

# Annual Disclosure Report Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023

Eastern Municipal Water District Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 Improvement Area B (La Ventana Ranch)

2023 Special Tax Bonds

**Prepared For** 



March 2024



# Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 Improvement Area B (La Ventana Ranch) 2023 Special Tax Bonds

Year	CUSIP	Year	CUSIP
2024	27627MW78	2031	27627MX69
2025	27627MW86	2032	27627MX77
2026	27627MW94	2033	27627MX85
2027	27627MX28	2038	27627MX93
2028	27627MX36	2043	27627MY27
2029	27627MX44	2048	27627MY35
2030	27627MX51	2053	27627MY43

# 2023 CUSIP Numbers

The information herein for the Eastern Municipal Water District Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 Improvement Area B ("CFD 2017-77 IA B" or the "District") was prepared by Webb Municipal Finance, LLC and Eastern Municipal Water District, as Administrators.

# **Project Location**

The District is located east of the City of Menifee north of Wickerd Road, east of El Centro Lane and west of Leon Road. CFD 2017-77 IA B contains approximately 83.25 gross acres and is planned for a total of 250 detached single-family homes at buildout.

# **Project Description**

The District was formed to finance the acquisition or construction of certain water and sewer system improvements by or for the Water District that are required in order to provide water and sewer service to the property within CFD 2017-77 IA B and payments to the Water District of CFD 2017-77 IA B's share of the costs of the Water District's water, sewer, and sewer treatment facilities.

## Form of District Continuing Disclosure Certificate

Pursuant to the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate for the Eastern Municipal Water District CFD 2017-77 IA B 2023 Special Tax Bonds, the first Annual Report, due on March 1, 2024, shall consist solely of the Official Statement, attached hereto.

# Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2022-23

The Eastern Municipal Water District Fiscal Year 2022-23 Audited Financial Statements will be submitted to the Electronic Municipal Market Access Website under separate cover and are incorporated herein by reference.

#### **NEW ISSUE**

#### NO RATING

In the opinion of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, Newport Beach, California ("Bond Counsel"), under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, and assuming the accuracy of certain representations and compliance with certain covenants and requirements described herein, interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of calculating the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds is exempt from State of California personal income tax. See "TAX MATTERS" with respect to tax consequences relating to the Bonds, including with respect to the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain large corporations for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022.

#### \$5,280,000

#### COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B 2023 SPECIAL TAX BONDS

#### **Dated: Date of Delivery**

#### Due: September 1, as shown on inside front cover

This Official Statement describes bonds (the "Bonds") being issued by Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District (the "Community Facilities District") on behalf of Improvement Area B therein ("Improvement Area B"). The Bonds are being delivered primarily to finance various public improvements needed to develop property located within Improvement Area B. The Community Facilities District and Improvement Area B were formed by and are located within the boundaries of Eastern Municipal Water District in Riverside County, California.

The Bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended. The Bonds are being issued pursuant to Eastern Municipal Water District's Resolution No. 2023-054 and a Trust Indenture (the "Indenture"), dated as of April 1, 2023, by and between the Community Facilities District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as the Fiscal Agent (the "Fiscal Agent"). The Bonds are special obligations of the Community Facilities District and are payable solely from revenues derived from certain annual special taxes to be levied on the taxable property within Improvement Area B (but not special taxes levied within any other improvement area of the Community Facilities District) (the "Special Taxes") and from certain other funds pledged under the Indenture, as further described herein. Additional bonds secured on a parity with the Bonds may be issued for refunding purposes only upon satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the Indenture. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Issuance of Additional Bonds for Refunding Purposes Only."

The Bonds are being issued in book-entry form and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York. Purchasers of Bonds will not receive certificates representing their beneficial ownership thereof but will receive credit balances on the books of their respective nominees. The Bonds will not be transferable or exchangeable except for transfer to another nominee of The Depository Trust Company or as otherwise described herein. Individual purchases may be made in principal amounts of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof.

Interest on the Bonds will be payable on each March 1 and September 1, commencing on September 1, 2023. Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid by the Fiscal Agent to Cede & Co., and such payments are expected to be disbursed to the beneficial owners of the Bonds through their nominees.

Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the County of Riverside, Eastern Municipal Water District, the State of California or any political subdivision thereof (other than the taxing power of the Community Facilities District) is pledged to the payment of the Bonds. No taxes other than the Net Special Taxes are pledged to the payment of such Bonds.

The Bonds are subject to optional redemption, redemption resulting from the prepayment of Special Taxes, and mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to maturity, as described herein.

MATURITY SCHEDULE (See Inside Cover Page)

This cover page contains certain information for quick reference only. It is not a summary of this issue. Investors must read the entire Official Statement to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

The Bonds are not rated by any rating agency, and investment in the Bonds involves risks which may not be appropriate for certain investors. Therefore, only persons with substantial financial resources who understand the risks of investment in the Bonds should consider such an investment. See the section of this Official Statement entitled "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" for a discussion of certain risk factors that should be considered, in addition to the matters set forth herein, in evaluating the investment quality of the Bonds.

The Bonds are offered when, as and if issued and received by the Underwriter, subject to the approval of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, Newport Beach, California, Bond Counsel, and to certain other conditions. Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, Newport Beach, California is serving as Disclosure Counsel to the Community Facilities District with respect to the Bonds. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for Eastern Municipal Water District by Aleshire & Wynder, LLP, Westlake Village, California, its General Counsel and for the Underwriter by its counsel, Kutak Rock LLP, Irvine, California. It is anticipated that the Bonds will be available for delivery to The Depository Trust Company or its agent on or about April 13, 2023.

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#### MATURITY SCHEDULE

#### COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B 2023 SPECIAL TAX BONDS

#### \$1,175,000 Serial Bonds

Maturity Date (September 1)	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Yield	Price	CUSIP No. <sup>†</sup>
2024	\$ 100,000	4.000%	3.000%	101.342	27627MW78
2025	105,000	4.000	3.050	102.165	27627MW86
2026	110,000	3.500	3.130	101.176	27627MW94
2027	110,000	3.500	3.180	101.297	27627MX28
2028	115,000	4.000	3.270	103.573	27627MX36
2029	120,000	4.000	3.380	103.530	27627MX44
2030	125,000	3.250	3.430	98.832	27627MX51
2031	125,000	3.375	3.520	98.952	27627MX69
2032	130,000	3.375	3.580	98.375	27627MX77
2033	135,000	3.500	3.670	98.540	27627MX85

#### \$4,105,000 Term Bonds

\$735,000 4.125% Term Bonds Due September 1, 2038 Yield: 4.300% Price: 98.041 CUSIP No. 27627MX93<sup>†</sup> \$885,000 4.375% Term Bonds Due September 1, 2043 Yield: 4.600% Price: 97.039 CUSIP No. 27627MY27<sup>†</sup> \$1,100,000 5.250% Term Bonds Due September 1, 2048 Yield: 4.850% Price: 103.227<sup>C</sup> CUSIP No. 27627MY35<sup>†</sup> \$1,385,000 5.250% Term Bonds Due September 1, 2053 Yield: 4.900% Price: 102.816<sup>C</sup> CUSIP No. 27627MY43<sup>†</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>C</sup> Priced to optional call date of September 1, 2033 at par.

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#### EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

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Webb Municipal Finance, LLC Riverside, California All information for investors regarding Eastern Municipal Water District (the "Water District"), the Community Facilities District, Improvement Area B and the Bonds is contained in this Official Statement. While the Water District maintains an internet website for various purposes, none of the information on that website is intended to assist investors in making any investment decision or to provide any continuing information with respect to the Bonds or any other bonds or obligations of the Water District. No dealer, broker, salesperson or other person has been authorized by the Water District to provide any information or to make any representations other than as contained herein and, if given or made, such other information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Water District. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of the Bonds by a person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such an offer, solicitation or sale.

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract with the purchasers of Bonds. Statements contained in this Official Statement that involve estimates, forecasts or matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so described herein, are intended solely as such and are not to be construed as a representation of facts.

The information set forth herein has been obtained from the Water District, the Community Facilities District and certain other sources. Such information is believed to be reliable but is not guaranteed as to its accuracy or completeness. The information set forth in this Official Statement which has been obtained from third party sources is believed to be reliable but is not guaranteed as to accuracy or completeness by the Water District or the Community Facilities District. The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice; and neither delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Water District, the Community Facilities District or any matters expressed herein since the date hereof. All summaries contained herein of the Indenture or other documents are made subject to the provisions of such documents and do not purport to be complete statements of any or all of such provisions.

The Underwriter has provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement:

The Underwriter has reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, its responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriter does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

# CAUTIONARY INFORMATION REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Certain statements included or incorporated by reference in this Official Statement constitute "Forward-Looking Statements" within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 21E of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27A of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Such statements are generally identifiable by the terminology used, such as "plan," "expect," "estimate," "budget" and other similar words and include, but are not limited to, statements that describe possible future development of property within Improvement Area B and the costs associated with such development.

The achievement of certain results or other expectations contained in such forward-looking statements involves known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results, performance or achievements described to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. While the Community Facilities District has agreed to provide certain on-going financial and operating data (see "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE" and Appendix E hereto), it does not plan to issue any updates or revisions to those forward-looking statements if or when its expectations or events, conditions or circumstances on which statements are based change.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITER MAY OVER-ALLOT OR EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME. THE UNDERWRITER MAY OFFER AND SELL THE BONDS TO CERTAIN DEALERS AND DEALER BANKS AND BANKS ACTING AS AGENTS AT PRICES LOWER THAN THE PUBLIC OFFERING PRICES STATED ON THE INSIDE FRONT COVER PAGE HEREOF, AND SAID PUBLIC OFFERING PRICES MAY BE CHANGED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE UNDERWRITER.

THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, IN RELIANCE UPON AN EXEMPTION CONTAINED IN SUCH ACT. THE BONDS HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED OR QUALIFIED UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE.

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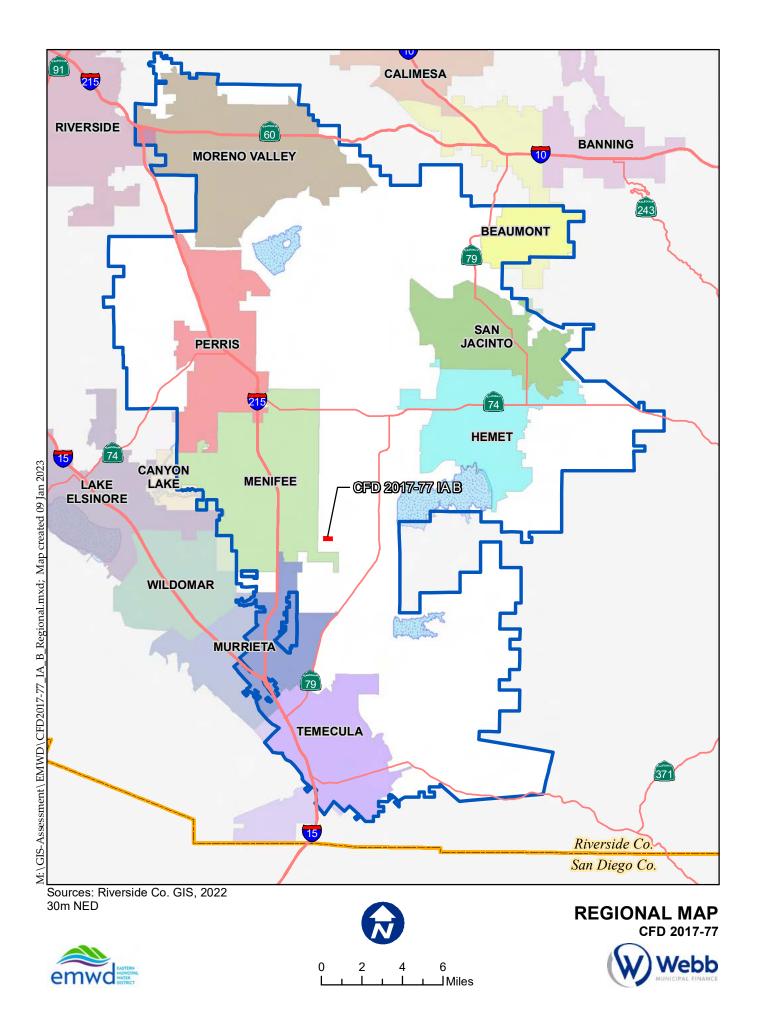
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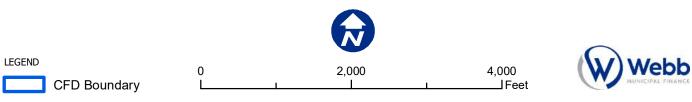


# LOCATION MAP

# COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 IMPROVEMENT AREA B

EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT







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#### \$5,280,000 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B 2023 SPECIAL TAX BONDS

#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### General

The purpose of this Official Statement, which includes the cover page and the appendices hereto, is to provide certain information concerning Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District Improvement Area B 2023 Special Tax Bonds (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to Resolution No. 2023-054 (the "Resolution") adopted by the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Eastern Municipal Water District (the "Water District"), acting as the legislative body of the Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District (the "Community Facilities District") on March 15, 2023, and a Trust Indenture dated as of April 1, 2023, (the "Indenture") by and between the Community Facilities District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as the Fiscal Agent (the "Fiscal Agent"). The Bonds are payable from Net Special Taxes (defined below) and from certain other funds pledged under the Indenture. The Community Facilities District may issue additional bonds secured by Net Special Taxes on a parity with the Bonds ("Parity Bonds"), subject to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, as more fully described herein.

The Bonds are being issued by the Community Facilities District primarily to: (i) finance various public improvements to be owned and operated by the Water District which are needed to develop the property located within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District ("Improvement Area B"); (ii) fund a reserve account securing the Bonds and any Parity Bonds; and (iii) pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.

The Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended, Section 53311, et seq., of the California Government Code (the "Act"), was enacted by the California Legislature to provide an alternative method of funding certain essential public capital facilities and services, especially in developing areas of the State of California (the "State"). Once duly established, a community facilities district is a legally constituted governmental entity, with the governing board or legislative body of the local agency acting on its behalf. Subject to approval by a two-thirds vote of the qualified electors voting and compliance with the provisions of the Act, the legislative body of a local agency may issue bonds for a community facilities district or for an improvement area within a community facilities district and may levy and collect a special tax within such community facilities district or improvement area to repay such indebtedness.

Pursuant to the Act, on September 20, 2017 the Board adopted a resolution stating its intention to establish the Community Facilities District and designate two improvement areas therein, including Improvement Area B, and a resolution stating its intention to authorize bonded indebtedness on behalf of each improvement area within the Community Facilities District. On November 1, 2017, the Community Facilities District and Improvement Area B were formed and an election was held within Improvement Area B pursuant to the Act. At the November 1, 2017 election, the qualified electors within Improvement Area B, which consisted solely of the then owner of all of the taxable land within Improvement Area B (i) authorized the Community Facilities District to incur bonded indebtedness for Improvement Area B of up to \$8,000,000 in order to finance certain public facilities and various costs related thereto (the "Project"), (ii) approved a rate and method of apportionment of special tax for Improvement Area B (the "Rate and Method of Apportionment"), and (iii) approved the levy of a special tax on the taxable property within Improvement Area B (the "Special Tax") to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds issued by the Community Facilities District and annual administrative expenses of the Community Facilities District for

Improvement Area B, and to make any replenishments to the reserve account for the Bonds (the "Reserve Account"). Pursuant to the Act, the five members of the Board now act as the legislative body for the Community Facilities District. Community Facilities District administrative services are provided by the Water District's staff.

In 2018, the Community Facilities District received a petition signed by the owner of the taxable property within the Community Facilities District and the improvement areas therein, including Improvement Area B, to amend the improvements the Community Facilities District is authorized to finance for each of the improvement areas to include school improvements to be owned and operated by the Perris Union High School District. On February 6, 2019, the Community Facilities District adopted a resolution approving such amendment and an election was held within Improvement Area B pursuant to the Act at which the then owner of all the taxable land within Improvement Area B approved the amendment. A Notice of Amended and Restated Special Tax Lien for Improvement Area B was recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Riverside on February 21, 2019 as Document No. 2019-0058418.

The Indenture provides that the Bonds shall be secured by a pledge of the Net Special Taxes (which consist of the Gross Special Taxes collected by the Community Facilities District for Improvement Area B minus certain administrative expenses) and amounts on deposit in the Special Tax Fund established pursuant to the Indenture. Special taxes levied in any improvement area of the Community Facilities District, other than Improvement Area B, are not pledged to and are not available for the repayment of the Bonds.

The Special Taxes are included on the regular property tax bills sent by the County of Riverside (the "County") to the record owners of property within Improvement Area B. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — The Special Tax." The Community Facilities District has covenanted for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds that, under certain circumstances described herein, it will commence judicial foreclosure proceedings with respect to delinquent Special Taxes by October 1 following the close of the Fiscal Year in which such Special Taxes were due and will diligently pursue such proceedings. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Covenant for Superior Court Foreclosure."

Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the Water District, the County, the State or any political subdivision thereof (other than the taxing power of the Community Facilities District with respect to Improvement Area B) is pledged to the payment of the Bonds. Except for the Net Special Taxes, no other taxes are pledged to the payment of the Bonds. The Bonds are not general or special obligations of the Water District or the Community Facilities District, but are limited obligations of the Community Facilities District payable solely from Net Special Taxes collected in Improvement Area B and certain amounts held under the Indenture as more fully described herein.

As security for its obligation to pay the Special Taxes for a limited period of time, the Master Developer (as defined below) has made a cash deposit (the "Cash Deposit") to the Water District. The Cash Deposit has been deposited in the amount of \$199,267.83. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Cash Deposit is not pledged under the Indenture for the repayment of the Bonds and the Community Facilities District could instruct the Water District to release the Cash Deposit at any time without the consent of the Owners or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds. See the caption "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Cash Deposit."

See the section of this Official Statement entitled "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" for a discussion of special factors which should be considered, in addition to the other matters set forth herein, in considering the investment quality of the Bonds.

Improvement Area B is located east of the City of Menifee in unincorporated Riverside County, north of Wickerd Road, east of El Centro Lane and west of Leon Road. Improvement Area B contains approximately 83.25 gross acres and is planned for a total of 250 single-family detached homes at buildout. The residential project in Improvement Area B is part of a master planned development called "Braverde," which is planned for a total of 511 single-family detached homes at buildout. The development within

Improvement Area B is planned for a total of 250 single-family detached homes at buildout and consists of three neighborhoods: "Seasons Ranch at Braverde," "Liberty at Braverde" and "Seasons Elevated at Braverde." The master developer within the Community Facilities District is Global Investment Pool LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Master Developer"). Richmond American Homes of Maryland, Inc., a Maryland corporation ("Richmond American" or the "Developer") is the developer of the homes under construction within Improvement Area B. Richmond American acquired all of the property within Improvement Area B from the Master Developer on November 6, 2020. All of the property within Improvement Area B is located within final Tract Map Number 36785. Richmond American also serves as the developer of the remaining 261 single-family detached homes within the Braverde project that are not within Improvement Area B.

As of January 17, 2023, Improvement Area B included 162 completed production homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners. As of such date, the Developer owned 88 total lots consisting of 9 completed model homes, 17 lots with homes under construction and 62 lots in a finished condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 13 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. As of March 1, 2023, Improvement Area B included 177 completed production homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners. As of such date, the Developer owned 73 total lots consisting of 9 completed model homes, 12 lots with homes under construction and 52 lots in a finished lot condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 12 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. However, homes under construction and 52 lots in a finished lot condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 12 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. However, homes under contract may not result in closed escrows as sales contracts are subject to cancellation.

The Community Facilities District has not engaged an independent appraiser to provide an opinion concerning the values of the parcels within Improvement Area B that comprise the taxable property within Improvement Area B. To estimate the value of the parcels within Improvement Area B, the Community Facilities District has used a combination of (i) with respect to the 88 parcels owned by the Developer as of January 17, 2023, the assessed value of such parcels, as shown on the Fiscal Year 2022-23 County Assessor's roll (based on a January 1, 2022 lien date), which is the most recent year for which assessed values are currently available, and (ii) with respect to the 162 homes owned by individual homeowners as of January 17, 2023, the actual sales prices of such homes as provided by the Developer (together, the "Modified Assessed Value"). As of January 17, 2023, the total Modified Assessed Value of the property within Improvement Area B was \$112,079,058. See "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT —Value-to-Lien Ratios." See Appendix G for the list of sales prices for the 162 completed homes sold to individual homeowners as of January 17, 2023.

This Official Statement sets forth brief descriptions of the Bonds, the Community Facilities District, Improvement Area B, the Indenture and certain other matters. Such descriptions do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. All references herein to any of the aforesaid documents are qualified in their entirety by reference to the forms thereof, which are available for inspection at the office of the Secretary of the Board of Directors in Perris, California. Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in Appendix A hereto or, if not defined in Appendix A, the meanings ascribed to them in the Indenture. This Official Statement speaks only as of its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change.

#### THE BONDS

#### **Authority for Issuance**

The Community Facilities District and Improvement Area B therein were established and bonded indebtedness in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$8,000,000 was authorized for Improvement Area B to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Act on November 1, 2017. A proposition relating to the incurring of the indebtedness for Improvement Area B was consolidated with a proposition relating to the levying of the Special Tax into a single election at which the propositions were submitted to and approved by

the qualified elector of Improvement Area B on November 1, 2017. On February 6, 2019 a proposition amending the improvements the Community Facilities District is authorized to finance for each of the improvement areas therein to include school improvements to be owned and operated by the Perris Union High School District was submitted to and approved by the sole qualified elector of Improvement Area B. In accordance with the Act, the only qualified elector was the then owner of all of the land located within Improvement Area B. A Notice of Amended and Restated Special Tax Lien for Improvement Area B was recorded in the office of the County Recorder on February 21, 2019 as Document No. 2019-0058418.

The Rate and Method of Apportionment and the amount of the Special Tax that can be collected from the land within Improvement Area B are more fully described in the sections herein entitled "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — The Special Tax" and "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT." See also Appendix C — "RATE AND METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF SPECIAL TAX." The Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Act, the Resolution and the Indenture.

#### **General Provisions**

The Bonds will be dated as of the Delivery Date and bear interest at the rates and mature (subject to prior redemption as described below) on the dates set forth on the inside front cover page hereof. Interest on the Bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months and will be payable on March 1 and September 1 of each year commencing September 1, 2023 (each such date, an "Interest Payment Date"). The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Ownership interests in the Bonds may be purchased in book-entry form only in denominations of \$5,000 and any integral multiple thereof. See the subsection hereof entitled "Book-Entry System."

The principal of and interest on the Bonds will be payable in lawful money of the United States of America.

The Bonds are secured by Net Special Taxes and from certain other funds pledged under the Indenture.

Additional bonds secured on a parity with the Bonds may be issued only to refund Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds, and upon satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the Indenture. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Issuance of Additional Bonds for Refunding Only."

#### Redemption

**Optional Redemption.** The Bonds may be redeemed prior to maturity, at the option of the Community Facilities District, from any source of funds other than Prepayments, on any date on and after September 1, 2030, in whole or in part (in such amounts and maturities as may be designated by the Community Facilities District, with the particular Bonds of such maturities to be selected by the Fiscal Agent by lot), at the following redemption prices expressed as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed, together with accrued interest to the date of redemption:

<b>Redemption Dates</b>	<b>Redemption Prices</b>	
September 1, 2030 through and including August 31, 2031	103%	
September 1, 2031 through August 31, 2032	102	
September 1, 2032 through August 31, 2033	101	
September 1, 2033 and any date thereafter	100	

*Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption.* The Bonds maturing on September 1, 2038 (the "2038 Term Bonds") are required to be called before maturity and redeemed from Sinking Fund Payments deposited into

the Principal Account, on September 1, 2034, and on each September 1 thereafter prior to maturity, in accordance with the schedule of Sinking Fund Payments set forth below. The 2038 Term Bonds so called for redemption shall be selected by the Fiscal Agent by lot and shall be redeemed at a redemption price for each redeemed 2038 Term Bond equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, without premium, as follows:

#### **BONDS MATURING SEPTEMBER 1, 2038**

Redemption Dates (September 1)	Principal Amount
2034	\$135,000
2035	140,000
2036	145,000
2037	155,000
2038 (maturity)	160,000

The Bonds maturing on September 1, 2043 (the "2043 Term Bonds") are required to be called before maturity and redeemed from Sinking Fund Payments deposited into the Principal Account, on September 1, 2039, and on each September 1 thereafter prior to maturity, in accordance with the schedule of Sinking Fund Payments set forth below. The 2043 Term Bonds so called for redemption shall be selected by the Fiscal Agent by lot and shall be redeemed at a redemption price for each redeemed 2043 Term Bond equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, without premium, as follows:

#### **BONDS MATURING SEPTEMBER 1, 2043**

Redemption Dates	
(September 1)	<b>Principal Amount</b>
2039	\$165,000
2040	170,000
2041	175,000
2042	185,000
2043 (maturity)	190,000

The Bonds maturing on September 1, 2048 (the "2048 Term Bonds") are required to be called before maturity and redeemed from Sinking Fund Payments deposited into the Principal Account, on September 1, 2044, and on each September 1 thereafter prior to maturity, in accordance with the schedule of Sinking Fund Payments set forth below. The 2048 Term Bonds so called for redemption shall be selected by the Fiscal Agent by lot and shall be redeemed at a redemption price for each redeemed 2048 Term Bond equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, without premium, as follows:

#### **BONDS MATURING SEPTEMBER 1, 2048**

Redemption Dates	
(September 1)	Principal Amount
2044	\$200,000
2045	210,000
2046	220,000
2047	230,000
2048 (maturity)	240,000

The Bonds maturing on September 1, 2053 (the "2053 Term Bonds" and together with the 2038 Term Bonds, the 2043 Term Bonds and the 2048 Term Bonds, the "Term Bonds") are required to be called before maturity and redeemed from Sinking Fund Payments deposited into the Principal Account, on September 1,

2049, and on each September 1 thereafter prior to maturity, in accordance with the schedule of Sinking Fund Payments set forth below. The 2053 Term Bonds so called for redemption shall be selected by the Fiscal Agent by lot and shall be redeemed at a redemption price for each redeemed 2053 Term Bond equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, without premium, as follows:

#### **BONDS MATURING SEPTEMBER 1, 2053**

Redemption Dates (September 1)	Principal Amount
2049	\$250,000
2050	265,000
2051	275,000
2052	290,000
2053 (maturity)	305,000

If the Community Facilities District purchases Term Bonds and delivers them to the Fiscal Agent at least 45 days prior to an applicable redemption date, the principal amount of the Term Bonds so purchased will be credited to reduce the Sinking Fund Payment due on such redemption date for the applicable maturity of the Term Bonds.

In the event of a partial optional redemption or special mandatory redemption of Term Bonds, each of the remaining Sinking Fund Payments for such Term Bonds will be reduced, as nearly as practicable, on a pro rata basis.

*Special Mandatory Redemption from Prepayments*. The Bonds are subject to redemption as a whole, or in part on a pro rata basis among maturities, on any Interest Payment Date prior to maturity from the proceeds of the prepayment of the Special Taxes deposited in the Redemption Account pursuant to the Indenture and amounts transferred from the Reserve Account in connection with such prepayment. Such special mandatory redemption of Bonds shall be at the following redemption prices (expressed as percentages of the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed), together with accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption:

<b>Redemption Dates</b>	<b>Redemption Prices</b>	
September 1, 2023 through and including March 1, 2031	103%	
September 1, 2031 and March 1, 2032	102	
September 1, 2032 and March 1, 2033	101	
September 1, 2033 and any Interest Payment Date thereafter	100	

Prepayments and amounts released from the Reserve Account in connection with Prepayments will be allocated to the payment at maturity and redemption of Bonds and any Parity Bonds as nearly as practicable on a proportionate basis based on the outstanding principal amount of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds and such amounts shall be applied to redeem Bonds and Parity Bonds as nearly as practicable on a pro rata basis among maturities in increments of \$5,000.

See the caption "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS — Potential Early Redemption of Bonds from Prepayments or Assessment Bond Proceeds" for a discussion of the potential for a lower than expected yield on the Bonds as a result of a special mandatory redemption from prepayment of Special Taxes.

*Notice of Redemption.* When Bonds are to be redeemed under the Indenture, the Fiscal Agent shall give notice, in the name of the Community Facilities District, of the redemption of such Bonds. Such notice of redemption shall (a) specify the CUSIP numbers (if any), the numbers and the maturity date or dates of the Bonds selected for redemption, except that where all of the Bonds are subject to redemption, or all the Bonds of one maturity, are to be redeemed, the bond numbers of such issue need not be specified; (b) state the date

fixed for redemption and surrender of the Bonds to be redeemed; (c) state the redemption price; (d) state the place or places where the Bonds are to be redeemed; (e) in the case of Bonds to be redeemed only in part, state the portion of such Bond which is to be redeemed; (f) state the date of issue of the Bonds as originally issued; (g) state the rate of interest borne by each Bond being redeemed; and (h) state any other descriptive information needed to identify accurately the Bonds being redeemed as shall be specified by the Community Facilities District. Such notice shall further state that on the date fixed for redemption, there shall become due and payable on each Bond or portion thereof called for redemption, the principal thereof, together with any premium, and interest accrued to the redemption date, and that from and after such date, interest thereon shall cease to accrue and be payable.

At least 30 days but no more than 45 days prior to the redemption date, the Fiscal Agent shall mail a copy of such notice, by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the respective Owners thereof at their addresses appearing on the Bond Register and to the original purchaser of the Bonds. The actual receipt by the Owner of any Bond of notice of such redemption shall not be a condition precedent to redemption, and neither any defect therein nor any failure of an Owner to receive such notice shall affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of such Bonds, or the cessation of interest on the redemption date. A certificate by the Fiscal Agent that notice of such redemption has been given as provided in the Indenture shall be conclusive as against all parties and the Owner shall not be entitled to show that he or she failed to receive notice of such redemption.

With respect to any notice of optional redemption of Bonds, such notice may state that such redemption shall be conditional upon the receipt by the Fiscal Agent on or prior to the date fixed for such redemption of moneys sufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bonds to be redeemed and that, if such moneys shall not have been so received, said notice will be of no force and effect and the Fiscal Agent will not be required to redeem such Bonds. In the event that such notice of redemption contains such a condition and such moneys are not so received, the redemption will not be made, and the Fiscal Agent will within a reasonable time thereafter give notice, in the manner in which the notice of redemption was given, that such moneys were not so received.

#### **Book-Entry System**

DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds, and the Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's nominee). One fully-registered bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity of such Bonds, and will be deposited with DTC. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Bonds, references herein to the Owners of the Bonds shall mean Cede & Co. and shall not mean the actual purchasers (the "Beneficial Owners") of the Bonds. The Community Facilities District does not give any assurances that DTC, its Direct Participants, Indirect Participants (as defined in Appendix D hereto) or others will distribute payments with respect to the Bonds or notices concerning the Bonds to the Beneficial Owners thereof or that DTC will service and act in the manner described in this Official Statement.

See Appendix D for a further description of DTC and its book-entry system. The information presented therein is based solely on information provided by DTC, and no representation is made by the Community Facilities District concerning the accuracy thereof.

#### **Estimated Sources and Uses of Funds**

The Bond proceeds are expected to be applied as follows:

Sources:	
Principal Amount of the Bonds	\$ 5,280,000.00
Less: Underwriter's Discount	(66,000.00)
Plus: Net Original Issue Premium	41,722.10
Plus: Funds on Hand <sup>(1)</sup>	74,381.97
Total	<u>\$ 5,330,104.07</u>
Uses: Improvement Fund <sup>(2)</sup> Reserve Account <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 4,826,110.31 343,993.76
Costs of Issuance Account	160,000.00
Total	\$ 5,330,104.07

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes a portion of the Special Tax collected for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

<sup>(2)</sup> \$4,826,110.31 will be deposited into the Capacity Improvements Account.

<sup>(3)</sup> Equal to the Reserve Requirement.

#### **Debt Service Schedule**

The following is the annual debt service schedule for the Bonds (assuming no redemption prior to maturity except from mandatory sinking fund redemption).

Year Ending September 1	Principal	Interest	Total Annual Debt Service
2023		\$ 92,840.94	\$ 92,840.94
2024	\$ 100,000	242,193.76	342,193.76
2025	105,000	238,193.76	343,193.76
2026	110,000	233,993.76	343,993.76
2027	110,000	230,143.76	340,143.76
2028	115,000	226,293.76	341,293.76
2029	120,000	221,693.76	341,693.76
2030	125,000	216,893.76	341,893.76
2031	125,000	212,831.26	337,831.26
2032	130,000	208,612.50	338,612.50
2033	135,000	204,225.00	339,225.00
2034	135,000	199,500.00	334,500.00
2035	140,000	193,931.26	333,931.26
2036	145,000	188,156.26	333,156.26
2037	155,000	182,175.00	337,175.00
2038	160,000	175,781.26	335,781.26
2039	165,000	169,181.26	334,181.26
2040	170,000	161,962.50	331,962.50
2041	175,000	154,525.00	329,525.00
2042	185,000	146,868.76	331,868.76
2043	190,000	138,775.00	328,775.00
2044	200,000	130,462.50	330,462.50
2045	210,000	119,962.50	329,962.50
2046	220,000	108,937.50	328,937.50
2047	230,000	97,387.50	327,387.50
2048	240,000	85,312.50	325,312.50
2049	250,000	72,712.50	322,712.50
2050	265,000	59,587.50	324,587.50
2051	275,000	45,675.00	320,675.00
2052	290,000	31,237.50	321,237.50
2053	305,000	16,012.50	321,012.50
	\$5,280,000	\$4,806,059.82	\$10,086,059.82

Source: Underwriter.

## LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The Bonds are secured only by the Net Special Taxes and amounts on deposit in the Special Tax Fund established by the Indenture. In the event of delinquencies in the payment of Special Taxes, neither the Water District nor the Community Facilities District is required to advance any funds for the payment of debt service on the Bonds. The Community Facilities District will only be required to enforce delinquent Special Taxes in the manner provided in the Act and in its covenant to take judicial foreclosure proceedings as set forth in the Indenture. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Covenant for Superior Court Foreclosure." The full faith and credit of the Water District and the Community Facilities District are not pledged to the payment of the Bonds, nor is the payment of the Bonds secured by any encumbrance, mortgage or other pledge of property of the Water District or the Community Facilities District, except the pledge described above. Special taxes

collected in any improvement area of the Community Facilities District other than Improvement Area B are not pledged to and do not secure the repayment of the Bonds.

#### **SECURITY FOR THE BONDS**

#### General

The Bonds are secured by a pledge of the Net Special Taxes of Improvement Area B and all moneys deposited in the Special Tax Fund established by the Indenture. The Bonds are not secured by moneys on deposit in the Administrative Expense Fund, the Improvement Fund, the Rebate Fund or the Special Tax Holding Fund established by the Indenture.

The Indenture defines the term "Net Special Taxes" to mean Gross Special Taxes minus the amount (not in excess of the Administrative Expense Requirement) transferred to the Administrative Expense Fund. "Gross Special Taxes" is defined by the Indenture to mean the amount of all Special Taxes received by the Community Facilities District for Improvement Area B, together with proceeds collected from the sale of property in Improvement Area B pursuant to the foreclosure provisions of the Indenture for the delinquency of Special Taxes after payment of administrative costs and attorneys' fees payable from such proceeds to the extent not previously paid from the Administrative Expense Fund. The Administrative Expense Requirement is \$30,600 for Fiscal Year 2023-24. The Community Facilities District may increase the Administrative Expense Requirement each Bond Year by up to the lesser of: (a) 102% of the Administrative Expense Requirement applicable in the immediately preceding Bond Year or (b) the remainder of (i) the sum of the Maximum Special Tax applicable to each Parcel of Taxable Property in Improvement Area B in the Fiscal Year that ends in such Bond Year minus (ii) 110% of Annual Debt Service for such Bond Year. See Appendix A — "SUMMARY OF THE INDENTURE — Definitions."

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, the Special Tax is exempt from the tax rate limitation of California Constitution Article XIIIA pursuant to Section 4 thereof because it constitutes a "special tax" authorized by a two-thirds vote of the qualified electors in Improvement Area B. Consequently, the Community Facilities District is legally authorized and has covenanted in the Indenture to cause the levy and collection of the Special Tax in Improvement Area B in an amount determined according to the Rate and Method of Apportionment. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — The Special Tax" and "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS — Proposition 218" below. The Rate and Method of Apportionment apportions the total amount of the Special Tax to be collected among the taxable parcels in Improvement Area B as more particularly described herein. See "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT — Rate and Method of Apportionment." See also Appendix C — "RATE AND METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF SPECIAL TAX."

Although the Special Tax will be levied against taxable parcels within Improvement Area B, it does not constitute a personal indebtedness of the respective property owners. There is no assurance that the property owners will be financially able to pay the annual Special Tax or that they will pay it even if financially able to do so. See "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" herein.

#### The Special Tax

The Special Tax applicable to each parcel of Taxable Property within Improvement Area B in each Fiscal Year is required to be calculated pursuant to the Rate and Method of Apportionment. See "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT — Rate and Method of Apportionment" and Appendix C — "RATE AND METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF SPECIAL TAX."

The Special Tax is collected by the County at the same time and in the same manner as general *ad valorem* property taxes. The Indenture requires that the Fiscal Agent hold the Special Taxes in trust for the benefit of the Owners of the Bonds.

The Special Tax is not encompassed within the alternate procedure for the distribution of certain property tax levies on the secured roll pursuant to Chapter 3, Part 8, Division 1 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code (Section 4701 *et seq.*), commonly referred to as the "Teeter Plan." The County has adopted a Teeter Plan under which a tax distribution procedure is implemented and secured roll taxes are distributed to taxing agencies within the County on the basis of the tax levy, rather than on the basis of actual tax collections. However, the Community Facilities District does not participate in the County's Teeter Plan; accordingly, the collection of the Special Tax is subject to delinquencies.

Except for the portion of any prepayment of Special Taxes levied within Improvement Area B to be deposited to the Redemption Account, the Community Facilities District will, on each date on which the Special Taxes are received by the Community Facilities District, transfer the Special Taxes collected to the Fiscal Agent for deposit in the Special Tax Fund to be held in trust by the Fiscal Agent. The Fiscal Agent will use the Special Taxes on deposit in the Special Tax Fund in the following order of priority, to:

(1) Deposit in the Administrative Expense Fund an amount equal to the Administrative Expense Requirement or, if the Fiscal Agent receives written direction from the Community Facilities District to transfer a lesser amount, then such lesser amount, provided that not more than one half of the Administrative Expense Requirement shall be so transferred in any Fiscal Year prior to the date on which the balance on deposit in the Interest Account of the Special Tax Fund is at least equal to the interest payable on the Bonds on March 1;

(2) Deposit in the Interest Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount necessary to cause the balance on deposit therein to equal the interest coming due on the Bonds and Parity Bonds on the next succeeding Interest Payment Date;

(3) Deposit in the Principal Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount necessary to cause the balance on deposit therein to be equal to the principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds and/or the Sinking Fund Payments payable on the next succeeding September 1;

(4) Deposit in the Redemption Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount necessary to pay any optional redemption of the Bonds and Parity Bonds as provided in the Indenture;

(5) Deposit in the Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount, if necessary, to cause the balance on deposit in the Reserve Account to equal the Reserve Requirement;

(6) Pay to the Community Facilities District any Administrative Expenses in excess of the Administrative Expense Requirement that the Community Facilities District has requested be paid or reimbursed to it;

(7) Deposit in the Rebate Fund the amounts required to be deposited therein pursuant to the Indenture; and

(8) Deposit in the Special Tax Holding Fund, after all of the foregoing deposits and transfers have been completed, any remaining amount directed in writing by the Community Facilities District.

