RESOLUTION ADOPTING BUDGET, APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND CERTIFYING MILL LEVIES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024

The Board of Directors of Castle Oaks Metropolitan District (the "**Board**"), Town of Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado (the "**District**"), held a regular meeting, via teleconference and at 1465 Autumn Sage Street, Castle Rock, Colorado on November 1, 2023, at the hour of 6:00 pm.

Prior to the meeting, each of the directors was notified of the date, time and place of the budget meeting and the purpose for which it was called and a notice of the meeting was posted or published in accordance with §29-1-106, C.R.S.

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NOTICE AS TO PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Colorado }
County of Douglas } ss

This Affidavit of Publication for the Douglas County News Press, a weekly newspaper, printed and published for the County of Douglas, State of Colorado, hereby certifies that the attached legal notice was published in said newspaper once in each week, for 1 successive week(s), the last of which publication was made 10/26/2023, and that copies of each number of said paper in which said Public Notice was published were delivered by carriers or transmitted by mail to each of the subscribers of said paper, according to their accustomed mode of business in this office.

For the Douglas County News-Press

State of Colorado }
County of Arapahoe } ss

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The above Affidavit and Certificate of Publication was subscribed and sworn to before me by the above named Linda Shapley, publisher of said newspaper, who is personally known to me to be the identical person in the above certificate on 10/26/2023. Linda Shapley has verified to me that she has adopted an electronic signature to function as her signature on this document.

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Carla Bethke Notary Public My commission ends April 11, 2026

CARLA BETHKE
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO
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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APRIL 11, 2026

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AMENDED 2023 BUDGET

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT (the "District"), will hold a public hearing at 1465 Autumn Sage St., Castle Rock, CO 80108 and via teleconference on November 1, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., to consider adoption of the District's proposed 2024 budget (the "Proposed Budget"), and, if necessary, adoption of an amendment to the 2023 budget (the "Amended Budget"). The public hearing may be joined using the following teleconference information:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89622512181?pwd=aFlidGdaSUQ4NDJnTjd3M0daRnJxQT09 Meeting ID: 896 2251 2181 Passcode: 832933 Call-in Number: +1-720-707-2699

The Proposed Budget and Amended Budget are available for inspection by the public at the offices of CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, 8390 East Crescent Parkway, Suite 300, Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Any interested elector of the District may file any objections to the Proposed Budget and Amended Budget at any time prior to the final adoption of the Proposed Budget or the Amended Budget by the Board.

The agenda for any meeting may be obtained at https://castleoaksmetrodistrict.com/ or by calling (303) 858-1800.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado

/s/ WHITE BEAR ANKELE TANAKA & WALDRON Attorneys at Law

Legal Notice No. 946183 First Publication: October 26, 2023 Last Publication: October 26, 2023 Publisher: Douglas County News-Press WHEREAS, the Board has designated its accountant to prepare and submit a proposed budget to the Board in accordance with Colorado law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget has been submitted to the Board for its review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, upon due and proper notice, provided in accordance with Colorado law, said proposed budget was open for inspection by the public at a designated place, a public hearing was held and interested electors were given the opportunity to register their protest to the proposed budget prior to the adoption of the budget by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Adoption of Budget</u>. The budget attached hereto and incorporated herein is approved and adopted as the budget of the District for fiscal year 2024. In the event of recertification of values by the County Assessor's Office after the date of adoption hereof, staff is hereby directed to modify and/or adjust the budget and certification to reflect the recertification without the need for additional Board authorization. Any such modification to the budget or certification as contemplated by this Section 1 shall be deemed ratified by the Board.

Section 2. <u>Levy for General Operating Expenses</u>. For the purpose of meeting all general operating expenses of the District during the 2024 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 3.000 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the District.

Section 3. <u>Levy for Debt Service Obligations</u>. For the purposes of meeting all debt service obligations of the District during the 2024 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 36.000 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the District.

Section 4. <u>Levy for Contractual Obligation Expenses</u>. For the purposes of meeting all contractual obligations of the District during the 2024 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 0.000 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the District.

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Section 5. <u>Levy for Capital Project Expenses</u>. For the purposes of meeting all capital project obligations of the District during the 2024 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 0.000 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation of assessment of all taxable property within the District.

