Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14

> A Component Unit of Multnomah County, Oregon

Financial Statements and Reports of Independent Auditors

> For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022



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# **INTRODUCTORY SECTION**

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December 12, 2023

Honorable County Chair and Board of County Commissioners and Citizens of Multnomah County, Oregon,

# INTRODUCTION

We are pleased to submit the Basic Financial Statements for Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14, Portland, Oregon (the District), for the year ended June 30, 2023. This report includes the opinion of our independent auditors, Moss Adams LLP.

We prepared this report for the Secretary of the State of Oregon as required under ORS 297.425. The District's financial statements are also included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of Multnomah County (the County) as a blended component unit. This is necessary because the Board of County Commissioners of Multnomah County serves as the governing body and maintains overall financial accountability for the District.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The MD&A can be found immediately following the independent auditors' report.

# **PROFILE OF THE DISTRICT**

Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 was organized in 1968 as Tulip Acres Lighting District under the provisions of ORS Chapter 451. By Order 14 of the Board of Commissioners of Multnomah County, signed on September 3, 1970, the name of the District was changed to Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14. The District now provides street lighting to the unincorporated urban areas of the County, and the cities of Maywood Park, Troutdale and Fairview. Administration of the District is managed by the Multnomah County Department of Community Services (DCS).

Portland General Electric provides energy through regulated tariffs managed by the State of Oregon's Public Utility Commission and DCS provides illumination engineering and design and manages maintenance requirements through local contractors.

The District is accounted for as an enterprise fund. Enterprise funds generate revenue for operations by charging user fees to recover costs of providing goods and services to the public. The measurement focus is on a *flow of economic resources* and the *accrual basis of accounting* is used. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded at the time they are earned and expenses are recorded at the time the liabilities are incurred. Oregon Budget Law required the use of budgetary control. See pages 22-23 for the *Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual.* 

#### FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCIAL CONDITION

The District's operating budget has stabilized with the substantial completion of municipal annexations. Operations were funded by charging user fees of \$75 per household for fiscal year 2022-2023, an increase of \$5 per household over the prior fiscal year. This rate was presumed to be sufficient to match the District's engineering, maintenance and operational demands. The fees are collected via special assessments that are added to property tax bills for properties served by the District.

The District's current assessment is \$75 per property per year. For fiscal year 2024 the District's rate was adopted with no change to the annual assessment. This rate provides the District with the necessary operating resources to match its needs. Operating expenses had a decrease of \$43,597 or 10.3 percent as a result of fewer equipment failures, fewer pole and light replacements from damage by crashes and reduced personnel costs as a result of a staff member being on extended leave. The District is building a fund reserve to meet the anticipated capital costs for a street light rebuild along SW 257th Drive with construction beginning in late fiscal year 2024 or early fiscal year 2025. The design phase of the project was delayed and did not begin until late in fiscal year 2023 with completion scheduled in fiscal year 2024. The work will be done in coordination with the Multnomah County Transportation Division which is leading the corridor safety project on SW 257th Drive, that will include updates to the District's street lights along the corridor.

The following is summarized key financial data from current and prior years' financial statements:

	Year Ended June 30,									
		2023		2022		2021		2020		2019
Operating revenue	\$	573,493	\$	541,964	\$	463,212	\$	468,432	\$	481,216
Depreciation expense		132,148		132,148		127,147		122,146		122,297
Operating income / (loss)		193,438		118,312		65,732		(7,133)		97,168
Change in net position		215,070		121,723		362,060		446		106,909
Capital contributions		-		-		292,954		-		-
Unrestricted net position		971,765		625,549		396,399		387,822		265,469
Total assets		3,251,925		3,021,800		2,903,079		2,535,725		2,550,459
Total net position		3,213,501		2,998,431		2,876,708		2,514,648		2,514,202

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We acknowledge the help of the Finance and Risk Management Division staff, who contributed in the preparation of this report. We also want to thank the staff in the Department of Community Services for their contributions during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

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Eric J. Arellano Chief Financial Officer

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Samina S. Gillum Accounting Manager

## MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 (A component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon) Principal Officers

# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS\* AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, 6<sup>th</sup> floor Portland, Oregon 97214

Title	Name	Term Expires
Chair of Board	Jessica Vega Pederson 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor Portland, OR 97214	12/31/2026
Commissioner - District No. 1	Sharon Meieran 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor Portland, OR 97214	12/31/2024
Commissioner - District No. 2	Susheela Jayapal 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor Portland, OR 97214	12/31/2026
Commissioner - District No. 3	Julia Brim-Edwards 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor Portland, OR 97214	12/31/2024
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\* Governing body of Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 reported on herein.

# FINANCIAL SECTION

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# **Report of Independent Auditors**

The Board of County Commissioners Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 (the District), a component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon, which comprise the statements of net position as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the District as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* (*Government Auditing Standards*), issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Financial Reporting Entity

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements present only the District and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Multnomah County, Oregon as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The summary information for the schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - budget and actual, schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - budget and actual, schedules of special assessment transactions, and reconciliation of budgetary revenues to interest and tax/assessment collections (collectively, the supplementary information), as listed in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### **Other Information**

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory section but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the basic financial statements does not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 12, 2023 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

#### Other Reporting Required by Minimum Standards for Audits of Oregon Municipal Corporations

In accordance with the *Minimum Standards for Audits of Oregon Municipal Corporations*, we have also issued our report dated December 12, 2023, on our consideration of the District's compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including the provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes as specified in Oregon Administrative Rules 162-010-0000 through 162-010-0330 of the *Minimum Standards for Audits of Oregon Municipal Corporations*. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on compliance.

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Ashley Osten, Partner For Moss Adams LLP Portland, Oregon December 12, 2023



# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 (the District), we offer readers of the District's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the additional information furnished in the letter of transmittal, which can be found on pages 1-3 of this report.

# Financial Highlights

- The District's assets exceeded its liabilities at June 30, 2023, by \$3,213,501 (*the District's net position*). Of this amount, \$971,765 is unrestricted and \$2,241,736 represents investment in capital assets.
- Total net position increased by \$215,070 in fiscal year 2023.

# **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements include: 1) fund financial statements, and 2) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Fund financial statements**. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Enterprise fund.** The District is accounted for as an enterprise fund. Enterprise funds are used to account for operations (a) where the intent of the government is to fully recover costs of providing goods or services to the general public through user charges, or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purpose.

The District operates like a business receiving user charges for services rendered. It does not receive any funds from the State or the County other than street lighting assessments collected through property taxes; this is the main source of revenue. The District's statute (ORS 451.500) projects that it collects fees necessary to prudently operate.

There was an increase to the annual user charge in fiscal year 2023. The charge moved up to \$75 per household, a \$5 increase from the prior fiscal year which generated \$573,493 in operating revenues.

The basic enterprise fund financial statements can be found on pages 13-21 of this report.

**Notes to the basic financial statements**. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 16-21 of this report.

**Other information**. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain supplementary information. Supplementary information can be found on pages 21-24 of this report.

#### Financial Analysis of the District

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial condition. As noted earlier, the District's total net position was \$3,213,501 at the close of the most recent fiscal year, an increase of \$215,070 over prior year. At June 30, 2023, the largest portion of net position, \$2,241,736 or 69.8 percent, is invested in capital assets. The investment in capital assets is the District's street lighting system, with no related debt. These capital assets provide services to its member households; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 Net Position June 30,									
	2023	2022	2021						
Current and other assets	\$ 1,010,189	\$ 648,918	\$ 422,770						
Capital assets, net	2,241,736	2,372,882	2,480,309						
Total assets	3,251,925	3,021,800	2,903,079						
Current and other liabilities	38,424	23,369	26,371						
Net position:									
Investment in capital assets	2,241,736	2,372,882	2,480,309						
Unrestricted	971,765	625,549	396,399						
Total net position	\$ 3,213,501	\$ 2,998,431	\$ 2,876,708						

At the end of the current and prior fiscal years, the District reported positive balances in the above categories of net position.

#### Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended June 30,

	2023		2022	2021		
Revenues						
Operating revenues:						
Charges for services	\$	573,493	\$ 541,964	\$	463,212	
Non-operating revenues:						
Investment earnings		21,632	 3,411		3,374	
Total revenues		595,125	 545,375	466,586		
Expenses						
Operating expenses:						
District operating expenses		380,055	 423,652		397,480	
Total expenses		380,055	 423,652		397,480	
Capital contributions in		-	 		292,954	
Increase in net position		215,070	121,723		362,060	
Beginning net position		2,998,431	2,876,708		2,514,648	
Ending net position	\$	3,213,501	\$ 2,998,431	\$	2,876,708	

Ending net position increased by \$215,070 or 7.2 percent during fiscal year 2023, compared to an increase of \$121,723 during fiscal year 2022. Operating revenues increased by \$31,529 or 5.8 percent due to the rate increase and natural fluctuations in activity during the year. Operating expenses decreased by \$43,597 between fiscal years 2023 and 2022. This net decrease was primarily due to a \$41,583 or 33.1 percent decrease in professional services.

**Capital assets**. The investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2023, amounts to \$2,241,736. This entire investment in capital assets is the street lighting system. The net decrease in the investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year was \$131,146 or 5.5 percent. This decrease was the result of a modest increase in construction in progress combined with the normal depreciation of the District's assets. Additional information on capital assets can be found in Note III.C. *Capital assets*.

**Budgetary highlights.** Total budgeted expenditures were \$983,000 in fiscal year 2023 compared to actual expenditures of \$255,930. Actual expenditures were under budget by \$727,070. The primary reason for actual expenditures being less than budgeted is due to a delay of a year on the design work for the SW 257th Drive project. The expected difference will be seen in subsequent years as the project gets completed.

# Key Economic Factors and Budget Information for 2024

The District's capital program has now slowed significantly, but will continue to address any additional individual streetlights, which have reached their life expectancy. In the fiscal year 2024 budget, the District has approved \$1,448,000 for its total budget. The main items that comprise this number are \$655,000 for improvements, \$85,000 for utilities, \$83,000 for repairs and maintenance and \$135,000 to support administration, and \$42,000 for the implementation of an online permitting software.

The current assessment rate is \$75 per household per year. For fiscal year 2024, the District Budget was adopted with the same annual assessment. The current rate provides the District with the necessary operating resources to match maintenance and operational demands and respond to the new street lighting requests presented from the communities served. The District will continue to save its unrestricted fund balance to fund future replacement of depreciated equipment.

The SW 257th Drive capital project will replace all of the aging wood street light poles on SW 257th Drive and allow the use of lower cost maintenance staff for the on-going maintenance of the corridor. In addition, the project will add street lighting in a high traffic crash corridor.

#### **Requests for information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be directed to the following address:

Multnomah County Department of County Management 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Suite 531 Portland, OR 97293-0700 (This page intentionally left blank.)

#### MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 A Component Unit of Multnomah County, Oregon Statements of Net Position

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		2023		2022
ASSETS				
Current assets (unrestricted):				
Cash and investments	\$	926,369	\$	617,264
Receivables:				
Accounts receivable, net		-		2,683
Special assessments, net		12,770		3,211
Inventories		71,050		25,760
Total current assets		1,010,189		648,918
Noncurrent assets (restricted):				
Construction in progress		626,338		625,337
Other capital assets (net of				
accumulated depreciation)		1,615,398		1,747,545
Total noncurrent assets		2,241,736		2,372,882
Total assets		3,251,925		3,021,800
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities (payable from unrestricted assets):				
Accounts payable		38,424		23,369
Total liabilities		38,424		23,369
				20,000
NET POSITION				
Investment in capital assets		2,241,736		2,372,882
Unrestricted	-	971,765		625,549
Total net position	\$	3,213,501	\$	2,998,431

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

#### MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 A Component Unit of Multnomah County, Oregon Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