Notwithstanding the foregoing: (i) the portion of any Prepayment of a Special Tax received by the Community Facilities District for Improvement Area B that is the "Future Facilities Amount" (as defined in the Rate and Method of Apportionment) is required to be transferred to the Fiscal Agent for deposit in the Improvement Fund; and (ii) the portion of any such Prepayment that is to be applied to the redemption of Bonds and Parity Bonds is required to be transferred to the Fiscal Agent for deposit in the Redemption Account.

Annual Debt Service for the Bonds has been structured so that Net Special Taxes levied on Developed Property and Approved Property, based on the development status within Improvement Area B as of January 17, 2023, assuming no delinquencies, will generate in each Fiscal Year not less than 110% of debt service payable with respect to the Bonds in the calendar year that begins in that Fiscal Year, assuming that Special Taxes are levied and collected on the Developed Property and Approved Property in Improvement Area B pursuant to the Rate and Method of Apportionment and that the Administrative Expense Requirement increases at the rate of two percent per year. "Developed Property" under the Rate and Method of Apportionment generally means property for which a building permit has been issued by April 1 of the Fiscal Year preceding the Special Tax levy, and "Approved Property" generally means parcels of taxable property included in a Final Map recorded prior to the January 1 preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied but for which no building permit was issued prior to the April 1 preceding such Fiscal Year. Based on development status as of January 17, 2023, 209 parcels within Improvement Area B will be classified as Developed Property and 41 parcels will be classified as Approved Property for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax levy.

See "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT — Rate and Method of Apportionment." See "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT — Direct and Overlapping Debt" herein for a discussion of the Water District's total effective tax rate policy.

#### **Reserve Account**

In order to secure further the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds, the Community Facilities District will deposit proceeds of the Bonds into the Reserve Account in an amount sufficient to make the balance on deposit therein equal the Reserve Requirement. The Reserve Requirement is defined in the Indenture as the amount, as of any date of calculation, that is equal to the least of (i) 10% of the initial principal amount of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds, (ii) Maximum Annual Debt Service on the then Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds, (iii) 125% of Average Annual Debt Service on the then Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds, or (iv) until such time that Parity Bonds are issued, \$343,993.76, the initial Reserve Requirement for the Bonds.

Moneys in the Reserve Account shall be used solely for the purpose of (i) paying principal of, including Sinking Fund Payments, and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds when due, and (ii) making any required transfer to the Rebate Fund upon written direction from the Community Facilities District or any required transfer to the Redemption Account. For a further discussion of the Reserve Account, see Appendix A — "SUMMARY OF THE INDENTURE — Creation of Funds; Application of Proceeds; and Special Taxes — Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund."

#### Cash Deposit

Pursuant to the Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District Funding, Construction and Acquisition Agreement (Improvement Area B) by and between the Water District and JVRL, the Master Developer has made a cash deposit in the amount of \$199,267.83 to the Water District. Such amount is equal to approximately two times the Maximum Annual Debt Service on the Bonds multiplied by the percent of the Maximum Special Taxes for Improvement Area B allocated to the property owned by Richmond American, based on property ownership information as of March 1, 2023. The Cash Deposit provides a source of funds to pay Special Taxes levied on the property owned by Richmond American is delinquent in the payment of such Special Taxes. When the property owned by Richmond American within Improvement Area B is responsible for less than 20% of the Maximum Special Taxes authorized to be levied within Improvement Area B, the Cash Deposit will be released. The Cash Deposit will also be released at the end of a fiscal year (June 30) if in the following fiscal year the Community Facilities District will not levy any Special Taxes on property owned by Richmond American within Improvement Area B. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Cash Deposit is not pledged under the Indenture for the repayment of the Bonds and the Community Facilities District could instruct the Water District to release the Cash Deposit at any time without the consent of the Owners or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.

#### **Covenant for Superior Court Foreclosure**

Pursuant to Section 53356.1 of the Act, the Community Facilities District has covenanted in the Indenture with and for the benefit of the Bondowners that it will order, and cause to be commenced, on or before October 1 of the Fiscal Year immediately following the Fiscal Year in which a delinquency in the payment of a Special Tax occurs in Improvement Area B, and thereafter diligently prosecute to judgment (unless such delinquency is theretofore brought current), an action in the superior court to foreclose the lien of any Special Tax or installment thereof not paid when due, provided that the Community Facilities District need not commence or pursue such proceedings with respect to any property owned by a single property owner who is delinquent Special Taxes does not exceed 5% of the total Special Taxes due and payable for the Fiscal Year in question and (ii) the balance on deposit in the Reserve Account is not less than the Reserve Requirement (except the Community Facilities District will nevertheless be required to commence and pursue such proceedings with respect to any property owner who is delinquent in the payment of any Special Taxes in the amount of \$2,500 or more).

Pursuant to the Act, the Community Facilities District may waive delinquency penalties and redemption penalties if it determines that (i) the waivers shall apply only to parcels delinquent at the time of the determination, (ii) the waivers shall only be available with respect to parcels for which all past due and currently due Special Taxes and all other related costs are paid in full within a limited period of time specified in the determination, (iii) the waivers shall be available only with respect to parcels sold or otherwise transferred to new owners unrelated to the owner responsible for the delinquency, and (iv) the waivers are in the best interest of the Owners of the Bonds.

In the event foreclosure or foreclosures are necessary, there may be a delay in payments to Bond Owners pending prosecution of the foreclosure proceedings and receipt by the Community Facilities District of the proceeds of the foreclosure sale; it is also possible that no bid for the purchase price or applicable property would be received at the foreclosure sale. See "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS — Enforcement Delays – Bankruptcy." Notwithstanding any other provision of the Indenture, the Water District is not obligated to advance available funds from the Water District Treasury to cure any deficiency in the Special Tax Fund established and held under the Indenture.

#### Water District's Collection Practices

The staff of the Water District provides administrative and other support services for the community facilities districts that have been formed by the Water District. These services include, but are not limited to, attempting to collect delinquent special taxes prior to the commencement of foreclosure proceedings by sending demand letters to property owners whose special taxes are delinquent advising them of the consequences of failing to pay the applicable special taxes. The current practices of the Water District's staff are summarized below.

Within approximately six weeks following each December 10 and April 10 (the respective dates on which the first and second installment of special taxes become delinquent), the County notifies the Water District of delinquencies within the Water District's community facilities districts. Generally, it is the Water District's practice to send out demand letters to delinquent property owners within 60 days of being notified of such delinquencies. The Water District generally allows at least 30 days from the date of mailing the demand letters before commencing foreclosure proceedings. In some circumstances, the Water District allows homeowners to pay delinquent Special Taxes and penalties in six-month installments.

The Water District is not required to continue the collection practices described herein, but it has no current intention of ceasing to do so. The Community Facilities District has covenanted in the Indenture to commence foreclosure proceedings by October 1 following the fiscal year in which the delinquencies occurred, except under certain circumstances. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Covenant for Superior Court Foreclosure."

#### **Issuance of Additional Bonds for Refunding Only**

The Community Facilities District will covenant in the Indenture that it will not issue any Parity Bonds payable from the Net Special Taxes or from any other amounts in the Special Tax Fund on a parity with the Bonds except for the purpose of refunding all or a portion of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds then Outstanding. Parity Bonds issued to effect a partial refunding of Bonds or Parity Bonds shall be issued subject to certain additional specific conditions, as described in the Indenture. See Appendix A — "SUMMARY OF THE INDENTURE — General Authorization and Bond Terms — *Issuance of Additional Bonds for Refunding Purposes.*"

#### THE WATER DISTRICT

The Water District is located in Riverside County, California and includes the Cities of Temecula, Murrieta, Moreno Valley, Hemet, San Jacinto, Perris and Menifee, as well as unincorporated portions of the County. The Water District was established in 1950 and is a municipal water district formed and existing pursuant to the Municipal Water District Law of 1911, Division 20 (commencing at Section 71000) of the Water Code of the State. The Water District provides both water and wastewater services within its boundaries. Although at the time of its formation the major demand for the Water District's services was related to agriculture, domestic customers now constitute the major portion of the demand for such services. The Water District encompasses 555 gross square miles and has a current estimated population of nearly 1,000,000.

#### IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT

#### **General Information**

The Board formed the Community Facilities District and Improvement Area B therein under the Act in order to provide for the financing of public improvements to meet the needs of new development within the Community Facilities District. The then owner of all of the property within Improvement Area B authorized the Community Facilities District to incur bonded indebtedness, approved the Rate and Method of Apportionment and authorized the levy of the Special Tax.

Improvement Area B is located east of the City of Menifee in unincorporated Riverside County, north of Wickerd Road, east of El Centro Lane and west of Leon Road. Improvement Area B contains approximately 83.25 gross acres and is planned for a total of 250 single-family detached homes at buildout. The residential project in Improvement Area B is part of a master planned development called "Braverde," which is planned for a total of 511 single-family detached homes at buildout. The development Area B consists of three neighborhoods: "Seasons Ranch at Braverde," "Liberty at Braverde" and "Seasons Elevated at Braverde." All of the property within Improvement Area B is located within final Tract Map Number 36785.

As of January 17, 2023, Improvement Area B included 162 completed production homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners. As of such date, the Developer owned 88 total lots consisting of 9 completed model homes, 17 lots with homes under construction and 62 lots in a finished condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 13 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. As of March 1, 2023, Improvement Area B included 177 completed production homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners. As of such date, the Developer owned 73 total lots, consisting

of 9 completed model homes, 12 lots with homes under construction and 52 lots in a finished lot condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 12 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. However, homes under contract may not result in closed escrows as sales contracts are subject to cancellation. As of January 17, 2023, building permits had been issued for 209 of the 250 lots within Improvement Area B. See "PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT."

Water and sewer service to the property within Improvement Area B is currently supplied by the Water District. Electricity is currently supplied by Southern California Edison, gas by Southern California Gas Company and telephone services by Frontier Communications.

Although, like all of Southern California, the land within Improvement Area B is subject to seismic activity, it is not located within an Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone.

A map showing the location of Improvement Area B and an aerial photograph thereof appear following the Table of Contents, respectively, and information about the ownership and planned development of such property is set forth under the caption "PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT."

#### **The Project**

The Project includes the acquisition or construction of certain water and sewer system improvements by or for the Water District that are required in order to provide water and sewer service to the property within Improvement Area B and payments to the Water District of Improvement Area B's share of the costs of the Water District's water, sewer and sewer treatment facilities.

#### **Rate and Method of Apportionment**

The Rate and Method of Apportionment is contained in Appendix C — "RATE AND METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF SPECIAL TAX." Capitalized terms used and not defined under this caption "Rate and Method of Apportionment" shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in Appendix C.

Assignment to Land Use Categories. In general, the Rate and Method of Apportionment imposes a different Maximum Special Tax on Taxable Property within the Improvement Area B depending upon whether such Taxable Property is classified as: (i) "Developed Property" (in general, Taxable Property included in a Final Map recorded prior to the January 1 preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied and for which a building permit for new construction was issued on or prior to the April 1 preceding such Fiscal Year), (ii) "Approved Property" (in general, parcels of Taxable Property included in a Final Map recorded prior to the January 1 preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied but for which no building permit was issued on or prior to the April 1 preceding such Fiscal Year), (iii) "Undeveloped Property" (in general, Taxable Property that is not "Developed Property" or "Approved Property," "Public Property" or "Property Owners' Association Property") or (iv) "Public Property" (in general, parcels of Taxable Property which, as of July 1 of the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is levied, are used for rightsof-way or any other purpose and is owned by, dedicated to, or irrevocably offered for dedication to the federal government, the State, the County, or any other local jurisdiction, provided, however, that any property leased by a public agency to a private entity and subject to taxation under Section 55340.1 of the Act will be taxed and classified according to its use) and/or "Property Owners' Association Property" (in general, parcels of Taxable Property which, as of July 1 of the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is levied, have been conveyed, dedicated to, or irrevocably offered for dedication to a property owner association, including any master or sub-association). Different Maximum Special Taxes are also applicable to Developed Property depending upon: (a) its status as either "Residential Property" or "Non-Residential Property," or (b) in the case of Residential Property, its status as "Single Family Property" or "Multifamily Residential Property." Parcels of Single-Family Property will also be further categorized based on the Residential Floor Area of the Dwelling Unit constructed on such parcel.

*Method of Apportionment of Special Tax.* Pursuant to the Rate and Method of Apportionment the Board is required to determine the "Special Tax Requirement" for each Fiscal Year. The Special Tax Requirement is the amount required in any Fiscal Year to pay: (i) annual debt service on all outstanding Bonds due in the calendar year which commences in such Fiscal Year, (ii) periodic costs on such Bonds, including but not limited to, credit enhancement and rebate on the Bonds, (iii) Administrative Expenses, (iv) any anticipated shortfall due based on Special Tax delinquencies in the prior Fiscal Year, (v) any amounts required to establish or replenish any reserve funds for the outstanding Bonds or with respect to Bonds expected to be issued, and (vi) until the final sale of a series of bonds are issued to pay directly for acquisition or construction of the facilities eligible under the Act, provided that the inclusion of such amount does not increase the levy of Special Tax on Approved Property or Undeveloped Property as set forth in the Rate and Method of Apportionment, less (vii) a credit for funds available to reduce the annual Special Tax levy as determined pursuant to the Indenture all as determined by the Administrator.

The Special Tax Requirement is to be satisfied first by levying the Special Tax Proportionately on each Parcel of Developed Property at up to 100% of the applicable Assigned Special Tax. If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Approved Property at up to 100% of the Maximum Special Tax for Approved Property. If additional moneys are still needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Undeveloped Property at up to 100% of the Maximum Special Tax for Undeveloped Property. If additional moneys are still needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement, the Special Tax that is to be levied on each Parcel of Developed Property whose Maximum Special Tax is derived by the application of the Backup Special Tax shall be increased in equal percentages from the Assigned Special Tax up to the Maximum Special Tax for such Parcel. Finally, any additional amounts required in order to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement shall be raised by the levy of the Special Tax Proportionately on each Parcel of Public Property and/or Property Owners' Association Property that is not Exempt Property at up to 100% of the applicable Maximum Special Tax for such Parcel. Notwithstanding the above, under no circumstances will the Special Taxes levied in any Fiscal Year against any Parcel of Residential Property be increased as a consequence of delinquency or default in the payment of the Special Tax applicable to any other Parcel be increased by more than 10% above the amount that would have been levied in that Fiscal Year had there never been any such delinquency or default. The Community Facilities District intends to base the Special Tax levy to reflect the final debt service requirement of the Bonds and Administrative Expenses. Based on development status as of January 17, 2023, 209 parcels will be classified as Developed Property and 41 parcels classified as Approved Property for the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax levy.

Assigned Special Tax and Backup Special Tax. The Assigned Special Tax for Developed Property within Improvement Area B that is classified as Single Family Property ranges from \$1,550 per taxable unit with a Residential Floor Area of less than 2,000 square feet to \$1,900 per taxable unit with a Residential Floor Area greater than 3,500 square feet. The Maximum Special Tax for Approved Property, on average, is \$1,878 per Parcel.

The Backup Special Tax for a Parcel within a Final Map classified or to be classified as Single Family Property within such Final Map is determined by multiplying the Undeveloped Maximum Special Tax rate per Acre by the total Acreage of Taxable Property within such Final Map, excluding the Acreage associated with Non-Residential Property, Multifamily Residential Property, Public Property and/or Property Owners' Association Property that is not Exempt Property pursuant to the Rate and Method of Apportionment and dividing such amount by the number of Parcels within such Final Map classified as either (i) Single Family Property or (ii) Approved Property for which a building permit is expected to be issued for Single Family Property (i.e., the number of residential lots). The Backup Special Tax has been established based on the land use configurations shown on Tentative Tract Map No. 36785. In the event any portion of Tract No. 36785 is changed or modified, the Backup Special Tax for all Parcels within such changed or modified area shall be \$13,115 per Acre. The Backup Special Tax shall not apply to Multifamily Residential Property, Non-Residential Property, Public Property, or Property Owners' Association Property.

**Prepayment of Special Taxes.** The Maximum Special Tax obligation for a Parcel may be prepaid in full, or in part, provided that the terms set forth under the Rate and Method of Apportionment are satisfied. The Prepayment amount is calculated based on the sum of the Bond Redemption Amount, the Redemption Premium, the Future Facilities Amount, the Defeasance Amount, Administrative Fees and Expenses and less a credit for the resulting reduction in the Reserve Requirement for the Bonds (if any), all as specified in Section H of the Rate and Method of Apportionment attached as Appendix C. Prepayments of Special Taxes will be applied to effect an extraordinary redemption of Bonds. See "THE BONDS — Redemption — Special Mandatory Redemption from Prepayments.

*Estimated Debt Service Coverage*. The Community Facilities District intends to size the Bonds so that, assuming no delinquencies in Improvement Area B, Net Special Taxes from Developed Property and Approved Property (based on the development status within Improvement Area B as of January 17, 2023) will generate in each Fiscal Year beginning in Fiscal Year 2023-24 not less than 110% of debt service payable with respect to the Bonds in the calendar year that begins in that Fiscal Year.

The table below sets forth the Assigned Special Tax per unit of Developed Property and the Maximum Special Tax for Approved Property, the projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax levy and the percent of such levy based on land use class.

#### TABLE 1 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B ASSIGNED SPECIAL TAXES

Projected

Land Use	Tax Class	Residential Floor Area	No. of Units	Assigned Special Tax Per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax Per Unit	Total Projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax Levy <sup>(2)</sup>	Percent of Total
Single Family	SFR1	Less than 2,000 sq. ft.	34	\$1,550	\$1,550	\$ 52,700	14.14%
Single Family	SFR2	2,000 sq. ft. to 2,250 sq. ft.	17	1,600	1,600	27,200	7.30
Single Family	SFR3	2,251 sq. ft. to 2,500 sq. ft.	78	1,650	1,650	128,700	34.52
Single Family	SFR4	2,501 sq. ft. to 2,750 sq. ft.	55	1,700	1,700	93,500	25.08
Single Family	SFR5	2,751 sq. ft. to 3,000 sq. ft.	0	1,750	0	0	0.00
Single Family	SFR6	3,001 sq. ft. to 3,250 sq. ft.	25	1,800	1,800	45,000	12.07
Single Family	SFR7	3,251 sq. ft. to 3,500 sq. ft.	0	1,850	0	0	0.00
Single Family	SFR8	Greater than 3,500 sq. ft.	0	1,900	0	0	0.00
Approved Property	APP	N/A	41	1,878	627	25,694	6.89
Totals			250			\$ 372,794	100.00%

<sup>(1)</sup> For parcels of Approved Property, figure represents the average maximum tax per parcel.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based upon the debt service requirement of the Bonds and includes \$30,600 in estimated Fiscal Year 2023-24 priority administration. Source: Webb Municipal Finance, LLC.

#### Value-to-Lien Ratios

The Community Facilities District has not engaged an independent appraiser to provide an opinion concerning the values of the parcels within Improvement Area B that comprise the taxable property within the Improvement Area B. To estimate the value of the parcels within Improvement Area B, the Community Facilities District has used a combination of (i) with respect to the 88 parcels owned by the Developer as of January 17, 2023, the assessed value of such parcels, as shown on the Fiscal Year 2022-23 County Assessor's roll (based on a January 1, 2022 lien date), which is the most recent year for which assessed values are currently available, and (ii) with respect to the 162 homes owned by individual homeowners as of January 17,

2023, the actual sales prices of such homes as provided by the Developer (together, the "Modified Assessed Value"). See Appendix G for the list of sales prices for the 162 completed homes sold to individual homeowners as of January 17, 2023. As of January 17, 2023, the total Modified Assessed Value of the property within Improvement Area B was \$112,079,058.

The Fiscal Year 2022-23 assessed value of the property within Improvement Area B is \$45,671,763, as shown on the Fiscal Year 2022-23 County Assessor's roll, including \$11,564,208, the portion of the Modified Assessed Value attributable to the 88 lots owned by the Developer as of January 17, 2023. Assessed values do not necessarily represent market values. Article XIIIA of the California Constitution (Proposition 13) defines "full cash value" to mean "the County assessor's valuation of real property as shown on the 1975/76 roll under 'full cash value', or, thereafter, the appraised value of real property when purchased or newly constructed or when a change in ownership has occurred after the 1975 assessment," subject to exemptions in certain circumstances of property transfer or reconstruction. The "full cash value" is subject to annual adjustment to reflect increases, not to exceed 2% for any year, or decreases in the consumer price index or comparable local data, or to reflect reductions in property value caused by damage, destruction or other factors. Because of the general limitation to 2% per year in increases in full cash value of properties which remain in the same ownership, the County tax roll does not reflect values uniformly proportional to actual market values. Moreover, as a result of declines in the market value of properties in recent years, assessed valuations of many properties in the County have declined in the recent years. As a result of the foregoing, there can be no assurance that the assessed valuations of the properties within Improvement Area B accurately reflect their respective market values, and the future fair market values of those properties may be lower than their current assessed valuations.

The value of the property within Improvement Area B is significant to an evaluation of the Bonds because, in the event of a delinquency in the payment of Special Taxes, the Community Facilities District may foreclose only against delinquent parcels. Likewise, the ratio of the value of a parcel to its "share" of the Bonds is important because it provides an indication of the extent of the relative burden imposed on each parcel by the Special Tax. As indicated above, the Modified Assessed Value of the Taxable Property within Improvement Area B is \$112,079,058. The ratio of that value to the \$5,280,000 total principal amount of the Bonds and other direct and overlapping land-secured debt within Improvement Area B is approximately 10.97-to-1. See "— Direct and Overlapping Debt" below for more information regarding other land-secured debt within the Community Facilities District. See Appendix G for a list of the sales prices of the homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners as of January 17, 2023.

As of January 17, 2023, Improvement Area B included 162 completed production homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners. As of such date, the Developer owned 88 total lots consisting of 9 completed model homes, 17 lots with homes under construction and 62 lots in a finished condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 13 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. However, homes under contract may not result in closed escrows as sales contracts are subject to cancellation. See "PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT."

Table 2 below sets forth historic assessed values within the Community Facilities District from Fiscal Years 2018-19 through 2022-23.

#### TABLE 2 EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 ASSESSED VALUATION HISTORY (FISCAL YEARS 2018-19 THROUGH 2022-23)

Fiscal Year	Total Parcels	Parcels with Improvement Assessed Value	Land Assessed Value	Improvem Assessed V		Total Assessed Valuation <sup>(1)</sup>	Annual Percent Change
2018-19	6	0	\$ 1,831,121	\$	0	\$ 1,831,121	N/A
2019-20	6	0	1,867,742		0	1,867,742	2.00%
2020-21	6	0	11,162,000		0	11,162,000	497.62
2021-22	6	0	22,171,800		0	22,171,800	98.64
2022-23	250(2)	71	22,188,702	23,483,0	61	45,671,763	105.99

<sup>(1)</sup> As of January 1 of each year as shown on the County Assessor's roll. Total Assessed Value is calculated as the sum of Land Assessed Value and Improvement Assessed Value.

<sup>(2)</sup> Parcel count increase due to parcel splits.

Source: Webb Municipal Finance, LLC.

Table 3 below sets forth the value-to-lien ratios of Taxable Property by development status and property owner, and Table 4 below sets forth the stratification of value-to-liens of the Taxable Property within Improvement Area B based on the Modified Assessed Value as of January 17, 2023 and such parcels' respective shares of the principal amount of the Bonds and other direct and overlapping debt within Improvement Area B (allocated to each parcel based upon its respective share of the total projected Special Tax levy for Fiscal Year 2023-24). Each of the aforesaid value to lien ratios is for all of Improvement Area B, however, the ratios of the value of individual lots within Improvement Area B to their respective shares of the principal amount of the Bonds can be expected to vary substantially depending upon the status of development and selling price thereof. See Table 4 below.

No assurance can be given that, should a delinquent parcel be foreclosed and sold for the amount of the delinquency, any bid will be received for such parcel, or if a bid is received that such bid will be sufficient to pay such delinquent Special Taxes.

# TABLE 3 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B

#### MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUE-TO-LIEN RATIOS BY DEVELOPMENT STATUS AND PROPERTY OWNER

Property Owner <sup>(1)</sup>	Parcels	Maximum Special Tax	Percent of Maximum Special Tax	Projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax Levy <sup>(2)</sup>	Projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax Levy	Total Modified Assessed Value <sup>(3)</sup>	Bonds <sup>(4)</sup>	Menifee USD CFD 2018-1 IA B Bond Allocation	Total Direct and Overlapping Land Secured Debt	Aggregate Value-to- Lien
Developed Individual	162	\$ 310,323	64.23%	\$ 268,200	71.94%	\$100,514,850	\$3,798,604	\$ 3,143,814	\$ 6,942,419	14.48:1
Developed Richmond American	<u>47</u>	<u>95,855</u>	<u>19.84</u>	78,900	21.16	<u>8,182,758</u>	<u>1,117,487</u>	<u>938,545</u>	2,056,032	<u>3.98:1</u>
Subtotal Developed Property	<b>209</b>	<b>\$ 406,178</b>	<b>84.07%</b>	<b>\$ 347,100</b>	<b>93.11%</b>	<b>\$108,697,608</b>	<b>\$4,916,091</b>	<b>\$ 4,082,360</b>	<b>\$ 8,998,451</b>	<b>12.08:1</b>
Approved Richmond American	<u>41</u>	<u>\$ 76,978</u>	<u>15.93%</u>	<u>\$ 25,694</u>	<u>6.89</u> %	\$ 3,381,450	\$ 363,909	\$ 852,640	\$ 1,216,549	<u>2.78:1</u>
Subtotal Approved Property	<b>41</b>	<b>\$ 76,978</b>	<b>15.93%</b>	<b>\$ 25,694</b>	<b>6.89%</b>	\$ 3,381,450	\$ 363,909	\$ 852,640	\$ 1,216,549	2.78:1
Totals	250	\$ 483,157	100.00%	\$ 372,794	100.00%	\$112,079,058	\$ 5,280,000	\$ 4,935,000	\$ 10,215,000	10.97:1

<sup>(1)</sup> Based upon ownership information and development status as of January 17, 2023.

<sup>(2)</sup> Based upon the debt service requirement of the Bonds and includes estimated Fiscal Year 2023-24 Administrative Expense Requirement of \$30,600.

(3) Modified Assessed Value includes the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Riverside County Assessed Value for 88 parcels owned by Richmond American and the sales price of the 162 completed homes which have been sold and have closed to individuals as of January 17, 2023.

<sup>(4)</sup> Allocated based on the projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax Levy.

Source: Webb Municipal Finance, LLC.

#### TABLE 4 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUE-TO-LIEN STRATIFICATION

Value-to-Lien <sup>(1)</sup>	No. of Parcels	Percent of Total Parcels	Total Modified Assessed Value <sup>(2)</sup>	Percent of Total Modified Assessed Value	Projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Levy <sup>(3)</sup>	Percent of Total Projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Levy	Bonds	Menifee USD CFD 2018-1 IA B Bond Allocation	Total Direct and Overlapping Land Secured Debt	Aggregate Value-to- Lien
Less than 5.00:1 <sup>(4)</sup>	79(4)	31.60%	\$ 6,823,036	6.09%	\$ 89,844	24.10%	\$ 1,272,487	\$ 1,619,973	\$ 2,892,460	2.36:1
Between 5.00:1 to 9.99:1	1	0.40	343,417	0.31	1,550	0.42	21,953	16,914	38,867	8.84:1
Between 10.00:1 to 14.99:1	119	47.60	70,983,888	63.33	197,850	53.07	2,802,214	2,351,852	5,154,066	13.77:1
Greater than 14.99:1 <sup>(5)</sup>	51	20.40	33,928,717	30.27	83,550	22.41	1,183,346	946,261	2,129,607	15.93:1
Total	250	100.00%	\$112,079,058	100.00%	\$ 372,794	100.00%	\$ 5,280,000	\$ 4,935,000	\$ 10,215,000	10.97:1

(1) Value-to-lien ratios based upon principal amount of the Bonds and outstanding Community Facilities District No. 2018-1 of the Menifee Union School District Improvement Area B 2022 Special Tax Bonds.

(2) Modified Assessed Value includes the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Riverside County Assessed Value for 88 parcels owned by Richmond American and the sales price of the 162 completed homes which have been sold and have closed to individuals as of January 17, 2023.

<sup>(3)</sup> Based upon the debt service requirement of the Bonds and includes \$30,600 in estimated Fiscal Year 2023-24 priority administration.

(4) Minimum estimated value-to-lien is 1.52:1. Includes 41 parcels of Approved Property and 38 parcels of Developed Property owned by Richmond American as of January 17, 2023,

<sup>(5)</sup> Maximum estimated value-to-lien is 18.65:1.

Source: Webb Municipal Finance, LLC.

#### **Direct and Overlapping Debt**

Improvement Area B is included within the boundaries of overlapping local agencies providing governmental services. Some of these local agencies have outstanding bonds, and/or the authority to issue bonds, payable from taxes or assessments. The existing and authorized indebtedness payable from taxes and assessments that may be levied upon the property within Improvement Area B is shown in the table below. In addition to current debt, new community facilities districts and/or special assessment districts could be formed in the future encompassing all or a portion of the property within Improvement Area B; and such districts or the agencies that formed them could issue more bonds and levy additional special taxes or assessments.

# TABLE 5COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA)OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICTIMPROVEMENT AREA BDIRECT AND OVERLAPPING DEBT

MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUE Modified Assessed Value<sup>(1)</sup>

#### LAND SECURED BOND INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Direct and Overlapping Bonded Debt	Туре	Issued	Outstanding	% Applicable	Improvement Area B	Amount Applicable
EMWD CFD No. 2017-77 IA B	CFD	\$ 5,280,000	\$ 5,280,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	100.00%	250	\$ 5,280,000
Menifee USD CFD No. 2018-1 IA B		4,935,000	4,935,000	100.00	250	4,935,000
Total Land Secured Bonded Debt <sup>(3)</sup>						\$ 10,215,000
Authorized and Unissued Direct and Overlapping Bonded Debt	Type	Authorized	Unissued	% Applicable	Parcels in Improvement Area B	Amount Applicable
EMWD CFD No. 2017-77 IA B	CFD	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>	100.00%	250	\$ 0
Menifee USD CFD No. 2018-1 IA B	CFD	10,000,000	0(4)	100.00	250	0
Total Unissued Land Secured Indebtedness <sup>(3)</sup>						\$0

**Total Outstanding and Unissued Land Secured Indebtedness** 

#### GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Direct and Overlapping Bonded Debt	Type	Issued	Outstanding	% Applicable <sup>(5)</sup>	Improvement Area B		Amount Ipplicable	
Metro Water East (0.00350%)	GO	\$850,000,000	\$ 20,175,000	0.00126%	250	\$	254	
Perris Union High School (0.08859%)	GO	311,920,284	253,361,867	0.21600	250		547,254	
Menifee School District (0.06201%)	GO	106,798,923	90,435,000	0.34302	250		310,207	
Mt San Jacinto Comm (0.01320%)	GO	295,000,000	247,850,000	0.04216	250		104,496	
Total General Obligation Bonded Debt <sup>(3)</sup>						\$	962,211	
Authorized and Unissued Direct and Overlapping Indebtedness		Authorized	Unissued	% Applicable <sup>(5)</sup>	Parcels in Improvement Area B		Amount Ipplicable	
Metro Water East (0.00350%)	GO	\$850,000,000	\$ 0	0.00126%	250	\$	0	
Perris Union High School (0.08859%)	GO	363,420,000	51,499,716	0.21600	250		111,238	
Menifee School District (0.06201%)	GO	180,960,000	74,161,078	0.34302	250		254,384	
Mt San Jacinto Comm (0.01320%)	GO	295,000,000	0	0.04216	250		0	
Total Unissued General Obligation Indebtedness <sup>(3)</sup>						\$	365,622	
Total Outstanding and Unissued General Obligation Indebtedness								
TOTAL OF ALL OUTSTANDING DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING BONDED DEBT TOTAL OF ALL OUTSTANDING AND UNISSUED DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING INDEBTEDNESS								

#### IV. Ratios to Modified Assessed Value Outstanding Land Secured Bonded Debt 10.97:1

Total Outstanding Direct and Overlapping Bonded Debt 10.03:1

<sup>(1)</sup> Modified Assessed Value includes the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Riverside County Assessed Value for 88 parcels owned by Richmond American and the sales price of the 162 completed homes which have been sold and have closed to individuals as of January 17, 2023.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amount outstanding is equal to the principal amount of the Bonds.

(3) Additional bonded debt or available bond authorization may exist but is not shown because a tax was not levied for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

<sup>(4)</sup> Additional bonds may be issued for refunding purposes only.

<sup>(5)</sup> Percentage applicable determined by Fiscal Year 2022-23 equalized roll assessed value information.

Source: Webb Municipal Finance, LLC.

#### \$ 10,215,000

\$ 112,079,058

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Parcels in

Annual Debt Service for the Bonds has been structured so that Assigned Special Taxes levied on Developed Property and Approved Property, assuming no delinquencies, based on the development status as of January 17, 2023, will generate in each Fiscal Year not less than the sum of the Administrative Expense Requirement plus 110% of debt service payable with respect to the Outstanding Bonds in the calendar year that begins in that Fiscal Year, assuming that Special Taxes are levied and collected on such Developed Property and Approved Property pursuant to the Rate and Method of Apportionment for Improvement Area B and that the Administrative Expense Requirement increases at the rate of two percent per year.

Based on the principal amount of the Bonds, interest costs and estimated Administrative Expenses and Fiscal Year 2022-23 tax rates for all other taxing jurisdictions within Improvement Area B, the total projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 average effective tax rate for Developed Property in Improvement Area B is approximately 1.95% of the average sales price of the 162 homes which have closed to individuals within Improvement Area B as of January 17, 2023. The Water District's policies require that the total effective tax rate not exceed 2% of the projected sales prices at the time of formation of a community facilities district and at the time of bond issuance by a community facilities district.

The following table sets forth the estimated Fiscal Year 2023-24 average effective tax rate for parcels of Developed Property in Improvement Area B which had improvement value (as opposed to only land value) for Fiscal Year 2022-23, based on the average sales price of homes which have closed to individuals as of January 17, 2023.

## TABLE 6 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B AVERAGE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 TAX OBLIGATION<sup>(1)</sup> FOR PARCELS OF DEVELOPED PROPERTY

Average Sales Price <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 623,795
Ad valorem Property Taxes:	
Basic Levy (1.0000%)	\$ 6,237.95
Metro Water East (0.00350%)	21.83
Mt San Jacinto Comm (0.01320%)	82.34
Menifee Unified School District (0.06201%)	386.82
Perris Union High School (0.08859%)	552.62
Total General Property Taxes	\$ 7,281.56
Assessment, Special Taxes & Parcel Charges:	
Flood Control Stormwater/Cleanwater	\$ 4.00
CSA #152	70.18
MWD Standby East	6.94
LLMD No. 89-1-C	164.84
Water Quality Management Plan CFD	528.36
Menifee South CFD	1,261.74
MUSD CFD 2018-1 IA B	1,097.42
CFD No. 2017-77 IA B (La Ventana) <sup>(3)</sup>	1,660.77
Total Assessment Charges	<u>\$ 4,794.25</u>
Average Total Property Tax Average Effective Tax Rate	\$12,075,81 1.94%

<sup>(1)</sup> Average Fiscal Year 2023-24 tax rates based upon Fiscal Year 2022-23 overlapping taxes and assessments.

<sup>(2)</sup> Average Sales Price is the average price of the 162 completed homes within Improvement Area B which have closed to individuals as of January 17, 2023.

<sup>(3)</sup> Reflects average projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Improvement Area B Special Tax for Developed Property. Source: Webb Municipal Finance, LLC.

### **Delinquency History**

Fiscal Year 2022-23 was the first year in which Special Taxes were levied in Improvement Area B. Table 7 sets forth the Special Tax levies, delinquencies and delinquency rates for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

## TABLE 7 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B SPECIAL TAX LEVIES, DELINQUENCIES, AND DELINQUENCY RATES FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

			Delinquenc	ies Following F	iscal Year End	Delinquencies as of February 28, 2023			
Fiscal Year	Amount Levied <sup>(2)</sup>	Parcels Levied	Parcels Delinquent	Amount Delinquent	Percent Delinquent	Parcels Delinquent	Amount Delinquent	Percent Delinquent	
2022-23(1)	\$ 105,675.00	128	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	\$2,375.00	2.25%	

<sup>(1)</sup> Special Taxes in Improvement Area B were first levied in Fiscal Year 2022-23.

<sup>(2)</sup> Amount levied represents the first installment due December 10, 2022 only.

Source: Webb Municipal Finance, LLC.

### **Top Taxpayers**

Based on development status as of January 17, 2023, Special Taxes for Fiscal Year 2023-24 are expected to be levied on 209 parcels classified as Developed Property and 41 parcels classified as Approved Property.

The Developer and individual homeowners are expected to be responsible for approximately 28.05% and 71.94%, respectively, of the projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax levy within Improvement Area B, based on ownership and development status as of January 17, 2023. Since January 17, 2023, as of March 1, 2023, the Developer has conveyed an additional 15 completed homes to individual homeowners. Accordingly, the Developer and individual homeowners are expected to be responsible for approximately 21.18% and 78.82%, respectively, of the projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax levy within Improvement Area B, based on ownership and development status as of March 1, 2023. The Community Facilities District is not aware of any other property owner beside the Developer which owns more than one parcel within Improvement Area B.

#### **PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT**

The information provided in this section has been included because it may be considered relevant to an informed evaluation and analysis of the Bonds. No assurance can be given, however, that the proposed development of the property will occur in a timely manner or in the configuration or to the density described herein, or that the Master Developer, Richmond American, any owners or affiliates thereof, or any other property owner described herein will or will not retain ownership of its respective property. Further, there may be material adverse changes in this information after the date of this Official Statement.

Neither the Bonds nor any of the Special Taxes are personal obligations of any property owner and, in the event that Richmond American or any other current or subsequent property owner defaults in the payment of the Special Taxes, the Water District may proceed with judicial foreclosure but has no direct recourse to the assets of Richmond American or any other current or subsequent property owner. As a result, other than as provided in the Official Statement, no financial statements or information is, or will be, provided about Richmond American or any other current or subsequent property owner. The Bonds are secured solely by the Net Special Taxes and amounts on deposit in certain of the funds and accounts maintained by the Fiscal Agent under the Indenture. See "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" for a discussion of certain of the risk factors that should be considered in evaluating the investment quality of the Bonds.

### The Master Developer

As previously defined in this Official Statement as the "Master Developer" Global Investment Pool LLC, a Delaware limited liability is a single purpose entity that has served as the master developer of the property within Improvement Area B and following the sale of such property to Richmond American retained the obligation to complete certain infrastructure and other improvements. IHP Capital Partners, a California corporation ("IHP"), is the general partner of Institutional Housing Partners VI L.P., a California limited partnership, which is the manager of IHP Capital Partners VI, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("IHP VI"), which is the sole member of the Master Developer. IHP VI is an equity fund established to finance for sale residential projects, with funding provided by institutional investors. IHP is one of the nation's largest investment firms dedicated to providing equity financing for real estate development. Founded in 1992, IHP is the primary real estate investment vehicle of several of America's largest financing institutions. The firm invests institutional capital in for sale residential real estate projects throughout the United States. IHP has created neighborhoods and communities valued at more than \$20 billion.

The Master Developer is the successor in interest to Global Investment & Development, LLC, a California limited liability company (the "Original Buyer"), from JVRL-220, LLC ("JVRL"). Pursuant to a purchase agreement, the Master Developer acquired the property within Improvement Area B on August 6, 2019. Pursuant to a General Assignment made effective as of May 27, 2020, the Master Developer acquired an assignment of the Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District Funding, Construction and Acquisition Agreement dated November 1, 2017 by and between the Water District and JVRL.

