee is not expressly authorized to access, unless these duties are within the scope of regular duties. For purposes of this section, "disruption" includes, but is not limited to, network sniffing, pinged floods, packet spoofing, denial of service, and forged routing information for malicious purposes.
- 9. Port scanning or security scanning is expressly prohibited unless prior approval from the Information Technology support is received.
- 10. Executing any form of network monitoring which will intercept data not intended for the employee's host unless this activity is a part of the employee's normal job/duty.
- 11. Circumventing user authentication or security of any host, network, or account.
- 12. Interfering with or denying service to any user other than the employee's host (for example, denial of service attack).
- 13. Using any program/script/command, or sending messages of any kind, with the intent to interfere with, or disable, a user's terminal session, via any means, locally or via the Internet/Intranet/Extranet.
- 14. Providing information about, or lists of, District employees to parties outside the District.
- 15. Submitting, publishing, or displaying any defamatory, inaccurate, racially offensive, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, or threatening materials or messages, whether public or private.
- 16. Using the network for financial gain or for commercial activity.
- 17. Personal communication denigrating your employer, "cybersmearing," or "cyber-bullying" of other employees.
- B. Email and Communication Activities:
  - 1. Sending unsolicited email messages, including the sending of "junk mail" or other advertising material to individuals who did not specifically request such material (email spam).

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- 2. Any form of harassment via email, telephone, or paging, whether through language, frequency, or size of messages.
- 3. Unauthorized use, or forging, of email header information.
- 4. Solicitation of email for any other email address, other than that of the poster's account, with the intent to harass or to collect replies.
- 5. Creating or forwarding "chain letters," "Ponzi" or other "pyramid" schemes of any type.
- 6. Use of unsolicited email originating from within District networks of other Internet/Intranet/Extranet service providers on behalf of, or to advertise, any service hosted by District or connected via District network.
- 7. Posting the same or similar non-business-related messages to large numbers of Usenet newsgroups (newsgroup spam).
- 8. Attempting to read, delete, copy, or modify the electronic mail of other system users, deliberate interference with the ability of other system users to send/receive electronic mail, or the use of another person's user ID and/or password is prohibited.
- C. Blogging:
  - Blogging by employees, whether using District property and systems or personal computer systems, is also subject to the terms and restrictions set forth in this Policy. Limited and occasional use of District systems to engage in blogging is acceptable, provided that it is done in a professional and responsible manner, does not otherwise violate District policy, is not detrimental to the District's best interests, and does not interfere with an employee's regular work duties. Blogging from District systems is also subject to monitoring at any time.
  - 2. District employees are prohibited from revealing any District confidential or proprietary information when engaged in blogging.
  - 3. Employees shall not engage in any blogging that may harm or tarnish the image, reputation and/or goodwill of the District and/or any of its employees. Employees are also prohibited from making any discriminatory, disparaging, defamatory or harassing comments when blogging or otherwise engaging in any conduct prohibited by District policies.
  - 4. Employees may also not attribute personal statements, opinions or beliefs about the District when engaged in blogging. If an employee is expressing his or her beliefs and/or opinions in blogs, the employee may not, expressly, or implicitly, represent themselves as an employee or representative of District. Employees assume all risk associated with blogging.

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5. Apart from following all laws pertaining to the handling and disclosure of copyrighted or export-controlled materials, District trademarks, logos and any other District intellectual property may also not be used in connection with any blogging activity.

#### VI. Illegal Activities:

- A. Employee use of the District owned or leased electronic and telephonic communication systems, including telephones, the Internet, e-mail, voice mail, and pagers must comply with all other Administrative Directives of the District and any established departmental policies. Illegal activities discovered by monitoring or auditing activities may be brought to the attention of the appropriate governmental agency or other persons.
- B. Improper or unethical use may result in disciplinary actions consistent with District policies and procedures and, if appropriate, the Texas Penal Code, Computer Crimes, Chapter 33, or other state and federal laws. This may also require restitution for costs associated with system restoration, hardware, or software costs.

#### VII. Enforcement:

Access to the District's electronic communications system is a privilege, not a right. All users shall be required to acknowledge receipt and understanding of all administrative regulations governing use of the system and shall agree in writing to comply with such regulations and guidelines. Noncompliance with applicable regulations may result in suspension or termination of privileges and other disciplinary action consistent with District policies. Violations of law may result in criminal prosecution as well as disciplinary action by the District, up to an including termination of employment.

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#### VIII. Definitions

Term	Definition
Blogging	Writing a blog. A blog (short for weblog) is a personal online journal that is frequently updated and intended for general public consumption.
Spam	Unauthorized and/or unsolicited electronic mass mailings
Host	A machine that communicates via a network, includes servers and clients.
Ponzi	A fraudulent investment operation that involves paying abnormally high returns ("profits") to investors out of the money paid in by subsequent investors, rather than from net revenues generated by any real business.
Trojan Horse	A program that installs malicious software while under the guise of doing something else.
Worm	A program that replicates itself over a network and usually performs malicious actions.
E-mail Bomb	Sending huge volumes of e-mail to an address in an attempt to overflow the mailbox or overwhelm the server.

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## 7.16 Travel and Meetings

This section establishes District policy regulating travel, meetings, entertainment, personal care, mileage, and/or other expenses incurred by employee who are authorized to officially represent the District at various conferences, meetings, conventions, seminars, and other functions.

This policy provides uniform guidelines and procedures for submission and processing of expenditure requests and ensures proper accounting for approved allowable expenses, including travel advances, per diem meals, and incidentals, District credit card charges, and cash expenditures made for the purposes herein defined on behalf of the District.

This policy is applicable to all District employees regardless of the source of funding.

#### I. Responsibilities

- A. The Department Managers are responsible for communicating and administering the provisions of this policy to employees and approving expenses as legitimate business items. Non-exempt employees are compensated in accordance with prevailing Wage and Hour Laws.
- B. The Finance Manager is responsible for the overall administration of expenditures regarding this policy. Department Managers are responsible for monitoring the travel and meeting expenses of their employees.
- C. The Finance Manager, Department Managers and all employees shall have the responsibility to report any abuse and/or misuse of travel funds to appropriate management.

#### II. Expenses

- A. Expenses shall consist of the actual costs that a reasonable, prudent person incurs related to travel and meeting attendance, excluding per diems. All expenses must be directly related to District business.
- B. Employees are expected to be conservative in their expenditures as if they were paying such costs.
- C. The expenses shall be rejected if required documentation is not provided. Original, detailed receipts must be turned in on all reimbursable expenditures with exception of tips, per diem meals, and incidentals. Per Diem includes the cost of meals, tips, and incidentals. Documentation is a service-provided name or logo- printed receipt, where available. Expenses incurred <u>not</u> in accordance with this policy are the employee's responsibility.
- D. Allowable Living Expenses. Actual living expenses, within specified limits, may be claimed by all District employees when they are representing the District of official business that requires an overnight stay away from the District. Living expenses include such items as hotel room, tips, parking, ground transportation, and itemized telephone calls.

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- E. Hotels/Motels. The District will pay for local hotels greater than 40 miles away or if there early/late meetings as part of the function. The District will pay actual expenses for hotels, motels, or other lodging for the actual number of days of the conference or other meetings, plus allowance for travel time. The District will pay for a single room. Lodging per night will not exceed actual room cost plus tax and tips.
  - 1. Where not provided for free, the District will pay reasonable Internet service costs where the Internet is used for District business.
  - 2. Employees may claim actual parking expenses.
  - 3. Employees may claim reasonable, actual ground transportation expenses including shuttle, taxis, and Uber services.
  - 4. Tips and gratuities are allowed and are considered reasonable when paid at the rate of 15% of the meal cost and \$1.00 per piece of luggage, except when traveling under per diem.
  - 5. The District will not pay or reimburse registration fees, meals, and travel expenses of spouses, children or significant others who accompany employees to conferences of other business-related events.
  - 6. The District will not pay or reimburse registration fees, meals, and travel expenses, or cancellation fees or penalties assessed for personal reasons unless emergency in nature.
- F. Meals When officially representing the District that requires an <u>overnight</u> <u>stay</u>.
  - 1. Per Diem should be requested two weeks prior to the trip date.
  - 2. Per Diem rates may be found at: <u>www.gsa.gov/perdiem</u>. The District will use the first and last day amounts, which equal 75% of the full day amount. All other days are paid at 100%.
    - a. Employees may use their District issued credit card to pay for registration, transportation, and hotel stay. All receipts must be detailed.
    - b. Where meals are provided at conferences and included in the registration fee, reimbursements or per diem shall not be allowed. A continental breakfast consisting of pastries and coffee/juice is not considered a meal.
    - c. In instances where a per diem advance was made and the trip was not taken, the employee shall return the funds to the Finance Department for credit to the proper fund.
  - 3. **Day Travel** Defined as travel that does not require an overnight stay, whether in-State or Out-of-State. The District will not reimburse employees and a purchasing card should never be utilized.

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Compensation for such meals is considered, by the Federal Government, to be taxable income to the employee. It is the responsibility of the employee to provide for his/her own meal if attending training that does not require an overnight stay.

- 4. **Business Meal/Entertainment-** Business meals are for executive level employees or their designees to conduct official business with an outside business representative. Business meals are not applicable to a group of employees going out to eat. To be a reimbursable "Business Meal" the meal must be one that is: (1) 'non-routine' in nature, (2) is entertainment that has a clear business objective which will benefit the District, or (3) involves a client, official or customer and an executive level employee or their designee.
  - a. In addition, to be a reimbursable "Business Meal" the meal must fall within one of the following tests:
    - i. Directly Related Test: The meal must satisfy all of the following:
      - 1) The main purpose of the combined business and meal is active conduct of business.
      - 2) Business is actually conducted during the meal period, and
      - There is more than a general expectation of deriving income to the District, lowering District expenses, or some other specific District benefit at some future time.
    - ii. Associated Test: The meal must satisfy all of the following:
      - 1) Associated with the active conduct of the District's business; and
      - 2) Directly before or after a substantial business discussion.

NOTE: Expenses that are lavish or extravagant under the circumstances are not allowed. The IRS identifies online *What Entertainment Expenses Are Not Deductible*. An employee must consider all the facts, including the nature of the business transacted and the reasons for conducting business during the entertainment. It is not necessary to devote more time to business than to entertainment. However, if the business discussion is only incidental to the entertainment, the entertainment expenses do not meet the directly related test. Approved Business Meal expenses, including the expenses of nonemployees at the meal, will be reimbursed, provided the circumstances are conducive to a business purpose, and the meal meets all the criteria stated. The District will not reimburse expenses for alcoholic beverages.

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- 5. <u>Group Meals</u> In order to be reimbursable, Group Meals are considered to be occasional, infrequent and non-routine meals that are provided to a <u>group of employees</u>, such as employee picnics or retirement parties, and are considered by the IRS to be a non-taxable de-minimis fringe benefit. Group meals may also include such things as occasional provision of coffee, donuts, or soft drinks or a meal that is provided to promote good will, boost morale, or to attract prospective employees to the District.
  - a. To be a reimbursable expense or charged on a purchasing card, the costs related to Group Meals must be approved by a Department Manager. A separate document will be required in processing "Group Meals" in the Finance Department to meet IRS requirements. Group Meals should never occur during overnight travel as per diem per employee has been provided. An employee will need to provide a detailed receipt, names of all individuals in attendance, and a reason for the group meal.
  - b. The only meals allowed on a purchasing card is a Group Meal or Business Meal. No other meals, snacks or drinks are allowed on your purchasing card. The District will not reimburse expenses for alcoholic beverages.
- G. Other Living Expenses The cost of alcoholic beverages, laundry/dry cleaning, in- room movies, personal tours, fitness center fees, personal entertainment, and spouse and other family expenses are specifically excluded form reimbursement.
- H. Transportation Expenses Employees will use the most economical form of transportation available. When submitting reports, employees shall submit the completed comparison of the available modes of transportation for review.
  - 1. Other Transportation When requesting air transportation, the employee shall request the least expensive cost. The employee may choose to travel first-class, but the District will pay only for coach class. Accommodations must be booked in a timely manner to ensure coach class is available. Up charges (first class, business class) must be reimbursed at the time of the expense.
  - 2. Vehicle Transportation Employees may use their personal funds and keep receipts for reimbursement, employees may seek an advance or use a District credit card. Employees also may use a personal car for travel. Actual mileage shall be calculated in miles from the worksite or residence depending on where he/she depart from, to the destination. Any other mileage is considered as part of the normal commute to work. The District shall reimburse the lesser of (1) actual mileage to and from the destination multiplied by the current IRS rate per mile, or (2) the round trip cost of the most reasonable alternative conveyance
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such as airfare that would be spent for each employee traveling to the destination in the vehicle.

3. District Vehicles - District vehicles may be used at the discretion of the Department Manager when costs are not in excess of the costs of airfare and site transportation combined or when air transportation is not available or impractical. Direct expenses such as gasoline associated with the use of a District vehicle shall paid with the assigned vehicle fuel card.

#### III. Expense Reports

All employees must get prior approval from their Department Manager.

- A. A per diem advance form should be used to request per diem and resubmitted with all expenses upon return to balance out travel expenses.
- B. When it becomes necessary that an employee travel in the interest of the District, the Department Manager may request a travel advance. This request may be made on the Travel Advance/Expense Report and should contain the name of the traveler, purpose of the trip, date(s), and other pertinent information. This request should be prepared and submitted at the earliest practical time, but preferably no later than fourteen (14) full working days prior to departure.
- C. The Department Manager's request for travel advances require prior approval by the General Manager. Others require prior approval of their Department Manager. If approved, the request will be sent directly to the Finance Manager no later than seven (7) full working days prior to departure.

#### IV. Paid Time

- A. Attendance at lectures, meetings, training programs, and similar activities will be counted as working time unless all four (4) of the following criteria are met:
  - 1. It is outside normal working hours.
  - 2. It is voluntary.
  - 3. It is not job related, and
  - 4. There is no other work that is concurrently performed.
- B. Travel that keeps an employee away from home overnight is travel away from home. Travel away from home is clearly work time when it cuts across the employee's workday. The time is not only hours worked on regular working days during normal working hours but also during corresponding hours on non-working days. Time that is NOT considered work time is that time spent in travel away from home outside regular working hours as a passenger on an airplane, train, boat, bus, or automobile.