Section 6. Mill Levy Adjustment. When developing the attached budget, consideration was given to any changes in the method of calculating assessed valuation, including any changes to the assessment ratios, or any constitutionally mandated tax credit, cut or abatement, as authorized in the District's service plan. The Board hereby determines in good faith (such determination to be binding and final), that to the extent possible, the adjustments to the mill levies made to account for changes in Colorado law described in the prior sentence, and the actual tax revenues generated by the mill levies, are neither diminished nor enhanced as a result of those changes.

Section 7. <u>Certification to County Commissioners</u>. The Board directs its legal counsel, manager, accountant or other designee to certify to the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County, Colorado the mill levies for the District as set forth herein. Such certification shall be in compliance with the requirements of Colorado law.

Section 8. <u>Appropriations</u>. The amounts set forth as expenditures in the budget attached hereto are hereby appropriated.

Section 9. <u>Filing of Budget and Budget Message</u>. The Board hereby directs its legal counsel, manager or other designee to file a certified copy of the adopted budget resolution, the budget and budget message with the Division of Local Government by January 30 of the ensuing year.

Section 10. <u>Budget Certification</u>. The budget shall be certified by a member of the District, or a person appointed by the District, and made a part of the public records of the District.

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ADOPTED NOVEMBER 1, 2023.

DISTRICT:

CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado

By: Chris Pratt (Nov 10, 2023 10:26 MST)

Officer of the District

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

WHITE BEAR ANKELE TANAKA & WALDRON

Attorneys at Law

General Counsel to the District

STATE OF COLORADO COUNTY OF DOUGLAS CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution constitutes a true and correct copy of the record of proceedings of the Board adopted by a majority of the Board at a District meeting held at 1465 Autumn Sage St., Castle Rock, Colorado and via teleconference on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, as recorded in the official record of the proceedings of the District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this $\underline{1}$ day of November, 2023.

Chris Pratt (Nov 10, 2023 10:26 MST)

Signature

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EXHIBIT A BUDGET DOCUMENT BUDGET MESSAGE

CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024

CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SUMMARY 2024 BUDGET

WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

		ACTUAL 2022	E	STIMATED 2023		BUDGET 2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	1,636,720	\$	2,164,575	\$	2,716,174
REVENUES						
Property taxes		1,572,511		1,527,300		1,629,590
Specific ownership taxes		139,058		140,416		146,663
Interest income		44,632		123,000		119,000
Total revenues		1,756,201		1,790,716		1,895,253
Total funds available		3,392,921		3,955,291		4,611,427
EXPENDITURES						
General Fund		45,392		56,060		85,000
Debt Service Fund		1,182,954		1,183,057		1,185,000
Total expenditures		1,228,346		1,239,117		1,270,000
Total expenditures and transfers out						
requiring appropriation		1,228,346		1,239,117		1,270,000
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	2,164,575	\$	2,716,174	\$	3,341,427
EMERGENCY RESERVE	φ	2 500	φ	2 000	φ	4 000
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS	\$	3,500 448,234	\$	3,900 520,698	\$	4,800 592,433
TOTAL RESERVE	\$	451,734	\$	524,598	\$	597,233

CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX SUMMARY INFORMATION 2024 BUDGET

WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

		ACTUAL	E:	STIMATED		BUDGET
		2022		2023		2024
ASSESSED VALUATION						
Residential	\$	31,806,520	\$	30,916,690	\$	41,278,870
State assessed	Ψ	4,700	Ψ	22,600	Ψ	22,400
Personal property		280,800		230,100		483,100
Certified Assessed Value	\$	32,092,020	\$	31,169,390	\$	41,784,370
MILL LEVY General		3.000		3.000		3.000
Debt Service		46.000		46.000		36.000
Total mill levy		49.000		49.000		39.000
PROPERTY TAXES General Debt Service	\$	96,276 1,476,233	\$	93,508 1,433,792	\$	125,353 1,504,237
Levied property taxes Adjustments to actual/rounding		1,572,509 2		1,527,300		1,629,590
Budgeted property taxes	\$	1,572,511	\$	1,527,300	\$	1,629,590
BUDGETED PROPERTY TAXES General Debt Service	\$	96,276 1,476,235 1,572,511	\$	93,508 1,433,792 1,527,300	\$	125,353 1,504,237 1,629,590

CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT GENERAL FUND 2024 BUDGET

WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

	ACTUAL ESTIMATED		E	BUDGET		
		2022		2023		2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	383,624	\$	451,734	\$	524,598
REVENUES						
Property taxes		96,276		93,508		125,353
Specific ownership taxes		8,514		8,416		11,282
Interest income		8,712		27,000		21,000
Total revenues		113,502		128,924		157,635
Total funds available		497,126		580,658		682,233
EXPENDITURES						
General and administrative						
Accounting		16,236		20,000		30,000
Auditing		5,700		6,300		7,000
County Treasurer's fee		1,445		1,403		1,880
Dues and membership		333		333		500
Election		3,298		3,110		-
Insurance		3,438		3,714		4,500
Legal		14,942		20,000		30,000
Miscellaneous		-		-		2,000
Website		-		1,200		1,200
Contingency		-		-		7,920
Total expenditures		45,392		56,060		85,000
Total expenditures and transfers out						
requiring appropriation		45,392		56,060		85,000
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	451,734	\$	524,598	\$	597,233
EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$	3,500	\$	3,900	\$	4,800
AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS	φ	448,234	ψ	520,698	φ	592,433
TOTAL RESERVE	\$	451,734	\$	524,598	\$	597,233
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CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE FUND 2024 BUDGET

WITH 2022 ACTUAL AND 2023 ESTIMATED For the Years Ended and Ending December 31,

	-	ACTUAL	E	STIMATED	BUDGET
		2022		2023	2024
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	\$	1,253,096	\$	1,712,841	\$ 2,191,576
REVENUES					
Property taxes		1,476,235		1,433,792	1,504,237
Specific ownership taxes		130,544		132,000	135,381
Interest income		35,920		96,000	98,000
Total revenues		1,642,699		1,661,792	1,737,618
Total funds available		2,895,795		3,374,633	3,929,194
EXPENDITURES					
Debt Service					
Bond interest		672,300		648,050	622,550
Bond Principal		485,000		510,000	535,000
County Treasurer's fee		22,154		21,507	22,564
Paying agent fees		3,500		3,500	3,500
Contingency		-		-	1,386
Total expenditures		1,182,954		1,183,057	1,185,000
Total expenditures and transfers out					
requiring appropriation		1,182,954		1,183,057	1,185,000
ENDING FUND BALANCES	\$	1,712,841	\$	2,191,576	\$ 2,744,194

Services Provided

The District, a quasi-municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, was organized by court order and decree of the District Court for the County of Douglas on January 2, 2001, and is governed pursuant to the provisions of the Colorado Special District Act (Title 32, Article 1, Colorado Revised Statutes). The District is located within the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado.

The District was established to provide financing for the operations and maintenance and design, acquisition, installation, construction, and completion of public improvements and services, including water, sanitation/storm sewer, streets, park and recreation, transportation, mosquito control, safety protection, television relay and translation, and security.

On November 7, 2000, District voters authorized the District to issue \$250,750,000 of general obligation bonds or other financial obligations for the infrastructure development, parks and recreation, performance of intergovernmental agreements, formation of a regional water authority, refinancing of district debt, and other uses. However, the District's Service Plan limits its general obligation debt to \$25,000,000.

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

The District prepares its budget on the modified accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the requirements of Colorado Revised Statutes C.R.S. 29-1-105 using its best estimates as of the date of the budget hearing. These estimates are based on expected conditions and its expected course of actions. The assumptions disclosed herein are those that the District believes are significant to the budget. There will usually be differences between the budget and actual results, because events and circumstances frequently do not occur as expected, and those differences may be material.

Revenues

Property Taxes

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

The calculation of the taxes levied is displayed on the Property Tax Summary page of the budget using the adopted mill levy imposed by the District.

Revenues (continued)

Property Taxes (continued)

For property tax collection year 2024, SB22-238 and SB23B-001 set the assessment rates and actual value reductions as follows:

Category	Rate	Category	Rate	Actual Value Reduction	Amount
Single-Family				Single-Family	\$55,000
Residential	6.70%	Agricultural Land	26.40%	Residential	
Multi-Family		Renewable		Multi-Family	\$55,000
Residential	6.70%	Energy Land	26.40%	Residential	
Commercial	27.90%	Vacant Land	27.90%	Commercial	\$30,000
		Personal		Industrial	\$30,000
Industrial	27.90%	Property	27.90%		
Lodging	27.90%	State Assessed	27.90%	Lodging	\$30,000
		Oil & Gas			
		Production	87.50%		

Specific Ownership Taxes

Specific ownership taxes are set by the State and collected by the County Treasurer, primarily on vehicle licensing within the County as a whole. The specific ownership taxes are allocated by the County Treasurer to all taxing entities within the County. The budget assumes that the District's share will be equal to approximately 9.0% of the property taxes collected.