The Master Developer sold the property comprising Improvement Area B to Richmond American in November 2020 pursuant to a purchase and sale agreement. Pursuant to such purchase and sale agreement with Richmond American, the Master Developer remains the party responsible for completion of improvements required as conditions of development imposed by the County with respect to the property within the Community Facilities District and for ongoing mitigation that is a condition of the development of the property.

### The Developer

As previously defined in this Official Statement, the "Developer" or "Richmond American" is Richmond American Homes of Maryland, Inc., a Maryland corporation, which is the merchant builder of the property within Improvement Area B. Richmond American is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M.D.C. Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("MDC"). MDC is a publicly traded company whose common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "MDC." Richmond American and its predecessor entity have been building homes in California since 1986. Richmond American's Riverside division based in Corona, California, is responsible for the development of Richmond American's property in Improvement Area B.

MDC has two primary operations, homebuilding and financial services. MDC's homebuilding operations consist of wholly-owned subsidiary companies that build and sell homes under the name "Richmond American Homes." MDC's financial services operations include subsidiary companies that provide mortgage financing, place title insurance and homeowner insurance for Richmond American's homebuyers, and provide general liability insurance for MDC subsidiaries and most of Richmond American's subcontractors.

MDC is subject to the informational reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith is obligated to file reports, proxy statements, and other information, including financial statements, with the SEC. Such filings, including particularly MDC's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, as filed with the SEC on January 31, 2023, set forth certain data relative to such consolidated results of operations and financial position of MDC and its subsidiaries as of such dates. The SEC maintains an internet web site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC, including MDC. The address of such internet web site is www.sec.gov. All documents subsequently filed by MDC pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act after the date of this Official Statement will be available for inspection in such manner as the SEC prescribes. Copies of MDC's Annual Report and related financial statements, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards, are also available from MDC on MDC's website at www.mdcholdings.com.

The foregoing website addresses and references to filings with the SEC are given for reference and convenience only, and the information on such websites and on file with the SEC does not form a part of this Official Statement and is not incorporated by reference herein. No representation is made in this Official Statement as to the accuracy or adequacy of the information contained on such websites. Richmond American and MDC are not obligated to advance funds for construction or development or to pay ad valorem property taxes or the Special Taxes and investors should not rely on the information and financial statements contained on such websites in evaluating whether to buy, hold or sell the Bonds. The information contained on such websites may be incomplete or inaccurate and has not been reviewed by the City or the Underwriter.

#### **Development Plan**

Improvement Area B is located east of the City of Menifee in unincorporated Riverside County, north of Wickerd Road, east of El Centro Lane and west of Leon Road. Improvement Area B contains approximately 83.25 gross acres and is planned for a total of 250 single-family detached homes at buildout. The residential project in Improvement Area B is part of a master planned development called "Braverde," which is planned for a total of 511 single-family detached homes at buildout. Richmond American also serves as the merchant builder for the remaining 261 single-family detached homes within the Braverde project that are not within Improvement Area B. The development within Improvement Area B consists of three neighborhoods: "Seasons Ranch at Braverde," "Liberty at Braverde" and "Seasons Elevated at Braverde." All of the property within Improvement Area B is located within final Tract Map Number 36785.

As of January 17, 2023, Improvement Area B included 162 completed production homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners. As of such date, the Developer owned 88 total lots consisting of 9 completed model homes, 17 lots with homes under construction and 62 lots in a finished condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 13 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. However, homes under contract may not result in closed escrows as sales contracts are subject to cancellation. As of March 1, 2023, Improvement Area B included 177 completed production homes which had closed escrow to individual homeowners. As of such date, the Developer owned 73 total lots consisting of 9 completed model homes, 12 lots with homes under construction and 52 lots in a finished lot condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 12 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. However, homes under contract may not result in closed escrow to be sold to condition. As of such date, of the homes and lots owned by the Developer, 12 were in escrow to be sold to individual homeowners. However, homes under contract may not result in closed escrows as sales contracts are subject to cancellation. As of January 17, 2023, building permits had been issued for 209 of the 250 lots within Improvement Area B.

The development within Improvement Area B consists of three neighborhoods: "Seasons Ranch at Braverde," "Liberty at Braverde" and "Seasons Elevated at Braverde." Homes within each of the three neighborhoods being developed with 3 different floor plans, respectively. The following table provides the number of proposed units within each floor plan, the status of development and sales within each neighborhood and the base sales prices of homes within each neighborhood, as of March 1, 2023.

## TABLE 8 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B DEVELOPMENT STATUS (AS OF MARCH 1, 2023)

Neighborhood	Total Units Planned	Estimated Home Square Footage	Closings as of March 1, 2023	Completed Homes/ Models	Homes Under Constructio n	Finished Lots	Homes in Escrow <sup>(1)</sup>	Base Home Prices <sup>(2)</sup>
Seasons Ranch at Braverde Plan 1 Plan 2 Plan 3 Total Seasons Ranch at Braverde	18 18 <u>18</u> 54	1,410 1,740 <u>2,080</u>	$ \begin{array}{r} 16\\ 16\\ \underline{16}\\ 48 \end{array} $	$\frac{1}{1}$	0 0 <u>0</u> 0	$\frac{1}{1}$	0 0 <u>0</u> 0	\$510,990 520,990 530,990
<b>Liberty at Braverde</b> Plan 1 Plan 2 Plan 3 <b>Total Liberty at Braverde</b>	29 29 <u>29</u> 87	2,290 2,490 <u>2,610</u>	21 21 22 64	1 1 3	$\frac{\begin{array}{c}2\\3\\-1\\6\end{array}$	5 4 <u>5</u> 14	$\begin{array}{r} 2\\ 3\\ \underline{}\\ \underline{}\\ 6\end{array}$	\$553,990 562,990 567,990
Seasons Elevated at Braverde Plan 1 Plan 2 Plan 3 Total Seasons Elevated at Braverde	35 35 <u>37</u> 109	2,370 2,680 <u>3,040</u>	$ \begin{array}{r} 22\\ 21\\ \underline{22}\\ 65\end{array} $	$\frac{1}{1}$	$\frac{\begin{array}{c}1\\2\\3\\6\end{array}}{6}$	$ \begin{array}{r} 11\\ 12\\ \underline{12}\\ 35\end{array} $	$\frac{1}{3}$	\$522,990 541,990 562,990
Total	250		177	9	12	52	12	

(1) Homes in escrow may not result in closed escrows as sales contracts are subject to cancellation.

<sup>(2)</sup> Base sales prices are subject to change and exclude any lot premiums, options, upgrades, incentives and any selling concessions or price reductions currently being offered.

Source: The Developer.

All the backbone infrastructure necessary to complete development within Improvement Area B is complete. Final grading has been completed on all lots within Improvement Area B. Remaining in tract infrastructure for individual lot access and associated gutters and landscape improvements are expected to be completed in conjunction with home construction on the applicable lots. The Developer anticipates completing construction and closing escrow to individual homebuyers on all of the remaining homes planned within Improvement Area B by the first quarter of 2025.

Except as described in this Official Statement, including within the section entitled "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS," and except for those consents, permits, authorizations, certifications and approvals of governmental entities required in the ordinary course of development, the Developer has no actual knowledge of any physical, governmental or legal impediment which could have a material adverse effect on its ability to complete the planned development of its property within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District according to the budget and timeframe described herein.

There can be no assurance that development plans described in this Official Statement will be completed or that the development plans will not be modified in the future. Additionally, there can be no assurances of the absorption rate of the homes remaining to be built and sold. In changing market conditions, builders will often revise their product lines and prices and the rate of sales can fluctuate. The Developer and its affiliates continuously evaluate their product lines and prices in light of the then current market conditions. See "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" in the Official Statement for a discussion of certain risks relating to real estate development.

*Increasing Mortgage Interest Rates.* Most of the purchasers of Richmond American's homes finance their acquisitions with mortgage financing. As such, rising interest rates, decreased availability of mortgage financing or of certain mortgage programs, higher down payment requirements or increased monthly mortgage costs could have a negative impact on the estimated absorption rates of Richmond American's planned for-sale homes in Improvement Area B. Further, a combination of higher mortgage rates, delays in construction stemming from delays in the supply chain, homebuyers' inability to sell their existing homes and adverse changes in local, regional or national economic conditions, among other factors, could contribute to an increase in Richmond American's rate of home order cancellations. An increase in the level of such cancellations could similarly have a negative impact on the estimated absorption rates of Richmond American's planned for-sale homes in Improvement Area B.

Impact of Economic Conditions on the Development in Improvement Area B. Certain events and factors which negatively affect the regional, State and national economies could have an adverse effect on the pace at which Richmond American is able to complete and sell homes and demand by and the ability of individuals to purchase homes within Improvement Area B. Such events and factors could include rising inflation and interest rates, persistent supply chain issues, further impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and global market instability caused by the war in Ukraine. Any adverse impact of the foregoing and other economic factors on the projects in Improvement Area B and the real estate market in general cannot be predicted.

Amid an unexpected run on deposits, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") announced on March 10, 2023 that it had been appointed as receiver for Silicon Valley Bank ("SVB"), a large California bank and the 16th largest bank in the United States, and was liquidating SVB as a going concern. Additionally, on March 12, 2023, the FDIC announced that it had been appointed as receiver for Signature Bank, another large regional bank. However, the United States Treasury Department, the Federal Reserve and the FDIC issued a joint statement that all deposits at both institutions would be honored, regardless of dollar amount. Since such actions, there has been uncertainty and concern in the financial markets that there may be additional bank liquidity issues.

Richmond American expects to use internally generated funds (which may include home sales proceeds and funding from its parent company, MDC) to complete its development in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District. However, the uncertainty in the financial markets may affect homebuyers' willingness or ability to obtain financing for the purchase of new homes within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, which, in turn, could impact Richmond American's ability or determination to complete its development in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District in the budget and timeframe described herein. See also "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS—Impact of Economic Conditions on the Development in Improvement Area B" herein.

Although the information in this Official Statement reflects the current development expectations of Richmond American, no assurance can be given that home construction and sales will be carried out on the schedule and according to the plans outlined herein, or that the home construction and sale plans or base prices set forth above will not change after the date of this Official Statement. Richmond American reserves the right to change its development at any time without notice. In changing market conditions, builders will often revise the product lines and prices and the rate of sales can fluctuate. Richmond American continuously evaluates its product lines and prices in light of the then current market conditions. See "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS" herein for a discussion of risk factors.

### **Financing Plan**

To date, Richmond American has financed its land acquisition and various site development and home construction costs related to its property in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District through internally generated funds (which may include home sales proceeds and funding from its parent company, MDC). The full development of the project within Improvement Area B requires the expenditure by the Developer of substantial amounts. As of January 17, 2023, Richmond American had expended approximately \$87 million on its development within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, including land development, homebuilding, and marketing and sales costs (exclusive of land acquisition costs). Richmond American expects the remaining land development, homebuilding, and marketing and sales costs to complete its property development within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District to be approximately \$24 million. Richmond American expects to use internally generated funds (which may include home sales proceeds and funding from its parent company, MDC) to complete its development in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District to be approximately \$24 million. Richmond American expects to use internally generated funds (which may include home sales proceeds and funding from its parent company, MDC) to complete its development in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District.

Although Richmond American expects to have sufficient funds available to complete its planned development within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District commensurate with the development timing described in this Official Statement, there can be no assurance that amounts necessary to finance the remaining development and home construction costs will be available to Richmond American when needed. While MDC has made such internal funding available in the past, there can be no assurance whatsoever of its willingness or ability to do so in the future. Neither Richmond American nor any other entity or person is under any legal obligation of any kind to expend funds for the development of and construction of homes on the property owned by Richmond American within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, or the payment of ad valorem property taxes or the Special Taxes. Any contributions by Richmond American to fund the costs of such development are entirely voluntary.

If and to the extent the aforementioned sources are inadequate to pay the costs to complete the planned development by Richmond American within Improvement Area B the Community Facilities District and other financing by Richmond American is not put into place, there could be a shortfall in the funds required to complete the planned development by Richmond American or to pay ad valorem property taxes or Special Taxes related to Richmond American's property within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, and the remaining portions of Richmond American's project within Improvement Area B may not be completed. Many factors beyond Richmond American's control, or a decision by Richmond American to alter its current plans, may cause the actual sources and uses to differ from the projections. See "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS — Failure to Develop Properties" herein.

Based on the ownership information status as of March 1, 2023 within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, the Special Tax Consultant estimates that the Developer will be responsible for approximately 21.18% of the projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax levy.

## SPECIAL RISK FACTORS

The Bonds have not been rated by a rating agency, and the purchase of the Bonds involves significant risks that are not appropriate for certain investors. The following is a discussion of certain risk factors which should be considered, in addition to other matters set forth herein, in evaluating the investment quality of the Bonds. This discussion does not purport to be comprehensive or definitive and does not purport to be a complete statement of all factors which may be considered as risks in evaluating the credit quality of the Bonds. The occurrence of one or more of the events discussed herein could adversely affect the ability or willingness of property owners in Improvement Area B to pay Special Taxes when due. Such failures to pay Special Taxes could result in the inability of the Community Facilities District to make full and punctual payments of debt service on the Bonds. In addition, the occurrence of one or more of the events discussed herein could adversely affect the value of the property in Improvement Area B. See "— Reductions in Property Values" below.

### **Risks of Real Estate Secured Investments Generally**

The Bond Owners will be subject to the risks generally incident to an investment secured by real estate, including, without limitation: (i) adverse changes in local market conditions, such as changes in the market value of real property in the vicinity of the Community Facilities District, the supply of or demand for competitive properties in such area, and the market value of residential property or buildings and/or sites in the event of sale or foreclosure; (ii) changes in real estate tax rates and other operating expenses, governmental rules (including, without limitation, zoning laws and laws relating to endangered species and hazardous materials) and fiscal policies; (iii) natural disasters (including, without limitation, earthquakes, wildfires and floods), which may result in uninsured losses; (iv) adverse changes in local market conditions; and (v) increased delinquencies due to rising mortgage costs and other factors.

No assurance can be given that the individual property owners within the Community Facilities District will pay Special Taxes in the future or that they will be able to pay such Special Taxes on a timely basis. See the caption "— Enforcement Delays – Bankruptcy" for a discussion of certain limitations on the Community Facilities District's ability to pursue judicial proceedings with respect to delinquent parcels within the Community Facilities District.

#### **Insufficiency of Special Tax Revenues**

As discussed below, the Special Taxes may not produce revenues sufficient to pay the debt service on the Bonds either due to nonpayment of the amounts levied or because acreage within Improvement Area B becomes exempt from taxation due to the transfer of title to a public agency.

In order to pay debt service on the Bonds, it is generally necessary that the Special Taxes be paid in a timely manner. Should the Special Taxes not be paid on time, the Community Facilities District has established a Reserve Account in an amount equal to the Reserve Requirement to pay debt service on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds to the extent other funds are not available. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Reserve Account." The Community Facilities District has covenanted in the Indenture to maintain in the Reserve Account an amount equal to the Reserve Requirement, subject, however, to the availability of Net Special Taxes in amounts sufficient to do so and to the limitation that the Community Facilities District may not levy the Special Tax in any Fiscal Year at a rate in excess of the maximum amounts permitted under the Rate and Method of Apportionment. As a result, if a significant number of Special Tax delinquencies occur within Improvement Area B, the Community Facilities District could be unable to replenish the Reserve Account to the Reserve Requirement due to the limitations on the amount of the Special Tax that may be levied. If such defaults were to continue in successive years, the Reserve Account could be depleted and a default on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds could occur.

The Act provides that, if any property within Improvement Area B not otherwise exempt from the Special Tax is acquired by a public entity through a negotiated transaction, or by gift or devise, the Special Tax will continue to be levied on and enforceable against the public entity that acquired the property. In addition, the Act provides that, if property subject to the Special Tax is acquired by a public entity through eminent domain proceedings, the obligation to pay the Special Tax with respect to that property is to be treated as if it were a special assessment and be paid from the eminent domain award. The constitutionality and operation of these provisions of the Act have not been tested in the courts, but it is doubtful that they would be upheld as to, for example, property owned by the federal government. If for any reason property within Improvement Area B becomes exempt from taxation by reason of ownership by a non-taxable entity such as the federal government or another public agency, subject to the limitation of the Maximum Special Tax, the Special Tax will be reallocated to the remaining taxable parcels within Improvement Area B. This would result in the owners of such property paying a greater amount of the Special Tax and could have an adverse impact upon their willingness and/or ability to pay the Special Tax. Moreover, if a substantial portion of additional land within Improvement Area B became exempt from the Special Tax because of public ownership, or otherwise, the Maximum Special Tax which could be levied upon the remaining acreage might not be sufficient to pay

principal of and interest on the Bonds when due and a default will occur with respect to the payment of such principal and interest.

The Community Facilities District has covenanted that, under certain circumstances, it will institute foreclosure proceedings to sell any property with delinquent Special Taxes in order to obtain funds to pay debt service on the Bonds. If foreclosure proceedings were ever instituted, any mortgage or deed of trust holder could, but would not be required to, advance the amount of the delinquent Special Tax to protect its security interest. See "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Covenant for Superior Court Foreclosure" for provisions which apply in the event of such foreclosure and which the Community Facilities District is required to follow in the event of delinquencies in the payment of the Special Tax.

In the event that sales or foreclosures of property are necessary, there could be a delay in payments to Owners of the Bonds (if the Reserve Account has been depleted) pending such sales or the prosecution of such foreclosure proceedings and receipt by the Water District on behalf of the Community Facilities District of the proceeds of sale. The Community Facilities District may adjust the future Special Tax levied on taxable parcels in Improvement Area B, subject to limitations described above under the caption "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT — Rate and Method of Apportionment," to provide an amount required to pay interest on and principal of the Bonds, and the amount, if any, necessary to replenish the Reserve Account to an amount equal to the Reserve Requirement and to pay all current expenses. There is, however, no assurance that the total amount of the Special Tax that could be levied and collected against taxable parcels in Improvement Area B will be at all times sufficient to pay the amounts required to be paid by the Indenture, even if the Special Tax is levied at the Maximum Special Tax rates. See "— Enforcement Delays – Bankruptcy."

No assurance can be given that the real property subject to sale or foreclosure will be sold, or if sold, that the proceeds of sale will be sufficient to pay any delinquent installments of the Special Tax. The Act does not require the Water District to purchase or otherwise acquire any lot or parcel of property to be sold at foreclosure if there is no other purchaser at such sale. The Act and the Indenture do specify that the Special Tax will have the same lien priority as for *ad valorem* property taxes in the case of delinquency. Section 53356.6 of the Act requires that property sold pursuant to foreclosure under the Act be sold for not less than the amount of judgment in the foreclosure action, plus post judgment interest and authorized costs, unless the consent of the owners of 75% of the Outstanding Bonds is obtained. The Act provides that the Water District may waive delinquency penalties and redemption penalties if it determines that (i) the waivers shall apply only to parcels delinquent at the time of the determination, (ii) the waivers shall only be available with respect to parcels for which all past due and currently due Special Taxes and all other costs are paid in full within a limited period of time specified in the determination, (iii) the waivers shall be available only with respect to parcels sold or otherwise transferred to new owners unrelated to the owner responsible for the delinquency, and (iv) the waivers are in the best interest of the Owners of the Bonds.

Prior to July 1, 1983, the right of redemption from foreclosure sales was limited to a period of one year from the date of sale. Under legislation effective July 1, 1983, the statutory right of redemption from such foreclosure sales has been repealed. However, a period of 20 days must elapse after the date on which the notice of levy of the interest in real property was served on the judgment debtor before the sale of such lot or parcel can be made. Furthermore, if the purchaser at the sale is the judgment creditor (e.g., the Community Facilities District), an action may be commenced by the delinquent property owner within 90 days after the date of sale to set aside such sale. The constitutionality of the aforementioned legislation, which repeals the one-year redemption period, has not been tested and there can be no assurance that, if tested, such legislation will be upheld. (Section 701.680 of the Code of Civil Procedure of the State.)

#### **Failure to Develop Properties**

Development of property within Improvement Area B may be subject to unexpected delays, disruptions and changes which may affect the willingness and ability of the Developer or any property owner

to pay the Special Taxes when due. Land development is subject to comprehensive federal, State and local regulations. Approval is required from various agencies in connection with the layout and design of developments, the nature and extent of improvements, construction activity, land use, zoning, school and health requirements, as well as numerous other matters. There is always the possibility that such approvals will not be obtained or, if obtained, will not be obtained on a timely basis. Failure to obtain any such agency approval or satisfy such governmental requirements would adversely affect planned land development. Development within Improvement Area B is also subject to the availability of water. Finally, development of land is subject to economic considerations.

As of March 1, 2023, 52 of the 73 parcels that the Developer owned within Improvement Area B were in a finished lot condition. No assurances can be made that the Developer will complete the development within Improvement Area B as described in this Official Statement. For purposes of evaluating the investment quality of the Bonds, prospective purchasers should consider the possibility that such parcels within Improvement Area B will remain in a finished lot condition.

There can be no assurance that land development operations within Improvement Area B will not be adversely affected by future deterioration of the real estate market and economic conditions or future local, State and federal governmental policies relating to real estate development, an increase in mortgage interest rates, the income tax treatment of real property ownership, or the national economy. A slowdown of the development process and the absorption rate could adversely affect land values and reduce the ability or desire of the property owners to pay the annual Special Taxes. In that event, there could be a default in the payment of principal of, and interest on, the Bonds when due.

The Community Facilities District expects to levy Special Taxes within Improvement Area B on 41 parcels of Approved Property in Fiscal Year 2023-24. Property without improvements is less valuable per unit of area than Developed Property, especially if there are no plans to develop such land or if there are severe restrictions on the development of such land. Such unimproved property also provides less security to the Owners of the Bonds should it be necessary for the Community Facilities District to foreclose on property within Improvement Area B due to the nonpayment of the Special Taxes. A slowdown or stoppage in the continued development of the property within Improvement Area B could reduce the willingness and ability of the Developer or any future merchant builders to make Special Tax payments on the Approved Property in Improvement Area B, if necessary, and could greatly reduce the value of such property in the event it has to be foreclosed upon. See "— Land Values."

### **Concentration of Ownership**

Based on property ownership as of March 1, 2023, the Developer is projected to be responsible for approximately 21.18% of the projected Fiscal Year 2023-24 Special Tax levy within Improvement Area B. While Improvement Area B includes 177 parcels of completed single family homes owned by individual homeowners as of March 1, 2023, the inability or refusal of the Developer to pay the Special Tax applicable to their property within Improvement Area B when due could result in the depletion of the Reserve Account prior to replenishment thereof from sale or foreclosure proceedings, and/or insufficient money with which to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same became due. Additionally, pursuant to the Act, the Special Taxes levied in any fiscal year against any parcel of residential property in Improvement Area B may not be increased as a consequence of delinquency or default by the owners of any other parcels within Improvement Area B by more than 10% above the amount that would have been levied in that fiscal year had there never been any such delinquencies or default. As a result, while the Maximum Special Taxes pursuant to the Rate and Method of Apportionment may be higher, Maximum Special Taxes on parcels of residential parcels cannot be greater than 110% of the projected actual Special Tax levy on such parcels.

### Geologic, Topographic and Climatic Conditions

The market value of the property within Improvement Area B can be adversely affected by a variety of factors which may affect public and private improvements. Such additional factors include, without limitation, geologic conditions (such as earthquakes), topographic conditions (such as earth movements) and climatic conditions (such as droughts, fire hazard and floods).

With respect to geologic conditions, building codes require that some of these factors be taken into account in the design of private improvements of the parcels, and the County has adopted the Uniform Building Code standards with regard to seismic standards. Design criteria are established upon the basis of a variety of considerations and may change, leaving previously designed improvements unaffected by more stringent subsequently established criteria. In general, design criteria reflect a balance at the time of establishment between the present costs of protection and the future costs of lack of protection, based in part upon a present perception of the probability that the condition will occur and the seriousness of the condition should it occur. Consequently, neither the absence of nor the establishment of design criteria with respect to any particular condition means that the applicable governmental agency has evaluated the condition and has established design criteria in the situations in which such criteria are needed to preserve value, or has established such criteria at levels that will preserve value. To the contrary, the Community Facilities District expects that one or more of such conditions may occur and may result in damage to improvements of varying seriousness, that the damage may entail significant repair or replacement costs and that repair or replacement may never occur either because of the cost, because repair or replacement will not facilitate habitability or other use, or because other considerations preclude such repair or replacement. Under any of these circumstances, the actual value of the parcels may well depreciate or disappear, notwithstanding the establishment of design criteria for any such condition.

In recent years, wildfires have caused extensive damage throughout the State, including within the County. Certain of these fires have burned thousands of acres and destroyed hundreds and in some cases thousands of homes. In some instances, entire neighborhoods have been destroyed. Several of the fires that occurred recently damaged or destroyed property in areas that were not previously considered to be at risk from such events. Improvement Area B is not located within an area that the California Public Utilities Commission has designated as an area of increased risk for utility associated wildfires. Improvement Area B also experiences high winds known as Santa Ana winds which frequently accompany and magnify the intensity of wildfires. There is a risk of homes within Improvement Area B being destroyed by wildfires and no assurance can be given as to the severity or frequency of wildfires within the vicinity of Improvement Area B. Additionally, property located adjacent to burn areas can be subject to mudslides and flooding, which can cause significant damage and destruction to property.

### **Hazardous Substances**

While government taxes, assessments and charges are a common claim against the value of a parcel, other less common claims may also be relevant. One of the most serious in terms of the potential reduction in the value of a parcel is a claim with regard to a hazardous substance. In general, the owners and operators of a parcel may be required by law to remedy conditions relating to releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances. The federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, sometimes referred to as "CERCLA" or the "Super Fund Act," is the most well-known and widely applicable of these laws, but California laws with regard to hazardous substances are also stringent and similar in effect. Under many of these laws, the owner (or operator) is obligated to remedy a hazardous substance condition of a parcel whether or not the owner (or operator) had anything to do with creating or handling the hazardous substance. The effect, therefore, should any of the parcels within Improvement Area B be affected by a hazardous substance, is to reduce the marketability and value by the costs of remedying the condition.

The Developer represents that it is not aware of the presence of any federally or state classified hazardous substances in violation of any environmental laws, located on the Developer's property within

Improvement Area B. However, it is possible that such materials do currently exist and that the Developer is not aware of them.

It is possible that property in Improvement Area B may be liable for hazardous substances in the future as a result of the existence, currently, of a substance presently classified as hazardous but which has not been released or the release of which is not presently threatened, or the existence, currently, on the property of a substance not presently classified as hazardous but which may in the future be so classified. Additionally, such liabilities may arise not simply from the existence of a hazardous substance but from the method of handling such substance. All of these possibilities could have the effect of reducing the value of the applicable property.

### **Enforcement Delays – Bankruptcy**

In the event of a delinquency in the payment of the Special Taxes, the Community Facilities District is required to commence enforcement proceedings under the circumstances described under the heading "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS — Covenant for Superior Court Foreclosure." However, prosecution of such proceedings could be delayed due to crowded local court calendars or by bankruptcy, insolvency and other laws generally affecting creditors' rights (such as the Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief Act of 1940) and by the laws of the State relating to judicial and non-judicial foreclosure. Although bankruptcy proceedings would not cause the liens of the Special Taxes to become extinguished, bankruptcy of a person or entity with an interest in the applicable property could result in a delay in the enforcement proceedings because federal bankruptcy laws provide for an automatic stay of foreclosure and tax sale proceedings. Any such delay could increase the likelihood of delay or default in payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The various legal opinions to be delivered in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, including Bond Counsel's approving legal opinion, are qualified as to the enforceability of the Bonds and the Indenture by reference to bankruptcy, reorganization, moratorium, insolvency and other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally or against public agencies such as the Community Facilities District.

Furthermore, such legal proceedings could be further delayed by the impacts of COVID-19. See the caption "— Impact of Economic Conditions on the Development in Improvement Area B."

## **FDIC/Federal Government Interests in Parcels**

The ability of the Community Facilities District to collect interest and penalties specified by the Act and to foreclose the lien of delinquent Special Taxes may be limited in certain respects with regard to parcels in which the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC"), or other federal government entities such as Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, has or obtains an interest.

In the case of FDIC, in the event that any financial institution making a loan which is secured by parcels is taken over by the FDIC and the applicable Special Tax is not paid, the remedies available to the Community Facilities District may be constrained. The FDIC's policy statement regarding the payment of state and local real property taxes (the "Policy Statement") provides that taxes other than *ad valorem* taxes which are secured by a valid lien in effect before the FDIC acquired an interest in a property will be paid unless the FDIC determines that abandonment of its interests is appropriate. The Policy Statement provides that the FDIC generally will not pay installments of non-*ad valorem* taxes which are levied after the time the FDIC acquires its fee interest, nor will the FDIC recognize the validity of any lien to secure payment except in certain cases where the Resolution Trust Corporation had an interest in property on or prior to December 31, 1995. Moreover, the Policy Statement provides that, with respect to parcels on which the FDIC holds a mortgage lien, the FDIC will not permit its lien to be foreclosed out by a taxing authority without its specific consent, nor will the FDIC pay or recognize liens for any penalties, fines or similar claims imposed for the non-payment of taxes.

The FDIC has taken a position similar to that expressed in the Policy Statement in legal proceedings brought against Orange County in United States Bankruptcy Court and in Federal District Court. The Bankruptcy Court issued a ruling in favor of the FDIC on certain of such claims. Orange County appealed that ruling, and the FDIC cross-appealed. On August 28, 2001, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals issued a ruling favorable to the FDIC except with respect to the payment of pre-receivership liens based upon delinquent property tax.

The Community Facilities District is unable to predict what effect the application of the Policy Statement would have in the event of a delinquency with respect to parcels in which the FDIC has or obtains an interest, although prohibiting the lien of the FDIC to be foreclosed out at a judicial foreclosure sale would prevent or delay the foreclosure sale.

In the case of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, in the event a parcel of taxable property is owned by a federal government entity or federal government sponsored entity, such as Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, or a private deed of trust secured by a parcel of taxable property is owned by a federal government entity or federal government sponsored entity, such as Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, the ability to foreclose on the parcel or to collect delinquent Special Taxes may be limited. Federal courts have held that, based on the supremacy clause of the United States Constitution "this Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby, anything in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding." In the absence of Congressional intent to the contrary, a state or local agency cannot foreclose to collect delinquent taxes or assessments if foreclosure would impair the federal government interest. This means that, unless Congress has otherwise provided, if a federal government entity owns a parcel of taxable property but does not pay taxes and assessments levied on the parcel (including Special Taxes), the applicable state and local governments cannot foreclose on the parcel to collect the delinquent taxes and assessments.

Moreover, unless Congress has otherwise provided, if the federal government has a mortgage interest in the parcel and the Community Facilities District wishes to foreclose on the parcel as a result of delinquent Special Taxes, the property cannot be sold at a foreclosure sale unless it can be sold for an amount sufficient to pay delinquent taxes and assessments on a parity with the Special Taxes and preserve the federal government's mortgage interest. For a discussion of risks associated with taxable parcels within Improvement Area B becoming owned by the federal government, federal government entities or federal government sponsored entities, see "— Insufficiency of Special Tax Revenues."

The Community Facilities District's remedies may also be limited in the case of delinquent Special Taxes with respect to parcels in which other federal agencies (such as the Internal Revenue Service and the Drug Enforcement Administration) have or obtain an interest.

### **Direct and Overlapping Indebtedness**

The ability of an owner of property within Improvement Aera B to pay the applicable Special Taxes could be affected by the existence of other taxes and assessments imposed upon taxable parcels. See "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT — Direct and Overlapping Debt" herein. The Water District and other public agencies whose boundaries overlap those of Improvement Area B could impose additional taxes or assessment liens on the property within Improvement Area B in order to finance public improvements or services to be located or provided inside of or outside of such area. The lien created on the property within Improvement Area B through the levy of such additional taxes may be on a parity with the lien of the Special Taxes applicable to the property within Improvement Area B.

The imposition of additional liens on a parity with the Special Taxes may reduce the ability or willingness of property owners to pay the Special Taxes and increase the possibility that foreclosure proceeds will not be adequate to pay delinquent Special Taxes.

### **Reductions in Property Values**

The value of the land within Improvement Area B is an important factor in determining the investment quality of the Bonds. If a property owner is delinquent in the payment of Special Taxes, the Community Facilities District's only remedy is to commence foreclosure proceedings in an attempt to obtain funds to pay the Special Taxes. Reductions in property values due to a downturn in the economy, physical events such as earthquakes, wildfires or floods, stricter land use regulations, delays in development or other events will adversely impact the security underlying the Special Taxes. See "IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT —Value-to-Lien Ratios" for a discussion of the Modified Assessed Value of the property within Improvement Area B.

### Payment of Special Taxes is not a Personal Obligation of the Property Owners

An owner of a taxable parcel is not personally obligated to pay Special Taxes. Rather, Special Taxes are an obligation which is secured only by a lien against the taxable parcel. If the value of a taxable parcel is not sufficient, taking into account other liens imposed by public agencies, to secure fully Special Taxes, the Community Facilities District has no recourse against the property owner.

#### **No Acceleration Provision**

The Bonds do not contain a provision allowing for the acceleration of the Bonds in the event of a payment default or other default under the terms of the Bonds or the Indenture.

#### **Ballot Initiatives**

Articles XIII A, XIII B, XIII C, and XIII D of the California Constitution were adopted pursuant to measures qualified for the ballot pursuant to the State's constitutional initiative process. From time to time, other initiative measures could be adopted by California voters. The adoption of any such initiative might place limitations on the ability of the State, the Water District, or other local agencies to increase revenues or to increase appropriations or on the ability of the landowners to complete the development of the vacant land within the Community Facilities District.

### **Proposition 218**

An initiative measure entitled "The Right to Vote on Taxes Act" ("Proposition 218") was approved by the voters at the November 5, 1996 statewide general election. Among other things, Proposition 218 added a new Article XIII C to the California Constitution which states that ". . . the initiative power shall not be prohibited or otherwise limited in matters of reducing or repealing any local tax, assessment, fee or charge." The Act provides for a procedure which includes notice, hearing, protest and voting requirements to alter the rate and method of apportionment of an existing special tax. However, the Act prohibits a legislative body from adopting any resolution to reduce the rate of any special tax or terminate the levy of any special tax pledged to repay any debt incurred pursuant to the Act unless such legislative body determines that the reduction or termination of the special tax would not interfere with the timely retirement of that debt. While the application of Proposition 218 in this context has not yet been interpreted by the courts and the matter is not completely free from doubt, it is not likely that Proposition 218 has conferred on the voters the power to effect a repeal or reduction of the Special Tax if the result thereof would be to impair the security of the Bonds.

It may be possible, however, for voters or the Board, acting as the legislative body of the Community Facilities District, to reduce the Special Taxes in Improvement Area B in a manner which does not interfere with the timely repayment of the Bonds, but which does reduce the maximum amount of Special Taxes that may be levied in any year below the existing levels. Therefore, no assurance can be given with respect to the future levy of Special Taxes in amounts greater than the amount necessary for the timely retirement of the Bonds. Nevertheless, to the maximum extent that the law permits it to do so, the Community Facilities District

has covenanted that it will not initiate proceedings under the Act to reduce the maximum Special Tax rates for Improvement Area B, unless, in connection therewith, (i) the Community Facilities District receives a certificate from one or more Independent Financial Consultants which, when taken together, certify that, on the basis of the parcels of land and improvements existing in Improvement Area B as of the July 1 preceding the reduction, the maximum amount of the Special Tax which may be levied on then existing Developed Property (as defined in the Rate and Method of Apportionment then in effect) in Improvement Area B in each Bond Year for any Bonds and Parity Bonds Outstanding will equal at least 110% of the sum of the estimated Administrative Expenses and gross debt service in each Bond Year on all Bonds and Parity Bonds of the Community Facilities District for Improvement Area B to remain Outstanding after the reduction is approved, (ii) the Community Facilities District finds that any reduction made under such conditions will not adversely affect the interests of the Owners of the Bonds or Parity Bonds, and (iii) the Community Facilities District is not delinquent in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds or any Parity Bonds. For purposes of estimating Administrative Expenses for the foregoing calculation, the Independent Financial Consultants shall compute the Administrative Expenses of the Community Facilities District for the current Fiscal Year and escalate that amount by 2% in each subsequent Fiscal Year. The Community Facilities District also has covenanted that, in the event an initiative is adopted which purports to reduce or otherwise alter the Rate and Method of Apportionment, it will commence and pursue legal action in order to preserve its ability to comply with the foregoing covenant. However, no assurance can be given as to the enforceability of the foregoing covenants.

With respect to the approval of the Special Taxes, on August 1, 2014, the California Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division One, issued its opinion in City of San Diego v. Melvin Shapiro, et al. (D063997) (the "San Diego Decision"). The case involved a Convention Center Facilities District (the "CCFD") established by the City of San Diego (the "City"). The CCFD is a financing district much like a community facilities district established under the provisions of the Act. The CCFD is comprised of all of the real property in the entire City. However, the special tax to be levied within the CCFD was to be levied only on hotel properties located within the CCFD.

The election authorizing the special tax was limited to owners of hotel properties and lessees of real property owned by a governmental entity on which a hotel is located. Thus, the election was not a registered voter election. Such approach to determining who would constitute the qualified electors of the CCFD was modeled after Section 53326(c) of the Act, which generally provides that, if a special tax will not be apportioned in any tax year on residential property would be subject to the special tax. The Court held that the CCFD special tax election was invalid under the California Constitution because Article XIIIA, Section 4 thereof and Article XIIIC, Section 2 thereof require that the electors in such an election be the registered voters within the district.

The facts of the San Diego Decision show that there were hundreds of thousands of registered voters within the CCFD (viz., all of the registered voters in the City). The elections held in Improvement Area B had no registered voters at the time of the elections to authorize the Special Tax. In the San Diego Decision, the Court expressly stated that it was not addressing the validity of landowner voting to impose special taxes pursuant to the Act in situations where there are fewer than 12 registered voters. Thus, by its terms, the Court's holding does not apply to the Special Tax elections in Improvement Area B. Moreover, Section 53341 of the Act provides that any "action or proceeding to attack, review, set aside, void or annul the levy of a special tax...shall be commenced within 30 days after the special tax is approved by the voters." Similarly, Section 53359 of the Act provides that any action to determine the validity of bonds issued pursuant to the Act be brought within 30 days of the voters approving the issuance of such bonds. The voter in Improvement Area B approved the Special Tax and the issuance of bonds on November 1, 2017. Based on Sections 53341 and 53359 of the Act and analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions, Bond Counsel is of the opinion that no successful challenge to the Special Tax being levied in accordance with the Rate and Method of Apportionment may now be brought.

The interpretation and application of the Initiative will ultimately be determined by the courts with respect to a number of the matters discussed above, and it is not possible at this time to predict with certainty the outcome of such determination or the timeliness of any remedy afforded by the courts.

### Loss of Tax Exemption

As discussed under the heading "TAX MATTERS," interest on the Bonds could cease to be excluded from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation, retroactive to the date the Bonds were issued, as a result of future acts or omissions of the Community Facilities District. In addition, it is possible that future changes in applicable federal tax laws could cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income taxation or could otherwise reduce the equivalent taxable yield of such interest and thereby reduce the value of the Bonds.

#### No Ratings – Limited Secondary Market

The Community Facilities District has not applied to have the Bonds rated by any nationally recognized bond rating company, and it does not expect to do so in the future.