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### 7.17 Employee Arrest

- I. In the case of an arrest of a District employee, the following procedure shall befollowed:
  - A. Employees shall ensure his/her supervisor is notified within 24 hours of the arrest and prior to returning to work.
  - B. Upon notification of the employee's arrest, the Department Manager shall notify the Human Resource Manager and General Manager.
  - C. If an employee fails to contact his/her supervisor, corrective disciplinary action and/or termination of employment will occur.
- II. Employees, who are unable to report to work because of arrest or incarceration, must nonetheless contact their supervisor and will be placed on unpaid leave of absence for up to two (2) workdays/shifts. If an employee is unable to secure bail after two (2) workdays/shifts, the employee shall be considered to have abandoned his/her position. If the employee is freed on bail, his/her Department Manager, the Human Resource Manager, and the General Manager will decide whether or not active employment is appropriate pending final disposition of the charges.

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## 7.18 Fraud Policy

The District's fraud policy was established to facilitate the development of controls which will aid in the detection and prevention of fraud for Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District"). It is the intent of the District to promote consistent organizational behavior by providing guidelines and assigning responsibility for the development of controls and conduct of investigations.

- I. SCOPE This policy applies to any fraud, or suspected fraud, involving employees, Directors, consultants, vendors, contractors, outside agencies doing business with employees of such agencies, and/or any other parties with a business relationship with the District. Any investigative activity required will be conducted without regard to the suspected wrongdoer's length of service, position/title, or relationship to the District.
- II. GENERAL Management is responsible for the detection and prevention of fraud, misappropriations, and other inappropriate conduct. No employee is to comment to or speak with the media regarding suspected fraud unless expressly authorized to do so by the General Manager or the Board of Directors. Fraud is defined as the intentional, false representation or concealment of a material fact for the purpose of inducing another to act upon it to his or her deceit.
  - A. Each member of the management team will be familiar with the types of improprieties that might occur within his or her area of responsibility and be alert for any indication of irregularity.
  - B. Any fraud that is detected or suspected must be reported immediately to the General Manager, who coordinates all investigations with the Board of Directors and Legal Counsel and other affected areas, both internal and external.
  - C. In cases of suspected fraud by the General Manager, a complaint should be given directly to the President of the Board.
  - D. In cases of suspected fraud by a member of the Board of Directors, a complaint should be given to the General Manager who will report directly to District's legal counsel.
- **III. ACTIONS CONSTITUTING FRAUD -** The terms defalcation, misappropriation, and other fiscal wrongdoings refer to, but are not limited to:
  - 1. Any dishonest or fraudulent act.
  - 2. Forgery or alteration of any document or account belonging to or representing the District.

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- 3. Forgery or alteration of a check, bank draft, or any other financial document.
- 4. Misappropriation of funds, securities, supplies, or other assets.
- 5. Impropriety in the handling or reporting of money or financial transactions.
- 6. Profiteering as a result of insider knowledge of District activities.
- 7. Disclosing confidential and proprietary information to outside parties.
- 8. Disclosing to other persons securities activities engaged in or contemplated by the District.
- 9. Accepting or seeking anything of material value from contractors, vendors, or persons providing services and/or materials to the District. Exception: Gifts less than \$25 in value.
- 10. Destruction, removal or inappropriate use of records, furniture, fixtures, and equipment; and/or
- 11. Any similar or related inappropriate conduct.
- IV. INVESTIGATION RESPONSIBILITIES The General Manager has the primary responsibility for the investigation of all suspected fraudulent acts as defined in the policy unless he/she is suspected of fraud. In such case, the Board of Directors shall have the primary responsibility for investigation. If there is an investigation of suspected fraudulent activities, the General Manager will issue a report to the Board of Directors. Decisions to prosecute or refer the examination results to the appropriate law enforcement and/or regulatory agencies for independent investigation will be made by the Board of Directors as will final decisions on disposition of the case.

Every employee of the District is required to report any suspicion of fraud to their immediate supervisor or any member of District management including the General Manager. Failure to report may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

- V. **CONFIDENTIALITY-** The District treats all information received confidentially to the extent allowed by law. Investigation results will not be disclosed or discussed with anyone other than those who have a legitimate need to know. This is important in order to avoid damaging the reputations of persons suspected but subsequently found innocent of wrongful conduct.
- VI. AUTHORIZATION FOR INVESTIGATING SUSPECTED FRAUD Members of the Investigation Unit will have:

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- 1. Free and unrestricted access to all District records and premises, whether owned or rented.
- 2. The authority to examine, copy, and/or remove all or any portion of the contents of files, desks, cabinets, and other storage facilities on District premises without prior knowledge or consent of any individual who may use or have custody of any such items or facilities when it is within the scope of their investigation.
- VII. **REPORTING PROCEDURES** Great care must be taken in the investigation of suspected improprieties or wrongdoings to avoid mistaken accusations or alerting suspected individuals that an investigation is under way.
  - 1. An employee who discovers or suspects fraudulent activity will contact the General Manager immediately, unless the suspected fraud involves the General Manager, in which case the President of the Board should be contacted.
  - 2. Any employee who suspects dishonest or fraudulent activity will notify the General Manager immediately and should not attempt to personally conduct investigations or interviews/interrogations related to any suspected fraudulent act.
  - 3. All inquiries concerning the activity under investigation from the suspected individual, his or her attorney or representative, or any other inquirer should be directed to Legal Counsel through the General Manager.
  - 4. No information concerning the status of an investigation will be provided without expressed authorization.
  - 5. The proper response to any inquiries is: "I am not at liberty to discuss this matter." Under no circumstances should any reference be made to "the allegation," "the crime," "the fraud," "the forgery," "the misappropriation," or any other specific reference.
  - 6. The reporting individual should be informed of the following:
    - a. Do not contact the suspected individual in an effort to determine facts or demand restitution.
    - b. Do not discuss the case, facts, suspicions, or allegations with anyone unless specifically asked to do so by the Board of Directors, General Manager, or Legal Counsel.

#### VIII. DISCIPLINARY REVIEW MEETING

It is the policy of the District to give individual employees an opportunity for a hearing regarding severe disciplinary actions. Disciplinary review hearings are designed to be heard according to prescribed guidelines as set forth in the

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following procedures. The disciplinary review hearing process is designed to afford the employee a responsive forum; however, nothing in this policy shall be construed as a grant to any employee of a property right in tenured public employment. All employees are employed strictly on an at-will basis.

- **IX.** General Disciplinary Review Meeting Information:
  - A. An employee who has received discipline in excess of a written warning/written reprimand may request a meeting with the next level supervisor. In cases of suspensions four (4) days or greater or termination, the meeting will be with the Human Resource Manager.
  - B. All requests for disciplinary review hearings must be filed with the Human Resource Manager within five (5) working days after receiving notification of an action taken. The request must explain why they do not agree with the action taken and what they recommend as an alternative action. All decisions rendered in response to disciplinary review hearings must be in writing to the employee.
  - C. An employee who requests a disciplinary review hearing must inform the Human Resource Manager in writing of their correct mailing address and telephone number. Failure to provide current mailing address and telephone information may result in administrative closure of the disciplinary review hearing.
  - D. The employee will meet with the Human Resource Manager deciding the issue within ten (10) working days of the employee's request unless an extension is agreed upon by the parties.

Upon conclusion of the meeting the Human Resource Manager hearing will have five (5) days wherein to make a decision.

- E. For issues involving suspension without pay of three (3) or fewer days, the Human Resource Manager will be the final arbiter. For suspensions without pay or four (4) or more days or termination of employment, the General Manager will be the final arbiter.
- X. GRIEVANCE PROCESS The District recognizes that every employee has the right to be treated fairly in matters arising from employment; that each employee should have the opportunity to be heard fully any time his or her right to fair treatment has been violated; and that a carefully designed grievance process can help to reduce personnel dissatisfaction, increase morale, identify problems in the organization and increase the positive perception employees have of their employment. Therefore, whenever any employee believes that he/she has been treated unfairly with regard to the terms and conditions of his/her employment, he/she may initiate proceedings as specified in this policy in order to resolve those matters.

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It is the policy of the District, insofar as possible, to prevent the occurrence of grievances and deal promptly with those which occur. A grievance may be filed by an employee on one or more of the following grounds:

- 1. Improper application of rules, regulations, and procedures (but not the rules, regulations, and procedures themselves).
- 2. Unfair treatment.
- 3. Illegal discrimination based on race, religion, color, sex (including sexual harassment), age, disability, or national origin.
- 4. Improper application of fringe benefits.
- 5. Improper working conditions.

A temporary employee may express a grievance orally or in writing to his or her supervisor who will hear the grievance and attempt to resolve it. The supervisor's decision is final unless the matter relates to alleged harassment or discrimination, which is governed by Section 2.28 D below.

#### XI. CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS

- A. The grievance procedures set forth in this policy are applicable only to regular employees.
- B. The District retains the right under applicable laws and regulations to direct employees in the performance of their duties; to take the necessary means to achieve the proper ends under emergency situations; and to hire, promote, transfer and assign employees as well as to suspend, demote, discharge or take disciplinary action against such employees.
- C. The scope of the employee grievance must:
  - 1. Clearly define the situation in question through a written allegation of the specific wrongful act or situation, the harm done and the facts upon which it is based.
  - 2. Arise out of an act or failure to act that directly relates to the working conditions of the eligible employee or to the employee's employment relationship.
  - 3. Define a matter within the control of the District; and,
  - 4. State such relief sought that is within the power of the District to grant.
- XII. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE The grievance procedure consists of three steps for appeal, each of which must be utilized in turn.
  - A. Step One Immediate supervisor. An employee who believes that elements of his/her working environment are unsatisfactory and can be made more effective shall take the following measures:
    - 1. Discuss the specific problem with his/her immediate supervisor. A problem that results from a specific event or action must be presented

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within seven business days. The supervisor must meet with the employee within ten business days of employee's request. The supervisor's decision regarding the matter shall be rendered in writing to the employee within seven business days following the conference.

- 2. If the problem cannot be resolved through the conference and/or the employee wishes to document the grievance for further action, he/she may submit a formal written grievance to the Human Resources Manager within seven business days after receipt of supervisor's response.
- B. Step Two Human Resources Manager. Grievances submitted to Human Resource Manager shall be in writing. The grievance must:
  - 1. Be submitted within 7 business days following receipt of supervisor's response.
  - 2. Include a copy of the immediate supervisor's decision and justification.
  - 3. Specify the employee's grievance and the specific remedy requested.
  - 4. Provide a reason why the response received by the employee is unacceptable.
  - 5. The Human Resources Manager shall review the documentation and determine if the supervisor's decision shall stand. The Human Resource Manager's decision shall be provided in writing to the employee by the tenth business day after receipt.
- C. Step Three General Manager. If the matter is not satisfactorily resolved in step two, the problem may be presented in writing to the General Manager, together with a copy of all the preceding responses, within seven business days following the response from the Human Resource Manager. The General Manager shall meet with the affected employee. The General Manager will provide a written response to the grievance by the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) business day after meeting with the employee. The General Manager's decision is final.
- D. Written Responses to Grievances Written responses to grievances shall include the following:
  - 1. Notation of the time, date and person who received the grievance.
  - 2. Analysis of the facts or allegations in the grievance.
  - 3. Affirmation or denial of the allegations.
  - 4. Identification of the remedies or adjustments, if any, to be made.
- E. Time Limits If a grievance is not processed by the aggrieved employee within the specified time limits provided in this policy, the grievance shall be considered void. If the District fails to process a grievance within the time limits specified; the employee may initiate action by proceeding to the next step. However, employees are encouraged to make a reasonable attempt to determine the reason for the delay.

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- F. Time Extensions All times specified in this procedure are subject to scheduled vacations, sick leave or other authorized leave necessary for the proper conduct of the District's business. Additionally, involved parties may request one extension not to exceed seven days by providing written notice to the other parties prior to the expiration of the time limit established for that step.
- G. Withdrawal of Grievance At any time during the grievance process, the employee may withdraw the grievance by making written notification of the withdrawal available to all parties involved in the grievance process.
- H. Coordination of Grievance Procedures The Human Resource Manager shall coordinate grievance procedures as established within these guidelines. He/she shall also be responsible for maintaining and controlling all records relating to grievances in a manner that will ensure their confidentiality; and submitting a summary report to the General Manager. The General Manager's decision is final unless the allegation is against the General Manager; in which case the employee may appeal to the Human Resource Manager who will refer the grievance to the Board of Directors.
- I. To maintain a safe and productive work environment, the District expects employees to be reliable and punctual in reporting to work. Any absenteeism or tardiness is disruptive and place a burden on the District and on co-workers. Either may lead to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.
- J. In the rare instance when an employee cannot avoid being late to work or is unable to work as scheduled, the employee must personally notify their supervisor at least one (1) hour in advance of the anticipated tardiness or absence; more notice may be required in accordance with individual departmental procedures.
- K. The employee must disclose to their supervisor the reason for the absence or tardiness and the date and time of their anticipated arrival.
- L. For absences of one day or more, the employee must personally notify their supervisor on each day of their absence. For absences of three (3) or more days the employee's supervisor must notify the Human Resource Manager no later than the third day of absence in order to properly administrate the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) procedures as covered in this policy manual. FMLA leave is to be considered if an employee is out more than three (3) days.

An employee failing to report for duty or remain at work as scheduled without proper notification, authorization, or excuse shall be considered absent without leave, which constitutes abandonment of duties and shall not be in pay status for the time involved. Absence for two (2) consecutive days without prior notification or without satisfactory reason shall be considered job abandonment and designated as a resignation without proper notice.

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# 8.00 General Safety and Risk Management

### I. General Safety Policies

- A. The success of the District's Safety and Risk Management Program depends on the efficient and effective use of resources to maintain high quality services for our customers. Our most important resource is our employees; and to protect this resource, we are committed to providing a safe and healthy workplace for all employees by establishing and maintaining an effective safety, accident prevention and overall risk management program. Safety is, and will continue to be, a fundamental part of our organization's operations.
- B. The responsibility for safety limiting risk resides within all employees, and each is challenged to stay informed and to take responsibility for their own safety and the safety of their coworkers. To ensure the success of the safety process, every employee must give their full participation and support to the safety and risk management policies and procedures that have been developed to protect employees.