Interest Income

Interest earned on the District's available funds has been estimated based on an average interest rate of, approximately 4.0%.

Expenditures

Administrative Expenditures

Administrative expenditures include the services necessary to maintain the administrative viability such as legal, accounting, insurance, and other administrative expenses of the District.

County Treasurer's Fees

County Treasurer's fees have been computed at 1.5% of property tax collections.

Debt Service

The principal and interest payments in 2024 are provided based on the debt amortization schedule from the General Obligation Limited Tax refunding Bonds, Series 2018 (discussed under Debts and Leases).

Debt and Leases

On October 24, 2018, the District refunded \$18,210,000 of Nontaxable Refunding Loan, Series 2015B by the issuance of \$16,415,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2018 (the "Bonds"). The proceeds were used for the purposes of: (i) advance refunding of the Nontaxable Refunding Loan, Series 2015B and (ii) paying the costs of issuance on the Bonds.

The Bonds are term bonds that bear interest at 5.00%, payable semi-annually On June 1 and December 1, 2018, beginning on December 1, 2018. The Bonds maturing on December 1, 2035 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the District, as a whole or in integral multiples of \$1,000, in any order of maturity and in whole or partial maturities, on December 1, 2028, and on any date thereafter, upon payment of par plus accrued interest, without redemption premium. Annual mandatory sinking fund principal payments are due on December 1 of each year beginning on December 1, 2018. The Bonds mature on December 1, 2040.

The Bonds are secured by and payable from the Pledged Revenue, consisting of the monies derived by the District from the following sources, net of any costs of collection: (i) the Required Mill Levy (an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds, but not in excess of 50.000 mills, as adjusted); (ii) the portion of the Specific Ownership Tax which is collected as a result of the imposition of the Required Mill Levy; and (iii) any other legally available monies which the District determines, in its absolute discretion, to credit to the Bond Fund.

Required Mill Levy means an ad valorem mill levy imposed upon all taxable property within the District each year in an amount sufficient, to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds as the same become due, but not in excess of 50.000 mills. These mill levies have been adjusted by the Board as a result of subsequent changes in the ratio of actual valuation to assessed valuation which have occurred since 2002.

The District has no operating or capital leases.

	Balance at			Balance at
	December 31,			December 31,
	2022	Additions	Reductions	2023
G.O Bonds - Series 2018	\$14,175,000	\$-	\$510,000	\$13,665,000
Bond Preimium - Series 2018	713,312		69,418	643,894
Total	\$14,888,312	\$-	\$579,418	\$14,308,894
	Balance at			Balance at
	December 31,		5	December 31,
	2023	Additions	Reductions	2024
G.O Bonds - Series 2018	\$13,665,000	\$-	\$535,000	\$13,130,000
Bond Preimium - Series 2018	643,894		66,686	577,208
Total	\$14,308,894	\$-	\$601,686	\$13,707,208

Reserve Funds

Emergency Reserve	Em	era	ency	Re	ser	ve
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The District has provided for an Emergency Reserve equal to at least 3% of the fiscal year spending for 2024, as defined under TABOR.

This information is an integral part of the accompanying budget.

CASTLE OAKS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS TO MATURITY **2024 BUDGET**

\$16,415,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Refunding Bonds

Bonds and Interest Maturing in the

Series 2018 Interest 5.00% Dated October 24, 2018

Interest Payable June 1 and December 1

Year Ending		Pr	incipal Payable December 1					
December 31,	F	rincipal		Interest		Total		
2024	\$	535,000	\$	622,550	\$	1,157,550		
2025		560,000		595,800		1,155,800		
2026		590,000		567,800		1,157,800		
2027		620,000		538,300		1,158,300		
2028		650,000		507,300		1,157,300		
2029		685,000		474,800		1,159,800		
2030		715,000		440,550		1,155,550		
2031		750,000		404,800		1,154,800		
2032		790,000		367,300		1,157,300		
2033		830,000		327,800		1,157,800		
2034		870,000		286,300		1,156,300		
2035		915,000		242,800		1,157,800		
2036		950,000		206,200		1,156,200		
2037		990,000		168,200		1,158,200		
2038		1,030,000		128,600		1,158,600		
2039		1,070,000		87,400		1,157,400		
2040		1,115,000		44,600		1,159,600		
	\$	13,665,000	\$	6,011,100	\$	19,676,100		