There can be no guarantee that there will be a secondary market for the Bonds or, if a secondary market exists, that such Bonds can be sold for any particular price. Although the Community Facilities District has committed to provide certain financial and operating information, there can be no assurance that such information will be available to Bond owners on a timely basis. The failure to provide the required annual financial information does not give rise to monetary damages but merely an action for specific performance. Occasionally, because of general market conditions, lack of current information, the absence of a credit rating for the Bonds or because of adverse history or economic prospects connected with a particular issue, secondary marketing practices in connection with a particular issue are suspended or terminated. Additionally, prices of issues for which a market is being made will depend upon then prevailing circumstances. Such prices could be substantially different from the original purchase price.

### **Limitations on Remedies**

Remedies available to the Owners of the Bonds may be limited by a variety of factors and may be inadequate to assure the timely payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds or to preserve the tax-exempt status of interest on the Bonds.

Bond Counsel has limited its opinion as to the enforceability of the Bonds and of the Indenture to the extent that enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance or transfer, moratorium or other similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditor's rights, by equitable principles and by the exercise of judicial discretion and by limitations on remedies against public agencies in the State of California. The lack of availability of certain remedies or the limitation of remedies may entail risks of delay, limitation or modification of the rights of the Owners.

### Potential Early Redemption of Bonds from Prepayments or Assessment Bond Proceeds

Property owners within Improvement Area B, including the Developer and any individual property owner, are permitted to prepay their Special Taxes at any time. Such prepayments could also be made from the proceeds of bonds issued by or on behalf of an overlapping special assessment district or community facilities district. Such prepayments will result in a redemption of the Bonds on the Interest Payment Date for which timely notice may be given under the Indenture following the receipt of the prepayment. The resulting redemption of Bonds, if any, that were purchased at a price greater than par could reduce the otherwise expected yield on such Bonds. See the caption "THE BONDS — Redemption — *Special Mandatory Redemption from Prepayments.*"

### **Cyber Security**

The Water District and the Community Facilities District, like many other public and private entities, rely on computer and other digital networks and systems to conduct their operations. As a recipient and provider of personal, private or other sensitive electronic information, the Water District and the Community Facilities District are potentially subject to multiple cyber threats, including without limitation hacking, viruses, ransomware, malware and other attacks. No assurance can be given that the efforts of the Water District and the Community Facilities District to manage cyber threats and attacks will be successful in all cases, or that any such attack will not materially impact the operations or finances of the Water District is also reliant on other entities and service providers in connection with the administration of the Bonds, including without limitation the County tax collector for the levy and collection of Special Taxes and the Fiscal Agent. No assurance can be given that the Water District, the Community Facilities District, Improvement Area B and these other entities will not be affected by cyber threats and attacks in a manner that may affect the Bond owners.

#### Impact of Economic Conditions on the Development in Improvement Area B

Certain events and factors which negatively affect the regional, State and national economies could have an adverse effect on the pace at which Richmond American is able to complete and sell homes and demand by and the ability of individuals to purchase homes within Improvement Area B. Such events and factors could include rising inflation and interest rates, persistent supply chain issues, further impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and global market instability caused by the war in Ukraine. Any adverse impact of the foregoing and other economic factors on the projects in Improvement Area B and the real estate market in general cannot be predicted.

Amid an unexpected run on deposits, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") announced on March 10, 2023 that it had been appointed as receiver for Silicon Valley Bank ("SVB"), a large California bank and the 16th largest bank in the United States, and was liquidating SVB as a going concern. Additionally, on March 12, 2023, the FDIC announced that it had been appointed as receiver for Signature Bank, another large regional bank. However, the United States Treasury Department, the Federal Reserve and the FDIC issued a joint statement that all deposits at both institutions would be honored, regardless of dollar amount. Since such actions, there has been uncertainty and concern in the financial markets that there may be additional bank liquidity issues.

Richmond American expects to use internally generated funds (which may include home sales proceeds and funding from its parent company, MDC) to complete its development in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District. However, the uncertainty in the financial markets may affect homebuyers' willingness or ability to obtain financing for the purchase of new homes within Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, which, in turn, could impact Richmond American's ability or determination to complete its development in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, which, in turn, could impact Richmond American's ability or determination to complete its development in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District in the budget and timeframe described herein.

### **Increasing Mortgage Interest Rates**

30-year fixed mortgage interest rates have increased substantially within the past year and are expected to continue to increase in the near term. Increases in mortgage interest rates could have a negative impact on the estimated absorption rates of the planned for-sale residential units in Improvement Area B described herein. With respect to entry-level households, increased mortgage interest rates may adversely impact the affordability of homes and may increase mortgage payment levels for owning a lower-priced home relative to renting a residence, thereby making purchasing less attractive. With respect to move-up households, higher mortgage interest rates may impact the desire of current homeowners to move from their present home due to the fact that their present home likely has a relatively low mortgage interest rate. In

addition, the new home would likely have a higher interest rate on a new mortgage loan as well as higher purchase price and property taxes. Such considerations may decrease the desire for move-up households to purchase a new home.

## TAX MATTERS

In the opinion of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, Newport Beach, California, Bond Counsel, under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, and assuming certain representations and compliance with certain covenants and requirements described herein, interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of calculating the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. However, it should be noted that for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022, with respect to applicable corporations as defined in Section 59(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), generally certain corporations with more than \$1,000,000,000 of average annual adjusted financial statement income, interest (and original issue discount) with respect to the Bonds might be taken into account in determining adjusted financial statement income for purposes of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed by Section 55 of the Code on such corporations. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds is exempt from State of California personal income tax.

The excess of the stated redemption price at maturity of a Bond over the issue price of a Bond (the first price at which a substantial amount of the Bonds of a maturity is to be sold to the public) constitutes original issue discount. Original issue discount accrues under a constant yield method, and original issue discount will accrue to a Bond Owner before receipt of cash attributable to such excludable income. The amount of original issue discount deemed received by the Bond Owner will increase the Bond Owner's basis in the applicable Bond.

Bond Counsel's opinion as to the exclusion from gross income of interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds is based upon certain representations of fact and certifications made by the Community Facilities District and others and is subject to the condition that the Community Facilities District complies with all requirements of the Code, that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds to assure that interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds will not become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with such requirements of the Code might cause the interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Community Facilities District has covenanted to comply with all such requirements.

The amount by which a Bond Owner's original basis for determining loss on sale or exchange in the applicable Bond (generally, the purchase price) exceeds the amount payable on maturity (or on an earlier call date) constitutes amortizable bond premium, which must be amortized under Section 171 of the Code; such amortizable Bond premium reduces the Bond Owner's basis in the applicable Bond (and the amount of tax-exempt interest received), and is not deductible for federal income tax purposes. The basis reduction as a result of the amortization of Bond premium may result in a Bond Owner realizing a taxable gain when a Bond is sold by the Owner for an amount equal to or less (under certain circumstances) than the original cost of the Bond to the Owner. Purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the treatment, computation and collateral consequences of amortizable Bond premium.

The Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") has initiated an expanded program for the auditing of taxexempt bond issues, including both random and targeted audits. It is possible that the Bonds will be selected for audit by the IRS. It is also possible that the market value of the Bonds might be affected as a result of such an audit of the Bonds (or by an audit of similar Bonds). No assurance can be given that in the course of an audit, as a result of an audit, or otherwise, Congress or the IRS might not change the Code (or interpretation thereof) subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds to the extent that it adversely affects the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds or their market value. SUBSEQUENT TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS THERE MIGHT BE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL STATUTORY CHANGES (OR JUDICIAL OR REGULATORY CHANGES TO OR INTERPRETATIONS OF FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW) THAT AFFECT THE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL TAX TREATMENT OF THE BONDS INCLUDING THE IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL FEDERAL INCOME OR STATE TAXES BEING IMPOSED ON OWNERS OF TAX-EXEMPT STATE OR LOCAL OBLIGATIONS, SUCH AS THE BONDS. THESE CHANGES COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE MARKET VALUE OR LIQUIDITY OF THE BONDS. NO ASSURANCE CAN BE GIVEN THAT SUBSEQUENT TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS STATUTORY CHANGES WILL NOT BE INTRODUCED OR ENACTED OR JUDICIAL OR REGULATORY INTERPRETATIONS WILL NOT OCCUR HAVING THE EFFECTS DESCRIBED ABOVE. BEFORE PURCHASING ANY OF THE BONDS, ALL POTENTIAL PURCHASERS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS REGARDING POSSIBLE STATUTORY CHANGES OR JUDICIAL OR REGULATORY CHANGES OR INTERPRETATIONS, AND THEIR COLLATERAL TAX CONSEQUENCES RELATING TO THE BONDS.

Bond Counsel's opinions may be affected by actions taken (or not taken) or events occurring (or not occurring) after the date hereof. Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine, or to inform any person, whether any such actions or events are taken or do occur. The authorizing resolutions and the Tax Certificate relating to the Bonds permit certain actions to be taken or to be omitted if a favorable opinion of Bond Counsel is provided with respect thereto. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to the effect on the exclusion from gross income of interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes with respect to any Bond if any such action is taken or omitted based upon the advice of counsel other than Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation.

Although Bond Counsel has rendered an opinion that interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes provided that the Community Facilities District continues to comply with certain requirements of the Code, the ownership of the Bonds and the accrual or receipt of interest with respect to the Bonds may otherwise affect the tax liability of certain persons. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any such tax consequences. Accordingly, before purchasing any of the Bonds, all potential purchasers should consult their tax advisors with respect to collateral tax consequences relating to the Bonds

A copy of the proposed form of opinion of Bond Counsel is attached hereto as Appendix B.

## **ABSENCE OF LITIGATION**

In connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the Water District's General Counsel will deliver an opinion to the effect that, to his actual knowledge, after due inquiry and investigation, there is no action, suit, proceeding or investigation at law or in equity before or by any court, public board or body, pending or threatened, or any unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, against or affecting the Community Facilities District, which would adversely impact the Community Facilities District's ability to complete the transactions described in, or contemplated by, the Indenture or this Official Statement, restrain or enjoin the collection of the Special Taxes, or in any way contest or affect the validity of the Bonds, the Indenture, the Special Taxes, or the transaction described herein.

#### **ABSENCE OF RATINGS**

The Community Facilities District has not made, and does not contemplate making, application to any rating organization for a rating on the Bonds.

#### UNDERWRITING

The Bonds are being purchased by Raymond James & Associates, Inc. (the "Underwriter"). The Underwriter has agreed to purchase the Bonds at a price of \$5,255,722.10 (being the \$5,280,000 principal

amount, plus net original issue premium of \$41,722.10 and less an Underwriter's discount of \$66,000.00). The Bond Purchase Agreement relating to the Bonds provides that the Underwriter will purchase all of the Bonds if any are purchased, the obligation to make such purchase being subject to certain terms and conditions set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement, the approval of certain legal matters by counsel and certain other conditions. The Underwriter's compensation with respect to the Bonds is contingent upon the successful issuance of the Bonds.

The Underwriter may offer and sell Bonds to certain dealers and others at prices lower than the offering prices stated on the inside front cover page hereof. The offering prices may be changed from time to time by the Underwriter.

### **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

The Community Facilities District has retained Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, Inc., Irvine, California, as Municipal Advisor (the "Municipal Advisor") in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken to make, an independent verification or assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the information contained in this Official Statement.

The Municipal Advisor is an independent registered municipal financial advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading or distributing municipal or other public securities.

## CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

## **Community Facilities District**

The Community Facilities District will execute a continuing disclosure certificate (the "Continuing Disclosure Certificate") for the benefit of the Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds to provide certain financial information and operating data relating to the Community Facilities District (the "Annual Report") and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events (the "Listed Events"). The Annual Report will be filed by the Community Facilities District as the initial Dissemination Agent (the "Dissemination Agent") with the Electronic Municipal Market Access System of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("EMMA"). Notices of Listed Events will be filed by the Dissemination Agent with EMMA. The specific nature of the information to be included in the Annual Reports and the notices of Listed Events is set forth in Appendix E — "FORM OF DISTRICT CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE." The Continuing Disclosure Certificate will be executed and delivered by the Community Facilities District to comply with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) (the "Rule"). The Annual Reports are to be filed by the Community Facilities District no later than March 1 of each year, commencing March 1, 2024.

The Community Facilities District (not the Water District) is obligated to comply with each Continuing Disclosure Certificate. However, the Board of Directors of the Water District is the legislative body of the Community Facilities District and the Water District's other community facilities districts. In addition, the Community Facilities District and the Water District's other community facilities districts have no employees or staff independent of the Water District. Although the Water District is not the "obligated person" for purposes of the Rule with respect to the approximately 36 outstanding debt issuances of community facilities districts created by the Water District (the "CFD Bonds"), the Water District staff is responsible for preparing the annual reports for the CFD Bonds. During the last five years, the Water District and certain of its related entities failed to comply in certain respects with their continuing disclosure obligations related to outstanding bonded indebtedness. With respect to its Series 2021 Refunding Revenue Bonds (the "2021 Bonds") the Water District failed to timely file the annual report, which consisted of the official statement, as required by the continuing disclosure undertaking with respect to the 2021 Bonds. The Water District failed to timely file certain operating data with respect to certain outstanding CUSIPs of its Series 2016B Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds (the "2016B Bonds"). Additionally, the Water District

failed to timely file a significant event notice with respect to a state revolving fund loan it entered into in 2020 with the State Water Resources Control Board. The Western Riverside Water and Wastewater Financing Authority (the "Authority"), for which the Water District staff is responsible for filing annual reports, did not timely file a significant event notice with respect to a rating upgrade with respect to the Authority's Local Agency Revenue Refunding Bonds, 2016 Series A, which upgrade occurred as of October 30, 2018. None of the above failures to file related to any of the Water District's CFD Bonds. The Water District has filed corrective filings with respect to each of the above as of the date of this Official Statement.

On April 30, 2014, the Water District's Board of Directors adopted continuing disclosure policies and procedures, and such policies and procedures were updated and incorporated into the Water District's Comprehensive Debt Management Policy on January 18, 2017. The Water District's Comprehensive Debt Management Policy is reviewed annually and was most recently amended on April 7, 2021. In addition, Water District staff have undergone training to ensure compliance with continuing disclosure undertakings in the future.

It should be noted that the Community Facilities District is required to file certain financial statements with the Annual Reports. The inclusion of this information does not mean that the Bonds are secured by any resources or property other than as described hereinabove. See "LIMITATION OF LIABILITY," "SECURITY FOR THE BONDS" and "SPECIAL RISK FACTORS." It should also be noted that the list of enumerated events which the Community Facilities District has agreed to report includes three items which have absolutely no application whatsoever to the Bonds. Thus, any implication from the inclusion of these items in the list to the contrary notwithstanding, there are no credit enhancements applicable to the Bonds, there are no credit or liquidity providers with respect to the Bonds, and the Bonds have not been assigned a rating.

### **Richmond American**

Although Richmond American is not an obligated person under Rule 15c2-12, Richmond American has agreed, for the benefit of the Bondowners to enter into a Developer Continuing Disclosure Certificate covenanting to provide certain information regarding the development of its property and notice of certain material events as they occur.

The obligations of Richmond American under its Developer Continuing Disclosure Certificate will terminate upon the earliest to occur of: (i) the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds; (ii) the date on which Richmond American and any affiliate of Richmond American is no longer responsible for the payment of at least 20% of the total Special Taxes to be levied within Improvement Area B in the current Fiscal Year, and (iii) the date on which Richmond American and any affiliate of Richmond American owns less than 50 residential lots (or property that will be subdivided into less than 50 lots) within the Community Facilities District. Richmond American has also agreed that if it sells or transfers 50 or more residential lots (or property that will be subdivided into 50 or more residential lots) in Improvement Area B, Richmond American will cause any such transferee to enter into a disclosure agreement described in Section 6 of the form of Developer Continuing Disclosure Certificate attached hereto in Appendix F — "FORM OF DEVELOPER CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE."

The Developer's Riverside Division will be responsible for compliance with its obligations under the Developer Continuing Disclosure Certificate. The Developer has represented to the District and Underwriter that, except as described in the following paragraph, based on a review of prior continuing disclosure undertakings, the Developer has not failed to comply in any material respect with any previous undertaking by it to provide periodic continuing disclosure reports or notices of listed events with respect to community facilities district or assessment district bond issues in Southern California within the past five years.

However, the Developer's Riverside Division was approximately ten days late in filing its semiannual report due on March 31, 2019 with respect to the \$17,580,000 Community Facilities District No. 2011-1 of the

Menifee Union School District Improvement Area No. 3 2018 Special Tax Bonds, which the Developer submitted to the dissemination agent on March 28, 2019 but was not filed by the dissemination agent until April 10, 2019. Identification of the above-described events does not constitute a representation by the Developer that such events were material.

#### **CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS**

Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, Bond Counsel, will render an opinion with respect to the validity and enforceability of the Indenture and as to the validity of the Bonds. A copy of the form of such approving opinion is attached hereto as Appendix B. Copies of such approving opinion will accompany each Bond. Bond Counsel has not undertaken any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of this Official Statement or other offering materials relating to the Bonds and expresses no opinion relating thereto. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Water District by the Water District's General Counsel and for the Underwriter by its counsel, Kutak Rock LLP, Irvine, California.

In addition to serving as Bond Counsel in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, has served as Disclosure Counsel. Although it is serving as Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel to the Water District in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, Bond Counsel represents the Underwriter in connection with other financings and matters unrelated to the Bonds.

Compensation for Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel services is contingent upon the successful issuance and sale of the Bonds.

## MISCELLANEOUS

So far as any statements made in this Official Statement involve matters of opinion, assumptions, projections, anticipated events or estimates, whether or not expressly stated, they are set forth as such and not as presentations of fact, and actual results may differ substantially from those set forth therein. Neither this Official Statement nor any statement that may have been made verbally or in writing is to be construed as a contract with the Owners of the Bonds.

The summaries of certain provisions of the Bonds, statutes and other documents or agreements referred to in this Official Statement do not purport to be complete, and reference is made to each of them for a complete statement of their provisions. Copies are available for review by making requests to the Water District.

The appendices are an integral part of this Official Statement and must be read together with all other parts of this Official Statement.

The distribution of this Official Statement has been authorized by the Community Facilities District.

/s/ Joe Mouawad, P.E. General Manager Eastern Municipal Water District

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### **APPENDIX A**

### SUMMARY OF THE INDENTURE

The following is a brief summary of certain provisions of the Indenture. This summary is not intended to be definitive and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Indenture for the complete terms thereof. Copies of the Indenture are available upon request from the Community Facilities District.

## DEFINITIONS

**Definitions.** Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms have the following meanings:

"Act" means the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended, Sections 53311 *et seq.* of the California Government Code.

"Administrative Expense Fund" means the fund by that name established pursuant to the Indenture.

"Administrative Expense Requirement" means \$30,000 for the initial Bond Year, provided that at its option, the District may establish the Administrative Expense Requirement for any Bond Year subsequent to the initial Bond Year at any amount larger than \$30,000 that is not in excess of the lesser of (a) 102% of the Administrative Expense Requirement applicable in the immediately preceding Bond Year or (b) the remainder of (i) the sum of the Maximum Special Tax applicable to each Parcel of Taxable Property in Improvement Area B in the Fiscal Year that ends in such Bond Year minus (ii) 110% of Annual Debt Service for such Bond Year.

"Administrative Expenses" means the administrative costs with respect to the calculation and collection of the Special Taxes, including all attorneys' fees and other costs related thereto, the fees and expenses of the Fiscal Agent, any fees and related costs for credit enhancement for the Bonds or any Parity Bonds which are not otherwise paid as Costs of Issuance, any costs related to the District's compliance with state and federal laws requiring continuing disclosure of information concerning the Bonds, the District, and any other costs otherwise incurred by the Water District on behalf of the District in order to carry out the purposes of the District as set forth in the Resolution of Formation and any obligation of the District under the Indenture.

"Annual Debt Service" means, for any Bond Year, the sum of (i) the interest payable on all Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds in such Bond Year, assuming that all Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds are retired as scheduled (including by reason of Sinking Fund Payment redemption in such Bond Year), and (ii) the principal amount of all Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds due in such Bond Year (including any Sinking Fund Payment redemptions due in such Bond Year).

"Assigned Special Taxes" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

"Authorized Investments" means any of the following investments, if and to the extent the same are at the time legal for investment of the District's funds (the Fiscal Agent is entitled to rely upon investment direction from the District as a certification that such investment is an Authorized Investment):

1. (a) Direct obligations (other than an obligation subject to variation in principal repayment) of the United States of America ("United States Treasury Obligations"), (b) obligations fully and unconditionally guaranteed as to timely payment of principal and interest by the United States of America, (c) obligations fully and unconditionally guaranteed as to timely payment of principal and interest by any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, or (d) evidences of

ownership of proportionate interests in future interest and principal payments on obligations described above held by a bank or trust company as custodian, under which the owner of the investment is the real party in interest and has the right to proceed directly and individually against the obligor and the underlying government obligations are not available to any person claiming through the custodian or to whom the custodian may be obligated.

2. Federal Housing Administration debentures.

3. The listed obligations of government-sponsored agencies which are not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America:

- Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC)
   Participation certificates (excluded are stripped mortgage securities which are purchased at prices exceeding their principal amounts)
   Senior Debt obligations
- Farm Credit Banks (formerly: Federal Land Banks, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks and Banks for Cooperatives) Consolidated system-wide bonds and notes
- Federal Home Loan Banks (FHL Banks) Consolidated debt obligations
  - Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) Senior debt obligations Mortgage-backed securities (excluded are stripped mortgage securities which are purchased at prices exceeding their principal amounts)
- Financing Corporation (FICO)
  - Debt obligations
- Resolution Funding Corporation (REFCORP) Debt obligations

4. Unsecured certificates of deposit, time deposits, and bankers' acceptances (having maturities of not more than 30 days) of any bank (including the Fiscal Agent and any affiliate) the short-term obligations of which are rated "A-1" or better by Standard & Poor's.

5. Deposits the aggregate amount of which are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), in banks (including the Fiscal Agent and any affiliate) which have capital and surplus of at least \$5 million.

6. Commercial paper (having original maturities of not more than 270 days rated "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's and "Prime-1" by Moody's.

7. Money market funds rated "AAm" or "AAm-G" by Standard & Poor's, or better (including those of the Fiscal Agent or its affiliates).

8. "State Obligations," which means:

(a) Direct general obligations of any state of the United States of America or any subdivision or agency thereof to which is pledged the full faith and credit of a state the unsecured general obligation debt of which is rated "A3" by Moody's and "A" by Standard & Poor's, or better, or any obligation fully and unconditionally guaranteed by any state, subdivision or agency whose unsecured general obligation debt is so rated. (b) Direct general short-term obligations of any state agency or subdivision or agency thereof described in (A) above and rated "A-1+" by Standard & Poor's and "Prime-1" by Moody's.

(c) Special Revenue Bonds (as defined in the United States Bankruptcy Code) of any state, state agency or subdivision described in (A) above and rated "AA" or better by Standard & Poor's and "Aa" or better by Moody's.

9. Pre-refunded municipal obligations rated "AAA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aaa" by Moody's meeting the following requirements:

(a) the municipal obligations are (1) not subject to redemption prior to maturity or (2) the paying agent for the municipal obligations has been given irrevocable instructions concerning their call and redemption and the issuer of the municipal obligations has covenanted not to redeem such municipal obligations other than as set forth in such instructions;

(b) the municipal obligations are secured by cash or United States Treasury Obligations which may be applied only to payment of the principal of, interest and premium on such municipal obligations;

(c) the principal of and interest on the United States Treasury Obligations (plus any cash in the escrow) has been verified by the report of independent certified public accountants to be sufficient to pay in full all principal of, interest, and premium, if any, due and to become due on the municipal obligations ("Verification");

(d) the cash or United States Treasury Obligations serving as security for the municipal obligations are held by an escrow agent or paying agent in trust for owners of the municipal obligations;

(e) no substitution of a United States Treasury Obligation is permitted except with another United States Treasury Obligation and upon delivery of a new Verification; and

(f) the cash or United States Treasury Obligations are not available to satisfy any other claims, including those by or against the paying agent or escrow agent.

10. Repurchase agreements:

With (1) any domestic bank, or domestic branch of a foreign bank, the long term debt of which is rated at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and Moody's; or (2) any broker-dealer with "retail customers" or a related affiliate thereof which broker-dealer has, or the parent company (which guarantees the provider) of which has, long-term debt rated at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and Moody's, which broker-dealer falls under the jurisdiction of the Securities Investors Protection Corporation; or (3) any other entity rated "A" or better by Standard & Poor's and Moody's, provided that:

(a) The market value of the collateral is maintained at levels equal to 104% of the amount of cash transferred by the Fiscal Agent or the District to the provider of the repurchase agreement plus accrued interest with the collateral being valued weekly and marked-to-market at one current market price plus accrued interest;

(b) The Fiscal Agent or a third party acting solely as agent therefor or for the District (the "Holder of the Collateral") has possession of the collateral or the collateral has been transferred to

the Holder of the Collateral in accordance with applicable state and federal laws (other than by means of entries on the transferor's books);

(c) The repurchase agreement states and an opinion of counsel will be rendered at the time such collateral is delivered that the Holder of the Collateral has a perfected first priority security interest in the collateral, any substituted collateral and all proceeds thereof (in the case of bearer securities, this means the Holder of the Collateral is in possession);

(d) The repurchase agreement provides that if during its term the provider's rating by either Moody's or Standard & Poor's is withdrawn or suspended or falls below "A-" by Standard & Poor's or "A3" by Moody's, as appropriate, the provider must, at the direction of the Fiscal Agent or the District, within 10 days of receipt of such direction, repurchase all collateral and terminate the agreement, with no penalty or premium to the Fiscal Agent or the District.

Notwithstanding the above, if a repurchase agreement has a term of 270 days or less (with no evergreen provision), collateral levels need not be as specified in (a) above, so long as such collateral levels are 103% or better and the provider is rated at least "A" by Standard & Poor's and Moody's, respectively.

11. Investment agreements with a domestic or foreign bank or corporation (other than a life or property casualty insurance company) the long-term debt of which or, in the case of a guaranteed corporation the long-term debt, or, in the case of a monoline financial guaranty insurance company, claims paying ability, of the guarantor is rated at least "AA" by Standard & Poor's and "Aa" by Moody's; provided that, by the terms of the investment agreement:

(a) interest payments are to be made to the Fiscal Agent or the District at times and in amounts as necessary to pay debt service (or, if the investment agreement is for the Improvement Fund, construction draws) on the Bonds and Parity Bonds;

(b) the invested funds are available for withdrawal without penalty or premium, at any time upon not more than seven days' prior notice; the Fiscal Agent or the District agrees to give or cause to be given notice in accordance with the terms of the investment agreement so as to receive funds thereunder with no penalty or premium paid;

(c) the investment agreement states that is the unconditional and general obligation of, and is not subordinated to any other obligation of, the provider thereof, or, in the case of a bank, that the obligation of the bank to make payments under the agreement ranks pari passu with the obligations of the bank to its other depositors and its other unsecured and unsubordinated creditors;

(d) the Fiscal Agent or the District receives the opinion of domestic counsel (which opinion will be addressed to the Fiscal Agent or the District) that such investment agreement is legal, valid, binding and enforceable upon the provider in accordance with its terms and of foreign counsel (if applicable) in form and substance acceptable, and addressed to, the Fiscal Agent or the District;

(e) the investment agreement provides that if during its term:

(i) the provider's rating by either Standard & Poor's or Moody's falls below "AA-" or "Aa3", respectively, the provider will, at its option, within 10 days of receipt of publication of such downgrade, either (y) collateralize the investment agreement by delivering or transferring in accordance with applicable state and federal laws (other than by means of entries on the provider's books) to the District, the Fiscal Agent or a third party acting solely as agent therefor (the "Holder of the Collateral") collateral free and clear of any third-party liens or claims the market value of which collateral is maintained at levels and

upon such conditions as would be acceptable to Standard & Poor's and Moody's to maintain an "A" rating in an "A" rated structured financing (with a market value approach); or (z) repay the principal of and accrued but unpaid interest on the investment; and

(ii) the provider's rating by either Standard & Poor's or Moody's is withdrawn or suspended or falls below "A-" or "A3", respectively, the provider must, at the direction of the Fiscal Agent or the District, within 10 days of receipt of such direction, repay the principal of and accrued but unpaid interest on the investment, in either case with no penalty or premium to the Fiscal Agent or District; and

(f) the investment agreement states and an opinion of counsel will be rendered, in the event collateral is required to be pledged by the provider under the terms of the investment agreement at the time such collateral is delivered, that the Holder of the Collateral has a perfected first priority security interest in the collateral, any substituted collateral and all proceeds thereof (in the case of bearer securities, this means the Holder of the Collateral is in possession);

(g) the investment agreement must provide that if during its term:

(i) the provider defaults in its payment obligations, the provider's obligations under the investment agreement will, at the direction of the Fiscal Agent or the District, be accelerated and amounts invested and accrued but unpaid interest thereon will be repaid to the Fiscal Agent or the District, and

(ii) the provider becomes insolvent, not pay its debts as they become due, be declared or petition to be declared bankrupt, etc. ("event of insolvency"), the provider's obligations will automatically be accelerated and amounts invested and accrued but unpaid interest thereon will be repaid to the Fiscal Agent or the District.

12. The State of California Local Agency Investment Fund.

"Authorized Representative of the Water District" and/or "Community Facilities District" means the General Manager of the Water District, or his or her designee, any Deputy General Manager of the Water District, or his or her designee, the Chief Financial Officer of the Water District, or his or her designee, or any other person or persons designated by the Board of Directors of the Water District and authorized to act on behalf of the Water District by a written certificate signed on behalf of the Water District by the President of the Board of Directors of the Water District by the President of the Board of Directors of the Water District of each such person.

"Average Annual Debt Service" means the average of the Annual Debt Service for all Bond Years, including the Bond Year in which the calculation is made.

"Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Water District acting as the legislative body of the District.

"Bond Counsel" means an attorney at law or a firm of attorneys, selected by the District, of nationally recognized standing in matters pertaining to the tax-exempt nature of interest on bonds issued by states and their political subdivisions duly admitted to the practice of law before the highest court of any state of the United States of America or the District of Columbia.

"Bond Register" means the books which the Fiscal Agent will keep or cause to be kept on which the registration and transfer of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds will be recorded.

"Bondowner" or "Owner" means, with respect to any Bond or Parity Bond, the Person or Persons in whose name or names such Bond or Parity Bond is registered, as shown on the Bond Register.

"Bonds" means the Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District Improvement Area B 2023 Special Tax Bonds, issued pursuant to the Indenture.

"Bond Year" means the twelve month period commencing on September 2 of each year and ending on September 1 of the following year, except that the first Bond Year for the Bonds will begin on the Delivery Date thereof and end on the first September 1 which is not more than 12 months after the Delivery Date.

"Business Day" means a day which is not a Saturday or Sunday or a day of the year on which banks in New York, New York, Los Angeles, California, or the city where the corporate trust office of the Fiscal Agent is located, are not required or authorized to remain closed.

"Capacity Improvements Account" means the account by that name established in the Improvement Fund pursuant to the Indenture.

"Certificate of an Authorized Representative" means a written certificate or warrant request executed by an Authorized Representative of the Water District or Community Facilities District, a form of which is attached to the Indenture.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any Regulations, rulings, judicial decisions, and notices, announcements, and other releases of the United States Treasury Department or Internal Revenue Service interpreting and construing it.

"Continuing Disclosure Certificate" means that certain Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed and delivered by the District with respect to the Bonds.

"Costs of Issuance" means the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the formation of the District and the issuance and sale of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds, including the acceptance and initial annual fees and expenses of the Fiscal Agent, legal fees and expenses, costs of printing the Bonds or any Parity Bonds and the preliminary and final official statements for the Bonds or any Parity Bonds, fees of any appraiser, the Special Tax Administrator and financial consultants and all other related fees and expenses.

"Costs of Issuance Account" means the account by that name established in the Improvement Fund pursuant to the Indenture.

"County" means the County of Riverside, California.

"Delivery Date" means, with respect to the Bonds and each issue of Parity Bonds, the date on which the bonds of such issue were issued and delivered to the initial purchasers thereof.

"Depository" means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, and its successors and assigns as securities depository for the Bonds, or any other securities depository acting as Depository under the Indenture.

"Developed Property" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

"Developer" means Global Investment Pool LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and any successors in interest thereto with respect to its activities in Improvement Area B, except individual property owners.

"District" means Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District established pursuant to the Act and the Resolution of Formation.

"EMWD Improvements Account" means the account by that name established in the Improvement Fund pursuant to the Indenture.

"Federal Securities" means, subject to applicable law, United States Treasury notes, bonds, bills or certificates of indebtedness, including United States Treasury Obligations, State and Local Government Series ("SLGS") or other direct obligations issued by the United States Treasury for which the faith and credit of the United States are pledged for the payment of principal and interest; and obligations issued by banks for cooperatives, federal land banks, federal intermediate credit banks, federal home loan banks, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, the Tennessee Valley Authority, or other federal agencies or United States Governmentsponsored enterprises.

"Fiscal Agent" means U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, a national banking association duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, at its principal corporate trust office in Los Angeles, California, and its successors or assigns, or any other bank or trust company which may at any time be substituted in its place as described under the captions "FISCAL AGENT—Removal of Fiscal Agent" and "FISCAL AGENT—Resignation of Fiscal Agent," and any successor thereto.

"Fiscal Year" means the period beginning on July 1 of each year and ending on the next following June 30.

"Funding Agreement" means the agreement entitled "Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District Funding, Construction and Acquisition Agreement (Improvement Area B)," dated as of November 1, 2017 by and between the Water District and JVRL 220, LLC, a California limited liability company, as it may be amended from time to time.

"Gross Special Taxes" means the amount of all Special Taxes received by the District for Improvement Area B, together with the proceeds collected from the sale of property in Improvement Area B pursuant to the foreclosure provisions of the Indenture for the delinquency of such Special Taxes after payment of administrative costs and attorney's fees payable from such proceeds to the extent not previously paid from the Administrative Expense Fund.

"Improvement Area B" means Improvement Area B of the District.

"Improvement Fund" means the fund by that name established pursuant to the Indenture.

"Indenture" means the Trust Indenture dated as of April 1, 2023, by and between the District and the Fiscal Agent.

"Independent Financial Consultant" means a financial consultant or special tax consultant or firm of such consultants generally recognized to be well qualified in the financial consulting or special tax consulting field, appointed and paid by the District, who, or each of whom:

(1) is in fact independent and not under the domination of the District or Water District;

(2) does not have any substantial interest, direct or indirect, in the District or Water District; and

(3) is not connected with the District as a member, officer or employee of the District or Water District, but who may be regularly retained to make annual or other reports to the District or Water District.

"Interest Account" means the account by that name in the Special Tax Fund.

"Interest Payment Date" means each March 1 and September 1, commencing September 1, 2023.

"Investment Agreement" means one or more agreements for the investment of funds of the District complying with the criteria therefor as set forth in Subsection (11) of the definition of Authorized Investments above.

"Maximum Annual Debt Service" means, at any point in time, with respect to the Bonds and Parity Bonds then Outstanding, the greatest amount of Annual Debt Service on the Bonds and Parity Bonds in the then current or any succeeding Bond Year prior to the final maturity of the Bonds and Parity Bonds.

"Maximum Special Tax" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, its successors and assigns.

"Net Special Taxes" means Gross Special Taxes minus the amount (not in excess of the then applicable Administrative Expense Requirement) deposited in the Administrative Expense Fund pursuant to the Indenture.

"Nominee" means the nominee of the Depository, which may be the Depository, as determined from time to time as described under the caption "GENERAL AUTHORIZATION AND BOND TERMS—Initial Depository and Nominee."

"Ordinance" means Ordinance No. 2017-003, adopted by the legislative body of the District on November 1, 2017, providing for the levying of the Special Tax.

"Outstanding" or "Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds" means all Bonds and Parity Bonds issued by the District for Improvement Area B, except:

(1) Bonds theretofore cancelled or surrendered for cancellation as described under the caption "MISCELLANEOUS—Cancellation of Bonds and Parity Bonds;"

(2) Bonds and Parity Bonds for payment or redemption of which moneys have been theretofore deposited in trust (whether upon or prior to the maturity or the redemption date of such Bonds or Parity Bonds), provided that, if such Bonds or Parity Bonds are to be redeemed prior to the maturity thereof, notice of such redemption will have been given as provided in the Indenture or any applicable Supplemental Indenture for Parity Bonds; and

(3) Bonds and Parity Bonds which have been surrendered to the Fiscal Agent for transfer or exchange as described under the caption "GENERAL AUTHORIZATION AND BOND TERMS— Registration of Exchange or Transfer" or for which a replacement has been issued as described under the caption "GENERAL AUTHORIZATION AND BOND TERMS—Mutilated, List, Destroyed or Stolen Bonds or Parity Bonds."

"Parcel" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

"Parity Bonds" means all bonds, notes or other similar evidences of indebtedness thereafter issued, payable out of Net Special Taxes and which, as provided in the Indenture or any Supplemental Indenture, rank on a parity with the Bonds.

"Participant" means each of the broker-dealers, banks and other financial institutions from time to time for which the Depository holds Bonds or Parity Bonds as securities depository.

"Person" means natural persons, firms, corporations, partnerships, associations, joint ventures, trusts, public bodies and other entities.

"Prepayments" means any amounts paid by the District to the Fiscal Agent and designated by the District as a prepayment of Special Taxes for one or more Parcels in Improvement Area B made in accordance with the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

"Principal Account" means the account by that name in the Special Tax Fund.

"Principal Office of the Fiscal Agent" means the corporate trust office of the Fiscal Agent located in Los Angeles, California, provided that for purposes of redemption, payment, exchange, transfer or surrender of Bonds such term means the corporate trust office of the Fiscal Agent located in St. Paul, Minnesota, or such other office or offices as the Fiscal Agent may designate from time to time, or the office of any successor Fiscal Agent where it principally conducts its corporate trust and agency business.

"Project" means those public facilities described in the Resolution of Formation which are to be acquired or constructed within and outside of Improvement Area B, including all engineering, planning and design services and other incidental expenses related to such facilities and other facilities, if any, authorized by the qualified electors within Improvement Area B from time to time.

"Project Costs" means the amounts necessary to finance the Project, to create and replenish any necessary reserve funds, to pay the initial and annual costs associated with the Bonds or any Parity Bonds, including, but not limited to, remarketing, credit enhancement, Fiscal Agent and other fees and expenses relating to the issuance of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds or the formation of the District and Improvement Area B, and to pay any other "incidental expenses" of the District, as such term is defined in the Act.

"Rate and Method of Apportionment" means that certain Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax for the Improvement Area B approved on November 1, 2017 pursuant to the Resolution of Formation.

"Rebate Fund" means the fund by that name established pursuant to the Indenture in which there are established the accounts described in the Indenture.

"Rebate Regulations" means any final, temporary or proposed Regulations promulgated under Section 148(f) of the Code.

"Record Date" means the fifteenth day of the month preceding an Interest Payment Date, regardless of whether such day is a Business Day.

"Redemption Account" means the account by that name in the Special Tax Fund.

"Regulations" means the regulations adopted or proposed by the Department of Treasury from time to time with respect to obligations issued pursuant to Section 103 of the Code.

"Representation Letter" means the Blanket Letter of Representations from the District to the Depository as described under the caption "GENERAL AUTHORIZATION AND BOND TERMS—Representation Letter."

"Reserve Account" means the account by that name in the Special Tax Fund.

"Reserve Requirement" means the amount as of any date of calculation that is equal to the least of (i) 10% of the initial principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds, if any, (ii) Maximum Annual Debt Service on the then Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds, if any, (iii) 125% of Average Annual Debt Service on the then Outstanding Bonds and any Parity Bonds, or (iv) until such time that Parity Bonds are issued, \$343,993.76, the initial Reserve Requirement for the Bonds.