### II. Responsibilities

- A. The Human Resource Manager and Department Managers have the responsibility to implement and administer this Safety/Risk Management Program and assign tasks as defined in the individual components.
- B. Department Managers are responsible for providing a place of employment that is free from hazards that could result in injuries or accidents. Since it is impossible for managers to personally observe all employee activities, they must ensure that all supervisors and employees alike are trained and are aware of their safety responsibilities. Other safety responsibilities for managers include the following:
  - 1. Provide leadership and direction concerning safety/risk management activities.
  - 2. Be proactive in continuous evaluation of the safety/risk management program.
  - 3. Set goals concerning safety performance/risk management within their department.
  - 4. Review losses for potential trends on a regular basis.
  - 5. Enforce all safety/risk management rules.
  - 6. Participate in facility and worksite safety/risk management audits.
  - 7. Participate and support all accident investigation activities.
  - 8. Review accident reports and recommend corrective actions.
- C. Supervisor Safety Responsibilities

Safety is as much a part of the supervisor's responsibility as is getting the job done efficiently. In addition to the responsibilities of managers, the important safety/risk management responsibilities of each and every supervisor also include the following:

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- 1. Familiarize themselves with, and enforcing, the safety rules and regulations that have been established by applicable local, State, and Federal organizations. These regulations are intended to set minimum standards for safety, and the contents of all regulations must be enforced as minimum safety/risk management requirements for all activities on District worksites and in District facilities.
- 2. Correct, or have corrected, all reported hazards. Operating under known hazards shall not be tolerated.
- 3. Do not permit new or inexperienced employees to work with power tools, machinery or complex equipment without proper instruction and training.
- 4. Give adequate safety instructions. Do not assume that an employee knows how to do a job unless knowledgeable in safety rules and regulations that they can perform the job task(s).
- 5. Ensure tools, equipment, and machinery being used in the workplace are in proper working condition.
- 6. Ensure that proper personal protective equipment (PPE) is available and used by employees when necessary and required.
- 7. Always set a good example in safety such as wearing the proper personal protective equipment and following established safety policies and procedures.
- 8. Consistently and proactively enforce all requirements of the District's safety program and all associated rules and policies.
- 9. Ensure that all employees have access to a copy of the District's safety policies.
- 10. Encourage safety/risk management suggestions from employees.
- 11. Obtain prompt first aid for injured employees.
- 12. Participate in accident or incident investigations.
- 13. Conduct audits of all work areas and facilities on a regular basis to improve housekeeping, eliminate unsafe conditions and encourage safe work practices.
- D. Employee Safety Responsibilities
  - 1. Know the job, follow instructions, and think before they act.
  - 2. Use appropriate personal protective equipment as dictated by the job and the policy.
  - 3. Work according to written safety practices as trained, posted, instructed, and/or discussed.
  - 4. Refrain from any unsafe act that might endanger them, fellow workers, or the public.

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- 5. Never take shortcuts and use all safety devices provided for protection.
- 6. Report any unsafe situation or act to their supervisor immediately.
- 7. Assume responsibility for thoughtless or deliberate acts that may cause injury to them, or fellow workers, or the public.
- 8. Never operate equipment that they are unfamiliar with or not trained/licensed to use.
- 9. Report all accidents/incidents to their supervisor immediately.
- 10. Report all hazardous conditions, actions, and/or practices to their supervisor.
- 11. Work areas, including the inside and outside of vehicles and buildings, shall always be kept clean and orderly.
- 12. Employees shall only operate equipment/tools that they are trained and authorized to operate.
- 13. Employees shall use all safety devices and personal protective equipment provided for their protection.
- 14. Employees shall use assisted lifting devices or obtain assistance from a coworker when lifting heavy objects.
- 15. Before starting work on any machine or equipment that is out of service, employees shall render the equipment or machine inoperable and attach a lockout device to the equipment control. Guards shall never be removed except when authorized to make repairs or adjustments. Replace guard immediately upon completion of work.
- 16. Employees shall not engage in practical jokes or horseplay.
- 17. During work hours, personal telephones should only be used for highpriority personal communication and not for mere casual use. If a phone is to be used for work in a vehicle, the vehicle should be safely stopped, preferably off the road, and placed in park prior to receiving or placing a call.

#### III. Risk Management

- A. The goal of Risk Management is to limit injury or damage to persons, employees, and property within the District. The mission is to reduce the liability to the District in the form of safeguarding the public and employees from claims against the District that can be prevented by effective policies.
- B. All Department Managers are responsible for developing and implementing risk management policies specific to their function, including but not limited to safety clothing and equipment, footwear, hard hats, gloves, eye and ear protection, safety vests and the like. All employees are required to follow risk management policies and attend safety meetings as required.

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- C. Supervisors shall follow all safety rules and advise those whom they supervise of all such rules per their particular function. Supervisors shall observe employees' actions for safety and advise them accordingly.
- D. Violation of any of the above policies may result in disciplinary action in accordance with established District policy.

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## 8.01 District Vehicle Operator Standards

### I. District-Owned and District-Leased Vehicles

- A. The operator of a District-owned or District-leased vehicle shall take the following actions when involved in an accident whether or not on District-related business:
  - 1. Stop immediately.
  - 2. Telephone for an ambulance if anyone appears to be in the need of emergency medical service.
  - 3. Keep the accident from becoming worse by warning other drivers.
  - 4. Render reasonable assistance to injured persons.
  - 5. Notify law enforcement and the employee's department immediately by telephone. If injured, the supervisor must be notified.
  - 6. A collision with another vehicle regardless of the damage severity or location.
  - 7. A collision with other property, telephone pole, guardrail, tree, and the like, regardless of the owner.
  - 8. A collision that requires a vehicle to be towed.
  - 9. A collision that causes injury to any party to the accident.
  - 10. Make no admission of fault or negligence to anyone. Do not apologize or say "sorry." Be courteous, but do not discuss the accident except with the Police and do not sign any statements or releases for anyone other than medical processing required by the District.
  - 11. Exchange name and address with drivers of other vehicles involved, and obtain the name phone, and policy numbers of the other driver's insurance company.
  - 12. If possible, the employee should take photographs showing visible damage to all vehicles and the position of the vehicles.
  - 13. Move vehicles to the nearest point of safety when necessary or as instructed by a law enforcement officer.
  - 14. Complete a Motor Vehicle Accident Report immediately, and file it with the Human Resource Manager.
- B. The supervisor/manager shall take the following actions when their employee is involved in an accident in a District-owned vehicle:
  - 1. Upon receiving notice of an accident, the employee's supervisor/manager shall contact Human Resource Manager as soon as possible and advise them of the accident and all known details.
  - 2. Comply with the District's Drug and Alcohol Policy.

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- 3. It shall be the direct responsibility of the supervisor/manager in charge of the employee to see that a Motor Vehicle Accident Report is immediately prepared concerning the accident.
- 4. All accident reports shall be submitted to the Human Resource Manager as soon as possible after the accident, but no later than the next business day.

### II. Vehicles Owned by Employees

At times, employees will use personally owned vehicles on District business. If an accident should occur while on District business, employees shall adhere to the following:

- 1. It is the employee's responsibility to notify their insurance carrier.
- 2. The District does not provide insurance for damage to personally owned vehicles. The mileage reimbursement payment is to provide a contribution toward the employee's operating cost of his/her vehicle, insurance, repairs, gasoline, etc. Any damage to a personally owned vehicle is the employee's responsibility to correct.
- 3. If citations of any type are issued, report them to the Human Resource Manager.

#### III. Employee Injuries

Any injury incurred by an employee driving on District business shall be treated as worker's compensation, and the guidelines for workers' compensation/post-accident testing shall be followed.

#### IV. Consequences of Failure to Promptly Report

Delay in reporting an accident shall result in corrective action, up to and including employment termination.

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# 8.02 On the Job Injury/Worker's Compensation

#### I. Definitions

- A. "Course and Scope" of Employment as defined by the Texas Workers' Compensation Act means "an activity of any kind or character that has to do with and originated in the work, business, trade, or profession of the employer and that is performed by an employee while engaged in/about the furtherance of the affairs or business of the employer." The term includes activities conducted on the premises of the employer or at otherlocations.
- B. Job-related Illness, Injury, or Medical Condition Illness which occurred as the result of the employee performing the assigned duties of their occupation within the course and scope of employment.
- C. Maximum medical improvement is defined as follows, whichever comes first:
  - 1. 104 weeks from the date disability benefits begin to accrue.
  - 2. The date a doctor certifies that, based on reasonable medical probability, the injured employee can no longer reasonably anticipate further recovery or lasting improvement from a compensable injury.
- D. Modified Duty Assignment is temporary assignment of an employee with a job-related illness, injury, or medical condition to duties that can be performed within the limitations of the employee's medical condition. Modified Duty Assignment, however, may be for as little as one (1) week and is based on actual need for the work to be done. Modified Duty Assignments are only for those employees with job-related illness, injuries, or medical conditions unless a part of an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended (ADAAA).
- E. Workers' Compensation Benefits are temporary income benefits (TIBs) provided under the Texas Workers' Compensation Act starting on the eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) day of inability to work.

#### II. Medical Care

A. Employees injured on the job shall be promptly taken to a first aid facility for any necessary medical treatment. The compensability of the injury shall be determined by the District workers' compensation's approved insurance carrier. Employees must be seen by an approved health care provider. For serious injuries, an employee shall use the nearest appropriate medical facility.

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- B. For policies concerning drug/alcohol testing, please refer to the District's Drug and Alcohol Policy. All employees involved in an on-the-job accident shall undergo drug and alcohol testing. Minor injuries include, but not limited to, small cuts, abrasions, bruises, insect bites, poison ivy, etc. The employee's supervisor is responsible for ensuring the testing follows the District's Drug and Alcohol Policy.
- C. Injured employees shall submit to medical treatment by their Districtapproved physician, and refusal to abide by their instructions might constitute a barrier to further medical expenditures and weekly salary continuation payments.

#### III. Reporting Accidents/Injuries

- A. Is it the responsibility of the employee's supervisor to ensure that they notify HR. HR is responsible appropriate reports are completed as soon as possible following an accident or injury. The supervisor must complete the Employee's First Report of Injury or Illness. The employee's report must be transmitted to the Human Resource Manager no later than the end of the next business day following the accident or injury.
- B. Any violation of any of these policies by an employee may result in possible delay of treatment as well as disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

#### IV. Employee Responsibility

- A. It is the employee's responsibility to immediately advise their supervisor of all scheduled appointments pertaining to medical treatment of a work-related injury prior to the appointment. Following each appointment, the employee is charged with the responsibility to provide their supervisor and Human Resource Manager with a copy of the Texas Workers' Compensation Work Status Report, DWC73, within 24 hours after the appointment. Injured employees shall make their best effort to recuperate from injuries and not engage in any activity that would hinder recovery.
- B. When an employee's injury results in an unpaid time off status, it is the employee's responsibility to contact the Human Resource Manager in order to make arrangements to pay their portion of any voluntary deductions, e.g., dependent health and/or dental coverage, supplemental life insurance, etc. Failure to make payment within 30 days of the due date shall result in cancellation of those unpaid coverages.
- C. An employee on unpaid time off has the option to maintain their pension service credit by contributing to their retirement fund while receiving TIBs. The employee must coordinate this with the Human Resource Manager and/or Finance Manager prior to the start of their unpaid time off status.

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#### V. Outside Employment

An employee on FML, Sick/Vacation leave, disability leave, or Workers' Compensation leave shall not engage in outside training, school, or employment unless expressly authorized in writing in advance by the General Manager.

#### VI. Accidents Caused by Non-Employees

If an employee is injured because of the negligence or wrong doing of a third party, not another District employee, the District is entitled to subrogate to the employee's right of recovery against the third party to the extent of all payments made to the employee by the District for such related injuries. The District shall have the right of first recovery against any payments made by, or on behalf of, such third parties to the employee to the extent that such payments are in compensation for an element of injury that the District has already paid.

#### VII. Modified Duty

In some cases, regular, full-time employees who have missed work due to an injury sustained on the job are unable to return directly to the duties that they previously performed. In such cases, employees may be assigned to modified duty positions pending return to their previous employment positions if such modified duty is available and if judged by the attending physician to be within the abilities of the employee. Modified duty assignments will not be appropriate for all employees who have suffered a job-related injury. Such assignments shall be made on a case-by-case basis where appropriate for the benefit of the District and the employee. If available, modified duty assignments are available only to regular, full-time employees who have sustained an on-the-job injury (or as an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended (ADAAA).

#### VIII. Termination

Leaves of absence for any reason, including work-related injuries/illnesses shall not last longer than six (6) months unless part of reasonable accommodation under the ADAAA.

A regular, full-time employee, who for a job-related injury or a combination of work-related injuries or FML-qualifying events, misses a total of six (6) months of work, shall be separated from employment due to the unavailability for work if not part of a reasonable accommodation arrangement. An employee part of said "no fault" employment termination shall be eligible for rehire and shall be able to apply for any vacancies that might exist at any given time, depending on qualifications and availability of job openings. The six (6) month period shall be measured cumulatively by the rolling backward method. The District reserves the right, at any time, to require an independent physical or mental analysis/assessment by an occupational health care professional or a health care professional of the District's choice and at the District's expense.

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# 8.03 Loss and Property Management

#### I. Loss - Property Damage

Employees shall report all property damage to their supervisor immediately. Supervisors shall report all property damage to the Human Resource Manager.

#### II. Procedures

All property damage must be reported on the appropriate "Incident Report" form to the Human Resource Manager within 24 hours, or the next working day.

Failure to report incidents may lead to further disciplinary action up to and including termination.

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## 8.04 Driver Records Check

I. For the safety of the District employees and citizens, driving standards have been established for all District employees who drive for the District. Traffic laws for the State of Texas and the District imposes requirements on the District, as an employer, to ensure that employees are properly licensed and that their driving behavior, both on and off the job, reflects obedience to the State and local laws. This driving records policy is established to ensure this compliance.