	Years Ended June 30,				
	2023	2022			
OPERATING REVENUES					
Charges for services:					
Street lighting assessments, current	\$ 563,642	\$ 526,161			
Street lighting assessments, prior	4,186	5,643			
Intergovernmental	1,162	7,345			
Licenses and permits	575	270			
Miscellaneous	3,928	2,545			
Total operating revenues	573,493	541,964			
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Cost of sales and services	198,652	191,784			
Administration	49,255	99,720			
Depreciation	132,148	132,148			
Total operating expenses	380,055	423,652			
Operating income	193,438	118,312			
NONOPERATING REVENUES					
Interest revenue	21,632	3,411			
Total nonoperating revenues	21,632	3,411			
Change in net position	215,070	121,723			
Total net position - beginning	2,998,431	2,876,708			
Total net position - ending	\$ 3,213,501	\$ 2,998,431			

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

# MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 (A component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon) Statements of Cash Flows

	Years En	ded June 30,
	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Receipts from customers	\$ 566,617	\$ 548,750
Payments to suppliers	(278,143)	(263,121)
Net cash provided by operating activities	288,474	285,629
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CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of capital assets	(1,001)	(24,721)
Net cash used by capital and related		
financing activities	(1,001)	(24,721)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest earnings	21,632	3,411
Net cash provided by investing activities	21,632	3,411
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	309,105	264,319
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning	617,264	352,945
Cash and cash equivalents - ending	\$ 926,369	\$ 617,264
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Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating income	\$ 193,438	\$ 118,312
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash	\$ 193,438	\$ 110,512
provided by (used for) operating activities:		
Depreciation	132,148	132,148
Changes in assets and liabilities:	152,148	152,140
Receivables	2,683	(890)
Special assessments receivable, net	(9,559)	7,676
Inventories	(45,290)	14,469
Prepaid items	(13,290)	16,916
Accounts payable	15,054	(3,002)
Total adjustments	95.036	167,317
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 288,474	\$ 285,629
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The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

#### Note I. Summary of significant accounting policies

## A. Reporting entity

Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 (the District) was organized in 1968 as Tulip Lighting District under the provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) Chapter 451. By Order 14 of the Board of Commissioners of Multnomah County, signed on September 3, 1970, the name of the district was changed to Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting District No. 14. The District now provides street lighting to the unincorporated urban areas of Multnomah County (the County) and the cities of Maywood Park, Troutdale and Fairview. The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners (the Board) is the governing body of the District, as provided for by ORS 451.485.

The District is a blended component unit of Multnomah County and its financial activities are included in the basic financial statements of the County. The management of the District is handled by County management. The District serves the residents within its geographical boundaries and is governed by a board comprised of the County's elected Board. The rates for user charges for the District are approved by the Board. The District is reported as an enterprise fund.

## B. Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement preparation

The District's basic financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations are included on the *Statement of Net Position*.

Enterprise funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with an enterprise fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District are charges to customers for sales and services. The District also recognizes as operating revenue, the portion of connection fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The financial statements of the District have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). U.S. GAAP statements include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. The financial statements have incorporated all applicable GASB pronouncements. The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared for purposes of Oregon statutory reporting requirements and are structured into the enterprise fund type as described above.

Since the Board maintains overall financial accountability for the District, the financial statements of the District are included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) of the County, as an enterprise fund.

Information about the County's enterprise funds is included in the County's ACFR and may be obtained through the County's Finance and Risk Management Division at 501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Suite 531, Portland, OR 97214; or at <a href="https://multco.us/finance/

#### C. Assets, liabilities, and net position or fund balances

#### Cash and investments

The District's cash and investments are deposited in the County's Local Government Investment Pool (the Pool). All of the District's cash and investments are included in the Pool rather than specific, identifiable securities. The District's share of County pooled cash and investments can be drawn upon demand, and therefore, the entire amount on deposit with the County is considered cash equivalents. Interest earned on pooled investments is allocated monthly based on the average daily cash balance of the District in relation to total investments in the pool. It is not practical to determine the investment risk, collateral, or insurance coverage for the District's share of these pooled investments.