"Resolution of Formation" means Resolution No. 2017-117 adopted by the Board of Directors of the Water District on November 1, 2017, pursuant to which the Water District formed the District and Improvement Area B and approved the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

"Resolution of Issuance" means Resolution No. 2023-054 of the District, approving among other things the Indenture and any Supplemental Indenture approved pursuant to the Indenture as described under the caption "AMENDMENTS TO INDENTURE."

"Special Tax Administrator" means Webb Municipal Finance, LLC in its capacity as the consultant engaged by the District to administer the calculation and collection of the Special Taxes, or any successor or replacement entity acting in such capacity.

"Special Tax Fund" means the fund by that name created and established pursuant to the Indenture.

"Special Tax Holding Fund" means the fund by that name created and established pursuant to the Indenture.

"Special Taxes" means the taxes authorized to be levied by the District on property within Improvement Area B in accordance with the Ordinance, the Resolution of Formation, the Act and the voter approval obtained at the November 1, 2017 election in the District.

"Standard & Poor's" means S&P Global Ratings, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business, its successors and assigns.

"Supplemental Indenture" means any supplemental indenture amending or supplementing the Indenture.

"Tax Certificate" means the certificate by that name to be executed by the District on a Delivery Date to establish certain facts and expectations and which contains certain covenants relevant to compliance with the Code.

"Taxable Property" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Rate and Method of Apportionment.

"Term Bonds" means the 2038 Term Bonds, the 2043 Term Bonds, the 2048 Term Bonds, the 2053 Term Bonds and any term maturities of an issue of Parity Bonds as specified in a Supplemental Indenture.

"2038 Term Bonds" means the Bonds maturing on September 1, 2038.

"2043 Term Bonds" means the Bonds maturing on September 1, 2043.

"2048 Term Bonds" means the Bonds maturing on September 1, 2048.

"2053 Term Bonds" means the Bonds maturing on September 1, 2053.

"Water District" means Eastern Municipal Water District.

# GENERAL AUTHORIZATION AND BOND TERMS

**Type and Nature of Bonds.** Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the Water District, the State of California or any political subdivision thereof other than the District is pledged to the payment of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds. Except for the Net Special Taxes, no other taxes are pledged to the payment of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds. The Bonds and any Parity Bonds are not general or special obligations of the Water District, but are limited obligations of the District payable solely

from certain amounts deposited by the District in the Special Tax Fund, as more fully described in the Indenture. The District's limited obligation to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds from amounts in the Special Tax Fund is absolute and unconditional, free of deductions and without any abatement, offset, recoupment, diminution or set-off whatsoever. No Owner of Bonds or any Parity Bonds may compel the exercise of the taxing power by the District (except as pertains to the Special Taxes) or the Water District or the forfeiture of any of their property. The principal of and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds and premiums upon the redemption thereof, if any, are not a debt of the Water District, the State of California or any of its political subdivisions within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation or restriction. The Bonds and any Parity Bonds are not a legal or equitable pledge, charge, lien, or encumbrance upon any of the District's property, or upon any of its income, receipts or revenues, except the Net Special Taxes and other amounts in the Special Tax Fund which are, under the terms of the Indenture and the Act, set aside for the payment of the Bonds, any Parity Bonds and interest thereon and neither the members of the legislative body of the District nor any persons executing the Bonds or any Parity Bonds, are liable personally on the Bonds or any Parity Bonds by reason of their issuance.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Indenture, the District is not required to advance any money derived from any source of income other than the Net Special Taxes for the payment of the interest on or the principal of or premium on the Bonds or any Parity Bonds or for the performance of any covenants contained in the Indenture. The District may, however, advance funds for any such purpose, provided that such funds are derived from a source legally available for such purpose.

Equality of Bonds and Parity Bonds and Pledge of Net Special Taxes. Subject only to the provisions of the Indenture permitting the application thereof for the purposes and on the terms and conditions set forth in the Indenture, in order to secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds in accordance with their terms, the provisions of the Indenture and the Act, the District has pledged to the Owners, and has granted thereto a lien on and a security interest in, all of the Net Special Taxes and any other amounts held in the Special Tax Fund. Said pledge constitutes a first lien on and security interest in such assets, which will immediately attach to such assets and be effective, binding and enforceable against the District, its successors, purchasers of any of such assets, creditors and all others asserting rights therein, to the extent set forth in, and in accordance with, the Indenture, irrespective of whether those parties have notice of the pledge of, lien on and security interest in such assets and without the need for any physical delivery, recordation, filing or further act. Pursuant to the Act and the Indenture, the Bonds and any Parity Bonds will be equally payable from the Net Special Taxes and other amounts in the Special Tax Fund, without priority for number, date of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds, date of sale, date of execution, or date of delivery; and the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds and any premiums upon the redemption thereof, will be made exclusively from the Net Special Taxes and other amounts in the Special Tax Fund, which are set aside for the payment of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds. Amounts in the Special Tax Fund will constitute a trust fund held for the benefit of the Owners to be applied to the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds and so long as any of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds or interest thereon remain Outstanding will not be used for any other purpose, except as permitted by the Indenture or any Supplemental Indenture. Notwithstanding any provision contained in the Indenture to the contrary, Net Special Taxes deposited in the Rebate Fund will no longer be considered to be pledged to the Bonds or any Parity Bonds; and none of the Rebate Fund, the Improvement Fund, the Administrative Expense Fund or the Special Tax Holding Fund will be construed as a trust fund held for the benefit of the Owners.

Nothing in the Indenture or any Supplemental Indenture will preclude, subject to the limitations contained under the Indenture, the redemption prior to maturity of any Bonds or Parity Bonds subject to call and redemption and payment of said Bonds or Parity Bonds from proceeds of refunding bonds issued under the Act as the same exists or as later amended, or under any other law of the State of California.

**Place and Form of Payment.** The Bonds and Parity Bonds are payable both as to principal and interest, and as to any premiums upon the redemption thereof, in lawful money of the United States of America. The principal of the Bonds and Parity Bonds and any premiums due upon the redemption thereof

will be payable upon presentation and surrender thereof at the Principal Office of the Fiscal Agent. Interest on any Bond or Parity Bond will be payable from the Interest Payment Date next preceding the date of authentication of that Bond or Parity Bond, unless (i) such date of authentication is an Interest Payment Date in which event interest will be payable from such date of authentication, (ii) the date of authentication is after a Record Date but prior to the immediately succeeding Interest Payment Date, in which event interest will be payable from the Interest Payment Date immediately succeeding the date of authentication, or (iii) the date of authentication is prior to the close of business on the first Record Date occurring after the issuance of such Bond or Parity Bond, in which event interest will be payable from the dated date of such Bond or Parity Bond, provided, however, that if at the time of authentication of such Bond or Parity Bond, interest is in default, interest on that Bond or Parity Bond will be payable from the last Interest Payment Date to which the interest has been paid or made available for payment or, if no interest has been paid or made available for payment on that Bond or Parity Bond, interest on that Bond or Parity Bond will be payable from its dated date. Interest on any Bond or Parity Bond will be paid to the Person whose name appears in the Bond Register as the Owner of such Bond or Parity Bond as of the close of business on the Record Date. Such interest will be paid by check of the Fiscal Agent mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to such Bondowner at his or her address as it appears on the Bond Register. In addition, upon a request in writing received by the Fiscal Agent on or before the applicable Record Date from an Owner of \$1,000,000 or more in principal amount of the Bonds or of any issue of Parity Bonds, payment will be made on the Interest Payment Date by wire transfer in immediately available funds to an account designated by such Owner.

**Execution and Authentication.** The Bonds and Parity Bonds will be signed on behalf of the District by the manual or facsimile signature of the President of the Board of Directors and by the manual or facsimile signature of the Secretary of the Board of Directors, or any duly appointed deputy Secretary, in their capacity as officers of the District. In case any one or more of the officers who have signed or sealed any of the Bonds or Parity Bonds ceases to be such officer before the Bonds or Parity Bonds so signed and sealed have been authenticated and delivered by the Fiscal Agent (including new Bonds or Parity Bonds delivered pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture with reference to the transfer and exchange of Bonds or Parity Bonds or to lost, stolen, destroyed or mutilated Bonds or Parity Bonds), such Bonds and Parity Bonds will nevertheless be valid and may be authenticated and delivered as provided in the Indenture, and may be issued as if the person who signed or sealed such Bonds or Parity Bonds had not ceased to hold such office.

Only the Bonds bearing thereon such certificate of authentication in the form attached to the Indenture will be entitled to any right or benefit under the Indenture, and no Bond will be valid or obligatory for any purpose until such certificate of authentication will have been duly executed by the Fiscal Agent.

**Bond Register.** The Fiscal Agent will keep or cause to be kept, at the Principal Office of the Fiscal Agent, sufficient books for the registration and transfer of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds which will upon reasonable prior notice be open to inspection by the District during all regular business hours, and, subject to the limitations described under the caption "—Registration of Exchange or Transfer" below, upon presentation for such purpose, the Fiscal Agent will, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, register or transfer or cause to be transferred on said Bond Register, Bonds and any Parity Bonds as provided in the Indenture.

The District and the Fiscal Agent may treat the Person whose name appears on the Bond Register as the absolute Owner of that Bond for any and all purposes, and the District and the Fiscal Agent will not be affected by any notice to the contrary. The District and the Fiscal Agent may rely on the address of the Bondowner as it appears in the Bond Register for any and all purposes. It is the duty of the Bondowner to give written notice to the Fiscal Agent of any change in the Bondowner's address so that the Bond Register may be revised accordingly.

**Registration of Exchange or Transfer.** Subject to the limitations described in the following paragraph, the registration of any Bond or Parity Bond may, in accordance with its terms, be transferred upon the Bond Register by the Person in whose name it is registered, in person or by his or her duly authorized

attorney, upon surrender of such Bond or Parity Bond for cancellation at the Principal Office of the Fiscal Agent, accompanied by delivery of written instrument of transfer in a form acceptable to the Fiscal Agent and duly executed by the Bondowner or his or her duly authorized attorney.

Bonds or Parity Bonds may be exchanged at the Principal Office of the Fiscal Agent for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds or Parity Bonds of other authorized denominations of the same maturity and issue. The Fiscal Agent will not collect from the Owner any charge for any new Bond or Parity Bond issued upon any exchange or transfer, but will require the Bondowner requesting such exchange or transfer to pay any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or transfer. Whenever any Bonds or Parity Bonds are surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange, the District will execute and the Fiscal Agent will authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds or a new Parity Bond or Parity Bonds of the same issue and maturity, for a like aggregate principal amount; provided that the Fiscal Agent will not be required to register transfers or make exchanges of (i) Bonds or Parity Bonds for a period of 15 days next preceding any selection of the Bonds or Parity Bonds to be redeemed, or (ii) any Bonds or Parity Bonds chosen for redemption.

Mutilated, Lost, Destroyed or Stolen Bonds or Parity Bonds. If any Bond or Parity Bond becomes mutilated, the District will execute, and the Fiscal Agent will authenticate and deliver, a new Bond or Parity Bond of like tenor, date, issue and maturity in exchange and substitution for the Bond or Parity Bond so mutilated, but only upon surrender to the Fiscal Agent of the Bond or Parity Bond so mutilated. Every mutilated Bond or Parity Bond so surrendered to the Fiscal Agent will be cancelled by the Fiscal Agent pursuant to the Indenture. If any Bond or Parity Bond is lost, destroyed or stolen, evidence of such loss, destruction or theft may be submitted to the Fiscal Agent and, if such evidence is satisfactory to the Fiscal Agent and, if any indemnity satisfactory to the Fiscal Agent will be given, the District will execute and the Fiscal Agent will authenticate and deliver, a new Bond or Parity Bond of like tenor, maturity and issue, numbered and dated as the Fiscal Agent will determine in lieu of and in substitution for the Bond or Parity Bond so lost, destroyed or stolen. Any Bond or Parity Bond issued in lieu of any Bond or Parity Bond alleged to be mutilated, lost, destroyed or stolen, will be equally and proportionately entitled to the benefits of the Indenture with all other Bonds and Parity Bonds issued under the Indenture. The Fiscal Agent will not treat both the original Bond or Parity Bond and any replacement Bond or Parity Bond as being Outstanding for the purpose of determining the principal amount of Bonds or Parity Bonds which may be executed, authenticated and delivered under the Indenture or for the purpose of determining any percentage of Bonds or Parity Bonds Outstanding under the Indenture, but both the original and replacement Bond or Parity Bond will be treated as one and the same. Notwithstanding the above, in lieu of delivering a new Bond or Parity Bond to replace a Bond or Parity Bond which has been mutilated, lost, destroyed or stolen, and which has matured, the Fiscal Agent may make payment with respect to such Bond or Parity Bond upon receipt of indemnity satisfactory to the Fiscal Agent.

Validity of Bonds. The validity of the authorization and issuance of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds will not be affected in any way by any defect in any proceedings taken by the District for the financing of the Project, or by the invalidity, in whole or in part, of any contracts made by the District in connection therewith, and will not be dependent upon the completion of the financing of the Project or upon the performance by any Person of his obligation with respect to the Project, and the recital contained in the Bonds or Parity Bonds or that the same are issued pursuant to the Act and other applicable laws of the State will be conclusive evidence of their validity and of the regularity of their issuance.

**Book-Entry System.** The Bonds will be initially delivered in the form of a separate single fully registered Bond (which may be typewritten) for each maturity. Upon initial delivery, the ownership of each such Bond will be registered in the Bond Register in the name of the Nominee as nominee of the Depository. Except as described under the caption "—Transfers Outside Book-Entry System" below, all of the Outstanding Bonds will be registered in the Bond Register in the name of the Nominee. At the election of the District, any Parity Bonds may also be issued as book entry bonds registered in the name of the Nominee as provided in the Indenture, in which case the references under the captions "—Book-Entry System," "—Representation Letter,"

"-Transfers Outside Book-Entry System," and "-Payments to Nominee" will be applicable to such Parity Bonds.

With respect to Bonds registered in the Bond Register in the name of the Nominee, the District and the Fiscal Agent will have no responsibility or obligation to any Participant or to any Person on behalf of which such Participant holds an interest in the Bonds. Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the District and the Fiscal Agent will have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of the Depository, the Nominee, or any Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds, (ii) the delivery to any Participant or any other Person, other than an Owner as shown in the Bond Register, of any notice with respect to the Bonds, including any notice of redemption, (iii) the selection by the Depository and its Participants of the beneficial interests in the Bonds to be redeemed in the event the Bonds are redeemed in part, or (iv) the payment to any Participant or any other Person, other than an Owner as shown in the Bond Register, of any amount with respect to principal of, premium, if any, or interest due with respect to the Bonds. The District and the Fiscal Agent may treat and consider the Person in whose name each Bond is registered in the Bond Register as the holder and absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond, for the purpose of giving notices of redemption and other matters with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of registering transfers with respect to such Bond, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Fiscal Agent will pay all principal of, premium, if any, and interest due on the Bonds only to or upon the order of the respective Owner, as shown in the Bond Register, or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments will be valid and effective to satisfy and discharge fully the District's obligations with respect to payment of the principal, premium, if any, and interest due on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No Person other than an Owner, as shown in the Bond Register, will receive a Bond evidencing the obligation of the District to make payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest pursuant to the Indenture. Upon delivery by the Depository to the Fiscal Agent and the District of written notice to the effect that the Depository has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of the Nominee, and subject to the provisions in the Indenture with respect to Record Dates, the word Nominee in the Indenture will refer to such new nominee of the Depository.

**Representation Letter.** In order to qualify the Bonds and any Parity Bonds which the District elects to register in the name of the Nominee for the Depository's book-entry system, an authorized representative of the Fiscal Agent is authorized to execute from time to time and deliver to such Depository the Representation Letter. The execution and delivery of the Representation Letter will not in any way limit the provisions of the Indenture described under the caption "COVENANTS AND WARRANTY—Warranty" or in any other way impose upon the District or the Fiscal Agent any obligation whatsoever with respect to persons having interests in the Bonds other than the Owners, as shown in the Bond Register. The Fiscal Agent agrees to take all action necessary to continuously comply with all representations made by it in the Representation Letter. In addition to the execution and delivery of the Representation Letter, the President of the Board of Directors and the Authorized Representatives of the Water District are authorized to take any other actions, not inconsistent with the Indenture, to qualify the Bonds for the Depository's book-entry program.

**Transfers Outside Book-Entry System.** In the event (i) the Depository determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds or Parity Bonds, or (ii) the District determines that the Depository will no longer so act, then the District will discontinue the book-entry system with the Depository. If the District fails to identify another qualified securities depository to replace the Depository then the Bonds and Parity Bonds so designated will no longer be restricted to being registered in the Bond Register in the name of the Nominee, but will be registered in whatever name or names Persons transferring or exchanging Bonds and Parity Bonds will designate, in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture described under the caption "— Registration of Exchange or Transfer."

**Payments to the Nominee.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Indenture to the contrary, so long as any Bond or Parity Bond is registered in the name of the Nominee, all payments with respect to principal, premium, if any, and interest due with respect to such Bond or Parity Bond and all notices with

respect to such Bond or Parity Bond will be made and given, respectively, as provided in the Representation Letter or as otherwise instructed by the Depository.

**Issuance of Additional Bonds for Refunding Purposes.** The District may at any time after the issuance and delivery of the Bonds under the Indenture issue Parity Bonds payable from the Net Special Taxes and other amounts deposited in the Special Tax Fund and secured by a lien and charge upon such amounts equal to the lien and charge securing the Outstanding Bonds and any other Parity Bonds theretofore issued under the Indenture or under any Supplemental Indenture; provided, however, that Parity Bonds may only be issued for the purpose of refunding all or a portion of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds then Outstanding. Parity Bonds issued to effect a partial refunding will be issued subject to the following additional specific conditions, which are conditions precedent to the issuance of any such Parity Bonds:

(a) The District will be in compliance with all covenants set forth in the Indenture and any Supplemental Indenture then in effect and a certificate of the District to that effect will have been filed with the Fiscal Agent; provided, however, that Parity Bonds may be issued notwithstanding that the District is not in compliance with all such covenants so long as immediately following the issuance of such Parity Bonds the District will be in compliance with all such covenants.

(b) The issuance of such Parity Bonds will have been duly authorized pursuant to the Act and all applicable laws, and the issuance of such Parity Bonds will have been provided for by a Supplemental Indenture duly approved, executed and delivered by the District which will specify the following:

(i) the purpose for which such Parity Bonds are to be issued and the fund or funds into which the proceeds thereof are to be deposited;

(ii) the authorized principal amount of such Parity Bonds;

(iii) the date, the interest payment dates, and the maturity date or dates of such Parity Bonds; provided that (1) each interest payment date will fall on a March 1 or September 1 and (2) each maturity date will fall on a September 1;

(iv) the description of the Parity Bonds, the place of payment thereof and the procedure for execution and authentication;

(v) the denominations and method of numbering of such Parity Bonds;

(vi) the amount and due date of each mandatory Sinking Fund Payment, if any,

for such Parity Bonds;

(vii) the amount, if any, to be deposited from the proceeds of such Parity Bonds in the Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund to increase the amount therein to the Reserve Requirement, provided that if the interest on such Parity Bonds is intended by the District to be excluded from the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes, such amount will not exceed the maximum amount of proceeds that, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, can be so deposited without causing the interest on such Parity Bonds to be included in the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax;

- (viii) the form of such Parity Bonds; and
- (ix) such other provisions as are necessary or appropriate and not inconsistent

with the Indenture.

(c) The Fiscal Agent will have received the following documents, all dated or certified, as the case may be, as of the date of delivery of such Parity Bonds:

(i) an executed copy of the Supplemental Indenture in connection with the issuance of such Parity Bonds;

(ii) a written request of the District as to the delivery of such Parity Bonds;

(iii) an opinion of Bond Counsel and/or general counsel to the District to the effect that (1) the District has the right and power under the Act to adopt the Supplemental Indenture relating to such Parity Bonds, and the Supplemental Indenture has been duly and lawfully approved, executed and delivered by the District, is in full force and effect and is valid and binding upon the District and enforceable in accordance with its terms (subject to the usual and customary exceptions); (2) the Indenture creates the valid pledge which it purports to create of the Net Special Taxes and other amounts as provided in the Indenture, subject to the application thereof to the purposes and on the conditions permitted by the Indenture; and (3) such Parity Bonds are valid and binding limited obligations of the District, enforceable in accordance with their terms (subject to the usual and customary exceptions) and the terms of the Indenture and all Supplemental Indentures thereto and are entitled to the benefits of the Indenture and all such Supplemental Indentures, and such Parity Bonds have been duly and validly authorized and issued in accordance with the Act (or other applicable laws) and the Indenture and all such Supplemental Indentures; and a further opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that, assuming compliance by the District with certain tax covenants, the issuance of the Parity Bonds will not adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds theretofore issued on a tax exempt basis, or the exemption from State of California personal income taxation of interest on any Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds theretofore issued:

(iv) a certificate of the District containing such statements as may be reasonably necessary to show compliance with the requirements of the Indenture;

(v) a certificate from an Independent Financial Consultant to the effect that Annual Debt Service after the issuance of such Parity Bonds will be no larger than Annual Debt Service would have been prior to the issuance of such Parity Bonds in each Fiscal Year in which Bonds or Parity Bonds (other than the refunding Parity Bonds) will remain Outstanding; and

(vi) such further documents, money and securities as are required by the provisions of the Indenture and the Supplemental Indenture providing for the issuance of such Parity Bonds.

#### **CREATION OF FUNDS; APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS; AND SPECIAL TAXES**

#### **Creation of Funds and Application of Proceeds.**

The Indenture creates and established the following funds and accounts, which will be maintained by the Fiscal Agent:

(1) The Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) Improvement Area B Special Tax Fund, in which there will be established and created an Interest Account, a Principal Account, a Redemption Account and a Reserve Account; and

(2) The Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) Improvement Area B Rebate Fund, in which there will be established a Rebate Account;

(3) The Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) Improvement Area B Improvement Fund, in which there will be established the Costs of Issuance Account, the EMWD Improvements Account and the Capacity Improvements Account;

(4) The Administrative Expense Fund; and

(5) The Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) Improvement Area B Special Tax Holding Fund.

In connection with the issuance of any Parity Bonds, the Fiscal Agent, at the direction of an Authorized Representative of the District, may create new funds, accounts or subaccounts, or may create additional accounts and subaccounts within any of the foregoing funds and accounts for the purpose of separately accounting for the proceeds of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds.

The Fiscal Agent may, in its discretion, establish a temporary fund or account in its books and records to facilitate such deposits. The amounts on deposit in the foregoing funds and accounts will be held by the Fiscal Agent and the Fiscal Agent will invest and disburse the amounts in such funds and accounts in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture and will disburse investment earnings thereon in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture described under the caption "—Investments" below.

## Special Taxes and Deposits to and Disbursements from Special Tax Fund.

(a) Except for the portion of any Prepayment to be deposited to the Redemption Account, the District will, on each date on which the Special Taxes are received by the District, transfer the Special Taxes to the Fiscal Agent for deposit in the Special Tax Fund to be held in trust by the Fiscal Agent. The Fiscal Agent will use the Special Taxes on deposit in the Special Tax Fund on the dates and in the amounts set forth in the Indenture, in the following order of priority, to:

(1) Deposit in the Administrative Expense Fund an amount equal to the Administrative Expense Requirement or, if the Fiscal Agent receives written direction from the District to transfer a lesser amount, then such lesser amount, provided that not more than one half of the Administrative Expense Requirement will be so transferred in any Fiscal Year prior to the date on which the balance on deposit in the Interest Account of the Special Tax Fund is at least equal to the interest payable on the Bonds and Parity Bonds on March 1;

(2) Deposit in the Interest Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount necessary to cause the balance on deposit therein to equal the interest coming due on the Bonds and Parity Bonds on the next succeeding Interest Payment Date;

(3) Deposit in the Principal Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount necessary to cause the balance on deposit therein to be equal to the principal amount of the Bonds, Parity Bonds and/or the Sinking Fund Payment payable on the next succeeding September 1;

(4) Deposit in the Redemption Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount necessary to pay any optional redemption of the Bonds as provided in the Indenture or optional redemption of any Parity Bonds;

(5) Deposit in the Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund the amount, if necessary, to cause the balance on deposit in the Reserve Account to equal the Reserve Requirement;

(6) Pay to the District any Administrative Expenses in excess of the Administrative Expense Requirement that the District has requested be paid or reimbursed to it;

(7) Deposit in the Rebate Account the amounts required to be deposited therein as described under the caption "—Rebate Fund" below; and

(8) Deposit in the Special Tax Holding Fund, after all of the foregoing deposits and transfers and all of the deposits and transfers required under the Indenture have been completed, any amount directed in writing by the District.

(b) The portion of any Prepayment received by the District that is the "Future Facilities Costs" thereof (as defined in the Rate and Method of Apportionment) will be identified as such by the District and transferred to the Fiscal Agent for deposit in the Improvement Fund and in such accounts therein as will be specified in a Certificate of an Authorized Representative of the District. The portion of any Prepayment received by the District that is to be applied to the redemption of Bonds or Parity Bonds will be identified as such by the District and transferred to the Fiscal Agent for deposit in the Redemption Account.

At maturity of all of the Bonds and Parity Bonds and after all principal and interest then due on the Bonds and Parity Bonds then Outstanding has been paid or provided for, Special Taxes held by the District and moneys in the Special Tax Fund and any accounts therein may be used by the District for any lawful purpose.

Administrative Expense Fund. Amounts on deposit in the Administrative Expense Fund may be applied by the Fiscal Agent upon the written direction of the District from time to time to pay Administrative Expenses.

Interest Account and Principal Account of the Special Tax Fund. The scheduled principal or Sinking Fund Payments of, and interest on, the Bonds and any Parity Bonds will be paid by the Fiscal Agent from amounts transferred to the Interest Account and the Principal Account of the Special Tax Fund. For the purpose of assuring that the payment of principal or Sinking Fund Payment of, and interest on, the Bonds and any Parity Bonds will be made when due, after the deposit is made as described under the caption "— Administrative Expense Fund" above, at least one Business Day prior to each Interest Payment Date, the Fiscal Agent will make the following transfers first to the Interest Account and then to the Principal Account:

(a) To the Interest Account, an amount such that the balance in the Interest Account one (1) Business Day prior to each Interest Payment Date will be equal to the installment of interest due on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds on said Interest Payment Date. Moneys in the Interest Account will be used for the payment of interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds as the same become due.

(b) To the Principal Account, an amount such that the balance in the Principal Account one (1) Business Day prior to September 1 of each year, will equal the principal payment and Sinking Fund Payment of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds due on such September 1. Moneys in the Principal Account will be used for the payment of the principal and Sinking Fund Payment of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds as the same become due.

However, notwithstanding the above, to the extent that deposits have been made in the Interest Account or the Principal Account from the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds, or otherwise, or to the extent that a transfer will be made from the Reserve Account to the Interest Account as described in the last paragraph under the caption "—Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund" below, the transfers from the Special Tax Fund described above will be reduced by a like amount.

# **Redemption Account of the Special Tax Fund.**

(a) After making the transfers and deposits to the Administrative Expense Fund, the Interest Account and the Principal Account described under the captions "—Administrative Expense Fund" and "—Interest Account and Principal Account of the Special Tax Fund" above, and in accordance with the District's election to call Bonds for optional redemption as set forth in the Indenture, or to call Parity Bonds for optional redemption as set forth in any Supplemental Indenture for Parity Bonds, the Fiscal Agent will transfer from the Special Tax Fund and deposit in the Redemption Account moneys available for the purpose and sufficient to pay the principal and the premiums, if any, payable on the Bonds or Parity Bonds called for optional redemption; provided, however, that amounts in the Special Tax Fund may be applied to optionally redeem Bonds or Parity Bonds only if immediately following such redemption the amount in the Reserve Account will equal the Reserve Requirement.

(b) Prepayments deposited to the Redemption Account will be applied on the redemption date established pursuant to the Indenture for the use of such Prepayments to the payment of the principal of, premium, and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds to be redeemed with such Prepayments.

Moneys set aside in the Redemption Account will be used solely for the purpose of (c) redeeming Bonds and Parity Bonds and will be applied on or after the redemption date to the payment of principal of and premium, if any, on the Bonds or Parity Bonds to be redeemed upon presentation and surrender of such Bonds or Parity Bonds and, in the case of an optional redemption or a special mandatory redemption from Prepayments, to pay the interest thereon; provided, however, that in lieu or partially in lieu of such call and redemption, moneys deposited in the Redemption Account, other than Prepayments (which will be used to redeem Bonds and Parity Bonds on the redemption date established pursuant to the Indenture), may be used to purchase Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds in the manner provided in the Indenture. Purchases of Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds may be made by the District at public or private sale as and when and at such prices as the District may in its discretion determine but only at prices (including brokerage or other expenses) not more than par plus accrued interest, plus, in the case of moneys set aside for an optional redemption, the premium applicable at the next following call date according to the premium schedule established pursuant to the Indenture, or in the case of Parity Bonds the premium schedule established in any Supplemental Indenture. Any accrued interest payable upon the purchase of Bonds and any Parity Bonds may be paid from the amount reserved in the Special Tax Fund for the payment of interest on the next following Interest Payment Date.

Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund. Amounts in the Reserve Account will be applied as follows:

(a) Moneys in the Reserve Account will be used solely for the purpose of paying the principal of, including Sinking Fund Payments, and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds when due or in the event that, the balance on deposit in the Interest Account or the Principal Account, as the case may be, is insufficient for such purpose and for the purpose of making any required transfer to the Rebate Fund, as described under the caption "—Rebate Fund" below, upon written direction from the District or any required transfer to the Redemption Account as described below. If the amounts in the Interest Account or Principal Account, as the case may be, are insufficient to pay the principal of, including Sinking Fund Payments, or interest on the Bonds and Parity Bonds when due, or amounts in the Special Tax Fund are insufficient to make transfers to the Rebate Fund when required, the Fiscal Agent will withdraw from the Reserve Account for deposit in the Interest Account or the Principal Account, as the case may be, or the Rebate Fund, as applicable, moneys necessary for such purposes.

(b) Whenever moneys are withdrawn from the Reserve Account, after making the required transfers to the Administrative Expense Fund, the Interest Account, the Principal Account and the Redemption Account, the Fiscal Agent will transfer to the Reserve Account from available moneys in the Special Tax Fund, or from any other legally available funds which the District elects to apply to such purpose, the amount needed to restore the amount of the Reserve Account to the Reserve Requirement. If amounts in the Special Tax Fund together with any other amounts transferred to replenish the Reserve Account are inadequate to restore the Reserve Account to the Reserve Requirement, then the District will include the amount necessary to fully restore the Reserve Account to the Reserve Requirement in the next annual Special Tax levy to the extent of the Maximum Special Taxes.

(c) In connection with a redemption of Bonds (other than mandatory sinking fund redemptions) or Parity Bonds in accordance with the Indenture or any Supplemental Indenture or a partial defeasance of Bonds or Parity Bonds as described under the caption "DEFEASANCE—Defeasance", amounts in the Reserve Account may be applied to such redemption or partial defeasance if so provided in a Certificate of an Authorized Representative, so long as the amount on deposit in the Reserve Account following such optional redemption or partial defeasance equals the Reserve Requirement following such optional redemption or partial defeasance.

(d) To the extent that the sum of the amounts on deposit in the Reserve Account as of the first day of the penultimate Bond Year equals or exceeds the sum of Annual Debt Service in each of the final two Bond Years, amounts in the Reserve Account may be applied to pay the principal of and interest due on the Bonds and Parity Bonds in such Bond Years, if so provided in a Certificate of an Authorized Representative.

(e) To the extent that the amount on deposit in the Reserve Account as of the first day of the final Bond Year for the Bonds or an issue of Parity Bonds equals or exceeds Annual Debt Service for that Bond Year, amounts in the Reserve Account may be applied to pay the principal of and interest due on the Bonds and Parity Bonds, as applicable, in the final Bond Year for such issue, if so provided in a Certificate of an Authorized Representative.

(f) The Fiscal Agent will withdraw from the Reserve Account moneys in excess of the Reserve Requirement not transferred in accordance with the preceding paragraphs one Business Day before each March 1 and September 1, and transfer such moneys to the Interest Account of the Special Tax Fund, unless prior to such date the Fiscal Agent is directed in a Certificate of an Authorized Representative to transfer such moneys to a different fund or account specified in such certificate.

# Rebate Fund.

(a) All money at any time deposited in the Rebate Account of the Rebate Fund will be held by the Fiscal Agent in trust, for payment to the United States Treasury. All amounts on deposit in the Rebate Account with respect to the Bonds or an issue of Parity Bonds will be governed as described below and by the Tax Certificate, unless the District delivers to the Fiscal Agent an opinion of Bond Counsel that the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest payments on the Bonds and Parity Bonds will not be adversely affected if such requirements are not satisfied. The Fiscal Agent will not be responsible for calculating rebatable arbitrage or for the adequacy or correctness or any rebate report or rebate calculations. The Fiscal Agent will be deemed conclusively to have complied with the provisions of the Indenture regarding calculation and payment of the rebatable arbitrage if the Fiscal Agent follows the directions of the District and the Fiscal Agent will have no independent duty to review such calculations or enforce the compliance with such rebate requirements.

(i) to the Rebate Account:

Rebate Account. The following requirements will be satisfied with respect

(1) <u>Annual Computation</u>. Within 55 days after the end of every fifth Bond Year, the District will calculate or cause to be calculated the amount of rebatable arbitrage for the Bonds and each issue of Parity Bonds in accordance with Section 148(f)(2) of the Code and Section 1.148-3 of the Rebate Regulations (taking into account any applicable exceptions with respect to the computation of the rebatable arbitrage described in the Tax Certificate for each issue (e.g., the temporary investments exceptions of Section 148(f)(4)(B) and (C) of the Code), and taking into account whether the election pursuant to Section 148(f)(4)(C)(vii) of the Code (the "1½% Penalty") has been made), for this purpose treating the last day of the applicable Bond Year as a computation date, within the meaning of Section 1.148-1(b) of the Rebate Regulations (the "Rebatable Arbitrage"). The District will obtain expert advice as to the amount of the Rebatable Arbitrage to comply with the Rebate Fund provisions of the Indenture.

(2) <u>Annual Transfer</u>. Within 55 days of the end of each Bond Year for which Rebatable Arbitrage must be calculated as required by the Tax Certificate the District will transfer to the Fiscal Agent an amount to be deposited in the Rebate Account if and to the extent required, so that the balance in the Rebate Account will equal the amount of Rebatable Arbitrage so calculated by or on behalf of the District in accordance with paragraph (1) above with respect to the Bonds and each issue of Parity Bonds issued on a tax-exempt basis. In the event that immediately following any transfer required by the previous sentence, or the date on which the District determines that no transfer is required for such Bond Year, the

amount then on deposit in the Rebate Account exceeds the amount required to be on deposit therein, the Fiscal Agent will withdraw the excess from the Rebate Account and then credit the excess to the Administrative Expense Fund.

(3) <u>Payment to the Treasury</u>. The District will direct the Fiscal Agent to pay to the United States Treasury out of amounts in the Rebate Account,

(x) Not later than 60 days after the end of (A) the fifth Bond Year for the Bonds and each issue of Parity Bonds to which this Section is applicable, and (B) each applicable fifth Bond Year thereafter, an amount equal to at least 90% of the Rebatable Arbitrage calculated as of the end of such Bond Year for the Bonds and each issue of Parity Bonds; and

(y) Not later than 60 days after the payment or redemption of all of the Bonds or an issue of Parity Bonds, an amount equal to 100% of the Rebatable Arbitrage calculated as of the end of such applicable Bond Year, and any income attributable to the Rebatable Arbitrage, computed in accordance with Section 148(f) of the Code.

In the event that, prior to the time of any payment required to be made from the Rebate Account, the amount in the Rebate Account is not sufficient to make such payment when such payment is due, the District will calculate or cause to be calculated the amount of such deficiency and deposit an amount received from any legally available source equal to such deficiency prior to the time such payment is due. Each payment required to be made pursuant to this the above paragraphs will be made to the Internal Revenue Service Center, Ogden, Utah 84201 on or before the date on which such payment is due, and will be accompanied by Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-T, or will be made in such other manner as provided under the Code.

(b) <u>Disposition of Unexpended Funds</u>. Any funds remaining in the Rebate Account after redemption and payment of the Bonds or an issue of Parity Bonds and after making the payments described in paragraph (a)(i)(3) may be withdrawn by the District and utilized in any manner by the District.

(c) <u>Survival of Defeasance and Final Payment</u>. Notwithstanding anything described under the caption "—Rebate Fund" to the contrary, the obligation to comply with the provisions of the Indenture related to the Rebate Fund will survive the defeasance and final payment of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds with respect to which an account has been created in the Rebate Fund.

(d) <u>Amendment Without Consent of Owners</u>. The provisions of the Indenture related to the Rebate Fund may be deleted or amended in any manner without the consent of the Owners, provided that prior to such event there is delivered to the District an opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that such deletion or amendment will not adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds and any issue of Parity Bonds issued on a tax-exempt basis.

**Surplus Money in the Special Tax Fund.** After making the transfers described under the captions "—Special Taxes and Deposits to and Disbursements from Special Tax Fund," "—Administrative Expense Fund," "—Interest Account and Principal Account of the Special Tax Fund," "—Redemption Account of the Special Tax Fund," "—Redemption Account of the Special Tax Fund," "—Rebate Fund" as soon as practicable after each September 1, the excess amounts in the Special Tax Fund may, at the written direction of the District, be (a) retained in the Special Tax Fund to pay interest and principal on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds, (b) transferred to the Administrative Expense Fund if the amount therein is insufficient to pay Administrative Expenses, (c) transferred to the Redemption Account or (d) transferred to the Special Tax Holding Fund. In the absence of any such written direction of the District, such excess amounts will be held in the Special Tax Fund.

**Special Tax Holding Fund.** Moneys deposited in the Special Tax Holding Fund are not pledged to the repayment of the Bonds or Parity Bonds and may be used by the District for any lawful purpose and

disbursed by the Fiscal Agent in accordance with the written direction of the District. In the event that the District reasonably expects to use any portion of the moneys in the Special Tax Holding Fund to pay debt service on any Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds, the District will direct the Fiscal Agent, pursuant to a Certificate of an Authorized Representative, to segregate such amount into a separate subaccount; and the moneys on deposit in such subaccount of the Special Tax Holding Fund will be invested in Authorized Investments the interest on which is excludable from gross income under Section 103 of the Code (other than bonds the interest on which is a tax preference item for purposes of computing the alternative minimum tax of individuals under the Code) or in Authorized Investments at a Yield not in excess of the Yield on the Bonds or Parity Bonds, as applicable, unless, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, investment at a higher Yield will not adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds and Parity Bonds then Outstanding.

#### **Improvement Fund.**

(a) The moneys in the Costs of Issuance Account in the Improvement Fund will be disbursed by the Fiscal Agent at the written direction of the District for the payment of Costs of Issuance. Any balance remaining in the Costs of Issuance Account on January 1, 2024 will be transferred as directed in a Certificate of an Authorized Representative, to one or more other accounts or subaccounts in the Improvement Fund as specified in such Certificate of an Authorized Representative and the Costs of Issuance Account will be closed.

(b) The moneys in the Capacity Improvements Account in the Improvement Fund will be disbursed by the Fiscal Agent to the Water District from time to time upon the written direction of the District and pursuant to the Funding Agreement.

(c) The moneys in the EMWD Improvements Account in the Improvement Fund will be disbursed by the Fiscal Agent to the Water District from time to time upon the written direction of the District and pursuant to the Funding Agreement.