At least once a year, the Human Resource Manager shall submit, on specified forms, requests for driving record histories for all employees. The Human Resource Manager shall compile those fleet accidents that are not maintained by the DPS. This includes all investigated, on or off-road, motor vehicle accident reports that are not required to be reported to the DPS but are maintained by the Departments.

#### II. Accident Citation Point Assessment

- A. No employee will be allowed to operate any vehicle for the District and may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment, if convicted or placed on deferred adjudication or disposition for any of the following violations in the immediate preceding three (3) years:
  - 1. Driving while intoxicated.
  - 2. Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, including prescription drugs.
  - 3. Negligent homicide arising out of the use of a motor vehicle or gross negligence.
  - 4. Operating a motor vehicle while a driver license is suspended or revoked.
  - 5. Using a motor vehicle for commission of a felony.
  - 6. Aggravated assault with a motor vehicle.
  - 7. Operating a motor vehicle without the owner's authority/permission.
  - 8. Reckless driving; and/or
  - 9. Leaving the scene of an accident involving bodily injury or property damage.
- B. Any employee who is required to drive as part of his/her job and who receives notice that their license to drive has been suspended or revoked or an employee who fails to renew an expired license, must report this to their supervisor no later than the beginning of the first workday following receipt of the notice of suspension or revocation or knowledge of expiration.

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An employee who properly reports a suspended, revoked, or expired driver license may be reassigned to a non-driving position for a period of suspension or revocation or until the license is renewed if such a position exists; or the employee may be terminated from employment at the discretion of the Department Manager. Reassignment shall require the employee to be fully qualified for the new position, and it must be in the best interest of the District. If no such position exists, the employee may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. Any reassignment or disciplinary action shall be coordinated with the Human Resource Manager.

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### 8.05 Safety Meetings & Training

#### I. Safety Meetings & Training

- A. Safety meetings are an effective way to encourage, educate, and train employees on safe work practices and will be held on a regular basis, based the specific department or operation. The Department upon Supervisor/Manager will provide information to be used in the meetings and will attend and participate in the meetings when possible. Safety meetings will normally be conducted by the Department Supervisor/Manager. Discussions of safety rules, possible hazards to be encountered in future job duties, or changes in procedures or equipment are some topics that should be covered on a regular basis. Topics discussed during safety meetings should pertain to the specific hazards associated with the employee's assigned job or task as well as general hazards associated with the workplace. All employee safety meetings and training will be documented.
- B. Employees who do not attend regularly scheduled safety meetings or training will be identified and scheduled to attend makeup training at the supervisor's discretion. Documentation of makeup training will be made as well.

#### II. Special Training

Additional or specialized safety training will be conducted for the following areas as the need arises:

- 1. New equipment purchases.
- 2. New/changes in operations.
- 3. Identified areas of increased accidents.
- 4. Newly identified areas of exposure.

#### III. New Employee Safety Orientation

- A. Department Managers, in conjunction with the Human Resource Manager will provide an orientation to all new employees to address the hazards associated with his/her positions and will include a review of all safety rules, policies/procedures, and equipment that are applicable to the employee's area of assignment. New employees will be given an opportunity to ask relevant questions that may pertain to their assigned duties and safety. Documentation of the new employee safety orientation will be complete and maintained in the employee's personnel file.
- B. New employees' work activities will be limited until the safety orientation is completed.

#### IV. Documentation of Safety Meetings & Training

Documentation from any formal meeting, 'tailgate' meeting, or training courses

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attended by employees, supervisors, or managers will also be maintained for recordkeeping purposes. Documentation should include the topic(s) covered, presenter information, and copies of any materials or handouts used during the training.

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## 8.06 Fall Prevention

Slips, trips, and falls constitute a large percentage of accidents and injuries in public entities. These procedures are designed to prevent hazardous conditions that could result in slips, trips, or falls.

#### I. Responsibilities

- A. Supervisors
  - 1. Conduct routine inspections to ensure all walking and working surfaces are free from potential slip, trip, and fall hazards.
  - 2. Conduct safety training for employees who use ladders, scaffolds, or other elevated surfaces.
  - 3. Conduct training in the use and inspection of fall prevention and fall arrest equipment.
  - 4. Ensure proper ladders are used for specific tasks.
  - 5. Provide adequate fall prevention and fall arrest equipment.

#### B. Employee

- 1. Maintain work areas free from potential slip, trip, and fall hazards.
- 2. Correct or immediately report potential slip, trip, and fall hazards.
- 3. Use proper ladders for assigned tasks.
- 4. Use proper fall prevention and fall arrest equipment as prescribed by policies.
- C. Engineered and Administrative Hazard Controls.
- D. Although every effort is made to prevent slips, trips, and fall accidents, additional precautions should be taken to ensure all possible measures have been taken. These include:
  - 1. Proper construction of elevated work surfaces.
  - 2. Proper use of hand, knee, and toe rails, where required.
  - 3. Proper design and use of fixed ladders and stairs.
  - 4. Adequate lighting in all areas.
  - 5. Training for all employees who work on elevated work surfaces.
  - 6. Routine inspections of ladders, stairs, walking, and working surfaces.
  - 7. Following housekeeping and cleaning requirements
  - 8. Immediate addressing potential problem areas.

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#### II. General Requirements

- A. Housekeeping
  - 1. All work areas, passageways, storerooms, and shop areas should always be kept clean and orderly.
  - 2. The floor of every work area shall be maintained in a clean and dry condition as possible. Where wet operations are held, adequate drainage should be maintained, and non-slip mats or floor covering shall be provided.
  - 3. Every floor, work area, and passageway shall be kept free of protruding nails, splinters, holes, debris, and stored items.
- B. Aisles and Passageways
  - 1. Aisles and passageways shall be kept clear and in good repair with no obstructions across or in aisles that could cause a hazard.
  - 2. Where mechanical equipment is used, aisles should be of adequate width as improper aisles coupled with poor housekeeping, vehicle and foot traffic, can cause injury to employees, damage to equipment and materials, and can limit egress in the event of an emergency.
  - 3. Changes in elevation, such as steps, curbs, and ramps, should be marked or highlighted with a stripe of highly-visible paint or other nonskid material to assist in the identification of the known trip and fall hazard.
- C. Guarding Floor and Wall Opening, Runways, Stairs
  - 1. Floor openings and holes, wall openings and holes, and the open sides of elevated work surfaces may create hazards as people may fall through the openings or over the side to the level below. Objects such as tools or parts, may also fall through holes and strike employees or damage machinery on lower levels.
  - 2. Standard railings shall be provided on all exposed sides of a stairway opening, except at the stairway entrance.
  - 3. Every open-sided floor or work surface located four (4) feet or more above the adjacent floor or ground level shall be guarded by a standard railing on all open sides, except where there is an entrance to a ramp, stairway, or fixed ladder. A toe board shall be provided as well.
  - 4. Guarding Stairways Every flight of stairs, with four or more risers, shall have standard stair railings or standard hand railings.
  - 5. Fixed Industrial Stairs Fixed industrial stairs shall be provided for access to and from places of work where operations necessitate regular travel between levels.

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- 6. Portable Ladders The primary hazard associated with the use of a ladder is falling. A poorly designed, maintained, or improperly used ladder may collapse under the load placed upon it and cause the employee to fall.
- 7. Fixed Ladders A fixed ladder is a ladder permanently installed or attached to a structure, building, or equipment. Fixed ladders with a length of more than 20 feet shall be equipped with a safety cage or ladder safety device. A 'cage' is a guard that is fastened to the side rails of the fixed ladder or to the structure designed to encircle the climbing space of the ladder for the safety of the person who must climb the ladder. Cages should extend a minimum of 42 inches above the top of the landing unless another acceptable fall protection is provided.

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# 8.07 General Rules for Motor Vehicle & Equipment Operation

#### I. General Provisions

- A. Employees who are authorized to operate District vehicles or personally owned vehicles on District business, must have a valid Texas driver's license for the class vehicle they operate and must notify their supervisor immediately should the license be suspended or revoked.
- B. All drivers of District vehicles must be familiar with and abide by all applicable state, federal, and local traffic regulations.
- C. All drivers/operators shall be responsible for the proper care and use of vehicles and motorized equipment. This includes maintaining District vehicle/motorized equipment interiors and exterior, regularly servicing these items and reporting maintenance needs to the supervisor.
- D. A driver/operator shall not permit any unauthorized persons to drive, operate or ride in or on a District vehicle. Riders shall not be allowed on running boards, tailgates, fenders, bumpers, atop cabs, on tow bars, or towed equipment.
- E. Where seat belts are provided, they shall be worn by all occupants. The size or operation of the vehicle or equipment does not excuse the operator from the seat belt requirement.
- F. Unsafe and discourteous driving practices such as 'road-hogging,' disregarding the rights of pedestrians, violating traffic regulations, and deliberate recklessness of any kind are prohibited.
- G. Except in emergencies, gasoline must not be carried inside passenger cars or the cabs of trucks. Gasoline shall be transported in approved safety containers and sealed tight to prevent the leakage of gasoline or gasoline vapors.
- H. Garage doors must be opened for ventilation whenever a motor vehicle engine is running to help prevent the accumulation of carbon monoxide gas.
- I. Keys shall be removed from unattended vehicles and equipment. Doors should be locked for security purposes.
- J. Driving a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substance will not be tolerated. Never attempt to perform work or drive a vehicle when you are impaired by alcohol, medication, or drugs, including over the counter or prescription medications.
- K. Picking up hitchhikers is dangerous and prohibited.
- L. Driving is a full-time job. Drivers should not engage in other activities, such as dialing a telephone, while operating a vehicle. The vehicle should be pulled off the road and stopped before performing these types of activities.
- M. Driving at the maximum posted speed limit can be too fast for safety in some situations. The drivers of all vehicles must use good judgment and proceed at a pace suitable to conditions of the vehicle, road, traffic, and weather.
- N. All vehicle cabs should be kept clean to reduce distractions to drivers and interference with the operation of the vehicle or equipment.

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### II. Backing

- A. When possible, park so that backing is not required.
- B. Extreme caution shall be exercised when backing any vehicle. If another employee is present, he/she shall act as a spotter to assist the driver in backing safely. Drivers shall stop immediately if they lose sight of the spotter.
- C. Backup alarms are a useful warning device and should be used when possible, especially on larger vehicles and equipment that may severely restrict your view to the rear of the vehicle. If an alarm is not present, the operator should honk his horn to warn others of the moving vehicle.

#### III. Stopping on Roadways

- A. When it is necessary to stop on the roadway, extreme caution shall be used. Emergency flashers/lighting shall be used.
- B. If work is in progress, traffic control devices shall be used in accordance with the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Part VI. Please see additional information in the respective departmental policies regarding vehicle/equipment us.

#### IV. Inspection of Vehicles and Equipment

- A. Drivers/operator shall utilize equipment checklists to inspect vehicles and equipment to determine if they are in good operating condition *prior* to operating the vehicle.
- B. The driver/operator shall determine that brakes are in good operating condition before using the vehicle or equipment. If brakes are not working properly, they must be corrected before use.
- C. The driver/operator shall report all defects promptly. Items that affect safety shall be repaired prior to continued use.
- D. For additional information, please refer to District and/or Departmental Vehicle Operator Standards.

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# 8.08 Back Injury Prevention and Material Handline

Back injuries are prevalent and continue to be one of the leading causes of on-the-job injuries in the workplace. The following procedures are designed to prevent injury and disability to employees; decrease lost productivity due to accidents and injuries; and, decrease costs associated with these types of injuries.

#### I. Common Causes of Back Injuries

- 1. Prolonged positions
- 2. Poor posture
- 3. Poor ergonomics
- 4. Improper lifting/lifting too much
- 5. Twisting while lifting
- 6. Reaching while lifting
- 7. Slips/trips and falls
- 8. Vehicle and equipment entry and exit

#### II. Safe Lifting Principles

The following steps should be taken prior to lifting, handling, or carrying materials:

- A. Prior to beginning to lift or carry, check to ensure that the walkway is clear of all obstacles.
- B. Carefully check the object's weight and center of gravity.
- C. Face the object and get as close as you can with feet slightly apart and the head and neck facing forward. Grip the object firmly and hold it as close to your body as possible.
- D. Bend at your knees, not at your waist.
- E. Use your legs to bring you to a standing position, making the lift smoothly and under control.
- F. Do not twist your body when lifting or lowering.
- G. If necessary, obtain assistance in lifting heavy objects by utilizing additional personnel, power equipment, or other types of assistive lifting devices.
  - 1. When two or more persons carry a heavy object that is to be lowered or dropped, there shall be a pre-arranged signal for releasing the load.
  - 2. When two or more persons are carrying an object, each employee, if possible, should face the direction in which the object is being carried. Crouch or squat with the feet close to the object to be lifted; secure good footing; take a firm grip; bend the knees; keep the back vertical; and lift by bending at the knees and using the leg and thigh muscles. Employees shall not attempt to lift beyond their capacity. Caution shall be taken when lifting or pulling in an awkward position.
- H. Material shall not be thrown from place-to-place or person-to-person.

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## 8.09 Fire Prevention and Life Safety

#### I. General

These address specific exposures and prevention methods related to fire prevention and the life safety of employees.

- A. Management Responsibilities
  - 1. Ensure all fire prevention methods are established and enforced.
  - 2. Ensure fire suppression systems such as sprinklers and extinguishers are periodically inspected and maintained in working order.
  - 3. Train supervisors to use fire extinguishers for incipient (developing) fires.
  - 4. Train employees on evacuation routes and procedures.
- B. Supervisor Responsibilities
  - 1. Closely monitor the use of flammable materials and liquids.
  - 2. Train assigned employees in the safe use, storage, and handling flammable materials.
  - 3. Ensure flammable material storage areas are properly maintained.
- C. Employee Responsibilities
  - 1. Use, store, and transfer flammable materials in accordance with provided training and policy.
  - 2. Do not mix flammable materials.
  - 3. Immediately report violations of this program to a supervisor.