State statutes authorize the County to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper, corporate bonds, municipal bonds, banker's acceptances, repurchase agreements, and the State Treasurer's Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP). Investments for the County, as well as for its component units, are reported at fair value. The LGIP operates in accordance with appropriate state laws and regulations.

Information about the pooled investments is included in the County's ACFR and may be obtained through the County's Finance and Risk Management Division at 501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Suite 531, Portland, OR 97214; or at the link above.

#### **Receivables and payables**

The District's receivables are street lighting assessments, which are collected through the County's property tax system. The District's payables are all monthly utility charges to Portland General Electric. The District calculates and records an allowance for doubtful accounts on accounts and special assessments receivables, which is management's best estimate of amounts that will not be collected.

## Inventories

Inventories of materials and supplies are valued at the lower of average cost or market and recorded as expenditures under the consumption method rather than when purchased.

# Net position

Net position is reported on the *Statement of Net Position*. Within net position, the investment in capital assets represents total capital assets less accumulated depreciation. The District does not report any debt directly related to its capital assets. All remaining net position of the District is unrestricted.

#### Capital assets

The District's capital assets are street lighting systems consisting of lights and poles. Capital assets are stated at historical cost at time of acquisition or acquisition value on date donated for donated assets. Street lighting systems with a value of greater than \$10,000 and a useful life of three or more years are capitalized. Normal maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. Expenses for major additions, improvements and replacements are capitalized. Gain or loss on retirement or disposal is reflected on the *Statements of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Position*.

Street lighting systems are depreciated on the straight-line method with an estimated useful life of 30 years. In recent years, the materials used in constructing the District's lights and poles have become more durable and are engineered to last longer than those previously built.

#### Annexations and intergovernmental agreements

In 1983, the Board passed Resolution A, which stated the County's intention to phase out municipal services provided to urbanized unincorporated areas of the County. District operations are governed by Oregon Revised Statute 451 and the District is not legally bound by Resolution A. ORS 198 provides guidance on the dissolution of the District. At this time, the residents served by the District have not elevated to the Multnomah County Board justification for the dissolution of the District and liquidation of the assets.

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### Note II. Stewardship, compliance, and accountability

#### A. Budgetary information

The District's budget is prepared and adopted in accordance with Oregon local budget law. Certain adjustments are necessary to reconcile from the budgetary basis to the U.S. GAAP basis. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

The budget committee of the District consists of the members of the Board and residents of the District appointed by the Board. During the month of February each year, the District submits requests for appropriations to the County Chair so that a budget may be prepared. By May 15th, the proposed budget is presented to the Board for approval. The Board holds public hearings and a final budget must be prepared and adopted no later than June 30th.

The adopted budget is prepared by fund and department. The County's department managers may transfer appropriations within a department and fund. Transfers and changes (increases) of appropriations between departments or funds require the approval of the Board. The legal level of budgetary control, (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund and department level. The adopted budget is available at:

https://multco.us/budget/mid-county-street-lighting-service-district-no-14-budget

# Note III. Detailed notes

#### A. Cash and investments

The District's cash and investments reported on the *Statement of Net Position* represent the District's share of the County's cash and investment pool. The District's participation in the cash and investment pool is involuntary. Interest earnings from this pool are allocated to the District on a monthly basis. At June 30, 2023 and 2022, the District's share of the County's cash and investment pool totaled \$926,369 and \$617,264, respectively. The District's ending cash balance is pooled with the County's cash, and represents a portion of the year-end bank balances.

## **B.** Receivables

	June 30,					
		2023		2022		
Accounts receivable	\$	_	\$	2,683		
Street lighting assessments		14,525		11,988		
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(1,755)		(8,777)		
Receivables and special assessments, net	\$	12,770	\$	5,894		

The allowance for doubtful accounts represents management's best estimate of receivable amounts that will not be collected. In determining the allowance, management considers historical write offs as well as current economic factors.