(d) Subject to any requirement of the Funding Agreement, if the District determines that all or a specified portion of the amount remaining in any account in the Improvement Fund is no longer needed to pay the costs otherwise payable from such account, the District may cause the transfer of all or such specified portion, as applicable, of the moneys remaining on deposit in such account to any other of such accounts and after all amounts to be paid from such accounts are satisfied for deposit in the Special Tax Fund.

**Investments.** Moneys held in any of the funds, accounts and subaccounts under the Indenture will be invested by the District or the Fiscal Agent, as applicable, in accordance with the limitations set forth below only in Authorized Investments which will be deemed at all times to be a part of such funds, accounts and subaccounts. Any loss resulting from such Authorized Investments will be credited or charged to the fund, account or subaccount from which such investment was made, and any investment earnings on all amounts deposited in the Improvement Fund, the Special Tax Fund and the Rebate Fund and each account therein will be deposited in those respective funds and accounts. Moneys in the funds, accounts and subaccounts held under the Indenture may be invested by the District or the Fiscal Agent as directed by the District, as applicable, from time to time, in Authorized Investments subject to the following restrictions:

(a) Moneys in the Improvement Fund will be invested in Authorized Investments which will by their terms mature, or in the case of an Investment Agreement are available without penalty, as close as practicable to the date the District estimates the moneys represented by the particular investment will be needed for withdrawal from the Improvement Fund. Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, amounts in the Improvement Fund three years after the Delivery Date for the Bonds and the proceeds of each issue of Parity Bonds issued on a tax-exempt basis which are remaining on deposit in the Improvement Fund on the date which is three years following the date of issuance of such issue of Parity Bonds will be invested by the District only in Authorized Investments the interest on which is excluded from gross income

under Section 103 of the Code (other than bonds the interest on which is a tax preference item for purposes of computing the alternative minimum tax of individuals under the Code) or in Authorized Investments at a yield not in excess of the yield on the issue of Bonds or Parity Bonds from which such proceeds were derived, unless in the opinion of Bond Counsel such restriction is not necessary to prevent interest on the Bonds or any Parity Bonds which were issued on a tax-exempt basis for federal income tax purposes from being included in gross income for federal income tax purposes.

(b) Moneys in the Special Tax Fund and the Interest Account, the Principal Account and the Redemption Account of the Special Tax Fund will be invested only in Authorized Investments which will by their terms mature, or in the case of an Investment Agreement, be available for withdrawal without penalty, on such dates so as to ensure the payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds as the same become due.

(c) Subject to the following sentence, moneys in the Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund may be invested only in (i) Authorized Investments not less than 50% of which must mature within 6 months and all of which must mature within 1 year, (ii) Authorized Investments of the type defined in clause (7) of the definition of said term or (iii) one or more Investment Agreements. Moneys in the Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund will not be invested in Authorized Investments of the type described in clause (12) of the definition thereof.

(d) Moneys in the Rebate Fund will be invested only in Authorized Investments of the type described in clause (1) of the definition thereof which by their terms will mature, as nearly as practicable, on the dates such amounts are needed to be paid to the United States Government as described under the caption "—Rebate Fund" above or in Authorized Investments of the type described in clause (7) of the definition thereof.

(e) In the absence of written direction from the District, the Fiscal Agent will invest any money held by it in Authorized Investments of the type described in clause (7) of the definition thereof.

The District or the Fiscal Agent, as applicable, will sell or present for redemption, any Authorized Investment whenever it may be necessary to do so in order to provide moneys to meet any payment or transfer to such funds and accounts or from such funds and accounts. For the purpose of determining at any given time the balance in any such funds and accounts, any such investments constituting a part of such funds and accounts will be valued at their cost, except that amounts in the Reserve Account will be valued at the market value thereof at least semiannually on or before each Interest Payment Date. In making any valuations under the Indenture, the District or the Fiscal Agent, as applicable, may utilize such computerized securities pricing services as may be available to it, including, without limitation, those available through its regular accounting system, and conclusively rely thereon. Notwithstanding anything in the Indenture to the contrary, the District or the Fiscal Agent, as applicable for any loss from investments, sales or transfers undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture.

The District or the Fiscal Agent, as applicable, may sell, or present for redemption any Authorized Investment so purchased whenever it will be necessary to provide moneys to meet any required payment, transfer, withdrawal or disbursement from the fund or account to which such Authorized Investment is credited, and, as described under the caption "FISCAL AGENT—Liability of Fiscal Agent," the District or the Fiscal Agent, as applicable, will not be liable or responsible for any loss resulting from such investment. For investment purposes, the District or the Fiscal Agent, as applicable, may commingle the funds and accounts established under the Indenture, but will account for each separately.

The District has acknowledged that to the extent regulations of the Comptroller of the Currency or other applicable regulatory entity grant the District or the Water District the right to receive brokerage confirmations of securities transactions as they occur, the District will not receive such confirmations to the extent permitted by law. The Fiscal Agent will furnish the District periodic cash transaction statements which include detail for all investment transactions made by the Fiscal Agent under the Indenture. The Fiscal Agent and its affiliates may act as sponsor, advisor, depository, principal or agent in the holding, acquisition or disposition of any investment.

## **REDEMPTION OF BONDS**

Selection of Bonds and Parity Bonds for Redemption. If less than all of the Bonds or Parity Bonds of a maturity are to be redeemed, the portion of any Bond or Parity Bond of a denomination of more than \$5,000 to be redeemed will be in the principal amount of \$5,000 or an integral multiple thereof. In selecting portions of such Bonds or Parity Bonds for redemption, the Fiscal Agent will treat such Bonds or Parity Bonds, as representing that number of Bonds or Parity Bonds of \$5,000 denominations which is obtained by dividing the principal amount of such Bonds or Parity Bonds to be redeemed in part by \$5,000. The Fiscal Agent will promptly notify the District in writing of the Bonds or Parity Bonds, or portions thereof, selected for redemption.

**Partial Redemption of Bonds or Parity Bonds.** Upon surrender of any Bond or Parity Bond to be redeemed in part only, the District will execute and the Fiscal Agent will authenticate and deliver to the Bondowner, at the expense of the District, a new Bond or Bonds or a new Parity Bond or Parity Bonds of authorized denominations equal in aggregate principal amount to the unredeemed portion of the Bonds or Parity Bonds surrendered, with the same interest rate and the same maturity, or, in the case of surrender of a Parity Bond, a new Parity Bond or Parity Bonds subject to the foregoing limitations.

Effect of Notice and Availability of Redemption Money. Notice of redemption having been duly given, as provided in the Indenture, and the amount necessary for the redemption having been made available for that purpose and being available therefor on the date fixed for such redemption:

(a) The Bonds and Parity Bonds, or portions thereof, designated for redemption will, on the date fixed for redemption, become due and payable at the redemption price thereof as provided in the Indenture, or in any Supplemental Indenture with respect to any Parity Bonds, anything in the Indenture or in the Bonds or the Parity Bonds to the contrary notwithstanding;

(b) Upon presentation and surrender thereof at the office of the Fiscal Agent, the redemption price of such Bonds and Parity Bonds will be paid to the Owners thereof;

(c) As of the redemption date the Bonds or Parity Bonds, or portions thereof so designated for redemption will be deemed to be no longer Outstanding and such Bonds or Parity Bonds, or portions thereof, will cease to bear further interest; and

(d) As of the date fixed for redemption no Owner of any of the Bonds, Parity Bonds or portions thereof so designated for redemption will be entitled to any of the benefits of the Indenture or any Supplemental Indenture, or to any other rights, except with respect to payment of the redemption price and interest accrued to the redemption date from the amounts so made available.

#### COVENANTS AND WARRANTY

**Warranty.** The District will preserve and protect the security pledged under the Indenture to the Bonds and any Parity Bonds against all claims and demands of all persons.

**Covenants.** So long as any of the Bonds or Parity Bonds issued under the Indenture are Outstanding and unpaid, the District makes the following covenants with the Bondowners under the provisions of the Act and the Indenture (to be performed by the District or its proper officers, agents or employees), which covenants are necessary and desirable to secure the Bonds and Parity Bonds and tend to make them more marketable;

provided, however, that said covenants do not require the District to expend any funds or moneys other than the Special Taxes and other amounts deposited to the Special Tax Fund or Administrative Expense Fund:

(a) <u>Punctual Payment; Against Encumbrances</u>. The District covenants that it will receive all Special Taxes in trust for the Owners (other than the Special Taxes to be deposited in the Administrative Expense Fund or other funds held by the District) and will deposit Special Taxes in the Special Tax Fund as provided in the Indenture, and the District will have no beneficial right or interest in the amounts so deposited except as provided by the Indenture. All such Special Taxes will be disbursed, allocated and applied solely to the uses and purposes set forth in the Indenture, and will be accounted for separately and apart from all other money, funds, accounts or other resources of the District.

The District further covenants that, in connection with the delivery of any Prepayment to the Fiscal Agent, the District will also deliver to the Fiscal Agent a certificate of the Special Tax Administrator identifying with respect to the Prepayment: (i) the "Future Facilities Costs" (as defined in the Rate and Method of Apportionment), with instructions that said amount be deposited in an appropriate account of the Improvement Fund, (ii) the "Administrative Expenses" (as defined in the Rate and Method of Apportionment), with instructions that said amount be deposited in the Rate and Method of Apportionment), with instructions that said amount be deposited in the Rate and Method of Apportionment), with instructions that said amount will be deposited in the Administrative Expense Fund, (iii) the amount that represents the Special Taxes levied in the current Fiscal Year on the subject Parcel which had not been paid, with instructions to deposit portions of said amount in the Interest Account and the Principal Account of the Special Tax Fund, (iv) the amount of the "Reserve Fund Credit" (as defined in the Rate and Method of Apportionment), with instructions to withdraw said amount from the Reserve Account and transfer it to the Redemption Account in connection with the redemption of Bonds or Parity Bonds, and (v) the amount to be deposited in the Redemption Account.

The District covenants that it will duly and punctually pay or cause to be paid the principal of and interest on every Bond and Parity Bond issued under the Indenture, together with the premium, if any, thereon on the date, at the place and in the manner set forth in the Bonds and Parity Bonds and in accordance with the Indenture to the extent that Net Special Taxes and other amounts pledged under the Indenture are available therefor, and that the payments into the funds and accounts created under the Indenture will be made, all in strict conformity with the terms of the Bonds, the Parity Bonds and the Indenture, and that it will faithfully observe and perform all of the conditions, covenants and requirements of the Indenture and all Supplemental Indentures and of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds issued under the Indenture.

The District will not mortgage or otherwise encumber, pledge or place any charge upon any of the Net Special Taxes except as provided in the Indenture, and will not issue any obligation or security having a lien or charge upon the Net Special Taxes superior to or on a parity with the Bonds, other than Parity Bonds. Nothing in the Indenture will prevent the District from issuing or incurring indebtedness which is payable from a pledge of Net Special Taxes which is subordinate in all respects to the pledge of Net Special Taxes to repay the Bonds and the Parity Bonds.

(b) <u>Levy and Collection of Special Tax</u>. On or before each August 1, commencing August 1, 2023, the District will communicate with the Treasurer or other appropriate official of the County to ascertain the relevant Parcels on which the Special Taxes are to be levied, taking into account any Parcel splits during the preceding and then current year.

The District may retain an Independent Financial Consultant to assist in the levy of the Special Taxes each Fiscal Year in accordance with the Ordinance such that the computation of the levy is complete before the final date on which the Treasurer of the County will accept the transmission of the Special Tax amounts for the Parcels within Improvement Area B for inclusion on the next secured tax roll. Upon the completion of the computation of the amounts of the levy, and approval by the legislative body of the District, the District will prepare or cause to be prepared, and will transmit to the Treasurer of the County, such data as the Treasurer of the County requires to include the levy of the Special Taxes on the next secured tax roll.

The District will fix and levy the amount of Special Taxes required for the payment of principal of and interest on Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds becoming due and payable during the ensuing year including any necessary replenishment or expenditure of the Reserve Account for the Bonds and Parity Bonds, an amount equal to the estimated Administrative Expenses and any additional amounts necessary for expenses incurred in connection with administration or enforcement of delinquent Special Taxes. The District further covenants, to the maximum extent permitted by law, that it will take no actions that would discontinue or cause the discontinuance of the Special Tax levy or the District's authority to levy the Special Tax for so long as the Bonds or Parity Bonds are Outstanding.

The Special Taxes will be payable and collected in the same manner and at the same time and in the same installment as the general taxes on real property are payable, and have the same priority, become delinquent at the same times and in the same proportionate amounts and bear the same proportionate penalties and interest after delinquency as do the general taxes on real property; provided, the legislative body of the District may provide for direct collection of the Special Taxes in certain circumstances.

The fees and expenses of the Independent Financial Consultant retained by the District to assist in computing the levy of the Special Taxes under the Indenture and any reconciliation of amounts levied to amounts received, as well as the costs and expenses of the District (including a charge for District staff time) in conducting its duties under the Indenture, will be an Administrative Expense under the Indenture.

(c) <u>Commence Foreclosure Proceedings</u>. Pursuant to Section 53356.1 of the Act, the District covenants with and for the benefit of the Bondowners that it will order, and cause to be commenced, on or before October 1 of the Fiscal Year immediately following the Fiscal Year in which a delinquency in the payment of a Special Tax occurs, and thereafter diligently prosecute to judgment (unless such delinquency is theretofore brought current), an action in the superior court to foreclose the lien of any Special Tax or installment thereof not paid when due, provided that the District need not commence or pursue such proceedings with respect to any property owned by a single property owner who is delinquent in the payment of Special Taxes in an amount less than \$5,000 if both (i) the aggregate amount of such delinquent Special Taxes does not exceed 5% of the total Special Taxes due and payable for the Fiscal Year in question and (ii) the balance on deposit in the Reserve Account of the Special Tax Fund is not less than the Reserve Requirement.

Special Taxes collected as a result of a foreclosure proceeding will be deposited in the Special Tax Fund and only inure to the benefit of the Bonds in the manner described under the caption "CREATION OF FUNDS; APPLICATION OF PROCEEDS; AND SPECIAL TAXES—Special Taxes and Deposits to Disbursements from Special Tax Fund."

(d) <u>Payment of Claims</u>. The District will pay and discharge any and all lawful claims for labor, materials or supplies which, if unpaid, might become a lien or charge upon the Net Special Taxes or other funds in the Special Tax Fund or which might impair the security of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds then Outstanding; provided that nothing in the Indenture contained will require the District to make any such payments so long as the District in good faith will contest the validity of any such claims.

(e) <u>Books and Accounts</u>. The District will keep proper books of records and accounts, separate from all other records and accounts of the District, in which complete and correct entries will be made of all transactions relating to the Project, the levy of the Special Tax and the deposits to the Special Tax Fund. Such books of records and accounts will at all times during business hours be subject to the inspection by the Owners of not less than 10% of the principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding or the Owners of not less than 10% of the principal amount of any issue of Parity Bonds then Outstanding or their representatives authorized in writing.

(f) <u>Federal Tax Covenants</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Indenture, absent an opinion of Bond Counsel that the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds and any

Parity Bonds issued on a tax-exempt basis for federal income tax purposes will not be adversely affected for federal income tax purposes, the District covenants to comply with all applicable requirements of the Code necessary to preserve such exclusion from gross income and specifically covenants, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, as follows:

(1) <u>Private Activity</u>. The District will take no action or refrain from taking any action or make any use of the proceeds of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds or of any other moneys or property which would cause the Bonds and any Parity Bonds issued on a tax-exempt basis for federal income tax purposes to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code;

(2) <u>Arbitrage</u>. The District will make no use of the proceeds of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds or of any other amounts or property, regardless of the source, or take any action or refrain from taking any action which will cause the Bonds or any Parity Bonds issued on a tax-exempt basis for federal income tax purposes to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code;

(3) <u>Federal Guaranty</u>. The District will make no use of the proceeds of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds issued on a tax-exempt basis for federal income tax purposes to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code;

(4) <u>Information Reporting</u>. The District will take or cause to be taken all necessary action to comply with the informational reporting requirement of Section 149(e) of the Code;

(5) <u>Hedge Bonds</u>. The District will make no use of the proceeds of the Bonds or Parity Bonds or any other amounts or property, regardless of the source, or take any action or refrain from taking any action that would cause the Bonds or any Parity Bonds to be considered "hedge bonds" within the meaning of Section 149(g) of the Code unless the District takes all necessary action to assure compliance with the requirements of Section 149(g) of the Code to maintain the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds and any applicable Parity Bonds;

(6) <u>Miscellaneous</u>. The District will take no action or refrain from taking any action inconsistent with the expectations stated in the Tax Certificate in connection with the Bonds and any issue of Parity Bonds and will comply with the covenants and requirements stated therein and incorporated by reference in the Indenture; and

(7) <u>Other Tax Exempt Issues</u>. The District will not use proceeds of other tax exempt securities to redeem any Bonds or Parity Bonds without first obtaining the written opinion of Bond Counsel that doing so will not impair the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Bonds and any Parity Bonds issued on a tax exempt basis.

(g) <u>Reduction of Maximum Special Taxes</u>. The District finds and determines in the Indenture that, historically, delinquencies in the payment of special taxes authorized pursuant to the Act in community facilities districts in Southern California have from time to time been at levels requiring the levy of special taxes at the maximum authorized rates in order to make timely payment of principal of and interest on the outstanding indebtedness of such community facilities districts. For this reason, the District has determined that a reduction in the maximum Special Tax rates authorized to be levied on Parcels in Improvement Area B below the levels provided in the Indenture would interfere with the timely retirement of the Bonds and Parity Bonds. The District determines it to be necessary in order to preserve the security for the Bonds and Parity Bonds to covenant, and, to the maximum extent that the law permits it to do so, the District covenants in the Indenture, that it will not initiate proceedings to reduce the maximum Special Tax rates for Improvement Area B, unless, in connection therewith, (i) the District receives a certification from one or more Independent Financial Consultants which, when taken together, concludes that, on the basis of the Parcels of land and improvements existing in Improvement Area B as of the October 1 preceding the reduction, the maximum amount of the Special Tax which may be levied on then existing Developed Property in each Bond

Year for any Bonds and Parity Bonds Outstanding will equal at least 110% of the sum of the estimated Administrative Expenses and gross debt service in each Bond Year on all Bonds and Parity Bonds to remain Outstanding after the reduction is approved, (ii) the District finds that any reduction made under such conditions will not adversely affect the interests of the Owners of the Bonds or Parity Bonds, and (iii) the District is not delinquent in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds or any Parity Bonds. For purposes of estimating Administrative Expenses for the foregoing calculation, the Independent Financial Consultants will compute the Administrative Expenses for the current Fiscal Year and escalate that amount by two percent (2%) in each subsequent Fiscal Year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, under no circumstances will maximum Special Tax rates for the District be reduced until the District has determined that all Parity Bonds which the District intends to issue have been issued.

The District further covenants that in the event an ordinance is adopted by initiative pursuant to Section 3 of Article XIIIC of the California Constitution, which purports to reduce or otherwise alter the maximum Special Tax rates, it will commence and pursue legal action seeking to preserve its ability to comply with its covenant contained in the preceding paragraph.

(h) <u>Covenants to Defend</u>. In the Indenture, the District covenants that, in the event that any initiative is adopted by the qualified electors in Improvement Area B which purports to reduce the minimum or the maximum Special Tax below the levels described under the caption "—Reduction of Maximum Special Taxes" above or to limit the power of the District to levy the Special Taxes for the purposes described under the caption "—Levy and Collection of Special Tax" above, it will commence and pursue legal action in order to preserve its ability to comply with such covenants.

(i) <u>Limitation on Right to Tender Bonds</u>. The District covenants in the Indenture that it will not adopt any policy pursuant to Section 53341.1 of the Act permitting the tender of Bonds or Parity Bonds in full payment or partial payment of any Special Taxes unless the District will have first received a certificate from an Independent Financial Consultant that the acceptance of such a tender will not result in the District having insufficient Special Tax revenues to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds and Parity Bonds when due.

Continuing Disclosure. The District covenants and agrees in the Indenture that it will (i) comply with and carry out all of its obligations under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate and with the terms of any agreement executed by the District with respect to any Parity Bonds to assist the Underwriter in complying with Rule 15(c)2-12 adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Indenture, failure of the District to comply with its obligations under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate will not be considered an event of default under the Indenture, and the sole remedy, in the event of any failure of the District to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Certificate will be an action to compel performance. Upon receipt of indemnification to its satisfaction, the Fiscal Agent will at the request of any Participating Underwriter (as defined in the Continuing Disclosure Certificate) or any Bondowner or Beneficial Owner take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the District to comply with its continuing disclosure obligations under the Indenture. "Beneficial Owner" means any Person who (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bonds or Parity Bonds (including persons holding Bonds or Parity Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds or Parity Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

(k) <u>Further Assurances</u>. The District will make, execute and deliver any and all such further agreements, instruments and assurances as may be reasonably necessary or proper to carry out the intention or to facilitate the performance of the Indenture and for the better assuring and confirming unto the Owners of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds of the rights and benefits provided in the Indenture.

(1) <u>Opinions</u>. In the event that an opinion is rendered by Bond Counsel as provided in the Indenture from a firm other than the firm which rendered the Bond Counsel opinion at closing, such

subsequent opinion by Bond Counsel will also include the conclusions set forth in the original Bond Counsel opinion relating to the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

#### **AMENDMENTS TO INDENTURE**

**Supplemental Indentures or Orders Not Requiring Bondowner Consent.** The District may from time to time, and at any time, without notice to or consent of any of the Bondowners, adopt Supplemental Indentures for any of the following purposes:

(a) to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provisions in the Indenture which may be inconsistent with any other provision in the Indenture, or to make any other provision with respect to matters or questions arising under the Indenture or in any Supplemental Indenture or order, provided that such action is not materially adverse to the interests of the Bondowners;

(b) to add to the covenants and agreements of and the limitations and the restrictions upon the District contained in the Indenture, other covenants, agreements, limitations and restrictions to be observed by the District which are not contrary to or inconsistent with the Indenture as theretofore in effect or which further secure Bond or Parity Bond payments;

(c) to provide for the issuance of any Parity Bonds, and to provide the terms and conditions under which such Parity Bonds may be issued, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture;

(d) to modify, amend or supplement the Indenture in such manner as to permit the qualification of the Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or any similar federal statute in effect after the date of the Indenture, or to comply with the Code or regulations issued thereunder, and to add such other terms, conditions and provisions as may be permitted by said act or similar federal statute, and which will not materially adversely affect the interests of the Owners of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds then Outstanding;

(e) to modify, alter or amend the Rate and Method of Apportionment in any manner so long as such changes do not reduce the maximum Special Taxes that may be levied in each year to an amount which is less than 110% of the principal and interest due in each corresponding future Bond Year with respect to the Bonds and any Parity Bonds Outstanding as of the date of such amendment; or

(f) to modify, alter, amend or supplement the Indenture in any other respect which is not materially adverse to the Bondowners.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Supplemental Indenture may modify any of the duties or responsibilities of the Fiscal Agent without the written consent of the Fiscal Agent.

**Supplemental Indentures or Orders Requiring Bondowner Consent.** Exclusive of the Supplemental Indentures described under the caption "—Supplemental Indentures or Orders Not Requiring Bondowner Consent" above, the Owners of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds Outstanding will have the right to consent to and approve the adoption by the District of such Supplemental Indentures as will be deemed necessary or desirable by the District for the purpose of waiving, modifying, altering, amending, adding to or rescinding, in any particular, any of the terms or provisions contained in the Indenture; provided, however, that nothing in the Indenture will permit, or be construed as permitting, (a) an extension of the maturity date of the principal, or the payment date of interest on, any Bond or Parity Bond, (b) a reduction in the principal amount of, or redemption premium on, any Bond or Parity Bond, or (d) a reduction in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds

the Owners of which are required to consent to such Supplemental Indenture, without the consent of the Owners of all Bonds and Parity Bonds then Outstanding.

If at any time the District desires to adopt a Supplemental Indenture which requires the consent of the Bondowners, the District will so notify the Fiscal Agent and will deliver to the Fiscal Agent a copy of the proposed Supplemental Indenture. The Fiscal Agent will, at the expense of the District, cause notice of the proposed Supplemental Indenture to be mailed, by first class mail, postage prepaid, to all Bondowners at their addresses as they appear in the Bond Register. Such notice will briefly set forth the nature of the proposed Supplemental Indenture and will state that a copy thereof is on file at the office of the Fiscal Agent for inspection by all Bondowners. The failure of any Bondowners to receive such notice will not affect the validity of such Supplemental Indenture when consented to and approved by the Owners of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds Outstanding if and as required by the Indenture, as described under this caption. Whenever at any time within one year after the date of the first mailing of such notice, the Fiscal Agent will receive an instrument or instruments purporting to be executed by the Owners of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds Outstanding, which instrument or instruments will refer to the proposed Supplemental Indenture described in such notice, and will specifically consent to and approve the adoption thereof by the District substantially in the form of the copy referred to in such notice as on file with the Fiscal Agent, such proposed Supplemental Indenture, when duly adopted by the District, will thereafter become a part of the proceedings for the issuance of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds. In determining whether the Owners of a majority of the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds have consented to the adoption of any Supplemental Indenture, Bonds or Parity Bonds which are owned by the District or by any Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under the direct or indirect common control with the District, will be disregarded and will be treated as though they were not Outstanding for the purpose of any such determination.

Upon the adoption of any Supplemental Indenture and the receipt of consent to any such Supplemental Indenture from the Owners of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds in instances where such consent is required as described above, the Indenture will be, and will be deemed to be, modified and amended in accordance therewith, and the respective rights, duties and obligations under the Indenture of the District and all Owners of Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds will thereafter be determined, exercised and enforced under the Indenture, subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments.

Notation of Bonds or Parity Bonds; Delivery of Amended Bonds or Parity Bonds. After the effective date of any action taken as provided in the Indenture, the District may determine that the Bonds or Parity Bonds may bear a notation, by endorsement in form approved by the District, as to such action; and in that case, upon demand of the Owner of any Outstanding Bond or Parity Bond at such effective date and presentation of his Bond or Parity Bond for the purpose at the Principal Office of the Fiscal Agent or at such additional offices as the Fiscal Agent may select and designate for that purpose, a suitable notation as to such action will be made on such Bonds or Parity Bonds. If the District will so determine, new Bonds or Parity Bond at such effective date such new Bonds or Parity Bonds will be exchanged at the Principal Office of the Fiscal Agent or at such additional offices as the Fiscal Agent may select and designate for that purpose, without cost to each Owner of Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds, upon surrender of such Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds.

## FISCAL AGENT

**Fiscal Agent.** U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, having a corporate trust office in Los Angeles, California, by the Indenture appointed Fiscal Agent for the District for the purpose of receiving all money which the District is required to deposit with the Fiscal Agent under the Indenture and to allocate, use and apply the same as provided in the Indenture. In the event that the District fails to deposit with the Fiscal

Agent any amount due under the Indenture when due, the Fiscal Agent will provide telephonic notice to the District and will confirm the amount of such shortfall in writing.

The Fiscal Agent is authorized to and will mail by first class mail, postage prepaid, interest payments to the Bondowners, to select Bonds and Parity Bonds for redemption, and to maintain the Bond Register. The Fiscal Agent is authorized to pay the principal of and premium, if any, on the Bonds and Parity Bonds when the same are duly presented to it for payment at maturity or on call and redemption, to provide for the registration of transfer and exchange of Bonds and Parity Bonds presented to it for such purposes, to provide for the cancellation of Bonds and Parity Bonds all as provided in the Indenture, and to provide for the authentication of Bonds and Parity Bonds, and will perform all other duties assigned to or imposed on it as provided in the Indenture. The Fiscal Agent will keep accurate records of all funds administered by it and all Bonds and Parity Bonds paid, discharged and cancelled by it. The Fiscal Agent will deliver to the District a monthly accounting of the funds and accounts it holds under the Indenture; provided, however, that the Fiscal Agent will not be obligated to deliver such accounting for any fund or account that has a balance of zero. The Fiscal Agent may establish such funds and accounts as it deems necessary or appropriate to perform its obligations under the Indenture.

The Fiscal Agent is authorized to redeem the Bonds and Parity Bonds when duly presented for payment at maturity, or on redemption prior to maturity. The Fiscal Agent will cancel all Bonds and Parity Bonds upon payment thereof as described under the caption "DEFEASANCE—Defeasance."

The District will from time to time, subject to any agreement between the District and the Fiscal Agent then in force, pay to the Fiscal Agent compensation for its services, reimburse the Fiscal Agent for all its advances and expenditures, including, but not limited to, advances to and fees and expenses of independent accountants or counsel employed by it in the exercise and performance of its powers and duties under the Indenture, and indemnify and save the Fiscal Agent, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against costs, claims, expenses and liabilities not arising from its own negligence or willful misconduct which it may incur in the exercise and performance of its powers and duties under the Indenture. The obligations of the District under the Indenture described above will survive the discharge of the Bonds and Parity Bonds and the resignation or removal of the Fiscal Agent.

**Removal of Fiscal Agent.** The District may at any time at its sole discretion remove the Fiscal Agent initially appointed, and any successor thereto, by delivering to the Fiscal Agent a written notice of its decision to remove the Fiscal Agent and may appoint a successor or successors thereto; provided that any such successor will be a bank or trust company having a combined capital (exclusive of borrowed capital) and surplus of at least fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000), and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority. Any removal will become effective only upon acceptance of appointment by the successor Fiscal Agent. If any bank or trust company appointed as a successor publishes a report of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of any supervising or examining authority above referred to, then for the purposes of this paragraph the combined capital and surplus of such bank or trust company will be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published.

**Resignation of Fiscal Agent.** The Fiscal Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice to the District and by giving to the Owners notice of such resignation, which notice will be mailed to the Owners at their addresses appearing in the Bond Register. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the District will promptly appoint a successor Fiscal Agent by an instrument in writing. Any resignation or removal of the Fiscal Agent and appointment of a successor Fiscal Agent will become effective only upon acceptance of appointment by the successor Fiscal Agent.

If no appointment of a successor Fiscal Agent is made as described under this caption or under the caption "—Removal of Fiscal Agent" within forty-five (45) days after the Fiscal Agent will have received written notice from the District of its removal as Fiscal Agent or given to the District written notice of its resignation as Fiscal Agent, the Fiscal Agent, at the expense of the District, or any Owner may apply to any

court of competent jurisdiction to appoint a successor Fiscal Agent. Said court may thereupon, after such notice, if any, as such court may deem proper, appoint a successor Fiscal Agent.

Liability of Fiscal Agent. The recitals of fact and all promises, covenants and agreements contained in the Indenture and in the Bonds and any Parity Bonds will be taken as statements, promises, covenants and agreements of the District, and the Fiscal Agent assumes no responsibility for the correctness of the same and makes no representations as to the validity or sufficiency of the Indenture, the Bonds, or any Parity Bonds and will incur no responsibility in respect thereof, other than in connection with its duties or obligations specifically set forth in the Indenture, in the Bonds and any Parity Bonds, or in the certificate of authentication assigned to or imposed upon the Fiscal Agent. The Fiscal Agent is under no responsibility or duty with respect to the issuance of the Bonds or any Parity Bonds for value. The Fiscal Agent will not be liable in connection with the performance of its duties under the Indenture, except for its own negligence or willful misconduct.

The Fiscal Agent will be protected in acting upon any notice, resolution, request, consent, order, certificate, report, Bond, Parity Bond or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties. The Fiscal Agent may consult with counsel, who may be counsel to the District, with regard to legal questions, and the opinion of such counsel will be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or suffered under the Indenture in good faith and in accordance therewith.

The Fiscal Agent will not be bound to recognize any Person as the Owner of a Bond or Parity Bond unless and until such Bond or Parity Bond is submitted for inspection, if required, and his title thereto satisfactorily established, if disputed.

Whenever in the administration of its duties under the Indenture the Fiscal Agent deems it necessary or desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking or suffering any action under the Indenture, such matter (unless other evidence in respect thereof be specifically prescribed in the Indenture) may, in the absence of bad faith on the part of the Fiscal Agent, be deemed to be conclusively proved and established by a written certificate of the District, and such certificate will be full warrant to the Fiscal Agent for any action taken or suffered under the provisions of the Indenture upon the faith thereof, but in its discretion the Fiscal Agent may, in lieu thereof, accept other evidence of such matter or may require such additional evidence as to it may seem reasonable.

The Fiscal Agent will have no responsibility with respect to any information, statement, or recital in any official statement, offering memorandum or any other disclosure material prepared or distributed with respect to the Bonds or Parity Bonds.

No provision of the Indenture or any other document related to the Indenture will require the Fiscal Agent to risk or advance its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of its duties or the exercise of its rights under the Indenture.

The immunities extended to the Fiscal Agent also extend to its directors, officers, employees and agents.

**Interested Transactions.** The Fiscal Agent and its officers and employees may acquire and hold Bonds with the same effect as if it were not Fiscal Agent. The Fiscal Agent, either as principal or agent, may engage in or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the District.

Agents. The Fiscal Agent may execute any of its trusts or powers or perform its duties through attorneys, agents or receivers and the Fiscal Agent will not be answerable for the default or misconduct of any such attorney, agent or receiver selected by it with reasonable care.

#### **EVENTS OF DEFAULT; REMEDIES**

Events of Default. Any one or more of the following events will constitute an "event of default":

(a) Default in the due and punctual payment of the principal of or redemption premium, if any, on any Bond or Parity Bond when and as the same will become due and payable, whether at maturity as therein expressed, by declaration or otherwise;

(b) Default in the due and punctual payment of the interest on any Bond or Parity Bond when and as the same will become due and payable; or

(c) Except as described in (a) or (b) above, default will be made by the District in the observance of any of the agreements, conditions or covenants on its part contained in the Indenture, any Supplemental Indenture or the Bonds or any Parity Bonds, and such default will have continued for a period of 30 days after the District will have been given notice in writing of such default by the Fiscal Agent or the Owners of 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds.

**Remedies of Owners.** Following the occurrence of an event of default, any Owner will have the right for the equal benefit and protection of all Owners similarly situated:

(a) By mandamus or other suit or proceeding at law or in equity to enforce his rights against the District and any of the members, officers and employees of the District, and to compel the District or any such members, officers or employees to perform and carry out their duties under the Act and their agreements with the Owners as provided in the Indenture;

(b) By suit in equity to enjoin any actions or things which are unlawful or violate the rights of the Owners; or

(c) By a suit in equity to require the District and its members, officers and employees to account as the trustee of an express trust.

Nothing in the Indenture, in the Bonds or in any Parity Bonds will affect or impair the obligation of the District, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the interest on and principal of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds to the respective Owners thereof at the respective dates of maturity, as provided in the Indenture, out of the Net Special Taxes pledged for such payment, or affect or impair the right of action, which is also absolute and unconditional, of such Owners to institute suit to enforce such payment by virtue of the contract embodied in the Bonds, any Parity Bonds and in the Indenture. The principal of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds will not be subject to acceleration under the Indenture.

A waiver of any default or breach of duty or contract by any Owner will not affect any subsequent default or breach of duty or contract, or impair any rights or remedies on any such subsequent default or breach. No delay or omission by any Owner to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default will impair any such right or power or will be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence in the Indenture, and every power and remedy conferred upon the Owners by the Act or under the caption "EVENTS OF DEFAULT; REMEDIES" may be enforced and exercised from time to time and as often as will be deemed expedient by the Owners.

If any suit, action or proceeding to enforce any right or exercise any remedy is abandoned or determined adversely to the Owners, the District and the Owners will be restored to their former positions, rights and remedies as if such suit, action or proceeding had not been brought or taken.

No remedy conferred in the Indenture upon or reserved to the Owners is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy. Every such remedy will be cumulative and will be in addition to every other remedy given

under the Indenture or now or existing after the date of the Indenture, at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise, and may be exercised without exhausting and without regard to any other remedy conferred by the Act or any other law.

In case the moneys held by the Fiscal Agent after an event of default, as described under (a) and (b) under the caption "—Events of Default" are insufficient to pay in full the whole amount so owing and unpaid upon the Bonds and Parity Bonds, then all available amounts will be applied as described under the caption "—Application of Revenues and Other Funds After Default" below.

**Application of Revenues and Other Funds After Default.** All amounts received by the District pursuant to any right given or action taken by the Owners under the provisions of the Indenture relating to the Bonds and Parity Bonds will be applied by the District in the following order upon presentation of the Bonds and Parity Bonds:

First, to the payment of the fees, costs and expenses of the Owner in carrying out the provisions described under the caption "EVENTS OF DEFAULT; REMEDIES," including reasonable compensation to its agents, attorneys and counsel, and to the payment of all other outstanding fees and expenses of the Owner; and

Second, to the payment of the whole amount of interest on and principal of the Bonds and Parity Bonds then due and unpaid, with interest on overdue installments of principal and interest to the extent permitted by law at the net effective rate of interest then borne by the Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds; provided, however, that in the event such amounts are insufficient to pay in full the full amount of such interest and principal, then such amounts will be applied in the following order of priority:

(a) first to the payment of all installments of interest on the Bonds and Parity Bonds then due and unpaid on a pro rata basis based on the total amount then due and owing,

(b) second, to the payment of all installments of principal, including Sinking Fund Payments, of the Bonds and Parity Bonds then due and unpaid on a pro rata basis based on the total amount then due and owing, and

(c) third, to the payment of interest on overdue installments of principal and interest on the Bonds and Parity Bonds on a pro rata basis based on the total amount then due and owing.

**Non-Waiver.** Nothing described under the caption "EVENTS OF DEFAULT; REMEDIES," or in any other provision of the Indenture, the Bonds or the Parity Bonds, will affect or impair the obligation of the District, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the interest on and principal of the Bonds and Parity Bonds to the respective Owners of the Bonds and Parity Bonds at the respective dates of maturity, as provided in the Indenture, out of the Net Special Taxes and other moneys pledged in the Indenture for such payment.

A waiver of any default or breach of duty or contract by any Owners will not affect any subsequent default or breach of duty or contract, or impair any rights or remedies on any such subsequent default or breach. No delay or omission of any Owner of any of the Bonds or Parity Bonds to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default will impair any such right or power or will be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence therein; and every power and remedy conferred upon the Owners by the Act or by the Indenture, as described above, may be enforced and exercised from time to time and as often as will be deemed expedient by the Owners, as the case may be.

#### DEFEASANCE

**Defeasance.** If the District pays or cause to be paid, or there will otherwise be paid, to the Owner of an Outstanding Bond or Parity Bond the interest due thereon and the principal thereof, at the times and in the

manner stipulated in the Indenture, then the Owner of such Bond or Parity Bond will cease to be entitled to the pledge of Net Special Taxes, and, other than as described below, all covenants, agreements and other obligations of the District to the Owner of such Bond or Parity Bond under the Indenture will thereupon cease, terminate and become void and be discharged and satisfied. In the event of a defeasance of all Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds as described under this caption, the Fiscal Agent will execute and deliver to the District all such instruments as may be desirable to evidence such discharge and satisfaction, and the Fiscal Agent will, after payment of amounts payable to the Fiscal Agent under the Indenture, pay over or deliver to the District's general fund all money or securities held by it pursuant to the Indenture which are not required for the payment of the interest due on and the principal of such Bonds and Parity Bonds.