#### II. Potential Hazards

Fire and explosion hazards can exist in almost any work area. Potential hazards include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Improper operation or maintenance of gas-fired equipment.
- 2. Improper storage of use of flammable liquids.
- 3. Smoking in prohibited areas.
- 4. Accumulation of trash and debris.
- 5. Unauthorized 'hot work' operations.
- A. Hazard Prevention and Control
  - 1. All nonessential ignition sources must be eliminated where flammable liquids are used or stored. The following is a list of some of the more common ignition sources:
  - 2. Open flames, such as cutting and welding torches, furnaces, matches, and heaters, should be kept away from flammable liquids. Cutting or welding on flammable liquids equipment should not be performed

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unless the equipment has been properly emptied and purged with a neutral gas, such as nitrogen.

- 3. Electrical sources of ignition, such as DC motors, switches, and circuit breakers should be eliminated where flammable liquids are used, handled, or stored. Only approved, explosion-proof devices should be used in these areas.
- 4. Mechanical sparks produced as a result of friction should not be used near flammable liquids.
- 5. Static sparks generated as a result of static electricity. Every effort should be made to eliminate the possibility of static sparks including proper bonding and grounding of tools and equipment.
- B. Removal of Incompatibles

Materials that can contribute to a flammable liquid fire should not be stored with flammable liquids. Examples include oxidizers and fertilizers stored near petroleum-based products.

C. Control of Flammable Gases

Generally, flammable gases pose similar fire hazards as flammable liquids and their vapors and many of the same safeguards also apply. Other properties, such as toxicity, reactivity, and corrosivity must also be taken into consideration as a flammable gas could produce toxic combustion products.

#### II. Fire Extinguishers

A portable fire extinguisher is the "first aid" device and is very effective when used while a fire is small. The use of an extinguisher that corresponds to the class of fire, by a trained person, can save both lives and property. Portable fire extinguishers must be installed in all workplaces, regardless of other firefighting measures. The successful performance of an extinguisher in a fire situation largely depends on the proper selection, inspection, maintenance, and distribution.

A. Classifications of Fire Extinguishers

Fires are classified into five general categories, depending upon the type of material or fuel involved. The type of fire determines the type of extinguisher to be used to extinguish it.

- 1. *Class A* fires involve combustible materials such as wood, paper, and cloth, which produces glowing embers or char.
- 2. *Class B* fires involve flammable gases, liquids, and greases, including gasoline and most hydrocarbon liquids, which must be vaporized for combustion to occur.
- 3. Class C fires involve live electrical equipment or materials near

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electrically energized equipment.

- 4. *Class D* fires involve combustible metals such as magnesium, zirconium, potassium, and sodium.
- 5. *Class K* fires involve cooking fats and oils found in deep fat fryers or other cooking appliances such as solid fuel char-broilers.

In many cases, areas will be equipped with an 'ABC'-type extinguisher, which can be used for wide variety of common fires.

- B. Location and Identification of Extinguishers.
  - 1. Extinguishers should be conspicuously located and readily accessible for immediate use in the event of a fire. Generally, extinguishers will be placed along normal paths of travel and egress. Wall recesses and/or flush-mounted cabinets should be used whenever possible.
  - 2. Extinguishers should be clearly visible. In locations where visual obstruction cannot be completely avoided, directional arrows will be provided to indicate the location of extinguishers and the arrow will be marked with the extinguisher classification.
  - 3. If extinguishers intended for different classes of fires are located together, they will be marked to ensure the proper class of extinguisher is selected. Classification markings will be located on the front of the shell above or below the extinguisher nameplate and should be legible from a distance of three (3) feet.
- C. Condition of Extinguishers.

Portable extinguishers will always be maintained in a fully charged and operable condition and kept in their designated locations when not being used. When extinguishers are removed for maintenance, inspection, or testing, a fully charged and operable replacement should be provided.

D. Mounting and Distribution of Extinguishers.

Extinguishers should be installed on hangers, brackets, in cabinets, or on shelves, no more than 42-inches above the floor.

Extinguishers should be distributed such that the amount of time required to travel to the extinguisher and back to the fire does not allow the fire to get out of control. Generally, the travel distance for Class A and Class D extinguishers should not exceed 75 feet; Class B extinguishers should not exceed 50 feet, due to the quick spread of flammable liquid fires; Class C extinguishers should simply be placed where they are likely needed, based upon the given hazards; and, Class K extinguishers are generally located within a proximate distance to the cooking areas in which they are designed to protect.

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E. Inspection and Maintenance of Extinguishers

All extinguishers should be visually inspected on a monthly basis and tested and certified by a qualified service provider on an annual basis.

F. Use of Fire Extinguishers

In most cases, recalling the *PASS* acronym will help remember the four steps of safe extinguisher use.

Pull the pin (from the handle)
Aim the nozzle (at the base of the fire)
Squeeze the handle (to actuate the extinguisher)
Sweep the nozzle (from side-to-side)

#### IV. Fire Safety

- A. Inspections Supervisors and Managers are responsible for conducting workplace fire inspections as a part of the normal workplace safety inspection. These surveys should include observations of housekeeping issues and should specifically address proper storage of chemicals and supplies, unobstructed access to fire extinguishers and emergency exit or evacuation routes.
- B. Emergency Exits Every exit designated as an emergency exit should be clearly visible or the route to it conspicuously identified in such a manner that every occupant of the building will readily know the direction of escape from any point. At no time should exits or paths of egress be blocked. Any doorway or passageway, which is not an exit or access to an exit, but which may be mistaken for an exit, should be identified by a sign reading "Not an Exit" or otherwise labeled as to the purpose (i.e., "Closet"). Exits and accesses to exits will be marked by a readily visible sign. Each exit sign (other than internally illuminated signs) should be illuminated by a reliable light source or phosphorescence.
- C. Emergency Lighting Emergency lighting in buildings, if equipped, should be tested at least monthly to ensure proper operational conditions in the event of an emergency. These tests should be completed in conjunction with the fire extinguisher visual inspections.
- D. Evacuation Routes and Plans
  - 1. Each facility shall design and post an emergency evacuation plan to allow employees and other to safely evacuate the building or affected area in the case of an emergency.
  - 2. Should evacuation be necessary, proceed to the nearest exit or stairway and proceed to an area of refuge outside the building. Most stairways are fire resistant and are often equipped with barriers to smoke if doors remain closed.

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E. Fire Emergency Procedures

The following procedures should be followed in the event of a fire within a building:

- 1. Activate the nearest fire alarm, if equipped
- 2. Notify your supervisor, co-workers, and other occupants
- 3. Fight the fire only if:
  - a. The Fire Department has been notified of the fire, and
  - b. The fire is small and confined enough to its area of origin, and
  - c. You have a way out and can fight the fire with your back to the exit, and
  - d. You have the proper extinguisher, in good working condition, and know how to use it.
- 4. If you are unsure of your ability or the fire extinguisher's capacity to contain the fire, leave the area.
- 5. Leave the building and move away from exits, maintaining clear path for emergency operations.
- 6. Assemble in a designated area.
- 7. Report your safety to the appropriate supervisor or personnel.

#### V. First Aid

- A. All injuries, regardless of severity, shall be reported to your supervisor.
- B. Preplanning for a potential emergency situation is most valuable. All employees shall be aware of the medical services available and how to obtain them. Emergency phone numbers shall be posted in all work areas.
- C. Where first aid kits are supplied, employees shall be familiar with the location, contents, and the instructions given with the first aid kit. Each employee shall learn how to use this equipment so they can render treatment when needed.
- D. The contents of the first aid kits shall be inspected each month and expended items replaced. Personal medication shall not be kept in first aid kits.
- E. Where the eyes or body may be exposed to injurious corrosive materials, suitable facilities for quick drenching or flushing of the eyes and body shall be provided for emergency use.
- F. Emergency eye wash and/or shower stations should be tested at least once per month to ensure proper working condition.

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### 8.10 Office Safety & Ergonomic Awareness

- I. Office Safety
  - A. Employees shall walk cautiously up and down stairs and use handrails whenever possible.
  - B. Caution shall be exercised when walking around blind corners.
  - C. Desk drawers and file cabinets shall be kept closed when not in use.
  - D. Only one drawer of a file cabinet shall be pulled out at a time.
  - E. Boxes, chairs, buckets, etc. shall not be used in place of ladders.
  - F. The floor shall be kept clear of tripping hazards such as telephone cords, electrical extension cords, paper cartons, etc.
  - G. Employees mopping or waxing floors shall place warning signs to alert coworkers of the potential for slippery floors. In addition, all liquid spills shall be cleaned up immediately and signs put in place until the hazard is alleviated.
  - H. Material shall be stored on shelves in a manner to prevent falling; heavy objects shall be placed on lower shelves.
  - I. Hallways and aisles shall be kept clear of obstructions.
  - J. All emergency exits, electrical panels, fire extinguishers, and emergency equipment shall be kept clear of all obstructions.
  - K. Solvents or other toxic substances shall be used only with adequate personal protection or in well-ventilated areas. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) should be accessible to all employees who are using these substances.
  - L. Employees shall not attempt to clean, oil or adjust any machine that is running. If the machine is not equipped with a starting switch that can be locked in the "off" position, it shall be disconnected from the power source.
  - M. Unsafe electrical cords, faulty equipment, or any other hazardous condition shall be reported and taken out of service until the repairs are completed.
  - N. Broken glass and other sharp objects shall not be placed in wastepaper containers.

#### II. Ergonomic Awareness

- A. Workstations, Desks, and Counter-Tops
  - 1. Chairs should be easily adjustable and provide good lumbar support. If feet cannot rest firmly on the ground, a footrest may be provided. Chairs with a five-point base are recommended due to the stability that is provided.
  - 2. Sufficient leg room must be allowed for seated operators.
  - 3. Position the monitor directly in front of the operator. The operator's eyes should be level with the top of the screen. Viewing distance between the user's eyes and the screen should be approximately 16 to 22 inches.
  - 4. The equipment or sources of light should be positioned so that glare or

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bright reflections on the display screen are minimized.

- 5. Adjust the height of the chair and/or keyboard so that the shoulderelbow-arm angle is approximately 70-90 degrees.
- 6. Keyboard heights and placement should be adjustable. Use a cushioned palm rest if needed to keep user's hands and fingers in the same plane as the forearm and avoid resting wrists and forearms on sharp table edges.
- 7. Work surface heights should range from 23 to 28 inches for seated workstations. In addition, your work area should be well organized with routine operations within easy reach and easily accessible.
- 8. Document holders should be placed adjacent to and at the same height as the display screen.
- 9. Operators should adjust positions frequently and get up and move around to help avoid fatigue.
- B. Lighting, Noise and Heat
  - 1. Adequate but not excessive heat should be provided during cooler weather.
  - 2. Windows should be equipped with adjustable blinds.
  - 3. Use task lighting where extra illumination is required.
  - 4. Noise above 85 to 90 decibels (DBA) may be harmful to workers. When exposed to high noise levels, employees shall utilize hearing protection equipment to ensure proper working conditions.
  - 5. Whenever possible, isolate noisy machines and equipment in a remote location.
  - 6. Tailor work practices to prevent heat/cold-related disorders. Employees exposed to hot environments must know the appropriate medical steps to counteract life threatening situations such as hypothermia, heat stroke, heat exhaustion, and heat cramps.


### STAFF REPORT

June 16, 2021

#### AGENDA ITEM:

Consent Agenda - Task Order with Halff Associates for Sanitary Sewer Smoke Testing for an amount not to exceed \$37,950.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

Halff will engage Pipeline Analysis, LLC to perform approximately 44,000 linear feet of sewer main smoke testing. Scope, schedule, and study areas are outlined in the attached document. Smoke testing is scheduled to begin Summer 2021 when soil conditions are dry. Works should be completed within 3 weeks of the start date.

Smoke testing will identify defects and assist in determining point repairs, future maintenance projects, and/or future capital improvement projects. This method provides necessary inferences to determine priority areas for CCTV.

Smoke Testing is budgeted in collections maintenance and repairs line item 135-55081-020. This will be the first year of a multi-year program to identify areas of inflow and infiltration within the District's wastewater collections system.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board of Directors approve the Task Order agreement with Halff Associates for Sanitary Sewer Smoke Testing for an amount not to exceed \$37,950 and authorize the General Manager to execute the necessary documents.



June 4, 2021 P45298.001

Mr. Alan Fourmentin Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No.1 100 Municipal Drive Trophy Club, Texas 76262

#### RE: Proposal for Sanitary Sewer Smoke Testing

Dear Mr. Fourmentin,

We are pleased to present the following scope of services and fee schedule to provide professional services for the Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No. 1 (District). Per our discussion, the District would like Halff Associates to provide smoke testing for approximately 44,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer main.

This contract proposal includes the following items: Attachment 'A' – Scope of Services and Attachment 'B' – Fee Summary. Refer to Halff's Agreement for Professional Engineering Services on a Task Order Basis, executed by the District on October 18, 2018, for the terms and conditions of this proposal. The fees quoted in this proposal will be honored for up to 60 days from the date of this proposal. The signed Agreement by both parties will serve as Notice to Proceed (NTP). Engineering services will begin upon NTP and following the initial meeting with the District. See Attachment 'B' for signature page.

We trust this proposal meets your requirements for this project. We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you, and trust that our association on this project will be mutually beneficial. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or comments concerning this proposal.

Sincerely,

HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC.

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Leah M. Hodge, PE, CFM Project Manager

C: David M. Smith, PE - Halff

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### ATTACHMENT 'A'

#### Scope of Services

#### Overview

Halff will engage Pipeline Analysis, LLC to perform approximately 44,000 linear feet of sewer main smoke testing. Scope, schedule, and study areas are outlined in the attached document. Smoke testing is scheduled to begin Summer 2021 when soil conditions are dry. Works should be complete within approximately 3 weeks of the start date.



### ATTACHMENT 'B'

#### Fee Summary

#### **PROPOSED FEE SCHEDULE**

I.	Mobilization/Demobilization	\$1,800 (Lump Sum)
II.	Smoke Testing (44,000 LF at \$0.65/LF)	\$28,600 (Lump Sum)
III.	Final Report	\$4,100 (Lump Sum)
IV.	Subconsultant Markup (10%)	\$3,450 (Lump Sum)

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This project will be a <u>lump sum</u> fee to smoke test up to 44,000 linear feet of sewer main. The lump sum fee will not be exceeded without prior approval from the District. The lump sum fee will be invoiced monthly based on percent completed. Halff will coordinate with the District to establish the billing schedule.