#### C. Capital assets

Capital asset activity for the District for the year ended June 30, 2023 was as follows:

	]	Beginning				Ending
	Balance		Ι	Increases		Balance
Construction in progress	\$	625,337	\$	1,001		\$ 626,338
Street lights and poles		4,093,337		-		4,093,337
Accumulated depreciation		(2,345,792)		(132,147)		(2,477,939)
Street lighting systems, net	\$	2,372,882	\$	(131,146)		\$ 2,241,735

Capital asset activity for the District for the year ended June 30, 2022 was as follows:

	]	Beginning		Ending		
		Balance	Increases			Balance
Construction in progress	\$	600,616	\$	24,721	\$	625,337
Street lights and poles		4,093,337		-	4	4,093,337
Accumulated depreciation		(2,213,644)		(132,148)	(2	2,345,792)
Street lighting systems, net	\$	2,480,309	\$	(107,427)	\$ 2	2,372,882

#### **D.** Transactions with Multnomah County

The County Department of Community Services provides operating management and planning for the District. General administrative functions are performed by other units of the County. All services are performed on an internal cost reimbursement basis. Reimbursements to the County were \$49,255 and \$99,720 for fiscal 2023 and 2022 respectively and are included in the financial statement line item for Administration on the *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position*.

#### E. Risk management

As a component unit of the County, the District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the County carries commercial insurance. The County has established risk management programs for liability insurance coverage. The District is covered under the policies and programs insuring the County. The County maintains an internal service fund, the Risk Management Fund, to account for and finance its risks of loss. The funds are available to pay claims, claim reserves, and reduce administrative costs of the program. These interfund premiums are used to offset the amount of claims expenses reported in the Risk Management Fund. As of June 30, 2023 and 2022, interfund premiums exceeded reimbursable expenses. Settlements have not exceeded the District's coverage balance for each of the past three fiscal years.

#### Note IV. Postemployment benefits and pension plans

The District itself does not have any employees but is serviced by Multnomah County employees who are covered under the County's other postemployment benefits (OPEB) and pension plans. These plans include the pension plan, OPEB - RHIA, and OPEB - County Plan. The County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) provides further details on these plans. The ACFR is posted online at <u>https://multco.us/finance/financial reports</u>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SECTION

# MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 (A component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon) Supplementary Information For The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual

The following *Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual* for the District is prepared on a budgetary basis which differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and the accompanying component unit financial statements in the following respects:

- Capital outlay is reflected as an expenditure;
- Contributed capital, other than non-current assets, is reflected as revenue;
- Depreciation is not recorded;
- Street lighting assessment revenue is recognized as it becomes measurable and available;
- Expenses related to uncollectible accounts receivable are not recorded.

#### MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 A Component Unit of Multnomah County, Oregon Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

	<b>Budgeted Amounts</b>				Actual			
		Original		Final	Amounts			Variance
REVENUES								
Current assessments	\$	551,000	\$	551,000	\$	561,289	\$	10,289
Prior assessments		4,000		4,000		4,186		186
Charges for services		-		-		1,162		1,162
Licenses and permits		-		-		575		575
Interest		3,000		3,000		21,632		18,632
Miscellaneous		-		-		3,928		3,928
Total revenues		558,000		558,000		592,772		34,772
EXPENDITURES Current:								
Community services		983,000		983,000		255,930		727,070
Total expenditures		983,000		983,000		255,930		727,070
Net change in fund balances		(425,000)		(425,000)		336,842		761,842
Fund balances - beginning		600,000		600,000		622,338		22,338
Fund balances - ending	\$	175,000	\$	175,000		959,180	\$	784,180
Reconciliation to GAAP Basis:	. ,.					2 2 4 1 7 2 6		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depred						2,241,736		
Allowance for uncollectible accounts, as Assessment revenues that were not available			t expe	enditures		(1,755)		
and therefore were not reported in the budgetary basis schedule						14,340		
Net position as reported on the Statement of	of Rev	renues,						
Expenses and Changes in Net Position					\$	3,213,501		

# MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 (A component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon) Schedules of Special Assessment Transactions June 30, 2023 and 2022