Any Outstanding Bond or Parity Bond will be deemed to have been paid within the meaning expressed above if such Bond or Parity Bond is paid in any one or more of the following ways:

(a) by paying or causing to be paid the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond or Parity Bond, as and when the same become due and payable;

(b) by depositing with the Fiscal Agent, in trust, at or before maturity, money which, together with the amounts then on deposit in the Special Tax Fund is fully sufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond or Parity Bond, as and when the same will become due and payable; or

(c) by depositing with the Fiscal Agent, or another escrow bank appointed by the District, in trust, direct, non-callable, non-prepayable Federal Securities, of the type defined in the Indenture, in which the District may lawfully invest its money, in such amount as an Independent Financial Consultant will determine will be sufficient, together with the interest to accrue thereon and moneys then on deposit in the Special Tax Fund, together with the interest to accrue thereon, to pay and discharge the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond or Parity Bond, as and when the same will become due and payable;

then, at the election of the District, and notwithstanding that any Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds will not have been surrendered for payment, all obligations of the District under the Indenture with respect to such Bond or Parity Bond will cease and terminate, except for the obligation of the Fiscal Agent to pay or cause to be paid to the Owners of any such Bond or Parity Bond not so surrendered and paid, all sums due thereon and except for the covenants of the District described under the caption "COVENANTS AND WARRANTY-Covenants" relating to compliance with the Code. Notice of such election will be filed with the Fiscal Agent not less than thirty (30) days prior to the proposed defeasance date. In connection with a defeasance under (b) or (c) above, there will be provided to the Fiscal Agent a certificate of a certified public accountant stating its opinion as to the sufficiency of the moneys or securities deposited with the Fiscal Agent or the escrow bank to pay and discharge the principal of and interest on all Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds to be defeased in accordance with the Indenture, as and when the same will become due and payable, and an opinion of Bond Counsel (which may rely upon the opinion of the certified public accountant) to the effect that the Bonds being defeased have been legally defeased as described above and in any applicable Supplemental Indenture. Upon a defeasance, the Fiscal Agent, upon request of the District, will release the rights of the Owners of such Bonds and Parity Bonds which have been defeased under the Indenture and execute and deliver to the District all such instruments as may be desirable to evidence such release, discharge and satisfaction. The Fiscal Agent will, at the written direction of the District, mail, first class, postage prepaid, a notice to the Bondowners whose Bonds or Parity Bonds have been defeased, in the form directed by the District, stating that the defeasance has occurred.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**Cancellation of Bonds and Parity Bonds.** All Bonds and Parity Bonds surrendered to the Fiscal Agent for payment upon maturity or for redemption will be upon payment therefor, and any Bond and Parity Bond purchased by the District as authorized in the Indenture and delivered to the Fiscal Agent for such

purpose will be, cancelled forthwith and will not be reissued. The Fiscal Agent will destroy such Bonds and Parity Bonds, as provided by law, and, upon request of the District, furnish to the District a certificate of such destruction.

**Execution of Documents and Proof of Ownership.** Any request, direction, consent, revocation of consent, or other instrument in writing required or permitted by the Indenture to be signed or executed by Bondowners may be in any number of concurrent instruments of similar tenor and may be signed or executed by such Owners in person or by their attorneys appointed by an instrument in writing for that purpose, or by the bank, trust company or other depository for such Bonds or Parity Bonds. Proof of the execution of any such instrument, or of any instrument appointing any such attorney, and of the ownership of Bonds or Parity Bonds will be sufficient for the purposes of the Indenture (except as otherwise provided in the Indenture), if made in the following manner:

(a) The fact and date of the execution by any Owner or his or her attorney of any such instrument and of any instrument appointing any such attorney, may be proved by a signature guarantee of any bank or trust company located within the United States of America. Where any such instrument is executed by an officer of a corporation or association on behalf of such corporation or association or by a member of a partnership on behalf of such partnership, such signature guarantee will also constitute sufficient proof of his authority.

(b) As to any Bond or Parity Bond, the Person in whose name the same will be registered in the Bond Register will be deemed and regarded as the absolute Owner thereof for all purposes, and payment of or on account of the principal of any such Bond or Parity Bond, and the interest thereon, will be made only to or upon the order of the registered Owner thereof or his or her legal representative. All such payments will be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond or Parity Bond and the interest thereon to the extent of the sum or sums to be paid. Neither the District nor the Fiscal Agent will be affected by any notice to the contrary.

Nothing contained in the Indenture will be construed as limiting the Fiscal Agent or the District to such proof, it being intended that the Fiscal Agent or the District may accept any other evidence of the matters stated in the Indenture which the Fiscal Agent or the District may deem sufficient. Any request or consent of the Owner of any Bond or Parity Bond will bind every future Owner of the same Bond or Parity Bond in respect of anything done or suffered to be done by the Fiscal Agent or the District in pursuance of such request or consent.

**Unclaimed Moneys.** Anything in the Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, any money held by the Fiscal Agent or the District in trust for the payment and discharge of any of the Outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds which remain unclaimed for two years after the date when such Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds have become due and payable, if such money was held by the Fiscal Agent or the District at such date, or for two years after the date of deposit of such money if deposited with the Fiscal Agent or the District after the date when such Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds become due and payable, or Parity Bonds become due and payable, will be repaid by the Fiscal Agent to the District or retained by the District, as its absolute property and free from trust, and the Fiscal Agent or the District for the payment of such Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds; provided, however, that, before being required to make any such payment to the District, the Fiscal Agent will, upon the written request and at the expense of the District, cause to be mailed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the registered Owners of such Outstanding Bonds or Parity Bonds at their addresses as they appear in the Bond Register a notice that said money remains unclaimed and that, after a date named in said notice, which date will not be less than 30 days after the date of the mailing of such notice, the balance of such money then unclaimed will be returned to the District.

**Provisions Constitute Contract.** The provisions of the Indenture constitute a contract between the District and the Bondowners and the provisions thereof will be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

In case any suit, action or proceeding to enforce any right or exercise any remedy will be brought or taken and, should said suit, action or proceeding be abandoned, or be determined adversely to the Bondowners or the Fiscal Agent, then the District, the Fiscal Agent and the Bondowners will be restored to their former positions, rights and remedies as if such suit, action or proceeding had not been brought or taken.

After the issuance and delivery of the Bonds the Indenture will be irrepealable, but will be subject to modifications to the extent and in the manner provided in the Indenture, but to no greater extent and in no other manner.

**Future Contracts.** Nothing contained in the Indenture will be deemed to restrict or prohibit the District from making contracts or creating bonded or other indebtedness payable from a pledge of the Net Special Taxes which is subordinate to the pledge under the Indenture, or which is payable from the general fund of the District or from taxes or any source other than the Net Special Taxes and other amounts pledged under the Indenture.

**Further Assurances.** The District will adopt, make, execute and deliver any and all such further resolutions, instruments and assurances as may be reasonably necessary or proper to carry out the intention or to facilitate the performance of the Indenture, and for the better assuring and confirming unto the Owners of the Bonds or Parity Bonds the rights and benefits provided in the Indenture.

**Severability.** If any covenant, agreement or provision, or any portion thereof, contained in the Indenture, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held to be unconstitutional, invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Indenture and the application of any such covenant, agreement or provision, or portion thereof, to other persons or circumstances, will be deemed severable and will not be affected thereby, and the Indenture and the Bonds and any Parity Bonds issued pursuant to the Indenture will remain valid and the Bondowners will retain all valid rights and benefits accorded to them under the laws of the State of California.

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#### **APPENDIX B**

#### FORM OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINION

[Closing Date]

Honorable Board of Directors Eastern Municipal Water District Perris, California

# Re: \$5,280,000 Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District Improvement Area B 2023 Special Tax Bonds

#### Gentlemen:

We have examined the Constitution and laws of the State of California, a certified record of the proceedings of Eastern Municipal Water District (the "Water District") taken in connection with the formation of Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District (the "Community Facilities District") and the authorization and issuance of the Community Facilities District's Improvement Area B 2023 Special Tax Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,280,000 (the "Bonds") and such other information and documents as we consider necessary to render this opinion. In rendering this opinion, we have relied upon certain representations of fact and certifications made by the Water District, the Community Facilities District, the initial purchaser of the Bonds and others. We have not undertaken to verify through independent investigation the accuracy of the representations and certifications relied upon by us.

The Bonds have been issued pursuant to the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended (Sections 53311 *et seq.* of the Government Code of the State of California), Resolution No. 2023-054 adopted by the Board of Directors of the Water District, acting in its capacity as the legislative body of the Community Facilities District, on March 15, 2023 (the "Resolution of Issuance") and a Trust Indenture, dated as of April 1, 2023, by and between the Community Facilities District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as the Fiscal Agent (the "Indenture"). All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

The Bonds are dated as of the date of hereof and mature on the dates and in the amounts set forth in the Indenture. The Bonds bear interest payable semiannually on each March 1 and September 1, commencing on September 1, 2023 at the rates per annum set forth in the Indenture. The Bonds are registered Bonds in the form set forth in the Indenture redeemable in the amounts, at the times and in the manner provided for in the Indenture.

Based upon our examination of the foregoing, and in reliance thereon and on all matters of fact as we deem relevant under the circumstances, and upon consideration of applicable laws, we are of the opinion that:

(1) The Bonds have been duly and validly authorized by the Community Facilities District and are legal, valid and binding limited obligations of the Community Facilities District, enforceable in accordance with their terms and the terms of the Indenture. The Bonds are limited obligations of the Community Facilities District but are not a debt of the Water District, the County of Riverside, the State of California or any other political subdivision thereof within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation, and, except for the Special Taxes, neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the Community Facilities District, the Water District, the County of Riverside, or any other political subdivision is pledged for the payment thereof.

(2) The execution and delivery of the Indenture has been duly authorized by the Community Facilities District, and the Indenture is valid and binding upon the Community Facilities District and is enforceable in accordance with its terms; provided, however, we express no opinion as to the enforceability of the covenant of the Community Facilities District contained in the Indenture to levy Special Taxes for the payment of Administrative Expenses or as to any provisions therein relating to indemnification, contribution, penalty, waiver, choice of law or choice of forum provisions therein. The Indenture creates a valid pledge of, and the Bonds are secured by, the Net Special Taxes and the amounts on deposit in certain funds and accounts established under the Indenture, as and to the extent provided in the Indenture.

(3) Under existing statutes, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of calculating the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals; however, for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022, with respect to applicable corporations as defined in Section 59(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), interest (and original issue discount) with respect to the Bonds might be taken into account in determining adjusted financial statement income for the purposes of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on such corporations.

(4) Interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds is exempt from State of California personal income tax.

(5) The amount by which a Bond Owner's original basis for determining loss on sale or exchange of a Bond (generally, the purchase price) exceeds the amount payable on maturity (or on an earlier call date) constitutes amortizable Bond premium, which must be amortized under Section 171 of the Code; such amortizable Bond premium reduces the Bond Owner's basis in the applicable Bond (and the amount of tax-exempt interest received), and is not deductible for federal income tax purposes. The basis reduction as a result of the amortization of Bond premium may result in a Bond Owner realizing a taxable gain when a Bond is sold by the Owner for an amount equal to or less (under certain circumstances) than the original cost of the Bond to the Owner. Purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the treatment, computation and collateral consequences of amortizable Bond premium.

(6) The difference between the issue price of a Bond (the first price at which a substantial amount of the Bonds of a maturity are to be sold to the public) and the stated redemption price at maturity with respect to such Bond constitutes original issue discount. Original issue discount accrues under a constant yield method, and original issue discount will accrue to a Bond Owner before receipt of cash attributable to such excludable income. The amount of original issue discount deemed received by a Bond Owner will increase the Bond Owner's basis in the applicable Bond.

The opinions expressed herein as to the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest (and original issue discount) on the Bonds are subject to the condition that the Water District and the Community Facilities District comply with all requirements of the Code, that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds to assure that such interest will not become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with such requirements of the Code might cause interest on the Bonds to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Water District and the Community Facilities District have covenanted to comply with all such requirements. Except as set forth in paragraphs (3) through (6) above, we express no opinion as to any tax consequences related to the Bonds.

The opinions expressed herein are based upon an analysis of existing statutes, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions and cover certain matters not directly addressed by such authorities.

We call attention to the fact that the foregoing opinions may be affected by actions taken (or not taken) or events occurring (or not occurring) after the date hereof. We have not undertaken to determine, or to inform any person, whether such actions or events are taken (or not taken) or do occur (or do not occur). The

Indenture and the Tax Certificate executed by the Water District and the Community Facilities District with respect to the Bonds as of the date hereof permit certain actions to be taken or omitted if a favorable opinion of Bond Counsel is provided with respect thereto. We express no opinion as to the effect on the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds for federal income tax purposes on and after the date on which any such change occurs or action is taken upon the advice or approval of counsel other than Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation.

Our opinion is limited to matters governed by the laws of the State of California and federal law. We assume no responsibility with respect to the applicability or the effect of the laws of any other jurisdiction. We call attention to the fact that the rights and obligations under the Bonds, the Indenture and the Tax Certificate may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium and other laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights, by the application of equitable principles and the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and by the limitations on legal remedies against public agencies in the State of California.

We express no opinion herein as to the accuracy, completeness or sufficiency of the Official Statement relating to the Bonds or other offering material relating to the Bonds and expressly disclaim any duty to advise the owners of the Bonds with respect to matters contained in the Official Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **APPENDIX C**

#### **RATE AND METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF SPECIAL TAX**

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## RATE AND METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF SPECIAL TAX FOR IMPROVEMENT AREA B OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

A Special Tax (all capitalized terms are defined in Section A, "Definitions", below) shall be applicable to each Parcel of Taxable Property located within the boundaries of Improvement Area B of Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District. The amount of Special Tax to be levied in each Fiscal Year, on a Parcel, shall be determined by the Board of Eastern Municipal Water District, acting in its capacity as the legislative body of the CFD by applying the appropriate Special Tax for Developed Property, Approved Property, Undeveloped Property and Public Property and/or Property Owners' Association Property that is not Exempt Property as set forth in Sections B, C, and D, below. All of the real property within Improvement Area B, unless exempted by law or by the provisions hereof in Section E, shall be taxed for the purposes, to the extent and in the manner herein provided.

## A. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

The terms hereinafter set forth have the following meanings:

"Acre" or "Acreage" means the acreage of a Parcel as indicated on the most recent Assessor's Parcel Map, or if the land area is not shown on the Assessor's Parcel Map, the land area shown on the applicable Final Map, parcel map, condominium plan, or other similar instrument.

"Act" means the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended, being Chapter 2.5, Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code of the State of California.

"Administrative Expenses" means all actual or reasonably estimated costs and expenses of the District related to Improvement Area B that are chargeable or allocable to carry out its duties as the Administrator as allowed by the Act, which shall include without limitation, all costs and expenses arising out of or resulting from the annual levy and collection of the Special Tax, trustee fees, rebate compliance calculation fees, any litigation involving the CFD, continuing disclosure undertakings of the District as imposed by applicable laws and regulations, communication with bondholders and normal administrative expenses.

"Administrator" means an official of the District, or designee thereof, responsible for determining the annual amount of the levy and collection of the Special Taxes.

**"Approved Property"** means all Parcels of Taxable Property: (i) that are included in a Final Map that was recorded prior to the January 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied, and (ii) that have not been issued a Building Permit on or prior to the April 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied.

**"Assessor's Parcel Map"** means an official map of the Assessor of the County of Riverside designating parcels by Assessor's parcel number.

**"Assigned Special Tax"** means the Special Tax for the applicable Land Use Category of Developed Property as determined in accordance with Section C.1.a., below.

"Backup Special Tax" means the Special Tax set forth in Section C.1.b., below.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of Eastern Municipal Water District.

**"Bonds"** means any bonds or other indebtedness (as defined in the Act), whether in one or more series, issued by the CFD and secured by the levy of Improvement Area B Special Taxes.

**"Boundary Map"** means a recorded map of the CFD which indicates the boundaries of the CFD and Improvement Area B.

**"Building Permit"** means the first legal document issued by a local agency giving official permission for new construction. For purposes of this definition, "Building Permit" may or may not include any subsequent building permits issued or changed after the first issuance, as determined by the Administrator.

"CFD" means Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of the District established pursuant to the Act.

"County" means the County of Riverside.

**"Developed Property"** means all Parcels of Taxable Property: (i) that are included in a Final Map that was recorded prior to January 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied, and (ii) for which a Building Permit for new construction has been issued on or prior to the April 1st preceding the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied.

"District" means Eastern Municipal Water District.

**"Dwelling Unit"** or **"(D/U)"** means a residential unit that is used or permitted to be used as a domicile by one or more persons, as determined by the Administrator.

"Exempt Property" means any Parcel which is exempt from Special Taxes pursuant to Section E below.

**"Final Map"** means a subdivision of property by recordation of a final map, parcel map, or lot line adjustment, pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act (California Government Code Section 66410 et seq.) or recordation of a condominium plan pursuant to California Civil Code 4285 that creates individual lots for which Building Permits may be issued without further subdivision.

"Fiscal Year" means the 12-month period starting on July 1 of any calendar year and ending on the following June 30.

"Improvement Area B" or "IA B" means the property in the CFD designated as Improvement Area B on the Boundary Map.

"Indenture" means the bond indenture, fiscal agent agreement, trust agreement, resolution or other instrument pursuant to which Bonds are issued, as modified, amended and/or supplemented from time to time, and any instrument replacing or supplementing the same.

"Land Use Category" means any of the categories listed in Table 1.

**"Maximum Special Tax"** means for each Parcel, the maximum Special Tax, determined in accordance with Section C, which can be levied on such Parcel.

**"Multifamily Residential Property"** means all Parcels of Developed Property for which a Building Permit has been issued for the purpose of constructing a building or buildings comprised of attached Dwelling Units available for rental by the general public, not for sale to an end user, and under common management, as determined by the Administrator.

"Non-Residential Property" means all Parcels of Developed Property for which a Building Permit was issued for any type of non-residential use.

"**Parcel(s)**" means a lot or parcel within IA B shown on an Assessor's Parcel Map with an assigned Assessor's parcel number valid as of July 1st for the Fiscal Year for which the Special Tax is being levied.

**"Property Owners' Association Property"** means all Parcels which, as of July 1st of the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied, have been conveyed, dedicated to, or irrevocably offered for dedication to a property owner association, including any master or sub-association.

**"Proportionately"** means for Taxable Property that is (i) Developed Property, that the ratio of the actual Special Tax levy to the Assigned Special Tax is the same for all Parcels of Developed Property, (ii) Approved Property, that the ratio of the actual Special Tax levy to the Maximum Special Tax is the same for all Parcels of Approved Property, and (iii) Undeveloped Property, Public Property and Property Owners' Association Property, that the ratio of the actual Special Tax levy per Acre to the Maximum Special Tax per Acre is the same for all Parcels of Undeveloped Property, Public Property and Property Owners' Association Property.

**"Public Property"** means all Parcels which, as of July 1st of the Fiscal Year in which the Special Tax is being levied, are used for rights-of-way or any other purpose and is owned by, dedicated to, or irrevocably offered for dedication to the federal government, the State of California, the County, or any other local jurisdiction, provided, however, that any property leased by a public agency to a private entity and subject to taxation under Section 53340.1 of the Act shall be taxed and classified according to its use.

**"Residential Floor Area"** means all of the square footage of living area of a residential structure, not including any carport, walkway, garage, overhang, patio, enclosed patio or similar area on a Parcel. The determination of Residential Floor Area shall be made by reference to the Building Permit issued for the Parcel or, if the Building Permit is not available by reference to a similar official document as selected by the Administrator.

**"Residential Property"** means all Parcels of Developed Property for which a Building Permit has been issued for purposes of constructing one or more Dwelling Units.

**"Single Family Property"** means all Parcels of Residential Property, other than Multifamily Residential Property.

"Special Tax(es)" means the special tax to be levied in each Fiscal Year on each Parcel of Taxable Property in accordance with Section D.

**"Special Tax Requirement"** means that amount required in any Fiscal Year: (i) to pay annual debt service on all outstanding Bonds due in the calendar year which commences in such Fiscal Year; (ii) to pay periodic costs on the Bonds, including but not limited to, credit enhancement and rebate payments on the Bonds; (iii) to pay Administrative Expenses; (iv) to pay any anticipated shortfall due based on Special Tax delinquencies in the prior Fiscal Year; (v) to establish or replenish any reserve funds for the outstanding Bonds or with respect to Bonds expected to be issued; (vi) until the final series of Bonds are issued as determined by the Board, to pay directly for acquisition or construction of the facilities eligible under the Act, provided that the inclusion of such amount does not increase the levy of Special Tax on Approved Property or Undeveloped Property as set forth in Step 2 or Step 3 of Section D below; less (vii) a credit for funds available to reduce the annual Special Tax levy as determined pursuant to the Indenture all as determined by the Administrator.

**"Taxable Property"** means all Parcels for which the Special Taxes have not been prepaid in full pursuant to Section H or that are not exempt from the Special Tax pursuant to law or Section E.

"Taxable Unit" means either a Dwelling Unit or an Acre, as shown in Table 1.

**"Undeveloped Property"** means all Parcels of Taxable Property not classified as Developed Property, Approved Property, Public Property or Property Owners' Association Property.

# B. ASSIGNMENT TO LAND USE CATEGORY

Each Fiscal Year, commencing with the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year, all Parcels of Taxable Property shall be classified as Developed Property, Approved Property, Undeveloped Property, Public Property and/or Property Owners' Association Property, and subject to the levy of Special Taxes in accordance with this Rate and Method of Apportionment as determined pursuant to Sections C and D.

Parcels of Developed Property shall further be classified as Residential Property or Non-Residential Property. Parcels of Residential Property shall further be classified as Single Family Property or Multifamily Residential Property. Parcels of Single Family Property shall be further categorized into Land Use Categories based on the Residential Floor Area for such Parcel.

## C. MAXIMUM SPECIAL TAX RATE

#### **1. Developed Property**

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Single Family Property shall be the greater of: (i) the applicable Assigned Special Tax described in Table 1 or (ii) the amount derived by application of the Backup Special Tax.

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Non-Residential Property or Multifamily Residential Property shall be the Assigned Special Tax described in Table 1.

#### a. <u>Assigned Special Tax</u>

The Assigned Special Tax for each Parcel of Developed Property is shown in Table 1 below.

Land Use Category	Taxable Unit	Residential Floor Area	Assigned Special Tax Per Taxable Unit
1. Single Family Property	D/U	Less than 2,000 sq. ft.	\$1,550
2. Single Family Property	D/U	2,000 sq. ft. to 2,250 sq. ft.	\$1,600
3. Single Family Property	D/U	2,251 sq. ft. to 2,500 sq. ft.	\$1,650
4. Single Family Property	D/U	2,501 sq. ft. to 2,750 sq. ft.	\$1,700
5. Single Family Property	D/U	2,751 sq. ft. to 3,000 sq. ft.	\$1,750
6. Single Family Property	D/U	3,001 sq. ft. to 3,250 sq. ft.	\$1,800
7. Single Family Property	D/U	3,251 sq. ft. to 3,500 sq. ft.	\$1,850
8. Single Family Property	D/U	Greater than 3,500 sq. ft.	\$1,900
9. Multifamily Residential Property	Acre	N/A	\$13,115
10. Non Residential Property	Acre	N/A	\$13,115

## <u>TABLE 1</u> Assigned Special Taxes for Developed Property

#### b. <u>Backup Special Tax</u>

When a Final Map is recorded, the Backup Special Tax for a Parcel classified or to be classified as Single Family Property within such Final Map shall be determined by multiplying the Undeveloped Property

Maximum Special Tax rate per Acre by the total Acreage of Taxable Property within such Final Map, excluding the Acreage associated with Non-Residential Property, Multifamily Residential Property, Public Property and/or Property Owners' Association Property that is not Exempt Property pursuant to Section E and dividing such amount by the number of Parcels within such Final Map classified as either (i) Single Family Property or (ii) Approved Property for which a Building Permit is expected to be issued for Single Family Property (i.e., the number of residential lots).

Notwithstanding the forgoing, if Parcels classified or to be classified as Single Family Property are subsequently changed or modified by recordation of a lot line adjustment or similar instrument, then the Backup Special Tax shall be recalculated for the area that has been changed or modified using the methodology described in the preceding paragraph.

The Backup Special Tax shall not apply to Multifamily Residential Property, Non-Residential Property, Public Property, or Property Owners' Association Property.

## 2. Approved Property

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Approved Property expected to be classified as Single Family Property shall be the Backup Special Tax computed pursuant to Section C.1.b above.

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Approved Property expected to be classified as Multifamily Residential Property or Non-Residential Property is shown in Table 2 below.

<u>TABLE 2</u> Approved Property Maximum Special Tax

Maximum Special Tax Per Acre
\$13,115

#### 3. Undeveloped Property

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Undeveloped Property is shown in Table 3 below.

TABLE 3
Undeveloped Property Maximum Special Tax

Maximum Special Tax Per Acre
\$13,115

# 4. Public Property and/or Property Owners' Association Property that is not Exempt Property pursuant to the provisions of Section E.

The Maximum Special Tax for each Parcel of Public Property and/or Property Owners' Association Property that is not Exempt Property shall be equal to \$13,115 per Acre.

# D. METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT OF THE SPECIAL TAX

Commencing with Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and for each following Fiscal Year, the Board shall levy the Special Tax on all Taxable Property until the amount of Special Taxes equals the applicable Special Tax Requirement in accordance with the following steps:

<u>First</u>: The Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Developed Property at up to 100% of the applicable Assigned Special Tax rate as needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement;

<u>Second</u>: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement after the first step has been completed, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Approved Property at up to 100% of the Maximum Special Tax for Approved Property as needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement;

<u>Third</u>: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement after the first two steps have been completed, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Undeveloped Property at up to 100% of the Maximum Special Tax for Undeveloped Property as needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement;

<u>Fourth</u>: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement after the first three steps have been completed, the Special Tax to be levied on each Parcel of Developed Property for which the Maximum Special Tax is derived by the application of the Backup Special Tax shall be increased in equal percentages from the Assigned Special Tax up to the Maximum Special Tax for such Parcel as needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement;

<u>Fifth</u>: If additional moneys are needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement after the first four steps have been completed, the Special Tax shall be levied Proportionately on each Parcel of Taxable Property that is Public Property or Property Owners' Association Property at up to 100% of the Maximum Special Tax for such Parcel as needed to satisfy the Special Tax Requirement.

Notwithstanding the above, under no circumstances will the Special Taxes levied in any Fiscal Year against any Parcel of Residential Property as a result of a delinquency in the payment of the Special Tax applicable to any other Parcel be increased by more than ten percent (10%) above the amount that would have been levied in that Fiscal Year had there never been any such delinquency or default.

# E. <u>EXEMPTIONS</u>

The Administrator shall classify as Exempt Property all Parcels of (i) Public Property and (ii) Property Owners' Association Property; provided that such classification shall not reduce the Acreage of all Taxable Property within IA B to less than 32.86 Acres. The Administrator shall not classify a Parcel of Public Property or Property Owners' Association Property as Exempt Property if such classification would reduce the Acreage of all Parcels of Taxable Property to less than 32.86 Acres. Such Parcels that cannot be classified as Exempt Property because such classification would reduce the Acreage of all Parcels of Taxable Property within IA B to less than 32.86 Acres will continue to be classified as Property Owners' Association Property, and will continue to be subject to Special Taxes. The Administrator shall classify Parcels as Exempt Property in the chronological order in which such Parcels become Public Property or Property Owners' Association Property.

# F. MANNER OF COLLECTION

The Special Tax shall be collected in the same manner and at the same time as ordinary ad valorem property taxes and shall be subject to the same penalties, the same procedure, sale and lien priority in the case of delinquency; provided, however, that the Administrator may directly bill the Special Tax, may collect Special Taxes at a different time or in a different manner if necessary to meet the financial obligations of Improvement Area B, and provided further that the CFD may covenant to foreclose and may actually foreclose on Parcels having delinquent Special Taxes as permitted by the Act.

## G. <u>APPEALS</u>

Any taxpayer may file a written appeal of the Special Tax levied against his/her Parcel(s) with the Administrator, provided that the appellant is current in his/her payments of Special Taxes. During pendency of an appeal, all Special Taxes previously levied must be paid on or before the payment date established when the levy was made. The appeal must specify the reasons why the appellant claims the Special Tax is in error. The Administrator shall review the appeal, meet with the appellant if the Administrator deems necessary, and advise the appellant of its determination. If the Administrator agrees with the appellant, the Administrator shall grant a credit to eliminate or reduce future Special Taxes on the appellant's Parcel(s). No refunds of previously paid Special Taxes shall be made.

The Administrator shall interpret this Rate and Method of Apportionment and make determinations relative to the annual levy and administration of the Special Tax and any taxpayer who appeals, as herein specified.

Interpretations may be made by the Board by resolution for purposes of clarifying any vagueness or ambiguity as it relates to any tax class, tax rate, method of apportionment or definition applicable to this Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax.

## H. <u>PREPAYMENT OF SPECIAL TAX</u>

The following definitions apply to this Section H:

**"CFD Public Facilities"** means \$5,500,000 expressed in 2017 dollars, which shall increase by the Construction Inflation Index on July 1, 2018, and on each July 1 thereafter, or such lower number as (i) shall be determined by the Administrator as sufficient to provide the public facilities under the authorized bonding program, or (ii) shall be determined by the Board concurrently with a covenant that the CFD will not issue any more Bonds.

"Construction Fund" means, collectively, all accounts specifically identified in the Indenture to hold funds which are currently available for expenditure to acquire or construct public facilities eligible under the Act and any accounts established prior to the issuance of Bonds for such purpose.

**"Construction Inflation Index"** means the annual percentage change in the Engineering News-Record Building Cost Index for the City of Los Angeles, measured as of the calendar year which ends in the previous Fiscal Year. In the event this index ceases to be published, the Construction Inflation Index shall be another index as determined by the Administrator that is reasonably comparable to the Engineering News-Record Building Cost Index for the City of Los Angeles.

**"Future Facilities Costs"** means the CFD Public Facilities minus (i) Bond proceeds deposited in the Construction Fund and (ii) other amounts (special taxes, interest earnings, etc.) allocated to the Construction Fund that were available to fund such CFD Public Facilities prior to the date of prepayment.

"Outstanding Bonds" means all previously issued Bonds, which will remain outstanding after the payment of principal from the amount of Special Taxes that have been levied, excluding Bonds to be redeemed at a later date with the proceeds of prior prepayments of Special Taxes.

### 1. Prepayment in Full

The Special Tax obligation may be prepaid and permanently satisfied for (i) Parcels of Developed Property, (ii) Parcels of Approved Property or Undeveloped Property for which a Building Permit has been issued, (iii) Parcels of Approved Property or Undeveloped Property for which a Building Permit has not been issued, and (iv) Parcels of Public Property or Property Owners' Association Property that are not

Exempt Property pursuant to Section E. The Special Tax obligation applicable to a Parcel may be fully prepaid and the obligation to pay the Special Tax for such Parcel permanently satisfied as described herein; provided that a prepayment may be made only if there are no delinquent Special Taxes with respect to such Parcel at the time of prepayment. An owner of a Parcel intending to prepay the Special Tax obligation for such Parcel shall provide the Administrator with written notice of intent to prepay, and within 5 business days of receipt of such notice, the Administrator shall notify such owner of the amount of the non-refundable deposit determined to cover the cost to be incurred by the CFD in calculating the Prepayment Amount (as defined below) for the Parcel. Within 15 days of receipt of such non-refundable deposit, the Administrator shall notify such owner of the Parcel. Prepayment amount for the Parcel. Prepayment must be made not less than 60 days prior to the redemption date for any Bonds to be redeemed with the proceeds of such prepaid Special Taxes.

The Prepayment Amount shall be calculated as follows (capitalized terms are defined below):

	Bond Redemption Amount
plus	Redemption Premium
plus	Future Facilities Amount
plus	Defeasance Amount
plus	Administrative Fees and Expenses
less	Reserve Fund Credit
Equals:	Prepayment Amount

The Prepayment Amount shall be determined as of the proposed prepayment date as follows:

1. Confirm that no Special Tax delinquencies apply to such Parcel.

2. For a Parcel of Developed Property, compute the Maximum Special Tax for the Parcel. For a Parcel of Approved Property or Undeveloped Property for which a Building Permit has been issued, compute the Maximum Special Tax for the Parcel as though it was already designated as Developed Property, based upon the Building Permit which has been issued for the Parcel. For a Parcel of Approved Property or Undeveloped Property for which a Building Permit has not been issued, Public Property or Property Owners' Association Property to be prepaid, compute the Maximum Special Tax for the Parcel.

3. Divide the Maximum Special Tax derived pursuant to paragraph 2 by the total amount of Special Taxes that could be levied at build out of all Parcels of Taxable Property based on the applicable Maximum Special Tax for all such Parcels of Taxable Property not including any Parcels for which the Special Tax obligation has been previously prepaid.

4. Multiply the quotient derived pursuant to paragraph 3 by the principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds to determine the amount of Outstanding Bonds to be redeemed with the Prepayment Amount (the "Bond Redemption Amount").

5. Multiply the Bond Redemption Amount by the applicable redemption premium, if any, on the Outstanding Bonds to be redeemed (the "Redemption Premium").

6. Determine the Future Facilities Costs.

7. Multiply the quotient derived pursuant to paragraph 3 by the amount determined pursuant to paragraph 6 to determine the portion of the Future Facilities Costs applicable to the Parcel (the "Future Facilities Amount").

8. Determine the amount needed to pay interest on the Bond Redemption Amount from the first bond interest and/or principal payment date following the current Fiscal Year until the earliest redemption date for the Outstanding Bonds on which Bonds can be redeemed from Special Tax prepayments.

9. Determine the Special Taxes levied on the Parcel in the current Fiscal Year which have not yet been paid.

10. Determine the amount the Administrator reasonably expects to derive from the investment of the Bond Redemption Amount and the Redemption Premium from the date of prepayment until the redemption date for the Outstanding Bonds to be redeemed with the Prepayment Amount.

11. Add the amounts derived pursuant to paragraphs 8 and 9 and subtract the amount derived pursuant to paragraph 10 (the "Defeasance Amount").

12. Verify the administrative fees and expenses of the CFD, including the cost of computation of the Prepayment Amount, the cost to invest the Prepayment Amount, the cost of redeeming the Outstanding Bonds, and the cost of recording notices to evidence the prepayment of the Special Tax obligation for the Parcel and the redemption of Outstanding Bonds (the "Administrative Fees and Expenses").

13. The reserve fund credit (the "Reserve Fund Credit") shall equal the lesser of: (a) the expected reduction in the reserve requirement (as defined in the Indenture), if any, associated with the redemption of Outstanding Bonds as a result of the prepayment, or (b) the amount derived by subtracting the new reserve requirement (as defined in the Indenture) in effect after the redemption of Outstanding Bonds as a result of the prepayment, or the reserve fund on the prepayment date, but in no event shall such amount be less than zero.

14. The Prepayment Amount is equal to the sum of the Bond Redemption Amount, the Redemption Premium, the Future Facilities Amount, the Defeasance Amount and the Administrative Fees and Expenses, less the Reserve Fund Credit.

15. From the Prepayment Amount, the Bond Redemption Amount, the Redemption Premium, and Defeasance Amount shall be deposited into the appropriate fund as established under the Indenture and be used to redeem Outstanding Bonds or make debt service payments. The Future Facilities Amount shall be deposited into the Construction Fund. The Administrative Fees and Expenses shall be retained by the CFD.

The Prepayment Amount may be sufficient to redeem other than a \$5,000 increment of Bonds. In such event, the increment above \$5,000, or an integral multiple thereof, will be retained in the appropriate fund established under the Indenture to be used with the next redemption from other Special Tax prepayments of Outstanding Bonds or to make debt service payments.

As a result of the payment of the current Fiscal Year's Special Tax levy as determined pursuant to paragraph 9 above, the Administrator shall remove the current Fiscal Year's Special Tax levy for the Parcel from the County tax roll. With respect to any Parcel for which the Special Tax obligation is prepaid, the Board shall cause a suitable notice to be recorded in compliance with the Act, to indicate the prepayment of the Special Tax obligation and the release of the Special Tax lien for the Parcel, and the obligation to pay the Special Tax for such Parcel shall cease.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Special Tax prepayment shall be allowed unless the amount of Maximum Special Taxes that may be levied on all Parcels of Taxable Property after the proposed prepayment will be at least 1.1 times maximum annual debt service on the Bonds that will remain outstanding after the prepayment plus the estimated annual Administrative Expenses.

Tenders of Bonds in prepayment of the Special Tax obligation may be accepted upon the terms and conditions established by the Board pursuant to the Act. However, the use of Bond tenders shall only be allowed on a case-by-case basis as specifically approved by the Board.

## 2. Prepayment in Part

The Special Tax obligation for a Parcel of Developed Property, Approved Property or Undeveloped Property may be partially prepaid. For purposes of determining the partial prepayment amount, the provisions of Section H.1 shall be modified as provided by the following formula:

$$PP = ((P_E - A) \times F) + A$$

These terms have the following meaning:

- PP = Partial Prepayment
- $P_E$  = the Prepayment Amount calculated according to Section H.1
- F = the percent by which the owner of the Parcel(s) is partially prepaying the Special Tax obligation
- A = the Administrative Fees and Expenses determined pursuant to Section H.1

The owner of a Parcel who desires to partially prepay the Special Tax obligation for the Parcel shall notify the Administrator of (i) such owner's intent to partially prepay the Special Tax obligation, (ii) the percentage of the Special Tax obligation such owner wishes to prepay, and (iii) the company or agency that will be acting as the escrow agent, if any. Within 5 days of receipt of such notice, the Administrator shall notify such property owner of the amount of the non-refundable deposit determined to cover the cost to be incurred by the CFD in calculating the amount of a partial prepayment. Within 15 business days of receipt of such non-refundable deposit, the Administrator shall notify such owner of the amount of the Partial Prepayment for the Parcel. A Partial Prepayment must be made not less than 60 days prior to the redemption date for the Outstanding Bonds to be redeemed with the proceeds of the Partial Prepayment.

With respect to any Parcel for which the Special Tax obligation is partially prepaid, the Administrator shall (i) distribute the Partial Prepayment as provided in Paragraph 15 of Section H.1, and (ii) indicate in the records of the CFD that there has been a Partial Prepayment for the Parcel and that a portion of the Special Tax obligation equal to the remaining percentage (1.00 - F) of the Special Tax obligation will continue on the Parcel pursuant to Section D.

# I. TERM OF THE SPECIAL TAX

Each Fiscal Year, the Special Tax shall be levied on all Parcels subject to the Special Tax pursuant to Section D. If any delinquent Special Taxes remain uncollected prior to or after all Bonds are retired, the Special Tax may be levied to the extent necessary to reimburse the CFD for uncollected Special Taxes associated with the levy of such Special Taxes, but the Special Tax shall not be levied after Fiscal Year 2061-2062.

#### **APPENDIX D**

#### INFORMATION CONCERNING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry only system has been obtained from sources that the Community Facilities District believes to be reliable, but the Community Facilities District takes no responsibility for the completeness or accuracy thereof. The following description of the procedures and record keeping with respect to beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds, payment of principal, premium, if any, accreted value and interest on the Bonds to DTC Direct Participants, Indirect Participants or Beneficial Owners (as defined below), confirmation and transfers of beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds and other related transactions by and between DTC, the DTC Direct Participants, Indirect Participants and the Beneficial Owners is based solely on information provided by DTC.

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Bond will be issued for each annual maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited through the facilities of DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of "AA+." The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

Purchases of Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Bonds on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Bond ("Beneficial Owner") is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Bonds; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Community Facilities District as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal, redemption price and interest payments on the Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Community Facilities District or the Fiscal Agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Fiscal Agent, or the Community Facilities District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal, redemption price and interest payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Community Facilities District or the Fiscal Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of DTC, and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Community Facilities District or the Fiscal Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The Community Facilities District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

#### **APPENDIX E**

#### FORM OF DISTRICT CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

THIS CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE (this "Disclosure Certificate"), dated as of April 1, 2023, is executed and delivered by Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District (the "Issuer") in connection with the issuance by the Issuer of its Improvement Area B 2023 Special Tax Bonds (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are being issued pursuant to a Resolution of Issuance adopted by the Board of Directors of the Issuer on March 15, 2023 and a Trust Indenture, dated as of April 1, 2023, by and between the Issuer and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as the Fiscal Agent (the "Indenture").