Direct costs, including printing, plotting, and reproduction, postage, messenger service, specialized equipment (such as GPS), long distance telephone calls and vehicle mileage will be considered reimbursable and will be billed at 1.10 times the direct cost incurred.

Additional services may be requested by the District on a task order basis. Halff will develop a separate scope and fee for each additional service and obtain approval from the District prior to initiating work on the additional services. A summary of current hourly billing rates and current unit pricing schedule is in Halff's Agreement for Professional Engineering Services on a Task Order Basis with the District (dated October 18, 2018).

Unless otherwise stated, fees quoted in this proposal exclude state and federal sales taxes on professional services. Current Texas law requires assessment of sales tax on certain kinds of surveying services but does not require sales taxes on other professional services. In the event that new or additional state or federal taxes are implemented on the professional services provided under this contract during the term of the work, such taxes will be added to the applicable billings and will be in addition to the quoted fees and budgets.

The fees and budgets established above do not include revisions once the project is underway. If revisions are requested, a revision to the scope and budget will be required.

Refer to Halff's Agreement for Professional Engineering Services on a Task Order Basis, executed by the District on October 18, 2018, for the terms and conditions of this proposal. We will proceed upon receiving the signed copy of this proposal. Signature blocks are on the following page.



June 16, 2021 Meeting Agenda Packet Mr. Alan Pourmenun TCMUD No. 1 June 3, 2021 Page 4

Submitted:

### HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC.

Approved:

### TROPHY CLUB MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO.1

W. Signature

David Smith

Printed Name

Public	Works	Team	Leader	

Title

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Date

Printed Name

Signature

Title

By:

Date

# Professional Services Contract Sanitary Sewer Infiltration/Inflow Reduction Program

# **Smoke Testing**





SMARTER SOLUTIONS

Halff Associates, Inc. 4000 Fossil Creek Blvd. Fort Worth, TX 76137-2720

## May 13, 2021



Pipeline Analysis, LLC 1115 Main Street Garland, Texas 75040 800-637-0164 TBPE No. F-6538

## SMOKE TESTING SCOPE OF WORK

Trophy Club Municipal Utility District No.1

## **Smoke Testing**

Smoke testing will provide detailed information on wet weather inflow sources. In order to maximize the identification of inflow sources, it will be important to complete smoke testing during dry soil conditions. Soils that are saturated will not allow smoke to exit. In order to identify defects in the lines, the non-toxic smoke will be forced into the sewer. Breaks in the sewer will allow the smoke to escape. Normally one line segment upstream and downstream of the manhole will be tested at one time. Smoke testing will identify inflow sources and most restrictive conditions within sewer lines.

Field documentation of the defects is extremely important and will include sketches of each system defect along with pertinent information for prioritizing the defects. Data documentation will be sufficient to establish the exact location of each defect and determine the best repair method. Color photographs will be taken to document each defect during the smoke test. The location of the defect will be determined by measurement from permanent objects (corner of house, power pole, etc.). The data collected in the field will be computerized using an industry standard database format so that the defects identified can be readily listed by priority for subsequent repair. Based on the maps provided, the total footage to be smoke tested is approximately 44,000 feet of mainline sewer.

### **Public Relations Program**

Each resident will be notified prior to testing by use of door flyers. A local telephone number will be provided for those individuals with questions or for anyone requiring special assistance. Each day the fire department will be notified of the crew location since smoke may enter homes through defective plumbing.



## Rehabilitation Plan and Final Report

All inspection forms, photographs and sketches taken during the field investigation effort will be provided as documentation. Each system defect will be prioritized and sorted by repair method. An updated electronic collection system map will be provided and will be used to reference each system defect by line segment and manhole number. Testing of both the mainline and private sewer lines is included in this scope of services. Public and private sector defects will be separated. Addresses will be included in the database for notification purposes. The final report will include an executive summary, conclusions and recommendations.

### Project Deliverables

The following represent project deliverables:

- Mainline and service lateral defect summaries
- Private and public sector defect designation
- Sub-meter GPS coordinates for all defects. GPS and defect data will be provided as a shape file.
- Recommended CCTV (if applicable)
- Executive Summary report
- Rehabilitation plan and estimated costs
- Appendices including defect location sketches, photographs, data summaries, updated maps
- Compilation of study results including final report narrative, all field data, photographs, and location sketches
- Three (3) copies of the final report with flash drive of all project data

### Fee

Task	Description	Estimated	Unit	Total
		Quantity	Price	
100	Mobilization/Demobilization	L.S.	L.S.	\$1,800
200	Smoke Testing	44,000	\$0.65	\$28,600
300	300 Final Report		L.S.	\$4,100
	Total Not To Exceed			\$34,500

## Schedule

Smoke testing is dependent on dry weather and soil conditions. The anticipated start of work will be in late Summer 2021.



## Study Area 1 Location Map (Blue Lines)



## Study Area 2 Location Map (Blue Lines)

## **DRAFT BUDGET SUMMARY FY 2022**

TAX RATE SUMMARY					
Fiscal Years	2021	2022			
M&O (General Fund) Tax	0.00709	0.00707			
M&O Fire Tax	0.06476	0.06629			
I & S (Debt Service) Tax	0.03589	0.03574			
Total Tax Rate:	0.10774	0.10910			
Increase/Decrease:	-0.00499	0.00136			
PID Fire Assessment Rate	0.06476	0.06629			
Increase/Decrease:	-0.00262	0.00153			

PROPERTY VALUE SUMMARY				
MUD Tarrant Co.	528,407,057			
MUD Denton Co.	1,409,476,345			
PID	787,880,294			
Out of District & PID	276,544			
Total Value:	2,726,040,240			

General Fund	
Revenue	9,842,839
Tax Collections	137,063
PID Surcharges	162,796
Reserve Funds	0
Total Revenue	10,142,698
Water Expense	5 <mark>,3</mark> 37,423
Wastewater Expense	3 <mark>,0</mark> 23,753
Board of Directors Expense	13,230
Administration Expense	1,497,003
Non-Departmental Expense	185,855
Total Expense	10,057,264
Net Budget Surplus/Deficit	85,434

Tax Debt Service Fund	
Revenue	201,761
Tax Collections	692,587
PID Surcharge	114,005
Total Revenue	1,008,353
Debt Service Expense	1,005,353
Total Expense	1,005,353
Net Budget Surplus/Deficit	3,000

Fire Fund	
Revenue	51,000
Tax Collections	1,284,545
PID Assessment	522,438
Reserve Funds	0
Total Revenue	1,857,983
Fire Expense	1,857,983
Total Expense	1,857,983
Net Budget Surplus/Deficit	0

Revenue Debt Service Fund	
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Revenue	1,259,540
Total Revenue	1,259,540
Debt Service Expense	1,259,540
Total Expense	1,259,540
Net Budget Surplus/Deficit	C

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Account	Description	FY 2021 Adopted	FY 2021 Amended	FY 2022 Proposed	Budget Change %
Revenues-Town					
122-01-256-40004	Assessment - Emerg Svcs	510,812	512,258	522,438	2.28%
122-01-256-40003	Emer Svcs Assessmen/Delinquent				
122-01-256-40015	Property Taxes/Assessments P&I				
122-01-256-41320	Fire Permits/Sprinkler & Plan Review	35,000	47,476	35,000	0.00%
122-01-256-43400	Fire Inspections				
122-01-256-44004	Denton/Tarrant Cty Pledge-Fire	16,000	17,072	16,000	0.00%
122-01-256-42500	Grant Revenue	-	-	-	
Revenues-MUD					
122-40001-000-000	Assessment-Emerg Svcs Reimb from Town	-	-	-	
122-40010-000-000	Property Taxes/MUD Fire	1,246,877	1,246,877	1,284,545	3.02%
122-40011-000-000	Property Taxes/Fire-Delinquent	-	-	-	
122-40020-000-000	Property Taxes/Fire P&I	-	-	-	
122-49000-000-000	Capital Leases-Other Financial Sources				
122-49026-000-000	Proceeds from Sale of Assets	-	-	-	
122-49035-000-000	Prior Year Reserves	-	-	-	
122-49036-000-000	GASB Reserves	-	-	-	
122-49900-000-000	Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	
	Total Revenue	1,808,689	1,823,683	1,857,983	1.88%
Expenses-Town		, ,	, ,	, ,	
122-01-256-50100	Salaries- Regular	670,420	722,575	711,424	6.12%
122-01-256-50101	Salaries- Part Time	50,078	25,078	50,078	0.00%
122-01-256-50130	Salaries- Overtime	72,896	123,493	78,078	7.11%
122-01-256-50140	Salaries- Longevity	6,730	7,343	8,000	18.87%
122-01-256-50160	Salaries- Stipend	-	1,875	-	0.00%
122-01-256-50160	Certification Pay	9,750	11,775	11,775	20.77%
122-01-256-51200	Retirement	106,114	112,343	112,343	5.87%
122-01-256-51210	Medical Insurance	78,087	74,103	74,103	-5.10%
122-01-256-51215	Dental Insurance	6,045	5,584	5,584	-7.63%
122-01-256-51216	Vision Insurance	576	540	540	-6.25%
122-01-256-51218	Life Insurance & Other	5,171	5,635	5,635	8.97%
122-01-256-52220	Social Security Taxes	51,123	55,302	55,302	8.17%
122-01-256-52225	Medicare Taxes	11,956	12,934	12,934	8.17%
122-01-256-52250	Unemployment Taxes	1,625	1,625	1,625	0.00%
122-01-256-52260	Workman's Compensation	20,177	17,816	17,816	-11.70%
122-01-256-52290		6,675	3,938	17,810	-100.00%
122-01-256-53240	Physicals/Testing Tuition Reimbursement	8,290	6,737	8,290	0.00%
122-01-256-60100	Professional Outside Services	1,750	5,500	1,750	0.00%
122-01-256-60800	Software & Support	17,164	16,749	17,164	0.00%
122-01-256-61150	Tax Adminstration	1,605	1,605	1,605	0.00%
122-01-256-63200	Advertising	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00%
122-01-256-63250	Printing	500	300	500	0.00%
122-01-256-63551	Schools & Training	19,900	24,505	19,900	0.00%
122-01-256-64000	Electricity	8,400	8,400	8,400	0.00%
122-01-256-64100	Water	4,000	4,000	4,000	0.00%
122-01-256-64300	Telephone	-	-	-	0.00%
122-01-256-64400	Communications/Mobiles	16,691	16,691	16,691	0.00%
122-01-256-65200	Building Maintenance	22,200	22,200	22,200	0.00%
122-01-256-65300	Vehicle Maintenance	40,800	41,800	40,800	0.00%
122-01-256-65350	Equipment Maintenance	18,000	18,000	18,000	0.00%
122-01-256-66250	Emergency Management	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Account	Description	FY 2021 Adopted	FY 2021 Amended	FY 2022 Proposed	Budget Change %
122-01-256-66500	Dispatch- Denton County	3,946	3,986	3,946	0.00%
122-01-256-68100	Dues & Memberships	20,337	20,337	20,337	0.00%
122-01-256-68190	Flags & Repair	-	-	-	0.00%
122-01-256-68200	Travel & per diem	14,510	14,510	14,510	0.00%
122-01-256-70100	Office Supplies	500	300	500	0.00%
122-01-256-70200	Printer Supplies	1,400	1,400	1,400	0.00%
122-01-256-70300	Postage	100	100	100	0.00%
122-01-256-70400	Publications/Books/Subscrips	350	350	350	0.00%
122-01-256-71000	Fuel	12,215	12,215	12,215	0.00%
122-01-256-72100	Uniforms	9,645	7,145	9,645	0.00%
122-01-256-72300	Safety Equipment/Protective Clothing	27,700	27,700	27,700	0.00%
122-01-256-78400	Small Equipment	4,950	4,950	4,950	0.00%
122-01-256-78600	Hardware	4,458	4,458	4,458	0.00%
122-01-256-79100	Maintenance & Supplies	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00%
122-01-256-79999	Miscellaneous Expense	4,000	4,000	4,000	0.00%
122-01-256-83700	Capital Outlays	-	-	-	0.00%
122-01-256-87100	Programs & Special Projects	17,005	14,900	17,005	0.00%
Expenses-MUD					
122-55080-045-000	Maintenance & Repairs (GASB34)	-	-	-	
122-60030-045-000	Rent And/Or Usage	197,281	197,281	198,761	0.75%
122-60055-045-000	Insurance	21,000	21,000	21,000	0.00%
122-60337-045-000	Transfer to Town/Fire Budget				
122-69005-045-000	Capital Outlays	-	-	-	
122-69008-045-000	Short Term Debt -Principal	-	-	-	
122-69009-045-000	Short Term Debt -Interest	6,127	6,127	6,127	0.00%
122-69195-045-000	GASB34/Reserve for Replacement	81,420	81,420	81,420	0.00%
122-69305-045-000	Capital Leases Principal	121,022	121,022	121,022	0.00%
	Total	1,808,689	1,895,647	1,857,983	-1.99%
Total Fire Revenues		1,808,689	1,823,683	1,857,983	2.73%
Total Fire Expenses		1,808,689	1,895,647	1,857,983	2.73%
Net Budget Surplus (D	-	(71,964)	-		

Town/MUD Fire Contrac	Town/MUD Fire Contract Calculation		FY 2021	FY 2022
	Fire Budget	1,808,689	1,895,647	1,857,983
	Less: Rent/Debt Service	197,281	197,281	198,761
	Less: TML Fire Insurance	21,000	21,000	21,000
	Less: Capital Outlays	-	-	-
	Less: Capital Leases Interest	6,127	6,127	6,127
	Less: Capital Leases Principal	121,022	121,022	121,022
	Less: GASB34/Reserve for Replacement	81,420	81,420	81,420
	Less: ESD Assessment	510,812	512,258	522,438
	Less: Fire Permits/Sprinkler	35,000	47,476	35,000
	Less: Fire Inspections	-	-	-
	Less: Denton County Fire Pledge	16,000	17,072	16,000
	Less: Grant Proceeds	-	-	-
122-60337-045-000	Transfer to Town from MUD/Fire Budget	820,027	891,991	856,215
	Monthly payment to Town Oct -Sept	68,336		71,351