	For the Year Ended June 30, 2023													
	Assessments Receivable June 30, 2022		Levy/ Assessments as Extended by Assessor		Add (Deduct) Corrections and Adjustments		Add Interest on Delinquent Assessments		Deduct Discounts Allowed		Deduct Collections Including Interest on Delinquent Assessments		Assessments Receivable June 30, 2023	
General Fund Special Assessment														
2022-2023	\$	-	\$	585,638	\$	(1,657)	\$	123	\$	(15,378)	\$	(560,576)	\$	8,150
2021-2022		6,283		N/A		(957)		186		23		(2,659)		2,876
2020-2021		2,312		N/A		(373)		118		6		(613)		1,450
2019-2020		1,447		N/A		(125)		214		3		(809)		730
2018-2019		648		N/A		(118)		142		3		(517)		158
2017-2016 and prior years		1,298		N/A		(55)		60		-		(142)		1,161
	\$	11,988	\$	585,638	\$	(3,285)	\$	843	\$	(15,343)	\$	(565,316)	\$	14,525

	For the Year Ended June 30, 2022															
											Deduct Collections					
		Assessments Receivable June 30, 2021		Current Levy		Add (Deduct) Corrections and Assessments		Add Interest on Delinquent Assessments		Deduct Discounts Allowed		Including Interest on Delinquent Assessments		Assessments Receivable June 30, 2022		
General Fund Special Assessment																
2021-2022	\$	-	\$	546,952	\$	(1,483)	\$	182	\$	(14,521)	\$	(524,847)	\$	6,283		
2020-2021		6,292		N/A		(703)		247		7		(3,531)		2,312		
2019-2020		2,739		N/A		(123)		293		1		(1,463)		1,447		
2018-2019		1,588		N/A		(42)		206		1		(1,105)		648		
2017-2018		691		N/A		(8)		35		-		(541)		177		
2016-2017 and prior years		1,260		N/A		(10)		67		-		(196)		1,121		
	\$	12,570	\$	546,952	\$	(2,369)	\$	1,030	\$	(14,512)	\$	(531,683)	\$	11,988		

# MID-MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14 (A component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon) Reconciliation of Budgetary Revenues to Interest and Tax/Assessment Collections For the Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

		2023	Ended June 30, 2022		
Revenues, per Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and					
Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual:					
Current year assessments - sewer	\$	561,289	\$	526,392	
Prior year assessments - sewer		4,186		3,894	
Assessment accrual, sixty-day tax, net		(159)		1,397	
Interest and Tax/Assessment Collections, per					
Schedule of Special Assessment Transactions	\$	565,316	\$	531,683	

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# AUDIT COMMENTS AND DISCLOSURES

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# **Report of Independent Auditors Required by Oregon State Regulations**

Board of County Commissioners Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the provisions of the *Minimum Standards for Audits of Oregon Municipal Corporations*, prescribed by the Oregon Secretary of State the basic financial statements of Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 (the District), a component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023 and have issued our report thereon dated December 12, 2023.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's basic financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) as specified in Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 162-010-0000 to 162-010-0330, of the *Minimum Standards for Audits of Oregon Municipal Corporations*, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

We performed procedures to the extent we considered necessary to address the required comments and disclosures which included, but were not limited to, the following:

- Accounting records and internal control
- Public fund deposits
- Budget
- Insurance and fidelity bonds
- Programs funded from outside sources
- Investments
- Public contracts and purchasing

In connection with our testing, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe the District was not in substantial compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including the provisions of ORS as specified in OAR 162-010-0000 through 162-010-0330 of the *Minimum Standards for Audits of Oregon Municipal Corporations*.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of County Commissioners and management of Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 and the Oregon Secretary of State and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these parties.

Ashley Osten

Ashley Osten, Partner for Moss Adams LLP Portland, Oregon December 12, 2023



# Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

The Board of County Commissioners Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Mid-Multnomah County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 (the District), a component unit of Multnomah County, Oregon, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 12, 2023.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Moss Adams HP

Portland, Oregon December 12, 2023