The Issuer covenants as follows:

SECTION 1. <u>Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate</u>. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered, for the benefit of the Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.

SECTION 2. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the definitions set forth in the Indenture and the Rate and Method of Apportionment, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Annual Report" shall mean any Annual Report provided by the Issuer pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Beneficial Owner" shall mean any person who (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bond (including a person holding Bonds through a nominee, depository or other intermediary), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bond for federal income purposes.

"Community Facilities District" shall mean Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District.

"Disclosure Representative" shall mean the General Manager, any Deputy General Manager, the Chief Financial Officer or such other officer or employee as the Issuer shall designate in writing to the Dissemination Agent from time to time.

"Dissemination Agent" shall mean, initially, the Issuer, or any successor Dissemination Agent designed in writing by the Issuer.

"EMMA" shall mean the Electronic Municipal Market Access System of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, which can be found at www.emma.msrb.org, or any other repository of disclosure information that may be designated by the Securities and Exchange Commission in the future.

"Improvement Area B" shall means the property within the boundaries of Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District, as established pursuant to the Resolution of Formation.

"Listed Events" shall mean any of the events listed in Section 5(a) of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Official Statement" shall mean the Issuer's official statement with respect to the Bonds.

"Participating Underwriter" shall mean Raymond James & Associates, Inc., the original underwriter of the Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with offering of the Bonds.

"Rate and Method of Apportionment" means that certain Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax approved pursuant to the Resolution of Formation, as amended in accordance with the Act and the Indenture.

"Resolution of Formation" means Resolution No. 2017-117 adopted by the Board of Directors of the Water District on November 1, 2017, pursuant to which the Water District formed the Community Facilities District and Improvement Area B.

"Rule" shall mean Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

"Tax-exempt" shall mean that interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, whether or not such interest is includable as an item of tax preferences or otherwise includable directly or indirectly for purposes of calculating any other tax liability, including any alternative minimum tax or environmental tax.

### SECTION 3. <u>Provision of Annual Reports</u>.

(a) Not later than eight months after the end of the Issuer's fiscal year (which currently ends on June 30), commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, which is due not later than March 1, 2024, the Issuer shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, provide to EMMA and the Participating Underwriter an Annual Report which is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate; provided, however, the initial Annual Report may consist solely of the Official Statement and the Issuer's audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. If the Dissemination Agent is other than the Issuer, then not later than 15 business days prior to the date referred to in the prior sentence hereof, the Issuer shall provide the Annual Report (in a form suitable for filing with EMMA) to the Dissemination Agent. The Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package and may include by reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate; provided that the audited financial statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from and later than the balance of the Annual Report if they are not available by the date required above for the filing of the Annual Report.

(b) In the event that the Dissemination Agent is an entity other than the Issuer, then the provisions of this Section 3(b) shall apply. Not later than fifteen (15) Business Days prior to the date specified in subsection (a) for providing the Annual Report, the Issuer shall provide the Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent. If by fifteen (15) Business Days prior to the due date for an Annual Report the Dissemination Agent has not received a copy of the Annual Report, the Dissemination Agent shall contact the Issuer to determine if the Issuer will be filing the Annual Report in compliance with subsection (a). The Issuer shall provide a written certification with each Annual Report furnished to the Dissemination Agent to the effect that such Annual Report constitutes the Annual Report required to be furnished by it hereunder. The Dissemination Agent may conclusively rely upon such certification of the Issuer and shall have no duty or obligation to review such Annual Report.

(c) If the Issuer is unable to provide to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board an Annual Report by the date required in subsection (a), the Issuer shall send a notice to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board in a timely manner, in the form required by EMMA or if the Dissemination Agent is other than the Issuer and if the Dissemination Agent is unable to verify that an Annual Report has been provided to EMMA by the date required in subsection (a), the Dissemination Agent shall send a notice to EMMA in a timely manner, in the form required by EMMA.

(d) If the Dissemination Agent is other than the Issuer, the Dissemination Agent shall:

(i) determine each year prior to the date for providing the Annual Report the name and address of the repository if other than the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board through EMMA; and

(ii) promptly after receipt of the Annual Report, file a report with the Issuer certifying that the Annual Report has been provided to EMMA and the date it was provided.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, all filings shall be made in accordance with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's EMMA system or in another manner approved under the Rule.

SECTION 4. <u>Content of Annual Reports</u>. The Issuer's Annual Report shall contain or include by reference:

(a) <u>Financial Statements</u>. The audited financial statements of the Issuer for the most recent fiscal year of the Issuer then ended, if any audited financial statements of the Issuer are produced. The Issuer does not currently produce audited financial statements and does not currently expect to produce audited financial statements. If the audited financial statements are to be produced and are not available by the time the Annual Report is required to be filed, the Issuer shall, as soon as practicable after the audited financial statements become available, post the audited financial statements to EMMA. If audited financial statements of the Issuer are not prepared, no unaudited financial statements need be submitted.

(b) <u>Financial and Operating Data</u>. The Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the following information:

(i) the principal amount of Bonds outstanding as of the September 2 preceding the filing of the Annual Report;

(ii) the balance in each fund under the Indenture as of the September 2 preceding the filing of the Annual Report;

(iii) the assessed valuation of the Taxable Property within Improvement Area B;

(iv) any changes to the Rate and Method of Apportionment of the Special Tax approved or submitted to the qualified electors for approval prior to the filing of the Annual Report;

(v) a table setting forth the annual Special Tax delinquency rate within Improvement Area B on June 30 for each fiscal year on which a delinquency exists, listing for each fiscal year the total Special Tax levy, the amount delinquent and the percent delinquent;

(vi) the status of any foreclosure actions being pursued by the Issuer with respect to delinquent Special Taxes;

(vii) an update of the assessed value-to-lien ratio based on the outstanding principal amount of the Bonds and any Parity Bonds and on the assessed values of property for the current fiscal year; and

(viii) the status of the construction of the public improvements to be acquired or constructed with proceeds of the Bonds and any changes in the types of public facilities to be constructed or acquired from those described in the Official Statement, but only so long as such public improvements are not completed.

(c) Any or all of the items listed in (a) or (b) above may be included by specific reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the Issuer or related public entities, which have been submitted to EMMA or the Securities and Exchange Commission. If the document included by reference is a final official statement, it must be available from the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board through EMMA. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so included by reference.

SECTION 5. <u>Reporting of Significant Events</u>.

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5, the Issuer shall give, or cause the Dissemination Agent to give, notice to EMMA in a timely manner not more than ten (10) business days after the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds:

- 1. principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- 2. non-payment related defaults, if material;
- 3. tender offers;
- 4. bond calls, if material;
- 5. defeasances;
- 6. rating changes;
- 7. adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, or Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax status of the security;
- 8. unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- 9. unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- 10. substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- 11. modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
- 12. release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
- 13. default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the obligated person, any of which reflect financial difficulties;
- 14. bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the obligated person. For the purposes of the event identified in this Section 5(a)(14), the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the obligated person in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governmental body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an

order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person;

- 15. the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- 16. appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- 17. incurrence of a financial obligation of the obligated person, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the obligated person, any of which affect security holders, if material.

(b) For purposes of the events identified in subparagraphs (a)(13) and (a)(17) under this Section 5, the term "financial obligation" means a (i) debt obligation; (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii). The term financial obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board consistent with the Rule.

(c) In the event that the Issuer's fiscal year changes, the Issuer shall report or shall instruct the Dissemination Agent to report such change in the same manner and to the same parties as Listed Event would be reported pursuant to this Section.

(d) The Issuer hereby agrees that the undertaking set forth in this Disclosure Certificate is the responsibility of the Issuer, and the Dissemination Agent, if other than the Issuer, shall not be responsible for determining whether the Issuer's instructions to the Dissemination Agent under this Section comply with the requirements of the Rule.

SECTION 6. <u>Termination of Reporting Obligation</u>. The obligations of the Issuer and the Dissemination Agent under this Disclosure Certificate shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds. If such termination occurs prior to the final maturity of the Bonds, the Issuer shall give notice of such termination in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5.

SECTION 7. <u>Dissemination Agent</u>. The Issuer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under the Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Dissemination Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be the Issuer. The Dissemination Agent may resign by providing (i) thirty days written notice to the Issuer, and (ii) upon appointment of a new Dissemination Agent hereunder.

### SECTION 8. <u>Amendment</u>.

(a) This Disclosure Certificate may be amended, by written agreement of the parties, without the consent of the Owners, and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived, if all of the following conditions are satisfied: (1) such amendment or waiver is made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal (including regulatory) requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature or status of the Issuer or the type of business conducted thereby, (2) the undertakings in this

Disclosure Certificate as so amended or waived would, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, have complied with the requirements of the Rule as of the date of this Disclosure Certificate, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances, and (3) the amendment or waiver either (i) is approved by the Owners of the Bonds in the same manner as provided in the Indenture for amendments to the Indenture with the consent of Owners or (ii) does not, in the determination of the Issuer, materially impair the interests of the Owners or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.

(b) To the extent any amendment to this Disclosure Certificate results in a change in the type of financial information or operating data provided pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate, the first Annual Report provided thereafter shall include a narrative explanation of the reasons for the amendment and the impact of the change in the type of operating data or financial information being provided.

(c) If an amendment is made to the basis on which financial statements are prepared, the Annual Report for the year in which the change is made shall present a comparison between the financial statements or information prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles. Such comparison shall include a quantitative and, to the extent reasonably feasible, qualitative discussion of the differences in the accounting principles and the impact of the change in the accounting principles on the presentation of the financial information.

SECTION 9. <u>Additional Information</u>. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the Issuer chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Agreement to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

SECTION 10. <u>Default</u>. In the event of a failure of the Issuer or the Dissemination Agent to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, any Owner or Beneficial Owner of the Bonds may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer and/or the Dissemination Agent to comply with their respective obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an Event of Default under the Indenture, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Issuer or the Dissemination Agent to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

SECTION 11. Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Dissemination Agent. Where an entity other than the Issuer is acting as the Dissemination Agent, the Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Certificate, and the Issuer agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent and its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities which they may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of their powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's negligence or willful misconduct. Any Dissemination Agent shall be paid (i) compensation by the Issuer for its services provided hereunder in accordance with a schedule of fees to be mutually agreed to; and (ii) all expenses, legal fees and advances made or incurred by the Dissemination Agent in the performance of its duties hereunder. The Dissemination Agent shall have no duty or obligation to review any information provided to it by the Issuer pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate. The obligations of the Issuer under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and payment of the Bonds. No person shall have any right to commence any action against the Dissemination Agent seeking any remedy other than to compel specific performance of this Disclosure Certificate. The Dissemination Agent shall not be liable under any circumstances for monetary damages to any person for any breach under this Disclosure Certificate.

SECTION 12. <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Dissemination Agent, the Participating Underwriter and Owners and Beneficial Owners from time to time of the Bonds; and it shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

SECTION 13. <u>Merger</u>. Any person succeeding to all or substantially all of the Dissemination Agent's corporate trust business shall be the successor Dissemination Agent without the filing of any paper or any further act.

This Disclosure Certificate is executed as of the date and year first set forth above.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

By:

Disclosure Representative

### EXHIBIT A

### NOTICE TO EMMA OF FAILURE TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT

Name of Obligated Person:

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Name of Obligation:COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA)OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT, IMPROVEMENTAREA B SPECIAL TAX BONDS

Date of Issuance: April 13, 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Community Facilities District has not provided an Annual Report with respect to the above-named Bonds as required by the Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the Community Facilities District on the date of issuance of the Bonds. The Community Facilities District anticipates that the Annual Report will be filed by \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated:

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

By: [no signature required; form only]

#### **APPENDIX F**

#### FORM OF DEVELOPER CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

## \$5,280,000 COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B 2023 SPECIAL TAX BONDS

This Developer Continuing Disclosure Certificate (this "**Disclosure Certificate**") is executed and delivered by Richmond American Homes of Maryland, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "**Developer**"), in connection with the issuance by Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District (the "**Community Facilities District**") of the bonds captioned above (the "**2023 Bonds**"). The 2023 Bonds are being issued pursuant to a Trust Indenture, dated as of April 1, 2023 (the "**Indenture**"), by and between the Community Facilities District and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, in its capacity as fiscal agent (the "**Fiscal Agent**"). The Developer covenants and agrees as follows:

Section 1. <u>Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate</u>. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Developer for the benefit of the owners and Beneficial Owners (defined below) of the 2023 Bonds.

Section 2. <u>Definitions.</u> In addition to the definitions set forth above and in the Indenture, which apply to any capitalized term used in this Disclosure Certificate unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

"Assumption Agreement" means an undertaking of a Major Owner or a Relevant Entity thereof, for the benefit of the owners and Beneficial Owners of the 2023 Bonds, containing terms substantially similar to this Disclosure Certificate (as modified for such Major Owner's development and financing plans with respect to the property of such Major Owner within the Improvement Area), whereby the Major Owner or Relevant Entity agrees to provide semi-annual reports and notices of significant events, setting forth the information described in Sections 4 and 5 hereof, respectively, with respect to the portion of the property in the Improvement Area owned by such Major Owner and its Relevant Entities.

*"Beneficial Owner"* shall mean any Person, which (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any 2023 Bonds (including Persons holding any 2023 Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any 2023 Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

"Development Plan" means, with respect to the Developer, the specific improvements the Developer intends to make, or cause to be made, to the Developer's Property, the time frame in which such improvements are intended to be made and the estimated costs of such improvements; the Developer's Development Plan, as of the date hereof, is described in the Official Statement under the caption "PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT – Development Plan."

"Dissemination Agent" means the Developer, or any successor Dissemination Agent designated in writing by the Developer, with the written consent of the Community Facilities District, and which has filed with the Developer and the Community Facilities District a written acceptance of such designation, and which is experienced in providing dissemination agent services such as those required under this Disclosure Certificate.

*"EMMA System"* means the Electronic Municipal Market Access System of the MSRB or such other electronic system designated by the MSRB (as defined below) or the Securities and Exchange Commission.

*"Financing Plan"* means, with respect to the Developer, the method by which the Developer intends to finance its Development Plan, including specific sources of funding for such Development Plan; the Developer's Financing Plan, as of the date hereof, is described in the Official Statement under the caption "PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT – Financing Plan."

"Improvement Area" means Improvement Area B of Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District.

"Listed Events" means any of the events listed in Section 5(a) of this Disclosure Certificate.

*"Major Owner"* means, as of any Report Date, a Person that, together with such Person's Relevant Entities, owns 50 or more residential lots in the Improvement Area.

*"MSRB"* means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board which has been designated by the Securities and Exchange Commission as the sole repository of disclosure information.

"Official Statement" means the final official statement dated March 30, 2023, executed by the Community Facilities District in connection with the issuance of the 2023 Bonds.

"Participating Underwriter" means Raymond James & Associates, Inc., the original underwriter of the 2023 Bonds.

"Person" means an individual, a corporation, a partnership, a limited liability company, an association, a joint stock company, a trust, any unincorporated organization or a government or political subdivision thereof.

*"Property"* means (i) the property owned by the Developer or a Relevant Entity in the Improvement Area and subject to the Special Taxes as of the Report Date, and (ii) the property in the Improvement Area that the Developer sold to a Major Owner who has not assumed the undertakings of this Disclosure Certificate under Section 7(b) with respect to such property owned by such Major Owner.

"Relevant Entity" means, with respect to the Developer, any other Person (i) who directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, is currently controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Developer, and (ii) for whom information, including financial information or operating data, concerning such Person is material to investors in their evaluation of the Improvement Area and investment decisions regarding the 2023 Bonds (i.e., such Person's assets or funds would materially affect the Developer's ability to develop its Property as described in the Official Statement or to pay its Special Taxes due at any time with respect to the portion of the Property then owned by the Developer (to the extent the responsibility of the Developer) prior to delinquency). For purposes hereof, the term "control" (including the terms "controlling," "controlled by" or "under common control with") means the present possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"Report Date" means (a) September 30 of each year, and (b) March 31 of each year.

*"Semi-Annual Report"* means any Semi-Annual Report provided by the Developer pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Special Taxes" means the special taxes levied on taxable property in the Improvement Area by the Community Facilities District.

"State" means the State of California.

Section 3. Provision of Semi-Annual Reports.

Until such obligations are terminated pursuant to Section 7 herein, the Developer shall, or, (a) upon written direction of the Developer, the Dissemination Agent shall, not later than the Report Date, commencing September 30, 2023, provide to the MSRB through the EMMA System, in an electronic format and accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB, a Semi-Annual Report that is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate with a copy to the Community Facilities District. If, in any year, March 31 or September 30 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, such deadline shall be extended to the next following day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday. If the Developer utilizes the Dissemination Agent to file the Semi-Annual Report, then not later than 15 calendar days prior to the Report Date, the Developer shall provide the Semi-Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent (if different from the Developer) and the Developer shall provide a written certification with (or included as a part of) each Semi-Annual Report furnished to the Dissemination Agent (if different from the Developer) and the Community Facilities District to the effect that such Semi-Annual Report constitutes the Semi-Annual Report required to be furnished by it under this Disclosure Certificate. The Dissemination Agent and the Community Facilities District may conclusively rely upon such certification of the Developer and shall have no duty or obligation to review the Semi-Annual Report. The Semi-Annual Report may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may incorporate by reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

(b) If the Dissemination Agent is not the Developer and it does not receive a Semi-Annual Report from the Developer and cannot verify that a Semi-Annual Report has been filed with the MSRB through the EMMA System by 15 calendar days prior to the Report Date, the Dissemination Agent shall send a reminder notice to the Developer that the Semi-Annual Report has not been provided as required under Section 3(a) above. The reminder notice shall request the Developer to determine whether its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate have terminated (pursuant to Section 7 below) and, if so, to provide the Dissemination Agent with a notice of such termination in the same manner as for a Listed Event (pursuant to Section 5 below). If the Developer does not provide, or cause the Dissemination Agent to provide, a Semi-Annual Report to the MSRB through the EMMA System by the Report Date as required in subsection (a) above, the Developer or the Dissemination Agent (if different from the Developer) shall, in a timely manner, provide to the MSRB through the EMMA System, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, a notice in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A, with a copy to the Community Facilities District.

(c) The Dissemination Agent shall:

(i) determine prior to each Report Date the then applicable rules and electronic format prescribed by the MSRB for the filing of continuing disclosure reports; and

(ii) to the extent the Semi-Annual Report has been furnished to it, file a report with the Developer (if the Dissemination Agent is other than the Developer) and the Community Facilities District certifying that the Semi-Annual Report has been provided to the MSRB through the EMMA System pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate and stating the date it was provided.

Section 4. <u>Content of Semi-Annual Reports.</u> Each Semi-Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the information set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto, any or all of which may be included by specific reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the Developer or public entities, which are available to the public on the EMMA System or filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. If the document included by reference is a final official statement, it must be available from the MSRB. The Developer shall clearly identify each such other document so included by reference.

In addition to any of the information expressly required to be provided in Exhibit B, each Semi-Annual Report shall include such further information, if any, as may be necessary to make the specifically required statements, in the light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading.

### Section 5. <u>Reporting of Listed Events</u>.

(a) Until such obligations are terminated pursuant to Section 7, the Developer shall give, or cause to be given, notice of the occurrence of any of the following Listed Events with respect to itself or the Property, if material:

(i) bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings commenced by or against the Developer and, if known, any bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings commenced by or against any Relevant Entity of the Developer that owns property subject to the Special Taxes that, in the reasonable judgment of the Developer, could have a material adverse impact on the Developer's ability to pay its Special Taxes prior to delinquency or to sell or develop the Property as proposed in the Official Statement or most recent Semi-Annual Report;

(ii) failure to pay any taxes, special taxes (including the Special Taxes) or assessments due with respect to the Property prior to the delinquency date to the extent such failure is not promptly cured by the Developer or a Relevant Entity upon discovery thereof;

(iii) filing of a lawsuit against the Developer or, if known, a Relevant Entity of the Developer, seeking damages which, if successful, could have, or a final judgment in a lawsuit against the Developer or if known, a Relevant Entity which has, a material and adverse impact on the Developer's (or a Relevant Entity's, if the Relevant Entity owns property within the Community Facilities District) ability to pay Special Taxes prior to delinquency or to sell or develop the Property as proposed in the Official Statement or most recent Semi-Annual Report;

(iv) any conveyance by the Developer or a Relevant Entity of any of the Property to an entity that is not a Relevant Entity of the Developer, the result of which conveyance is to cause the transferee to become a Major Owner and the related assumption of any obligation by a Major Owner pursuant to Section 7;

(v) material damage to or destruction of any of the improvements on the Property; and

(vi) any payment default or other material default by the Developer that continues to exist beyond any applicable notice and cure periods on any loan or line of credit with respect to the construction of improvements on the Property that would have a material adverse effect on the Developer's most recently disclosed Development Plan or Financing Plan with respect to the Property, or the ability of the Developer or any Relevant Entity to pay its Special Taxes prior to delinquency.

(b) Whenever the Developer obtains knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event, the Developer shall as soon as possible determine if such event would be material under applicable Federal securities law.

(c) If the Developer determines that knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event would be material under applicable Federal securities law, the Developer shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, promptly file a notice of such occurrence with the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, with a copy to the Community Facilities District.

Section 6. <u>Identifying Information for Filings with the MSRB; Format for Filings with the MSRB.</u> All documents provided to the MSRB under the Disclosure Certificate shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB. Any report or filing with the MSRB pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate must be submitted in electronic format, accompanied by such identifying information as is prescribed by the MSRB.

Section 7. Duration of Reporting Obligation.

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(a) All of the Developer's obligations hereunder shall commence on the date hereof and shall terminate (except as provided in Section 12) on the earliest to occur of the following:

(i) upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all the 2023 Bonds,

(ii) the date on which the Developer and any of its Relevant Entities, collectively, are no longer responsible for the payment of at least 20% of the total Special Taxes to be levied within the Improvement Area in the current Fiscal Year,

(iii) at such time as the Developer and its Relevant Entities own less than 50 residential lots in the Improvement Area subject to the Special Tax, or

(iv) the date on which the Developer prepays in full all of the Special Taxes attributable to the Property.

The Developer shall give notice of the termination of its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5.

(b) If a portion of the Property is conveyed to a person or entity that, upon such conveyance, will be a Major Owner, the obligations of the Developer hereunder with respect to the property conveyed to such Major Owner may be assumed by such Major Owner or by a Relevant Entity thereof, and the Developer's obligations hereunder with respect to that portion of the Property conveyed will be terminated. In order to effect such an assumption, such Major Owner or a Relevant Entity shall enter into an Assumption Agreement in form and substance equivalent to this Disclosure Certificate or as otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the Community Facilities District and the Participating Underwriter. Until such time as such Assumption Agreement is entered into, the Developer shall continue to be responsible for the obligations hereunder. However, a Major Owner shall not be required to enter into an Assumption Agreement if such Major Owner is already a party to a continuing disclosure certificate in form and substance similar to this Disclosure Certificate with respect to the 2023 Bonds, and under which the Property conveyed to such Major Owner will become subject to future Semi-Annual Reports.

Section 8. <u>Dissemination Agent.</u> The Developer may, from time to time appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist the Developer in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Dissemination Agent, without cause, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. As of the execution of this Disclosure Certificate, the Developer has not appointed a separate entity to serve as Dissemination Agent and the Developer will be the initial Dissemination Agent.

The Dissemination Agent (if different from the Developer) may resign by providing thirty days' written notice to the Community Facilities District and the Developer. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible for the content of any report or notice prepared by the Developer. The Dissemination Agent shall have no duty to prepare any information report nor shall the Dissemination Agent be responsible for filing any report not provided to it by the Developer in a timely manner and in a form suitable for filing. The Dissemination Agent shall have no duty or power to enforce compliance by the Developer with the provisions of this Disclosure Certificate.

Section 9. <u>Amendment; Waiver</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Developer may amend this Disclosure Certificate, and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived, provided that the following conditions are satisfied (provided, however, that the Dissemination Agent

shall not be obligated under any such amendment that modifies or increases its duties or obligations hereunder without its written consent thereto):

(a) if the amendment or waiver relates to the provisions of Sections 3(a), 4 or 5(a), it may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature, or status of an obligated person with respect to the 2023 Bonds, or type of business conducted;

(b) the proposed amendment or waiver either (i) is approved by owners of the 2023 Bonds in the same manner as provided in the Fiscal Agent Agreement for amendments to the Indenture with the consent of owners, or (ii) does not, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, materially impair the interests of the owners or Beneficial Owners of the 2023 Bonds; and

(c) In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Developer shall describe such amendment in the next Semi-Annual Report, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or, in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the Developer.

Section 10. <u>Additional Information</u>. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Developer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Semi-Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the Developer chooses to include any information in any Semi-Annual Report or notice of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the Developer shall have no obligation under this Disclosure Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Semi-Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Section 11. <u>Default.</u> In the event of a failure of the Developer to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Participating Underwriter and any owner or Beneficial Owner of the 2023 Bonds may, take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Developer or Dissemination Agent, as the case may be, to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default under the Indenture, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Developer to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance. Neither the Developer nor the Dissemination Agent shall have any liability to the owners of the 2023 Bonds or any other party for monetary damages or financial liability of any kind whatsoever relating to or arising from this Disclosure Certificate.

Section 12. Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Certificate, and the Developer agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent, its officers, directors, employees and agents (each an "Indemnified Party"), harmless from and against any loss, expense, claims, suits, and liabilities which it may incur arising out of or in the reasonable exercise or performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the reasonable costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding any loss, expenses, claims, suits, and liabilities due to the Indemnified Party's negligence or willful misconduct or failure to perform its duties hereunder. The Dissemination Agent shall have no duty or obligation to review any information provided to it hereunder and shall not be deemed to be acting in any fiduciary capacity for the School District, the Community Facilities District, the Developer, owners, or Beneficial Owners of the 2023 Bonds, or any other party. The obligations of the Developer under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of the 2023 Bonds.

Section 13. <u>Notices.</u> Any notice or communications to be among any of the parties to this Disclosure Certificate may be given by electronic, overnight, or regular mail as follows:

If to the Community Facilities District:	Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District c/o Eastern Municipal Water District 2270 Trumble Road Perris, California 92570 Attention: Chief Financial Officer Email: specialfundingdivision@emwd.org				
If to the Participating Underwriter	Raymond James & Associates, Inc. 39 East Union Street Pasadena, CA 91103 Attention: Public Finance jose.vera@raymondjames.com				
If to the Developer:	Richmond American Homes Riverside Division 391 N. Main Street, Suite 205 Corona, California 92880 Attention: Vice President Project Management Telephone: (951) 386-4113 Email: edgar.gomez@mdch.com				
	With a copy to: Richmond American Homes 3200 Douglas Blvd., Suite 110 Roseville, California 95661 Attention: Richard E. Englebright Jr.				
	Telephone: (720) 977-3206 Email: rick.englebright@mdch.com and				
	O'Neil LLP 1990 MacArthur Blvd., Suite 1050 Irvine, California 92612 Attention: Sandra Galle Telephone: (949) 798-0725 Email: sgalle@oneil-llp.com				

Any Person may, by written notice to the other Persons listed above, designate a different address or telephone number(s) to which subsequent notices or communications should be sent.

Section 14. <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Community Facilities District, the Developer, the Dissemination Agent, the Participating Underwriter and owners and Beneficial Owners from time to time of the 2023 Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other Person or entity. All obligations of the Developer hereunder shall be assumed by any legal successor to the obligations of the Developer as a result of a sale, merger, consolidation or other reorganization.

Section 15. <u>Counterparts.</u> This Disclosure Certificate may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be regarded as an original, and all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Section 16. <u>Merger.</u> Any person succeeding to all or substantially all of the Dissemination Agent's corporate trust business shall be the successor Dissemination Agent without the filing of any paper or any further act.

Date: April 13, 2023

RICHMOND AMERICAN HOMES OF MARYLAND, INC., a Maryland corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Edgar Gomez, Vice President Project Management

### EXHIBIT A

## NOTICE OF FAILURE TO FILE SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

Name of Issuer:	Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District
Name of Bond Issue:	Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal Water District Improvement Area B 2023 Special Tax Bonds
Date of Issuance:	April 13, 2023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that \_\_\_\_\_ (the "**Major Owner**") has not provided a Semi-Annual Report with respect to the above-named bonds as required by the Developer Continuing Disclosure Certificate, dated April 13, 2023. The Major Owner anticipates that the Semi-Annual Report will be filed by

Dated:

Richmond American Homes of Maryland, Inc., a Maryland corporation

cc: Richmond American O'Neil LLP

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### EXHIBIT B

#### SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

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## COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2017-77 (LA VENTANA) OF EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT AREA B 2023 SPECIAL TAX BONDS

This Semi-Annual Report is hereby submitted under Section 4 of the Developer Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "**Disclosure Certificate**"), dated as of April 13, 2023, executed by the undersigned (the "**Developer**") in connection with the issuance of the above-captioned bonds by Community Facilities District No. 2017-77 (La Ventana) of Eastern Municipal District (the "**Community Facilities District**").

Capitalized terms used in this Semi-Annual Report but not otherwise defined have the meanings given to them in the Disclosure Certificate.

# I. Ownership and Development

The information in this section is provided as of \_\_\_\_\_\_ (this date must be not more than 60 days before the date of this Semi-Annual Report).

A. Description of the Property currently owned by the Developer and its Relevant Entities in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District (the "**Property**"), in substance and form similar to such information in the Official Statement for the 2023 Bonds.

B. Updated information regarding land development and home construction activities with regard to the Property described in the Official Statement for the 2023 Bonds or the Semi-Annual Report last filed in accordance with the Disclosure Certificate:

C. Status of building permits and any material changes to the description of land use or development entitlements with regard to the Property described in the Official Statement for the 2023 Bonds or the Semi-Annual Report last filed in accordance with the Disclosure Certificate:

D. Status of any land purchase contracts with regard to the Property, whether acquisition of land in Improvement Area B of the Community Facilities District by the Developer or sales of land to other developers (other than individual homeowners).

E. A statement as to whether or not the Developer and all of its Relevant Entities paid, prior to their becoming delinquent, all Special Taxes levied on the Property and if such Developer or any of such Relevant Entities is delinquent in the payment of such Special Taxes, a statement identifying each entity that is so delinquent, specifying the amount of each such delinquency and describing any plans to resolve such delinquency.

### II. Legal and Financial Status of Developer

Unless such information has previously been included or incorporated by reference in a Semi-Annual Report, describe any material change in the legal structure of the Developer or the financial condition and Financing Plan of the Developer that would materially and adversely interfere with its ability to complete its Development Plan with regard to the Property described in the Official Statement.

### III. Change in Development or Financing Plans

Unless such information has previously been included or incorporated by reference in a Semi-Annual Report, describe any Development Plans or Financing Plans relating to the Property that are materially different from the proposed development and Financing Plan described in the Official Statement or a more recent Semi-Annual Report.

### IV. Official Statement Updates

Unless such information has previously been included or incorporated by reference in a Semi-Annual Report, describe any other significant changes in the information relating to the Developer or the Property contained in the Official Statement under the heading "PROPERTY OWNERSHIP AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT" that would materially and adversely interfere with the Developer's ability to develop and sell the Property as described in the Official Statement.

## V. Other Material Information

In addition to any of the information expressly required above, provide such further information, if any, as may be necessary to make the specifically required statements, in the light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading.

### VI. Certification

The undersigned Developer hereby certifies that this Semi-Annual Report constitutes the Semi-Annual Report required to be furnished by the Developer under the Disclosure Certificate.

ANY OTHER STATEMENTS REGARDING THE DEVELOPER, THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTY, THE DEVELOPER'S FINANCING PLAN OR FINANCIAL CONDITION, OR THE 2023 BONDS, OTHER THAN STATEMENTS MADE BY THE DEVELOPER IN AN OFFICIAL RELEASE, OR FILED WITH THE MUNICIPAL SECURITIES RULEMAKING BOARD, ARE NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE DEVELOPER. THE DEVELOPER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACCURACY, COMPLETENESS OR FAIRNESS OF ANY SUCH UNAUTHORIZED STATEMENTS.

THE DEVELOPER HAS NO OBLIGATION TO UPDATE THIS SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OTHER THAN AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THE DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

DATED:\_\_\_\_\_

RICHMOND AMERICAN HOMES OF MARYLAND, INC., a Maryland corporation

By:\_\_\_\_\_

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Title:\_\_\_\_\_

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## **APPENDIX G**

Community	Phase	Tract	Lot	Price
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	1	36785-2	51	\$588,865
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	1	36785-2	52	584,865
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	1	36785-2	53	544,469
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	1	36785-2	54	560,270
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	2	36785-2	46	518,575
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	2	36785-2	47	532,381
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	2	36785-2	48	521,097
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	2	36785-2	49	547,685
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	2	36785-2	50	566,490
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	3	36785-2	36	601,221
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	3	36785-2	37	531,707
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	3	36785-2	44	561,832
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	3	36785-2	45	565,529
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	4	36785-2	38	534,900
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	4	36785-2	42	564,841
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	4	36785-2	43	521,163
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	5	36785-2	39	543,690
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	5	36785-2	40	566,772
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	5	36785-2	41	543,495
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	6	36785-2	26	580,847
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	6	36785-2	27	509,453
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	6	36785-2	28	554,934
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	6	36785-2	29	611,543
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	7	36785-2	18	576,507
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	7	36785-2	19	609,791
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	7	36785-2	20	587,646
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	7	36785-2	21	588,573
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	7	36785-2	22	532,831
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	8	36785-2	16	583,530
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	8	36785-2	17	534,195
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	8	36785-2	23	547,942
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	8	36785-2	24	550,000
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	8	36785-2	25	600,000
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	9	36785-2	12	632,801
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	9	36785-2	13	599,818
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	9	36785-2	14	595,271
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	9	36785-2	15	572,443
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	10	36785-2	11	535,059

## SALES PRICES OF HOMES CLOSED TO INDIVIDUAL HOMEOWNERS AS OF JANUARY 17, 2023

Community	Phase	Tract	Lot	Price
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	10	36785-2	8	\$589,123
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	10	36785-2	9	601,160
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	11	36785-2	1	590,398
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	11	36785-2	2	540,000
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	11	36785-2	3	572,319
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	11	36785-2	4	569,577
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	12	36785-2	5	560,000
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	12	36785-2	6	597,053
Seasons Ranch at Braverde	12	36785-2	7	598,572
Liberty at Braverde	1	36785-4	34	631,305
Liberty at Braverde	1	36785-4	35	618,397
Liberty at Braverde	1	36785-4	36	614,445
Liberty at Braverde	2	36785-4	37	607,657
Liberty at Braverde	2	36785-4	38	607,112
Liberty at Braverde	2	36785-4	56	675,825
Liberty at Braverde	2	36785-4	57	639,408
Liberty at Braverde	3	36785-4	22	660,593
Liberty at Braverde	3	36785-4	23	610,973
Liberty at Braverde	3	36785-4	24	643,129
Liberty at Braverde	3	36785-4	25	671,681
Liberty at Braverde	4	36785-4	20	728,392
Liberty at Braverde	4	36785-4	21	609,347
Liberty at Braverde	4	36785-4	26	659,543
Liberty at Braverde	4	36785-4	27	628,185
Liberty at Braverde	5	36785-4	18	613,066
Liberty at Braverde	5	36785-4	19	723,471
Liberty at Braverde	5	36785-4	28	622,915
Liberty at Braverde	5	36785-4	29	716,266
Liberty at Braverde	6	36785-4	30	645,394
Liberty at Braverde	6	36785-4	31	688,287
Liberty at Braverde	6	36785-4	32	600,775
Liberty at Braverde	6	36785-4	33	708,487
Liberty at Braverde	7	36785-4	1	643,120
Liberty at Braverde	7	36785-4	15	715,218
Liberty at Braverde	7	36785-4	16	650,320
Liberty at Braverde	7	36785-4	17	668,477
Liberty at Braverde	8	36785-4	13	592,114
Liberty at Braverde	8	36785-4	14	729,297
Liberty at Braverde	8	36785-4	2	655,397
Liberty at Braverde	8	36785-4	3	610,090
Liberty at Braverde	9	36785-4	11	620,016
Liberty at Braverde	9	36785-4	4	595,801

Community	Phase	Tract	Lot	Price
Liberty at Braverde	9	36785-4	5	\$630,440
Liberty at Braverde	9	36785-4	6	672,875
Liberty at Braverde	10	36785-4	10	740,552
Liberty at Braverde	10	36785-4	7	722,533
Liberty at Braverde	10	36785-4	8	671,384
Liberty at Braverde	10	36785-4	9	650,372
Liberty at Braverde	11	36785-5	15	691,791
Liberty at Braverde	11	36785-5	16	762,030
Liberty at Braverde	11	36785-5	17	645,042
Liberty at Braverde	11	36785-5	18	699,990
Liberty at Braverde	11	36785-5	19	779,355
Liberty at Braverde	12	36785-5	12	692,945
Liberty at Braverde	12	36785-5	13	668,000
Liberty at Braverde	12	36785-5	14	660,000
Liberty at Braverde	12	36785-5	20	639,000
Liberty at Braverde	12	36785-5	21	662,495
Liberty at Braverde	13	36785-5	10	675,410
Liberty at Braverde	13	36785-5	11	685,201
Liberty at Braverde	13	36785-5	22	686,730
Liberty at Braverde	14	36785-5	25	725,696
Liberty at Braverde	14	36785-5	8	777,498
Liberty at Braverde	14	36785-5	9	625,000
Liberty at Braverde	15	36785-5	26	658,620
Liberty at Braverde	15	36785-5	6	735,875
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	1	36785-1	20	648,139
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	1	36785-1	21	620,097
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	1	36785-1	22	575,481
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	1	36785-1	23	639,453
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	2	36785-1	16	619,689
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	2	36785-1	17	651,347
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	2	36785-1	18	575,209
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	2	36785-1	19	610,406
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	3	36785-1	12	571,485
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	3	36785-1	13	630,836
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	3	36785-1	14	580,574
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	3	36785-1	15	596,184
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	4	36785-1	10	638,440
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	4	36785-1	11	678,113
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	4	36785-1	9	665,647
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	5	36785-1	24	667,397
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	5	36785-1	25	571,778
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	5	36785-1	26	662,121

Community	Phase	Tract	Lot	Price
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	5	36785-1	27	\$678,804
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	5	36785-1	28	621,668
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	6	36785-1	35	649,346
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	6	36785-1	36	651,766
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	6	36785-1	37	704,381
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	6	36785-1	38	573,618
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	7	36785-1	32	629,814
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	7	36785-1	33	676,986
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	7	36785-1	34	670,193
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	7	36785-1	39	622,125
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	7	36785-1	40	595,115
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	7	36785-1	41	659,017
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	8	36785-1	29	695,822
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	8	36785-1	30	643,568
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	8	36785-1	31	610,000
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	8	36785-1	42	608,781
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	9	36785-1	47	645,934
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	9	36785-1	48	650,542
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	9	36785-1	49	648,939
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	9	36785-1	50	555,924
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	10	36785-1	45	622,403
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	10	36785-1	46	607,230
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	10	36785-1	52	583,188
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	11	36785-1	43	592,598
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	11	36785-1	44	650,640
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	11	36785-1	53	639,476
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	12	36785-3	25	627,812
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	12	36785-3	27	629,870
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	12	36785-3	28	600,395
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	13	36785-3	24	634,020
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	13	36785-3	29	590,558
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	13	36785-3	30	641,067
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	14	36785-3	21	611,241
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	14	36785-3	22	651,000
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	14	36785-3	31	661,723
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	14	36785-3	32	650,000
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	15	36785-3	15	664,561
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	16	36785-3	17	573,218
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	16	36785-3	18	700,686
Seasons Elevated at Braverde	16	36785-3	19	593,504



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