## **GENERAL FUND**

Account	Description		FY 2021	FY 2022	Budget vs	Prior Year	YTD Total
			Adopted	Proposed	Budget Net	Change %	5/31/2021
	General Fund Revenues					/	
135-47000-000-000	Water		5,932,489	5,955,646	23,157	0.39%	3,097,230
135-47025-000-000	Penalties		112,608	94,826	(17,782)	-15.79%	46,998
135-49011-000-000	Interest Income		100,000	15,000	(85,000)	-85.00%	13,058
135-49026-000-000	Proceeds from Sale of Asset		5,000	10,000	5,000	100.00%	19,575
135-49075-000-000	Oversize Meter Reimburser	nent	8,232	2,058	(6,174)	-75.00%	4,407
	Total		10,227,277	10,142,698	(84,579)	-0.83%	5,653,659
Water	General Fund Expenses		0.05.000	207.022	00.045	0.05%	
135-50005-010-000	Salaries & Wages		365,309	397,623	32,315	8.85%	230,337
135-50020-010-000	Retirement		36,520	45,562	9,043	24.76%	25,258
135-50026-010-000	Medical Insurance		86,182	75,585	(10,596)	-12.30%	43,061
135-55080-010-000	Maintenance & Repairs		124,000	105,000	(19,000)	-15.32%	50,385
135-60020-010-000	Electricity		123,487	140,739	17,252	13.97%	76,367
135-65030-010-000	Chemicals		25,000	35,000	10,000	40.00%	15,469
135-65050-010-000	Meter Expense		70,000	20,000	(50,000)	-71.43%	-
135-69005-010-000	Capital Outlays		740,000	747,500	7,500	1.01%	494,912
135-69281-010-000	Water Tank Inspection Con	tract	108,000	113,500	5,500	5.09%	106,707
	Subtotal Water		5,327,165	5,337,423	10,258	0.19%	2,778,784
			-		-		
Wastewater							
135-50005-020-000	Salaries & Wages		483,633	470,429	(13,204)	-2.73%	301,119
135-50020-020-000	Retirement		49,358	55,722	6,364	12.89%	33,312
135-50026-020-000	Medical Insurance		122,035	97,013	(25,022)	-20.50%	62,628
135-55080-020-000	Maintenance & Repairs		108,000	119,800	11,800	10.93%	50,676
135-55081-020-000	Maintenance & Repairs- Co	llections	157,500	222,500	65,000	41.27%	73,610
135-55125-020-000	Dumpster Services		100,000	105,000	5,000	5.00%	61,290
135-60135-020-000	TCEQ Fees & Permits		45,000	12,000	(33,000)	-73.33%	27,416
135-65030-020-000	Chemicals		25,000	30,000	5,000	20.00%	16,454
135-65031-020-000	Chemicals- Collections		17,500	12,500	(5,000)	-28.57%	4,895
135-65045-020-000	Lab Supplies		28,000	33,000	5,000	17.86%	21,093
135-69005-020-000	Capital Outlays		335,000	315,000	(20,000)	-5.97%	136,339
	Subtotal Wastewater		3,026,690	3,023,753	(2,938)	-0.10%	1,844,651
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Board of Directors							
	Subtotal Board of Directors	5	13,230	13,230	-	0.00%	1,608
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Administration							
135-50005-030-000	Salaries & Wages		626,592	557,253	(69,340)	-11.07%	330,523
135-50026-030-000	Medical Insurance		136,834	92,393	(44,441)	-32.48%	52,431
135-60020-030-000	Electricity		14,512	29,497	14,985	103.26%	10,025
135-69005-030-000	Capital Outlays		138,000	70,000	(68,000)	-49.28%	95,619
	Subtotal Administration		1,669,510	1,497,003	(172,506)	-10.33%	956,142
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Non Departmental							
	Subtotal Non Departmenta	ıl	185,575	185,855	280	0.15%	51,860
	Total General Fund Revenu		10,227,277	10,142,698	(84,579)	-0.83%	5,653,659
	Total General Fund Expens		10,222,170	10,142,698	(164,906)	-0.83%	5,633,045
	Net Budget Surplus (Deficit		5,107	85,435	80,327	-1.01/8	20,613
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HB 531 (Wall)	Lease of Property in Floodplain	Amends Ch 92 of the Property Code to prescribe the notice a landlord must provide to a tenant at or before execution of a lease that discloses whether the rental property is in a 100-year floodplain and includes other information about the potential for flooding. A tenant that suffers substantial flood damage may terminate the lease.	Passed by House 4/16/21 Passed by Senate 5/19/21 Signed by Governor 6/4/21 Effective Immediately
HB 692 (Shine)	Construction- Retainage	<ul> <li>Amends Sec. 2252.032. of the Govt. Code, relating to retainage on public works contracts, to provide that a governmental entity shall: <ol> <li>include in each public works contract a provision that establishes the circumstances under which:</li> <li>(A) the public works project that is the subject of the contract is considered substantially complete; and</li> <li>(B) the governmental entity may release all or a portion of the retainage for: <ol> <li>substantially completed portions of the project; or</li> <li>fully completed and accepted portions of the project;</li> </ol> </li> <li>(2) maintain an accurate record of accounting for: <ol> <li>the retainage withheld on periodic contract payments; and</li> <li>the retainage released to the prime contractor for a public works contract; and</li> </ol> </li> <li>(3) for a public works contract described by the statute, pay any remaining retainage and the interest earned on the retainage to the prime contractor on completion of the contract.</li> <li>If the total value of a public works contract is \$1 million or more, a governmental entity may not withhold retainage may not exceed five percent for any item in a bid schedule or schedule of values for the project, including materials and equipment delivered on-site to be installed.</li> </ol> </li> <li>For a competitively awarded contract with a value of \$10 million or more, and for a contract that was awarded using a method other than competitive bidding, a governmental entity and prime contractor may agree to deposit in an interest-bearing account the retainage withheld on periodic contract payments.</li> </ul>	Passed by House 5/11/21 Passed by Senate 5/21/21 Sent to Governor 5/31/21 Effective Immediately

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		<ul> <li>A governmental entity may not withhold retainage: <ul> <li>(1) after completion of the contract by the prime contractor, including during the warranty period; or</li> <li>(2) for the purpose of requiring the prime contractor, after completion of the contract, to perform work on manufactured goods or systems that were: <ul> <li>(A) specified by the designer of record; and</li> <li>(B) properly installed by the contractor.</li> </ul> </li> <li>On application to a governmental entity for final payment and release of retainage, the governmental entity may withhold retainage if there is a bona fide dispute between the governmental entity and the prime contractor and the reason for the dispute is that labor, services, or materials provided by the prime contractor or the prime contractor's subcontractors were not provided in compliance with the contract. If there is no such bona fide dispute between the governmental entity and the prime contract, the prime contractor and neither party is in default under the contract, the prime contractor is entitled to: <ul> <li>(1) cure any noncompliant labor, services, or materials; or</li> <li>(2) offer the governmental entity a reasonable amount of money as compensation for any noncompliant labor, services, or materials that cannot be promptly cured.</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>	
HB 837 (Lucio)	CCN Decertification	Requires a petitioner to submit a report verifying that compensation has been paid to a decertificated CCN holder	Passed by House 4/16/21 Passed by Senate 5/19/21 Signed by Governor 6/4/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 872 (Bernal)	Disclosure of Utility Customer Information	Amends existing confidentiality laws by providing customer information may disclosed unless a customer requests disclosure. Protects the privacy of utility customers by excepting certain potentially sensitive information maintained by a government-operated utility from the public availability requirement of state public information laws. Specifically, information collected by AMR systems for usage, services, and billing, including amounts billed or collected for utility usage; or that reveals whether an account is delinquent	Passed by House 4/21/21 Passed by Senate 5/21/21 Sent to Governor 5/31/21 Effective Immediately

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		or eligible for disconnection; or services have been discontinued by the government-operated utility, would be protected. (Protects customers from real estate speculators who target customers in financial distress.)	
HB 1082 (King)	Personal Information for Public Officials	Amends Section 552.117(a), Government Code, to exempt from disclosure information that relates to the home address, home telephone number, emergency contact information, or social security number of certain public officials to now include an elected public officer. Amends Section 25.025 of the Tax Code to also exempt personal information for public officials from appraisal records.	Passed by House 4/8/21 Passed by Senate 5/6/21 Signed by Governor 5/19/21 Effective Immediately
HB 1118 (Capriglione)	Cybersecurity Training	Amends Section 2054.5191, Govt. Code, to include elected and appointed officials in the annual cybersecurity training program requirements. However, the legislation limits the requirements to employees and officials who both have access to a local governmental computer system or database "and use a computer to perform at least 25 percent of the employee's or official's required duties."	Passed by House 4/8/21 Passed by Senate 5/6/21 Signed by Governor 5/18/21 Effective Immediately
HB 1154 (Jetton) <i>Endorsed by AWBD</i>	Internet Posting on Website Water Bill Disclosure Requirements	<ul> <li>Requires a special purpose district to post or cause to be posted on a website (either the district's website or the website used to comply with 2051.202 of the Govt. Code and Sec 26.18, Tax Code) specified financial and operating information of the district.</li> <li>A district that maintains an Internet website shall post on that website links to any other Internet website or websites the district uses to comply with Section 2051.202 of this code and Section 26.18, Tax Code.</li> <li>Provides that nothing shall prohibit a district from allowing a person to watch or listen to a board meeting by video or telephone conference call.</li> <li>Amends Sec. 2051.101 of the Govt. Code (relating to the required posting of information, candidacy information, agendas, and minutes)to provide that it applies only to a political subdivision with the authority to impose a tax that: (1) at any time on or after January 1, 2019, maintained a publicly accessible Internet website; and (2) is not subject to Section 2051.202.</li> <li>Enacts 2051.202 of the Govt Code to provide that a special purpose district that: (1) is authorized by the state by a general or special law to impose an ad valorem</li> </ul>	Passed by House 4/23/21 Passed by Senate 5/27/21 Sent to Governor 5/31/21

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		<ul> <li>tax; (2) during the most recent fiscal year imposed an ad valorem tax; (3) during the most recent fiscal year: (A) had bonds outstanding; (B) had gross receipts from operations, loans, taxes, or contributions in excess of \$250,000; or (C) had cash and temporary investments in excess of \$250,000 or more, as determined by the governing body of the special purpose district, must post or cause to be posted on an Internet website the following information, if applicable: <ul> <li>(1) the name of each member of the governing body of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(2) the name of each member of the governing body of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(3) the term of office for each member of the governing body of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(4) contact information for the main office of the special purpose district, including the physical address, the mailing address, and the telephone number;</li> <li>(5) if the special purpose district employs a person as a general manager or executive director, or in another position to perform duties or functions comparable to those of a general manager or executive director, the name of the employee;</li> <li>(6) if the special purpose district contracts with a utility operator, contact information for a person representing the utility operator, including a mailing address and the telephone number;</li> <li>(7) if the special purpose district contracts with a tax assessor-collector, including a mailing address and the telephone number;</li> <li>(8) the rate of the advalorem tax of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(9) the rate of the advalorem tax of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(9) the rate of the ales and use tax of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(9) the rate of the ales and use tax of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(9) the rate of the ales and use tax of the special purpose district;</li> <li>(10) any notice of tax hearing required to be given under Chapter 26, Tax Code, or Section 49.236, Water Code;</li> <li>(11)</li></ul></li></ul>	

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HB 1410 (Murphy) (Companion to SB 1959) Endorsed by AWBD	Parks and Recreational Facilities Restrictions on Municipal Consent to District Annexation and Creation	<ul> <li>(14) the minutes of a public meeting of the governing body of the special purpose district under Section 551.021 for meetings conducted in the current calendar year and the immediately preceding calendar year; and (15) the most recent financial audit of the special purpose district.</li> <li>Authorizes a special purpose district to satisfy all or part of the requirements of by providing a link or reference on the special purpose district's Internet website or another Internet website to the same information required to be posted on another Internet website by other law.</li> <li>Amends Sec. 49.0631, Water Code, relating to the information to be included on a utility bill to include the following statement: "For more information about the district, including information about the district's board and board meetings, please go to the Comptroller's Special Purpose District Public Information Database or (district's Internet website if the district maintains an Internet website, or, if the district uses to comply with Section 2051.202, Government Code, and Section 26.18, Tax Code)." The statement may be altered to provide the current Internet website address of the database created under Section 403.0241, Government Code, the district, or the Internet website to websites the district uses to comply with Section 2051.202, Government Code, and Section 26.18, Tax Code.</li> <li>Amends the 1% AV limitation on park bonds to authorize bonds up to 3%, of the value of the taxable property in the district making payments under the contract, if the district has:         <ul> <li>(1) a ratio of debt to certified assessed valuation of 10 percent or less;</li> <li>(2) a credit rating that conforms to TCEQ rules;</li> <li>(3) a contract with a political subdivision or an entity acting on behalf of a political subdivision of the relating on the entity agrees to provide to the district taxes or other revenues, as consideration for the district taxes or other revenues, as consideration for the district taxes or other reven</li></ul></li></ul>	Passed by House 4/14/21 Passed by Senate 5/27/21 Sent to Governor 5/31/21 Effective Immediately

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HB 1428 (Huberty)	Contingency Fee Contracts	Exempts from government contingency fee contract requirements contracts for legal services entered into by a political subdivision for the collection of certain delinquent obligations.	Passed by House 4/9/21 Passed by Senate 4/29/21 Signed by Governor 5/15/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 1476 (Bell)	Payment Disputes with Vendors	Amends Section 2251.042, Government Code, to require a governmental entity to notify a vendor of an error or disputed amount in an invoice submitted for payment by the vendor not later than the 21st day after the date the entity receives the invoice, and shall include in such notice a detailed statement of the amount of the invoice which is disputed. Require the governmental entity to withhold from payments required no more than 110 percent of the disputed amount.	Passed by House 5/11/21 Passed by Senate 5/24/21 Sent to Governor 5/26/21
HB 1477 (Bell)	Performance and Payment Bonds	Amends Ch. 2253 of the Govt Code extend existing performance and payment bond requirements for public works projects to public work on land leased by a governmental entity to a non-governmental entity	Passed by House 5/5/21 Passed by Senate 5/25/21 Sent to Governor 5/29/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 1484 (Metcalf)	Utility Rates	Authorizes acquiring utilities to use previously approved rates immediately after acquiring another utility	Passed by House 4/16/21 Passed by Senate 5/19/21 Signed by Governor 6/4//21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 1570 (Paddie)	Brazos River Authority	<ul> <li>The bill applies Sunset Advisory Commission good government standards to the BRA by doing the following:</li> <li>•providing grounds for the removal of members of the authority's board of directors;</li> <li>•with respect to training for directors: <ul> <li>-establishing training requirements that persons appointed to and qualified for office as a director must satisfy before being eligible to vote, deliberate, or be counted as a director in attendance at a board meeting;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Passed by House 4/21/21 Passed by Senate 5/21/21 Sent to Governor 5/25/21 Effective 9/1/21

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		-providing for the creation of a training manual that each director must acknowledge having received and reviewed; and	
		-giving sitting directors until December 1, 2021, to come into compliance with the training requirements;	
		•requiring the board to develop and implement policies that clearly separate the board's policy-making responsibilities and the management responsibilities of the authority's general manager and staff;	
		•requiring the authority to maintain a system to promptly and efficiently act on complaints filed with the authority; and	
		•requiring the board to develop and implement policies that provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to appear before the board and to speak on any issue under the authority's jurisdiction	
HB 1589 (Davis)	Paid Leave for Public Officers and Employees	An public officer or employee called to state active duty by the governor or another appropriate authority in response to a disaster is entitled to a paid leave of absence	Passed by House 4/9/21
	Sincers and Employees	from the person's duties for each day the person is called to active duty during the	Passed by Senate 5/24/21
		disaster, not to exceed seven workdays in a fiscal year. During a leave of absence under this subsection, the person may not be subjected to loss of time, efficiency rating, personal time, sick leave, or vacation time.	Sent to Governor 5/28/21
			Effective 9/1/21
HB 1606 (Talarico)	Upper Brushy Creek WCID	Provides that the WCID is not required to comply with municipal regulations regarding the construction, maintenance, rehabilitation, or removal of dams.	Passed by House 4/23/21
	WeiD	regarding the construction, maintenance, renaointation, or removal or dams.	Passed by Senate 5/19/21
			Signed by Governor 6/4/21
			Effective Immediately
HB 1869 (Burrows)	Definition of Debt for purposes of calculating	Amends the definition of "debt" for purposes of calculating property tax rates as a (A) bond, warrant, certificate of obligation, or other evidence of indebtedness	Passed by House 5/5/21
	tax rates	owed by a taxing unit that: (i) is payable from property taxes in installments over	Passed by Senate 5/25/21
		a period of more than one year, not budgeted for payment from maintenance and	
		operations funds, and secured by a pledge of property taxes; and (ii)meets one of the following requirements:	Sent to Governor 6/1/21
		(a) has been approved at an election;	Effective 9/1/21
		(b) includes self-supporting debt;	
		(c) evidences a loan under a state or federal financial assistance program;	
		(d) is issued for designated infrastructure;	

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		<ul> <li>(e) is a refunding bond;</li> <li>(f) is issued in response to an emergency under Section 1431.015, Government Code;</li> <li>(g) is issued for renovating, improving, or equipping existing buildings or facilities;</li> <li>(h) is issued for vehicles or equipment; or</li> <li>(i) is issued for a project under Chapter 311, Tax Code, or Chapter 222, Transportation Code, that is located in a reinvestment zone created under one of those chapters; or</li> <li>(B) a payment made under contract to secure indebtedness of a similar nature issued by another political subdivision on behalf of the taxing unit.</li> <li>Defines "Designated infrastructure" as infrastructure, including a facility, equipment, rights-of-way, or land, for the following purposes:</li> <li>(A) streets, roads, highways, bridges, sidewalks, parks, landfills, parking structures, or airports;</li> <li>(B) telecommunications, wireless communications, information technology systems, applications, hardware, or software;</li> <li>(C) cybersecurity;</li> <li>(D) as part of any utility system, water supply project, water plant, wastewater plant, water and wastewater distribution or conveyance facility, wharf, dock, or flood control and drainage project;</li> <li>(E) police stations, fire stations, or other public safety facilities, jails, juvenile detention facilities, or judicial facilities, and any facilities that are physically attached to the facilities described by this paragraph;</li> <li>(F) as part of any school district; or</li> <li>(G) as part of any hospital district created by general or special law that includes a teaching hospital.</li> </ul>	
HB 1905 (Harris)	Regional Water Planning	Amends Chapters 15 and 16 to eliminate certain requirements for financing that are no longer considered relevant.	Passed by House 4/16/21 Passed by Senate 5/10/21 Signed by Governor 5/19/21
			Effective 9/1/21

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HB 1929 (Wilson)	Municipal Development Agreements	Expands liability of a municipality that breaches a development agreement in its ETJ and provides that cities may not require contracts as a condition of services.	Passed by House 5/13/21 Passed by Senate 5/30/21 Sent to Governor 6/1/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 2225 (King)	Texas Water Trust	Requires TPWD to encourage and facilitate the dedication of water rights in the Texas Water Trust and to manage the rights to maximize environmental benefits	Passed by House 4/14/21 Passed by Senate 5/21/21 Sent to Governor 5/28/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 2581 (Kacal)	Evaluation of Proposals for Civil Works Projects	Prescribes how a governmental entity must value price in its consideration of a proposal for a civil works project under a Chapter 2269 Govt Code procurement. Also requires the governmental entity to provide information about its evaluation of a proposal upon request by the proposer.	Passed by House 5/13/21 Passed by Senate 5/30/21 Sent to Governor 6/1/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 2416 (Gervin- Hawkins)	Recovery of Attorneys' Fees for Construction Claims	Allows a person to recover reasonable attorneys' fees from an individual or corporation for breach of a construction contract.	Passed by House 5/14/21 Passed by Senate 5/25/21 Sent to Governor 5/28/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 2723 (Meyer)	Property Tax Hearing Notices	Requires the following statement to be included in a district's notice of hearing regarding proposed tax rates: "Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.	Passed by House 4/15/21 Passed by Senate 5/11/21 Signed by Governor 6/3/21 Effective Immediately
HB 2730 (Deshotel)	Eminent Domain	Makes comprehensive reforms to the eminent domain process by amendment Chapter 402, Government Code, relating to a landowner's bill of rights; Chapter 1101, Occupations Code, relating ot licensing requirements for persons involved	Passed by House 5/13/21 Passed by Senate 5/27/21

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		<ul> <li>in negotiations on easements or rights-of-way; and Chapter 21, Property Code, relating to procedures.</li> <li>Establish an ombudsman office within the office of the attorney general for the purpose of providing information to landowners whose real property may be acquired by eminent domain.</li> <li>Amends certification process for right of way agents.</li> <li>Significantly amends condemnation procedures and requirements for condemning authorities.</li> </ul>	Sent to Governor 6/1/21 Effective 1/1/22
HB 3069 (Holland)	Claims against architects and engineers	Amends Chapter 16, Civil and Practice Remedies Code, to require governmental entities to bring suit for damages for certain claims against a registered or licensed architect, engineer, interior designer, or landscape architect not later than 8 years after substantial completion of the improvement or the beginning of operation of equipment.	Passed by House 5/4//21 Passed by Senate 5/21/21 Sent to Governor 5/25/21 Effective Immediately
HB 3476 (Schofield)	CCNs- In ETJ areas	Amends Water Code to require that a municipality may not require a CCN holder to design facilities to meet municipal standards as a condition of consent to a CCN in the ETJ of the city (but may do so in the City limits). Provides for the PUC to require that a CCN applicant meet certain public water system standards as a condition of consent to granting a CCN in a municipal ETJ.	Passed by House 4/29/21 Passed by Senate 5/21/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 3689 (Cortez)	PUC Rate Jurisdiction	Clarifies that every appealed rate (not all rates) must be just and reasonable.	Passed by House 4/30/21 Passed by Senate 5/19/21 Signed by Governor 6/4/21 Effective 9/1/21
HB 3717 (Burns)	Sale of System by Cities	Provides that a municipality is not required to hold an election to authorize the sale of a municipal retail water or sewer utility system if the TCEQ has issued a Notice of Violation to the utility system and the governing body of the municipality finds by official action that the municipality is either financially or technically unable to restore the system to compliance with the applicable law or regulations.	Passed by House 4/27/21 Passed by Senate 5/24/21 Sent to Governor 5/28/21 Effective 9/1/21

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SENATE	EBILLS			
SB 3 (Schwertner)	Preparing for, preventing, and responding to weather emergencies, power outages, and other disasters	Numerous codes are amended to address blackout alerts, ERCOT oversight, emergency preparedness, load shedding, etc.	Sent to Governor 6/1/21 Effective Immediately	
SB 58 (Zaffirini)	Purchase of Cloud Services	Amends the definition of personal property under Chapter 271 of the Local Govt. Code (authorizing governments to purchase, lease or finance personal property) to include cloud computing services.	Signed by Governor 6/3/21 Effective Immediately	
SB 157 (Perry)	Eminent Domain Reporting	Amends Ch 2206 of the Govt Code (annual eminent domain reporting) to allow water districts and certain other entities to file an abbreviated report if the information previously reported is unchanged.	Sent to Governor 5/29/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 219 (Hughes)	Civil Liability for Defects in Plans and Specs	Adds a new Ch 59 to the Commerce Code to address the responsibilities and the liability of a contractor or subcontractor for the consequences of defects in plans and specs for construction or repair of an improvement to real property. (Does not apply to critical infrastructure projects or design-build projects.) Also addresses the standard of care a governmental entity may require of an engineer or architect in a contract related to the construction on real property.	Sent to Governor 6/1/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 374 (Seliger)	Municipal Annexation	Allows a municipality to annex road right-of-way with consent of owner or governmental authority that maintains the road under certain conditions.	Passed by Senate 4/9/21 Passed by House as amended 5/11/21 Sent to Governor 5/29/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 387 (Schwertner)	Appeal of Water or Sewer Rates for City ETJ Customers	Authorizes water customers that reside in a city's ETJ to appeal rates when the municipality takes over the provisions of service for ratepayers previously served by another utility.	Sent to Governor 5/24/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 600 (Perry)	Inventory of Dams by River Authorities	Amends Ch 12 of the Water Code to require a river authority to provide an inventory to the TCEQ of each dam under its control. Prescribed information must be provided each year and in the event of a significant change in information. The TCQ must create and maintain a website that contains the information.	Sent to Governor 5/29/21 Effective 9/1/21	

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SB 632 (Buckingham)	LCRA Powers	Authorizes LCRA to provide broadband infrastructure	Signed by Governor 4/30/21 Effective Immediately	
SB 669 (Springer)	TWDB Reporting	Amends Ch 16 of the Water Code to require TWDB, in lieu of reporting to the legislation, to make publicly available certain statement water usage information collected from municipalities and other water utilities.	Signed by Governor 5/15/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 721 (Schwertner)	Eminent Domain	Amends Ch 21, Property Code, to require an entity seeking to acquire property through eminent domain to disclose to the property owner appraisal reports used in determining the entity's opinion of value.	Signed by Governor 5/18/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 726 (Schwertner)	Eminent Domain	Amends the actions a condemning authority must take to demonstrate actual progress on a project for the purposes of determining an owner's right to repurchase condemned property.	Signed by Governor 5/24/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 905 (Perry)	Potable Reuse of Wastewater	Amends Ch 341, Health and Safety Code, to require TCEQ to develop and make available to the public a regulatory guidance manual to explain commission rules that apply to direct potable water reuse.	Signed by Governor 6/4/21 Effective 9/1/21	
SB 997 (Nichols)	Wholesale Rate Appeals	With respect to wholesale rate appeals under Sec. 12.013 or 13.043(f) of the Water Code, provides that the PUC may not hold a hearing on or otherwise prescribe just and reasonable amounts to be charged under the contract unless the PUC determines that the amount charged under the contract harms the public interest. A determination is final for purposes of appeal purposes.	Passed by Senate 4/27/21 Passed by House 5/19/21 Signed by Governor 6/4/21	
		<ul> <li>Authorizes a party to appeal the public interest determination. Judicial review is de novo.</li> <li>Requires the PUC, before holding a hearing on or otherwise prescribing a just and reasonable rate to be charged under the contract, to allow the contracting parties to amend the amount charged under the contract until at least 60 days after the date: <ul> <li>(1) of a final judicial determination in an appeal under Subsection (h) that a rate charged under the contract harms the public interest; or</li> <li>(2) the determination made under Subsection (g) became final if a motion for rehearing was not filed on time.</li> </ul> </li> <li>If the parties amend their contract, a party may challenge before the utility commission the rate paid under the amended contract only: (1) after the 5th anniversary of the date of the contract amendment; or (2) during a period agreed to by the parties that begins after the 5th anniversary of that date.</li> </ul>	Effective 9/1/21	

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SB 1168 (Campbell)	Municipal Authority to Levy Fines in ETJ	Restricts authority of cities to levy fines in ETJ areas under certain circumstances (disannexation or voters disapprove annexation)	Passed by Senate 4/23/21
	2		Passed by House 5/24/21
			Signed by Governor 5/28/21
			Effective Immediately
SB 1225 (Huffman)	Public Information Act	Restricts authority for local govts to suspend Public Information Act requirements in response to an emergency	Passed by Senate 4/29/21
			Passed by House 5/11/21
			Effective 9/1/21
SB 1338 (Zaffirini)	Disclosure obligations for Municipal	Requires certain disclosures by municipalities for municipal annexation agreements.	Passed by Senate 4/19/21
	Annexation Agreements		Passed by House 5/11/21
			Signed by Governor 5/24/21 Effective 9/1/21
SB 2154 (Schwertner)	PUC Membership	Increases membership on the PUC from three to five members. At least three commissioners, including the presiding officer, must be qualified in the field of	Sent to Governor 6/1/21
		public utilities and utility regulation.	Effective Immediately.

## TC Meeting Spaces

Calendars	July 2021							
FS Conference Room///////////////////////////////////		Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
FS Training Room PS Large Conference Room Svore Board Room	27	Jun 27, 2021	28	29	30	Jul 1	2	3
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